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#### **SUMMARY OF MARCH 2018 MONTHLY MEETING**

The March Monthly Meeting was held on Monday 12th March 2018 in OLH.

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TT: There was a major clear up at Bulloch Harbour due to the "Beast from the East" and a DLR truck removed the sacks filled there by DTT. Twenty one sacks of rubbish have already being collected from inside the wall at the viewing area on the Vico Road. DTT will be returning there to complete the task. Some householders will experience price changes for their green bin collection and these changes are due to occur in the month of April. (See page 21.

*Sport:* Dalkey Dashers commenced training 28th March and sessions will be every Wednesday evening at Loreto from 7pm-8pm.

*NW:* One of the five burglaries committed in the Dalkey area was a distraction crime. Garda Ailbhe warned that no-one should allow unknown callers entry to the house and always check ID if in doubt. Still remain alert for scam messages and calls on mobiles and never return the call. Let the call go to voicemail and check its authenticity there.

**Planning:** The second application for Bulloch Harbour was refused. A record number of observations were received by DLR. The decision may be appealed to ABP.

The next DCC Meeting is Monday 9th April 2018.

#### ❖ NEWS FROM DALKEY CASTLE & HERITAGE CENTRE UPDATE ❖

**Dalkey Castle and Enterprise Week:** Dalkey Castle played host to a Tourism and Information Networking evening as part of Enterprise Week in Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown on March 6th. Tourism businesses from all over the county attended.



**Strategy for tourism:** At the presentation, the long-awaited, Dun Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council Tourism Strategy and marketing plan was unveiled. This sets out a new vision for tourism development based on the results.

unveiled. This sets out a new vision for tourism development based on the promotion of three signature experiences in the county. They are:

- A Urban Splash: This concept seeks to build on the maritime possibilities presented by the destination by providing opportunities to spontaneously engage in activities on, in and beside the water. It will respond to the need for fun, lively, active adventures, easy to get to, with great food and views. A key aspect of this type of experience will be the opportunity for visitors to participate in the celebration of the maritime and in the events and festivals which will showcase this to best effect.
- B Between the lines: This strand is of particular interest to us in Dalkey Castle & Heritage Centre. "It speaks to the cultural heritage aspects—both its historic significance as well as its contemporary relevance. The literary landscape of the destination and its association with globally recognised figures is especially relevant here". This is something we have advanced in all our work here. Our Writers' Gallery, Literary Events, 'Maeve Binchy and Irish Writers Guided Walks', our Bloomsday Festival and Joycean Walk all came in for exemplary attention by the consultants. 'Between the Lines' also alludes to the musical heritage of the area.
- C Well Worth The Climb: This concept seeks to build on the opportunities that the landscape offers to reach new heights, get a clearer perspective, marvel at the panoramic view, enjoy the spectacle below and encounter the hidden aspects of the mountains and valleys.

Now, we look forward to the strategy being implemented, without delay.



'Let's Talk' the networking event for tourism product providers' Brenda McSweeney - Lady Catherine, Donal Kennedy - Pavilion Theatre, Kevin Leonard - Go Sailing and Catherine Byrne -Royal Marine Hotel.

Photo by Peter Cavanagh Photography

**Fáilte Ireland** brought a large media group to visit Dalkey Castle on Sunday March 18th. They were in Ireland as part of the St Patrick's Day Festival. They came from Japan, China, Italy, UK and US. Having taken the Living History tour at the Castle and the Guided Maeve Binchy and Irish Writers Walk, they lunched in Finnegans. They were thrilled with Dalkey and hopefully their articles in the international media, both print and on-line will bring visitors to Dalkey to boost the town's economy.

**DLR Council's "Spring into Heritage"** As part of the DLR Council's Spring Programme, there will be eight DLR council-sponsored free tours in Dalkey Castle, for locals on Sundays at 14.40.

This is a fully guided visit of Dalkey Castle (1390) and St. Begnet's Church & Graveyard (700AD). Costumed actors bring history to life as part of the guided tour. Visitors can browse the multilingual, interactive Heritage Centre. Here we have a wealth of historical information including the Pathé news footage covering the crowning of the King of Dalkey, Alderman Thomas Kelly on Dalkey Island in 1934. We look forward to welcoming you. Booking is essential, as numbers are limited.

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In February Ann Fitzpatrick, wildlife ranger with the National Parks and Wildlife Service who is based in Glendalough, gave a fascinating talk to a BirdWatch Ireland meeting about the research being conducted on peregrine falcons in Ireland and specifically her work, colour ringing peregrine chicks. Traditional ringing of birds is with a small metal band which is placed on chicks in nests or birds caught in mist nets. These rings have a reference number specifically assigned to that individual but any information subsequently obtained about that bird depends on the ring being read after



Peregrine's nostrils have an adaptation so they can breathe when diving at speeds of over 200 mph. As air rushes past the nostrils, the flow is broken up and slowed by rods and fins which enable the falcon to breathe normally. From studies of the falcon's nostril, engineers fashioned a metallic cone in the opening of the jet engine. They found that air then entered and fed the engine as required for flight.

Photo: Michael Ryan

the bird has been trapped or its corpse being found whereas colour bands on birds can be identified from a distance through binoculars, telescope or camera.

Ann and her volunteer companions' survey dozens of peregrine nests in Wicklow and



Juvenile peregrine, even at a few weeks old the talons are already enormous. Photo: Michael Ryan

Wexford ringing chicks on their nests, often climbing to the nests in very precarious locations in quarries, cliffs, old towers or ruins. Some peregrines actually nest in working quarries oblivious to the noise, men and machinery nearby although Ann observed if anyone came into the quarry after normal working had stopped when the area would normally be deserted, the peregrines would be much more hostile and apprehensive to their presence.

Recently they have been positioning automatic recording cameras near nest sites which provide reams of information and some wonderful photographs such as one of a female peregrine bringing in a bat to feed her solitary chick, apparently one of many bats that bird had developed a strategy of catching at dusk.



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One of the peregrines they monitor regularly hatches five chicks which is almost unprecedented. Incidentally the female peregrine which died of natural causes while nesting in Dalkey Quarry in 2016, was one of the biggest and heaviest individuals they'd came across, weighing 1.2kg - what Ann described as 'a super bird'.

Although doing well in general with a substantially increased population after a near fatal decline during the middle of the last century, peregrines are still subject to illegal persecution by shooting and poisoning.

It was Ann who climbed down and ringed the peregrines in Dalkey Quarry in 2014 before somebody tried to kill them by lowering down two racing pigeons covered in poison. They all survived that time but three of those four chicks that fledged that year are now known to be dead, a very sad statistic but a fact that only became known since their origins could be traced back by the rings.

Peregrines make very rudimentary nests scraping out earth or gravel to lay their eggs on without collecting any nesting material but they will sometimes occupy raven's nests. Ravens nests are very elaborate, substantial structures. According to Ann 'they are just so beautiful - lined with deer hair/wool/horse hair...unfortunately a lot of bailing twine also' and she said 'you could climb in to one to have a snooze'. Because of their similar preferences for nest sites they often become very inharmonious neighbours.

There's a fascinating book about ravens recently published, *A Shadow Above* by Joe Shute which documents the ravens history in Britain, once being held in high esteem and having great significance in folklore and ancient religious beliefs. Ancient tombs have been found to contain bodies of ravens buried with people of high standing, the ravens thought to be seen as guides in the afterlife. Later though for a number of reasons the ravens were mercilessly persecuted and disappeared from much of their range but, like peregrines, are now returning in promising numbers which the writer documents, the book's sub title being

The Fall and Rise of the Raven.

Shute isn't a naturalist or scientist but a journalist, formerly a crime reporter in Yorkshire, with an obvious high regard for these birds and as well as searching out individual raven's nest sites he meets many people who share his affection for them. Many people who have kept tame ravens don't consider them as pets but, in testament to their obvious intelligence, individual personalities and their ability to mimic human speech regard them as companions and their affection for them is frequently touching. There's lots of amusing anecdotes about them as well such as the chap who had a bird rescue centre which included a number of ravens kept in individual aviaries. One raven stole the bunch of keys for the bird's cages and managed to take all the individual keys off the chain and hide them. The centre manager had to saw through all the locks to remove them while the raven would return a single key every subsequent day.



Raven's nest, lined with deer hair, wool and horse hair.

Ravens are members of the crow family but are accorded the honorary status of being included in species studied by the Irish Raptor Group and Ann Fitzpatrick rings many of their chicks as well.



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#### **Grandparents' Day**

Last month, 4th class celebrated Grandparents' Day as part of Catholic Schools Week. We spent a lot of time preparing for the occasion.

When the day finally arrived, we were all so excited. The grandparents gathered in the school hall for tea, coffee and a chat. During the prayer service, we sang hymns, read prayers and readings.

After the prayer service, three girls performed Irish dancing and a selection of girls read out the poems which we had composed about our grandparents, telling them what they meant to us. All the rest of our poems were displayed on the walls. We also displayed photographs of our grandparents when they were young, which was very interesting. At the end of our celebration, we got to talk to our grandparents and some people went home with their grandparents afterwards. We all enjoyed having the opportunity to do something special for our grandparents.



4th class student Arabella Lyster enjoying Grand Parents Day with her grandmother Eileen Duignan

Anna Barry, Arabella Lyster and Julia Galvin 4th class

#### DALKEY SCHOOL PROJECT NATIONAL SCHOOL

# Update from Junior Infants and 1st class We have been very busy this month

We have been predicting the weather forecast in the Weather station and making beautiful rainbows and kites!
We had a very special visit from Ann and Laura, who spoke to us about the very special job a nurse does. We learned so much and had such fun trying on bandages and putting on plasters and giving injections to our teddies! We are all ready to go in 'The Hospital' Role-

Play area now!



A visit from nurses Ann and Laura



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### **New Swim Term**

Introducing our all new Spring Swim Term. Academy Lessons will commence on the 8th of May and will run until the 1st of July. New swimmers can register for lessons on the 30th April in our Swim Office. For more information regarding our Swim Term and pricing please check the Castle Park School website.

### Summer Multi Activity Camp

Summer camp bookings will open in May. At our Multi Activity Camp, children aged 4 - 12 years will enjoy a wide variety of sporting activities, games and art & crafts. There is also a fun swim daily. The camp is fully catered by our onsite chef with children getting a healthy break, a hot nutritious lunch and a dessert each day. The camp day starts at 9:30am and finishes at 3pm. Extended day-care options are available at an additional

### **Summer Swim Intensive Camp**

Swim Intensive Camps are focused weeks aimed at improving swimming ability, confidence and stroke technique. The Camps are an ideal way to keep your child swimming throughout the holidays and are suited to all ages (from 4 upwards) and abilities. Camp times are from 3.15 – 4.00pm Monday – Friday.



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Margaret came in to teach us all about birds. We listened to a folktale from Russia. It was about a firebird. We made a collage of it. The music was from a ballet composed by Igor Stravinsky. It was fun. We learned about lots of birds including swans, blue tit, great tit, robins & magpies. It was really fun. We went on a nature walk in Sallyglen too.

For Chinese New Year we made Chinese lanterns. This year is the year of the dog. When Dalkey School Project started it was the year of the horse.

By 1st Class



Images courtesy of Dalkey School Project National School

#### NEWS FROM HAROLD BOYS' N.S.





#### **CHARITY SWIM**

Image: HBNS

On Thursday the 22nd of February we did a charity swim in Castle Park to raise funds and awareness for the Irish Cancer Society. 18 boys took part. We left at 12:40. We started walking to Castle Park accompanied by parents, Orlagh Webb and Susannagh Grogan and staff Bríd Mossop and Patricia O'Neill. We got dressed and then went out to the pool. We got sorted into groups of four or five. We had a timer set. We had four people to count the laps and make sure we were completing our lengths. Most people took breaks every once in a while to get their breath back. In the end we managed to swim 651, over 16km lengths with a class average of 36 lengths per boy. So far we have raised € 500, but the money is still coming in. We look forward to seeing what the total is! We were all very proud of our efforts, especially as it is for such a good cause.

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Last month we held our annual fundraiser for the Caroline Foundation and the whole school was involved in raising money for the charity. Most of the action took place in our swimming pool, where the children participated in a Swimathon. Each class swam lengths of the pool during their swimming lesson and received sponsorship for their efforts. In total the children managed to swim an amazing 5,486 lengths.

While the older children were busy in the swimming pool our youngest children took part in a sponsored Walkathonaround the School Grounds. They were very excited to take part and returned to class full of stories about their adventures.

Both of these events proved to be very successful and in the next few weeks Dr. Helen O'Sullivan, co-founder of the charity, will visit the School to collect the monies raised and speak to the children about the work that The Caroline Foundation is involved with.

The Caroline Foundation was established in memory of Caroline Dwyer-Hickey who passed away on 25th March 2013, aged 35, after a nine-year battle with cancer. Having benefited from clinical trials in both Ireland and the US, Caroline was a public advocate for cancer research, firmly believing that research will one day find a cure. She was a pioneer of cancer research in that she was the first in Ireland to participate in trials through the Cancer Clinical Research Trust (CCRT). The mission and purpose of The Caroline Foundation is to raise money to fully fund an additional scientific researcher on the CCRT team. For more information please visit www.thecarolinefoundation.com







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Coliemore Harbour was also pounded with enormous seas. Two boats, a clinkered wooden skiff and a fibre glass work boat, which were secured high up on the slipway as usual, were ripped from their ropes and destroyed in the Harbour.

These photos were taken at Bulloch Harbour at High Tide on March 2nd and also at Coliemore Harbour on the same day.

\*\*Des Burke Kennedy\*\*







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Rather than focus on our events this month I thought I would highlight some of the online services offered to library members. These can all be accessed via our website **libraries.dlrcoco.ie**; just click on the 'Online Services' tab. Most of us are now

using smart phones and tablets so your library is always on hand.

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#### GRAFFITI TAGS REMOVED IN DALKEY FOUR YEAR PROJECT

MONTH	TAGS	TAGS	TAGS	TAGS
	REMOVED	REMOVED	REMOVED	REMOVED
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January	85	88	18	28
February	56	63	20	15
March	34	45	28	27
April	137	33	6	34
May	129	61	6	29
June	166	78	30	36
July	73	69	5	17
August	316	83	4	29
September	61	46	1	23
October	149	93	12	82
November	157	94	28	40
December	139	24	11	64
TOTALS	1502	777	169	424

Des Burke-Kennedy

#### Aibreán (April)

April: Possibly named for Aphrodite, the Greek goddess of love or from the Latin verb meaning 'to open' or the Greek word meaning 'the opening'. The Greeks called the season of Spring 'the opening'.



Winter's done, and April's in the skies, Earth, look up with laughter in your eyes! Charles G.D. Roberts – 'An April Adoration' 1896

Daisy Sweetpea



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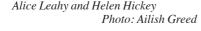
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This year on the 14th February the Dalkey Combined Churches held their annual fundraiser "Ash Wednesday Soup Lunch".

This social event was extremely successful. The money raised €2,054.15 was donated to the Alice Leahy Trust. The Dalkey Combined Churches committee would like to thank all the people who attended, to all volunteers, volunteers who made soup, generous donations and the staff of Our Lady's Hall.

Ailsh Greed & Mary McGee

#### **\*** WASTE RECYCLING SITUATION

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As a result of China cutting back on the amount – any type – of waste it will accept for processing from abroad, serious restrictions have been imposed on residents of Ireland in an effort to comply with these new Chinese requirements. The end result is that we will all have to sort our recyclables in more detail in future. This will also result in a charge being levied by the waste companies. For example, here is an extract from a statement by Panda Waste:

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Further information at: http://recyclinglistireland.ie/





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#### A MIGRANT VISITOR

I am a Red-Wing, a type of thrush. If when I happen on your garden and you manage to get close enough to me to have a conversation you will notice that I speak or twitter with a Norwegian accent. There are a lot of us about at present due to the inclement weather across Europe. We seem to have caused some excitement here in Ireland as we have noticed house holders observing us through

binoculars and consulting 'Bird Books' so giving us a V.I.P. status we are not accustomed to. I understand from my cousin the Mistle-Thrush, that I must have overshot my usual holiday destination at this time of year, the United Kingdom. It was covered in a thick white blanket of snow and goodness knows I'd left quite enough of that behind me in Norway.

Things aren't a great deal better here but my cousin informs me that a thaw is in the offing and that the natives are, in general, generous and caring. I have found that if you are on

your toes or claws you can take advantage of a bowl of warm water for a quick dip even if it is only a lick and a promise and joy of joys a nibble at half a sweet apple to build up one's sugar supplies.

However, you need to be on your guard with eyes at the back of your head to watch out for feline fiends. These sneaky creatures will take advantage of your weakened state after your marathon journey and pounce at any opportunity. I frequently offer up a little prayer of thankfulness to those decent people who place a collar and bell on their darling moggies. I think I hear that tell-tale tinkle now so must be off. Thanks so much for the Céad Míle Fáilte, I'll be

Suzanne Hayes

back!



#### PLANNING APPLICATIONS – Weeks 7-10 12/2/2018 to 9/3/2018

The material in the Planning Section of the Newsletter is based entirely on data taken from Dun Laoghaire Rathdown County Council's website. If you are concerned about a particular item it is strongly recommended that you examine the relevant file in the Council's offices.

Due to variation in the publication dates by Dun Laoghaire Rathdown County Council, please note that the deadline for planning observations/objections may have lapsed when it is read in the Dalkey Newsletter.

**Reg. Ref.:** D18A/0131 **Application Rec'd Date:** 13-Feb-2018

**Application Name & Location:** Charles & Sheenagh Chapman, Riva, 32, Coliemore Rd, Dalkey.

**Proposal:** Permission for development at this site. The development will consist of construction of the following to the existing 2-storey, mid-terraced dwelling house with front and rear gardens: 1) demolition of the existing (25m2) 2-storey monopitched roofed side (north) extension with ground floor walk-in closet and ensuite bathroom and lower ground floor utility room and coal bunker; 2) construction of a 2-storey (27m2) monopitched roofed and a 3-storey (35m2) hipped, pitched roofed extension to side (north) and rear (east) respectively with; a) ground floor walk-in-closet to the front (west), ensuite bathroom to rear and extended master bedroom with bay window to rear; b) lower ground floor bin store to front, extended utility room to rear and extended dining area with bay window to rear; c) a single-storey semi-basement storage areas extending under existing upper terrace in rear garden; 3) replacement of existing 2-storey curved bay window (to existing rear ground floor living room and lower ground floor bedroom) with a rectangular plan 2-storey bay window and associated modifications to roof; 4) new secondary front (north facing) entrance and door at ground floor level from Coliemore Road; 5) installation of rooflight to central valley of existing main roof; 6) replacement of existing rear timber windows and door with "aluclad" or similar metal finish windows and doors; 7) extensive internal alterations and refurbishment; ) associated site works including site drainage and relocation of steps from rear garden to upper terrace.

**Reg. Ref.:** D18A/0135 **Application Rec'd Date:** 15-Feb-2018

**Application Name & Location:** Frank & Maura Duggan, St. Anne's, 66, Coliemore Road, Dalkey. A96 P899.

**Proposal:** Permission is sought for the demolition of the existing single storey coach house (with mezzanine), single storey boiler enclosure at rear of the main house and the two storey extension at the side/rear of the main house; the construction of a part single, part two storey extension to the side and rear of the main house and the part single, part two storey annex adjacent to the south and west boundaries. Works will also include new window opening at first floor to side / north-west elevation, enlarged window at first floor to rear / south-west elevation, new rooflights and all associated roof, site, drainage and landscaping works.

Reg. Ref.: D18B/0071 Application Rec'd Date: 13-Feb-2018

Application Name & Location: C Sibley, Deja Vu, Torca Road, Dalkey.

**Proposal:** Permission is sought for a two storey residential extension of 78.5m2 to existing two storey house of 125m2, to include replacement of part of existing roof with a new profile, replacement of 2 existing windows in east elevation with 1 new window, external terrace at upper site level, modifications of existing house and associated works.

**Reg. Ref.:** D18A/0183 **Application Rec'd Date:** 28-Feb-2018

**Application Name & Location:** Gwen & Richard Porter, Rear of 59B Castle Street, Dalkey, Co Dublin A96 P997 (within an Architectural Conservation Area (ACA)

**Proposal:** Permission for the demolition of an existing sub-standard ground and first extension and shed and the construction of a ground and first floor extension. In ACA.

Reg. Ref.: D18B/0090 Application Rec'd Date: 27-Feb-2018

**Application Name & Location:** Deirdre Bonus & Conor Whelan, Sabi, Saval Park Road, Dalkey. A96 WR60.

**Proposal:** Permission for alterations to existing 2 storey dormer dwelling to include demolition of existing rear boiler room (4.8 sqm), proposed new rear ground floor extension (10.2 sqm), new first floor extensions to dormers to front and rear (31.9 sqm), reforming existing and new exterior window/door openings, new external façade materials, general internal reconfiguration including new stairs, 4 bedrooms with bathrooms and ensuites, home office, kitchen and family room and all associated site works.

**Reg. Ref.:** D18A/0194 **Application Rec'd Date:** 6-Mar-2018

Application Name & Location: Chris & Diane Davison, 'Aelagh', Rockfort Ave. Dalkey. Proposal: Permission sought for refurbishment, alterations and extension to existing two-storey detached period mews dwelling, including the demolition of an existing single storey kitchen extension and the construction of a new 2 sqm single storey entrance porch extension and dormer window to the front (south west) elevation, the reconfiguring of two existing flat roof dormers to the rear (north east) elevation, alterations to existing windows/opes on the front (south west) and the side (north west) elevations, the removal of existing windows on the side (south east) elevation, the removal of existing dry dash/pebbledash renders and re-rendering with coursed lime plaster, the replacement of fibre cement slates with Blue Bangor natural slates and general alterations to internal layout. Permission is also sought to demolish and replace an existing 1970,s glasshouse with a smaller single storey glasshouse/potting shed and to replace the top concrete portion of the adjoining wall with a lime mortar pointed granite wall to match the original.

#### PLANNING DECISIONS FOR Wks 7-10 2018 12/2/18 to 9/3/2018

**Reg. Ref.:** D18A/0107 **Decision:** Declare Applic. Invalid **Date:** 12-Feb-2018 **Application Name & Location:** Gwen Porter & Richard Porter, Rear of 59B Castle Street, Dalkey. A96 P997 (within an Architectural Conservation Area (ACA.

**Proposal:** Permission for a ground and first floor extension.

**Reg. Ref.:** D17A/1129 **Decision:** Request Add. Information **Date:** 22-Feb-2018 **Application Name & Location:** Thomas Kelly, 10, Corrig Road, Dalkey.

**Proposal:** Permission is sought for a development consisting of the demolition of the existing single storey dwelling and the construction of a 3 bedroom, detached, dormer dwelling along with all associated site development and engineering, landscaping and boundary treatment works.

**Reg. Ref.:** D17A/1130 **Decision:** Grant Permission **Date:** 20-Feb-2018 **Application Name & Location:** Crohan O'Shea & Teresa O'Toole, Fairmile, 17,

Castlepark Road, Dalkey.

**Proposal:** Permission is sought to widen existing entrance and install new gate and to replace existing dilapidated boundary fence along Hyde Road with a dashed masonry wall to match the wall opposite.

**Reg. Ref.:** D17A/1135 **Decision:** Refuse Permission **Date:** 22-Feb-2018 **Application Name & Location:** Bartra Property (Dublin) Ltd. Former Western Marine Building, Bullock Harbour, Dalkey. A96 X6W2.

**Proposal:** Permission is sought for the demolition and clearance of the existing industrial single storey warehouse and sheds (1210 sqm) and the development of a mixed-use marine commercial, leisure/community and residential based development. The proposal is for the construction of: 1) A craft boat building workshop / craft boat storage facility (416 sqm), 2) A single storey building incorporating relocated marine leisure unit (10 sqm), relocated marine commercial unit (10 sqm) and community water sports changing facility (42 sqm). 3) A three storey building incorporating a café (108 sqm), apartment entrance hall (44 sqm) and apartment car parking (2 spaces, 40 sqm) at ground floor level, a two bed apartment (160 sqm) with associated balcony at first floor level and a two bed apartment (160 sqm) with associated balconies at second floor level. 4) A single storey re-located seafood sales outlet (26 sqm). 5) 4 no. fisherman's huts, (total area 18 sqm). 6) A new public square fronting on to the harbour (20m wide x 9m deep). 7) 3 no. three storey detached houses (each 412 sqm) each with roof terraces, and off street covered parking for 2 cars. 8) The existing south-western vehicular access from Bullock Harbour will be maintained and upgraded creating a two-way roadway and shared footpath affording access to the proposed dwellings to the rear of the development. 9) 5 no. visitor car parking spaces to the rear of the site. 10) The existing boundary wall will be maintained and repaired with natural coursed granite stone. 11) The development will also include piped infrastructure and ducting; changes in level; site landscaping and all associated site development and excavation works above and below ground.

**Reg. Ref.:** D18A/0011 **Decision:** Grant Permission **Date:** 28-Feb-2018 **Application Name & Location:** Laurence & Kathy Endersen, 3 Castle Close, Sandycove. **Proposal:** Permission for; removal of existing shed to side (18.2 sqm); construction of new single storey porch to front (7.5 sqm); construction of new single storey extension to rear (20.5 sqm); construction of new shed (7 sqm) and bicycle shelter (4.3 sqm) to side; conversion of single storey garage to side to living accommodation (26 sqm); modifications to ground floor layout; provision of new roof light to front façade; modifications to all façades, installation of external insulation, replacement of fenestration; replacement of entrance gates and widening of opening; all associated ancillary, landscaping and site development works.

**Reg. Ref.:** D18A/0031 **Decision:** Request Add. Info. **Date:** 6-Mar-2018 **Application Name & Location:** David & Rachel Shanley, 5 Dalkey Avenue, Dalkey.

**Proposal:** Permission for demolition of 3 no. garden sheds, construction of a single storey extension to the rear and side of the existing house, garden store, alterations to the street façade. including windows, entrance door and vehicular gates, internal alterations, 4 no. roof lights and associated site works.

**Reg. Ref.:** D18A/0027 **Decision:** Refuse Permission **Date:** 7-Mar-2018 **Application Name & Location:** David & Evelyn Coulson, Site to side of Shamrock Lodge, Barnhill Avenue, Dalkey.

**Proposal:** Permission for a new two storey three bedroom detached dwelling with single storey return to rear, new 2 metre high boundary wall between proposed new site and existing dwelling, new vehicular entrance to serve existing dwelling, including new gate and piers and alterations to existing front boundary wall and all other associated site works. **Reg. Ref.:** D18A/0023 **Decision:** Refuse Permission **Date:** 7-Mar-2018

Application Name & Location: Sean Haughton, Site to the rear of 43 Barnhill Rd., Dalkey. Proposal: Permission for the construction of a 133.5 sqm one-and-a-half storey pitched roofed dwelling house. The dwelling is to have 2.7m wide vehicular access off the adjacent public car park. The site is to have revised site boundary treatment of 2m high timber fence panels to all four sides and landscaped surface. The location of the existing surface water storm drain is to be re-routed within the site.

#### Appeals Notified by An Bord Pleanála Wks. 7-10 '18, 12/2/'18 to 9/3/'18

Location: The Studio, Bartra Cove, Harbour Road, Dalkey.

**Development:** Permission for variations to existing Grant of Permission (Reg. Ref. D15A/0656). Permission granted involved demolition of existing 3 storey dwelling and construction of a new replacement 3 storey dwelling. The proposed amendments include, reduction in overall floor area, alterations to façades at all levels, omission of east facing terrace at first floor level, alterations to extent of south facing terrace and provision of garage. **Council Decision:** Grant Permission. **Appeal Lodged:** 12-Feb-2018

Nature of Appeal: Appeal against Grant of Permission, Type of Appeal: 3rd Party Appeal.

#### Appeal Decisions of An Bord Pleanála Wks. 7-10 '18 5/2/'18 to 2/3/'18

**Reg. Ref.: D17A/0394 Appeal Decision:** Grant Permission **Appeal Decided:** 9-Feb-2018. **Council's Decision:** Grant Permission

Location: 3 Saval Park, Saval Park Road, Dalkey.

**Proposed Development:** Permission for dwelling house with associated parking, drainage, water connection, landscaping and ancillary works. Planning permission is also sought to include the area of the Carer's Accommodation granted under Planning Ref. No. D15A/0429. **Applicant:** Siobhan Smyth

Reg. Ref.: D17A/0525 Appeal Decision: Grant Permission

New Determination Date Due: 7-Mar-2018. Appeal Decided: 8-Feb-2018 Council's Decision: Grant Permission. Location: 2, Ard Mhuire Park, Killiney.

**Proposed Development:** Permission is sought for the demolition of existing two storey detached dwelling and single-storey garage; construction of 3 no. 3-storey dwellings, (1 no. detached and 2 no. semi-detached, 194sq.m each) with setback first-floor and set back second-floor including rooflights on each dwelling; relocation and alteration of existing vehicular entrance and two new vehicular entrances and on-site parking for two cars at each house, new boundary treatment, landscaping, ancillary works and associated works necessary to facilitate the development. **Applicant:** Vincent Finnegan.

**Reg. Ref.:** D17A/0360 **Appeal Decision:** Grant Permission

Appeal Decided: 16-Feb-2018. Council's Decision: Grant Permission

Location: Ebeneezer, Sorrento Road, Dalkey.

**Proposed Development:** Planning permission for demolition of existing garage at ground floor to side and to construct 2 storey extension to side incorporating wc and family room at ground floor and 2 bedrooms at 1st floor also widening of existing vehicular entrance to front by 750 mm. **Applicant:** Muireann McDonnell and Risteard Sheridan.

#### **SNOW**

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Beautiful, mysterious even dangerous It woos us to lower our guard Guilty of distortion and camouflage It causes a loss of inhibitions Forgetting what might lie beneath Thin ice

Suzanne Hayes – January 2010

DARA WRITERS' GROUP

#### LETTER TO THE EDITOR





Dun Laoghaire Corporation, Planning and Development Dept.

11th February 1980

#### Planning Application 442/87

Dear Sirs.

I am writing to say how upset I am to learn that you have granted Our Lady's Manor permission for the demolition of the historic house adjoining, and all I can say is that you have a lot to answer for.

Surely it is your duty as public representatives to ensure that the natural amenities are preserved, the present building blends in with the Castle and to have this house demolished and replaced by a box is a crying shame.

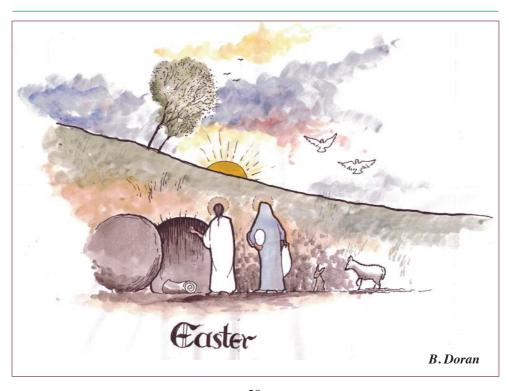
If the staff of Our Lady's Manor need more luxurious quarters, surely the interior of the present house could be modernised and the exterior left as it is (as was done with some of the Georgian houses in Dublin).

I hope that An Bord Planála will have the sense to override your decision, if not, when next you are at and look up at Our Lady's Manor at the boxes I hope you will feel suitably ashamed.

I would like you to know that I am not a newcomer to the area but was born and raised at Bullock as was my father before me.

Yours Sincerely

Susan Homan









#### FURTHER EVENTS THROUGH THE MONTH

**Community First Responders** – Volunteers needed for Dalkey First Responders (CFR). Training is given. Please contact: info@dalkeycfr.ie

**Dalkey Ukulele Klub** Tuesdays 8-10pm upstairs at The Club. Free Ukulele Jamming session. All are very welcome. Call Debbie 087-2350726 for more information.

#### **Nature Notes April 2018**

All talks take place at 20.00 hours in The Killiney Room of the Graduate Bar, Rochestown Avenue. All 10.30 start outings are approximately of 2 hours duration. Contact person is Eleanor Keane 087 6446029 elekeane@gmail.com www.southdublinbirds.com

*Indoor Meeting* – Tuesday 3rd April: *Dublin Bay: Nature and History.* By Richard Nairn *Outdoor Meeting* – Sunday 8th April: Visit to Howth and Balscaddon Bay area. Meet at 09:00 hours in car park by East Pier.

**U3A** (**University of the Third Age**) Dún Laoghaire Dalkey Killiney. U3A meets every Tuesday at 10.30 am in The Pastoral Centre, St Josephs Church, Glasthule. Website for full program: u3adldk.ie



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#### NEWS FROM CHURCH OF THE ASSUMPTION





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'If April showers should come your way, they bring the flowers that bloom in May'.

Buddy de Sylva.

Can we truly live out our faith and put our trust in God each day knowing that He has our highest interest at heart and knows what's best for us each day? Pope Francis recently said 'nothing is impossible if we turn to God in prayer. We can all be builders of peace in our lives'. As we approach our celebration of the resurrection of the Lord on Easter Sunday let us also celebrate our spiritual awakening and rebirth every day of our lives.

It has been a while since we have had an update on parish activities and that is simply because we have been very busy for the past few months. Whilst popular opinion in Ireland seems to suggest that Church is in decline we are in fact seeing the opposite. Our church has never been busier thank God. This is in part due to the fact that we are positioned on a busy street in the centre of the town and so get lots of callers throughout the day, popping in to pray, set intentions, visit Jesus during Adoration, attend Mass, light candles, ask for help or simply just to chat. Whatever the reason we welcome all callers from near or far. Our webcam broadcasts Mass and other services live every day and we are blessed to be able to share these with viewers across the world. Recent web stats recorded 7,500 views in the last month. It is wonderful to see our community come together both in the Church on Castle St and across the world.

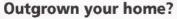
We, along with our wonderful neighbours in St Patricks Church on Harbour rd., have developed a friendship with a group of migrants currently staying at Mosney direct provision centre and had a great day before Christmas when we were able to welcome them to Dalkey. This relationship is continuing and if you would like to help and feel that you can, please let us know.

Our various ministry teams are continuing their great work and once again if you would like to volunteer some time, please let us know what you would like to do. There is a full list of parish groups and ministries on the church notice board so check that out if you would like to get involved.

We also have a new vision group examining the long term future of our parish and asking questions such as 'What is the role of parish in an ever changing world?' Who is parish? What are the needs of our parish in Dalkey and how do we begin to address these? We are also in the process of looking at the structural needs in the parish of the future and what we will need to do to support these needs.

Amoris – Let's talk family, let's be Family! – Dublin, Ireland, has been chosen by Pope Francis to host the next World Meeting of Families from 21-26 Aug. 2018, guided by the theme "The Gospel of the Family: Joy for the World". Held every 3 years, this major international event brings together families from across the world to celebrate, pray and reflect upon the central importance of marriage and the family as the cornerstone of our lives, of society and of the Church. The event will include the National opening on 21st August which will take place simultaneously in all the different dioceses of Ireland, a 3 day congress on 22 – 24th Aug. including keynote speakers, workshops, talks, testimonies and discussions; an engaging and exciting programme for young people as well as fun activities for children, a Festival of Families on 25th Aug.; a concert style event and a closing with a Eucharistic celebration on 26th Aug. which will gather thousands of people from Ireland and all over the world. The main events of the WMOF2018 will take place in Dublin, at a large conference venue as well as in other venues in and around the city. There are many job opportunities across various roles inc. volunteering. More details are available on www.worldmeeting2018.ie/jobs.







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A programme of 'Parish Conversations' in preparation for the World Meeting of Families in August 2018 was held in Our Lady' s Hall at 7.30pm in March and resulted in many stimulating discussions about the rôle of the Family in today's world.

At the beginning of this month we welcome six young people to our parish from The USA. They are coming to Ireland because of the vision and generosity of a wonderful organisation known as NET (National Evangelising Team) and will work in Dalkey, Glasthule and Monkstown parishes. They have been working in different parts of Ireland since last Autumn and visit schools and parishes helping to communicate the Good News of the Gospel in a challenging world. Naturally, as young adults themselves, they have a 'kindred spirit' with the young generation. However, they will also take part in parish activities involving all ages. If you would like to find out more check out our website or weekly parish bulletin.

**Parish Supports** – Our Parish Playgroup for parents with toddlers and babies meets every Monday morning 10.30-12.00 (except school holidays) in the Youth Hall behind Our Lady's Hall. This is an opportunity for mums and dads to get together to have a cuppa and a chat, while the kiddies play.

The Bereavement Counselling Service, which is non-denominational, offers confidential counselling on a one-to-one basis by trained volunteer counsellors in Presbytery No. 2 every Tuesday night from 7-9pm and on Wed afternoons from 3 - 5. Just call 01 8391766 for an appointment. There is no fee for this service but donations are welcome.

Mass cards, Mass bookings, Baptismal certs, Garda Vetting forms etc are now available in the meeting room in the Church **every** morning after 10am Mass until 11am.

If you would like to include a person or intention for prayers, please include the detail in our Intentions Book at Our Lady's Altar. All of these intentions are remembered at all weekend Masses in our Church.

\*\*Caitriona Fogarty\*\*

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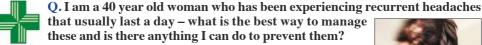
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#### ASK THE PHARMACIST





**A.** Headaches are a common health complaint and are often able to be managed at home with over the counter painkillers, rest and fluids. However sometimes they can be a sign of something more serious so always see your GP if:



It occurs suddenly and is very severe such as a blinding pain never

experienced before. It doesn't go away and gets worse over time. It happens as a result of a serious head injury. It happens suddenly as a result of coughing, laughing, sneezing, changes in posture or activity. Any other accompanying symptoms including slurred speech, weakness, confusion, memory loss, drowsiness, high temperature, stiff neck, jaw pain, vision problems, sore scalp or severe pain or redness in one eye.

There are a few types of headaches that people tend to suffer from:

**Tension Headaches:** These are the most common type of headache and are a constant ache on both sides of the head. They are normally not severe enough to impact with daily life and can usually be treated with over the counter painkillers. The cause is unknown but is thought to be linked to stress, poor posture, skipping meals and dehydration.

**Migraines:** Migraines usually present as a severe throbbing pain at the front or side of the head and can be accompanied by nausea, vomiting and sensitivity to light or sound. They tend to be quite severe and can impact on daily life as the person may need to stay in bed. Over the counter medicines may be sufficient to treat the migraines but often prescription medicines are used (known as *triptans*) which relieve the symptoms.

**Cluster headaches:** These are rare and generally occur in clusters for a month or two at a time and generally at the same time of year. They are extremely painful with an intense pain at one eye as well as other symptoms such as watering or red eyes and a blocked or runny nose. A GP visit is required for these types of headaches as prescription medications are needed to treat them.

**Hormone headaches:** This is an issue for women and these headaches are caused by hormones linked to periods, the combined oral contraceptive pill, menopause and pregnancy.

**Painkiller headaches:** This is also known as a medication-overuse headache and is as result of withdrawal from having taken too many painkillers. The best way to manage this is to withdraw the painkillers and the headaches will ease but will more likely get worse before they improve. This should be done under the advice of your GP to minimise the headaches from the withdrawal.

If you have any questions you would like answered please email us on maxwellpharmacydalkey@eircom.net and put Dalkey Newsletter in the message subject line.

#### **COMMUNITY GAMES**

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The Dalkey Dashers commenced training for the Community Games on Wednesday **28th March at 7.00pm**. Training takes place every Wednesday evening from **7pm until 8pm** in the Loreto Dalkey school hockey pitches. Everyone between 6 years and 14 years living in the Dalkey area is welcome. There is a once-off fee of €5 to register.

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Review Notes:



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#### SERVICES FOR APRIL 2018

Sundays: 8.30am Holy Communion, 10.45 am Morning Service

Midweek Services: Thursdays at 10.30 am

**Institution** – The Institution of The Venerable Gary Hastings as Rector of Holy Trinity Killiney will take place on Friday 20th April at 8pm.

**Ladies Guild** – On April 10th Michael Ryan will share spring time thoughts and observations on local wildlife.

**Easter General Vestry** – The Easter General Vestry will be held in the Carry Centre on Wednesday 11th April at 8pm.

Sunday Club will meet on Sunday 15th April.

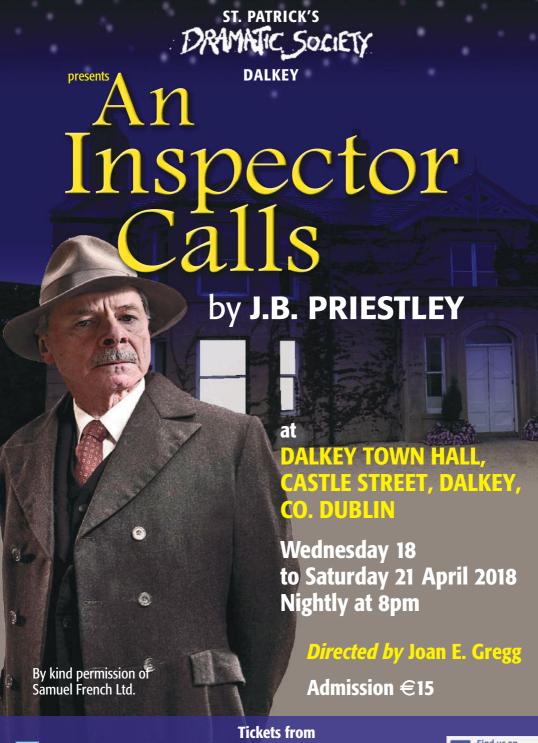
**SILK - Socials Involving Ladies of Killiney –** On Wednesday 18th April we will welcome Caroline Elliott-Kingston to talk about things horticultural.

**Bible Study and Prayer Group** – The next gathering will be on Tuesday April 24th at 10.30am in the Carry Centre. We continue with our study of figures from the Old and New Testaments.

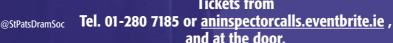
Choir Party – On Sunday, 25th February the choir of Holy Trinity Killiney held a luncheon party in the Carry Centre to mark a number of important events. The primary reason for our get-together was to mark the retirement of Norman Long from the Tenor line. Norman along with his late wife Kaye, have contributed so much to our parish life and his fellow choir members wanted to take the opportunity to express their gratitude for his faithful service over many years. Unfortunately, on the day, Norman was unable to be present due to illness but we look forward to seeing him in church again soon. Advantage was also taken to give small tokens of appreciation to Mervyn Cooper who regularly subs at the organ, Roger Hurley who has coordinated the music as well as playing some services during Frank's leave of absence and also Sandra Bedlow who has shared the organ duties with Roger & Mervyn during this period.

**The Y Club (Killiney Men's Society)** – The main objective of the Club is to provide a basis for close fellowship among men in the greater Killiney area. We generally meet on the 4th Thursday of each month and new members are welcome to join us at any gathering. On 26th April at 8pm we will meet at the Carry Centre to listen to a presentation on "*Restoring the Soul of Science*" by Dr. Mike Wride TCD.

**Table Tennis** – The table tennis meets every Monday at 8pm in the Carry Centre. **Sheep Thrills** meet every Thursday at 11am in the Carry Centre Killiney. Anyone interested, just come along, no joining, €3 to include refreshments & delicious homemade biscuits. Contact Joan 0872460078









#### **NEWS FROM ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH**





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#### SUNDAY SERVICES FOR APRIL

1st April 9am Eucharist 10.15am Eucharist & Egg Hunt
8th April 9am Eucharist 10.15am All Age
15th April 9am Eucharist 10.15am Eucharist
22nd April 9am Eucharist 10.15am Morning Prayer
29th April 9am Eucharist 10.15am Celtic Eucharist
Midweek Every Thursday 10.30am Eucharist

Our Lady's Manor – The Eucharist will be celebrated on 10th and 24th April in Our Lady's Manor at 2.30pm.

PARISH DALKEY Holy Week – For the past few years we have combined together with rour neignbouring Church of Ireland parishes in Holy Week, and we take it in turns then to visit each other's churches during the week. This year it is St. Patrick's turn to host the service on the Wednesday evening 28th March at 8.00pm, we welcome as our speaker

the Rev. William Olhausen. Further details for the rest of the week are available on our parish website.

Ash Wednesday Soup Lunch – The Ash Wednesday Soup lunch was a delicious affair. The soup itself was really good and it was nice to see so many people supporting this important initiative.

S.P.D.A.T.Q – The year's Table Quiz was attended by record numbers and a great success. Congratulations to the winners and thank you to all who took part.

Parent & Toddler – Come along and

Parent & Toddler – Come along and meet others for fun, support and fellowship at our Parent and Toddler Group. It takes place in the Northover



Winners of St. Patrick's Quiz 2018 Image: St. Patrick's

Hall each week on a Tuesday at 10.30am for an hour and a half. There will be a break on March 27th and April 3rd.

**Choir Practice** – The choir meets to prepare the music for the Sunday Service each Wednesday of the week at 7.30pm in the church. New members are always welcome. **Dramatic Society** – The Spring Production 'An Inspector Calls' – a gripping play about social conscience will take place from 18th – 21st April at Dalkey Town Hall, Dalkey.



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#### LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY EVENTS - APRIL 2018

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**Tuesday 3rd at 8pm:** Frank Kelly will present 'The History of the Irish Red Cross in County Wicklow' to the Kilmacanogue History Society in the Glenview Hotel, Glen of the Downs, Delgany. All welcome – admission € 3.

Wednesday 4th at 8pm: Rob Goodbody will present 'Ballycorus' to the Rathmichael Historical Society in Rathmichael N.S., Stonebridge Rd. Shankill. All welcome. Adm. €5. Thursday 5th at 8pm: Liz Gillis will present 'The Role of Women in the Irish Revolution 1916 - 1923' to the Mount Merrion Historical Society in the Community Centre, North Avenue, Mount Merrion. All welcome – admission €4 / Students €2.

**Friday 6th at 8pm:** Prof. Adrian Gregory will present 'You may as well recruit Germans', the conscription crisis 1918' to the Military History Society of Ireland in Griffith College, South Circular Road, Dublin 8. All welcome – wheelchair access available.

Monday 9th at 7.30pm: Dr. Patrick N. Wyse Jackson will present 'Making Victorian Dublin: an intertwining of archaeology and geology' to the Royal Soc. of Antiquaries of Ireland in the Helen Roe Theatre, Society House, 63 Merrion Sq. South, D 2. All welcome. Tuesday 10th at 7pm: John Dolan will present 'Ireland's Ancient Roads' to the Tallaght Hist. Soc. in the Co. Library, The Square, Tallaght, D.24. Admission free – all welcome. Wednesday 11th at 6pm: Seán Magee will present 'St. Thomas's Parish Grand Jury

Records' to the Old Dublin Society in the Conference Room of Dublin City Library & Archive, 138 – 144 Pearse Street, D. 2. All welcome – admission free.

**Thursday 12th at 7.30pm:** Siobhan Osgood will present '*Architecture of the Great Northern Railway Ireland*' to the Irish Railway Record Society in the IRRS Premises, Heuston Station, D.8. Members and their guests only.

**At 8 pm:** Mary McAuliffe will present 'Women, the Vote and Citizenship: The General Election of 1918' to the Kilmacud Stillorgan Local History Society in the Glenalbyn Sports Club, Stillorgan. All welcome – Contribution €3.

Monday 16th at 6.30pm: Tim Joyce will present 'History of Arterial Drainage' to the Engineers Ireland Heritage Society in 22 Clyde Rd. Ballsbridge. All welcome – Adm. free. Tuesday 17th at 8pm: Neal Doherty will present the main talk 'The Complete Guide to the Statues and Sculptures of Dublin' to the Foxrock Local History Club in the Foxrock Parish Pastoral Centre, Foxrock. Michael O'Flaherty will give the short talk on 'Newtownpark House'. All welcome – admission €5.

**Wednesday 18th at 8pm:** The AGM and 'Annual Collectors / Treasure Night' of the Dún Laoghaire Borough Historical Society takes place in Royal Marine Hotel, Marine Road, Dun Laoghaire. All welcome – entrance €3.

Thursday 19th at 8pm: Damien Burke will present 'Fr. William Doyle (Woodbine Willie)' to the Bray Cualann Hist. Soc. in the Royal Hotel, Main St, Bray. All welcome. Adm. €5. Saturday 21st at 2.30pm: John Goodman will present 'The 1st Leinsters, a Battalion of 'The Old Contemptibles', who they were and what became of them' to the Western Front Association (Dublin Branch) in the Museum of Decorative Arts & History Lecture Theatre, Collins Barracks, Benburb Street, D.7. All welcome - €3 donation appreciated.

Tuesday 24th at 6.30pm.: The April meeting of the Dalkey Library Local History Group takes place in Dalkey Public Library, Castle Street, Dalkey. All welcome – admission free. Wednesday 25th at 10.30am: The April Open Morning Meeting of the Genealogical Society of Ireland in the Royal Marine Hotel, Marine Road, Dún Laoghaire. All welcome - contribution of €3 includes tea/coffee.

**At 6pm:** Dr. Michael Pegum will present 'Baggot Street Hospital 60 Years Ago' to the Old Dublin Society in the Conference Room of Dublin City Library & Archive, D.2. All welcome – admission free.

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**Thursday 26th at 7.30pm:** Derek Young will present 'The End of an Era – The Changing World of the '60s. The Final Days of UTA Steam and Railcars' to the Irish Railway Record Society in the IRRS Premises, D.8. Members and their guests only.

At 7.30pm: Professor Ruárí Ó hUiginn will present 'Lords and Literature contents and contexts of some later medieval Irish manuscripts' to the Royal Society of Antiquaries of Ireland, D.2. All welcome – admission free.

**At 8pm:** Ged Walsh will present '*The Moravians in Dublin*' to the Rathmines, Ranelagh & Rathgar Hist. Soc. in Rathmines Town Hall, Rathmines Rd, Rathmines, D.6. Admission €3 – Swan Centre Car Park Evening Rate, €2 (Total) from 5pm to Midnight.

#### **IRELAND'S 1947 ARCTIC SIEGE**

If people thought that the weather conditions were bad at the start of last month (March), it pales in significance when compared to 1947 when snow and extreme low temperatures lasted for six weeks from the start of February to just after St. Patrick's Day. During this period public transport came to a standstill, gas rationing was re-introduced, and supplies of coal and timber became scarce/nonexistent, turf was of such poor quality that some low income families were forced to burn furniture to keep warm. The full severity of this cold period is recalled by Anthony C. Kearns in 'Ireland's Arctic Siege' based on the memories of those who lived though this severe weather event, newspaper reports and other sources.

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

'Dún Laoghaire Journal No. 27 (2018)' published by the Dún Laoghaire Borough Historical Society, price €7, produced by a Publication Committee consisting of Mona O'Connell, Séamus O'Connor, Anna Scudds and Colin Scudds. Variety of content is a feature of this excellent annual publication and some of the excellent articles in this year's include - 'The Society 40 Years On' by Mona O'Donnell; in 'Dalkey Island Adventure July 2003' the late Sr. Mairéad Flynn recalls a visit to this location that year; Family history is covered by Frances Fletcher in 'The Loughlins and Kingstown'; Some photo detective work is revealed by Tom Conlon in 'The Search for Monkstown Livery'; 'Woolworth's' is recalled by Mary Cassoni: Claire Mullan recalls theatre and drama in Dún Laoghaire in 'Gas Company'; James Scannell continues 'Dún Laoghaire – Prelude to the Emergency'; Individuals who lived in the Borough remembered include 'Robert DeCoeur - Irish Citizen Army and Trade Union Activist' by Anna Scudds; 'The Cheever's family of Monkstown and Killyan - En Dieu est ma Foi' by Séamas Cannon; 'Major Benjamin Walker Nicholson - Veteran of the Battle of Waterloo, 1780-1858' by Collin Scudds; while Susan Barr remembers her grandfather 'John Blackmore – a story of bravery' killed at sea during WW1; Marilyn Nash in 'Baby Boomers and what they are' reveals what was typical food in Dún Laoghaire between 1945 and 1960; The 2017 Annual Outing is recalled by Mona O'Donnell in 'Here-to-Fore and Tullynally'; in 'Where have all the horses gone?' Henry Austin recalls the era when horses were any everyday sight on the streets; Frances Browner recalls Dún Laoghaire of her childhood in 'A Kings' Town Again'; Memories of the Dún Laoghaire Picture House aka The Picture House also known as the 'The Bug House' are recalled in 'Further Glimpses of the Bug House' by Mary Grogan; Brian Smith remembers a distinguished opera singer in 'Frederick Ranalow - The Captain Macheath of Monsktown'; The Society's 2017 Autumn Tour of the Midlands & Environs is recalled by Maria O'Flaherty' while Micheál Hodgins in 'Remembering the Forgotten' looks at the members of Cumann na mBan in South County Dublin and lists all those from the Borough area.

Copies are available from booksellers in Dún Laoghaire, at the Wednesday April 18th 8 p.m. meeting of the Society in the Royal Marine Hotel, Dún Laoghaire or via the Society's website – www.dunlaoghairehistorical.com. Back issues No. 15 to No. 26 also available.

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An Taisce Spring Clean Month celebrating 20th anniversary check out:	
www.nationalspringclean.org	Sun 1- Mon 30 Apr
DCC April Monthly Meeting at 7:30pm in OLH	Mon 9 Apr
St. Pat's Dramatic Society presents "An Inspector Calls" in Dalkey Town	
Hall at 8pm	Weds18 – Sat 21 Apr
Dalkey Players present "Grimm Tales" in Dalkey Town Hall	Tues 24 –Fri 27 Apr
	(7pm) Sat 28 Apr
Sorting of May Newsletter in OLH (1pm-2pm)	Thurs 26 Apr

#### **EVENTS THROUGH THE MONTH**

**Dalkey Players:** Rehearsals in Harold Boys' School from 7:30-10:30pm-Tuesdays & Thursdays. New members welcome.

**St. Patrick's Dramatic Society Dalkey:** Rehearsals in Northover Hall, Harbour Road, 8-10:30pm – Mondays & Thursdays. New members welcome.

The Irish Vintage Radio & Sound Society meets monthly in Dalkey. Call 086-8391839.

Cuala Set Dancing Classes: Every Sunday from 8-10pm € 6 per night. All welcome.

**Scrabble & Afternoon Tea** in aid of Barnardos every Wednesday at 3pm in Derrymore, 35, Coliemore Road, Dalkey. Call Di Fitzpatrick at 285 0593 for more information.

**Baby & Toddler Group**. All pre-schoolers with parents/minders welcome on Tuesdays from 3-4.30pm in the Methodist Church, Northumberland Ave. €2 includes light refreshments & story time. Contact Diane 087 778 7608

Parkrun - Every Saturday at 9.30am in Cabinteely, Shanganagh and Marlay Park Dalkey Library Local History Group meets on the last Tuesday of every month in Dalkey Library starting at 6-6:30pm. All welcome.

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