



DALKEY - Deilginis 'Thorn Island'

COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Irish Heritage Town



First Published April 1974

NEWSLETTER No 393 (Volume 15)

**Mí na Nollaig agus Eanáir
(Dec/Jan) 2009/2010**

December: From 'decem' which meant ten - the tenth month of the old Roman year.

Flower: Holly & Narcissus

January: From the Roman god Janus who had two faces - to look both backwards into the old year and forwards into the new one at the same time.

Flower: Carnation & Snowdrop



❖ SUMMARY OF DCC OCTOBER MONTHLY MEETING '09 ❖

The monthly meeting of Dalkey Community Council was held on 2nd November in OLH. The main topic was the allocation of funding to various Dalkey organisations from the Community Council. (See page 13 for details).

Heritage – It was reported that there is a possibility of the Heritage Centre closing for one day per week next year due to cut backs in funding for the Centre.

SUNDAY 13 December – Castle Street 5 pm

**Christmas Tree
Crib & Carols
Santa's Arrival**



**Complimentary
CHILDREN'S
CHRISTMAS SHOW
Town Hall at 3.45 pm**

1 ADULT PER FAMILY



**DALKEY COMMUNITY COUNCIL & FRIENDS
IN ASSOCIATION WITH DLRCOCO**

Your Area Representative is

Telephone: E-Mail:



A Big Thank You to the Dalkey Community Council for the grant aid approved at the November meeting. At this time of budget deficits and cutbacks your support couldn't be more welcome. We are looking forward to being able to work on an initiative to get more targeted Dalkey residents into the Centre on a free admission basis on the strength of this financial aid. More details on this in next issue.

The Christmas programme of Living History is in full swing

and two children (U12) are admitted free of charge with every full paying adult.

Did you know that the Lord of the Medieval Castle was the original Santa figure? Before Santa ever set foot in the North Pole with his Elves, the Lord of the Castle was the giver of gifts to all his subjects. This was the origin of the Christmas Box tradition. The naming of Boxing Day dates back to medieval times when workers received food and gifts in boxes from their Lords.

The Mint a Merry Medieval Christmas Tour runs seven days a week, every half hour, beginning at 10.00am weekdays and 11.30am at weekends. The last tour is at 4.15pm. Admission is €6 for adults and two children (under 12 years) are free of charge with each full paying adult.

Lighting of the Christmas Tree: The Christmas Show this year is 'Santa's Magical Christmas' in Dalkey Town Hall at 3.45pm for all those little ones expecting Santa Claus to arrive later in the evening on December 13th. Admission is free and will be strictly on a first come-first served basis! Children will get first preference as there is always great disappointment on all sides when the Hall is full and children have to be turned away.

Live Crib at Archbalds Castle on Dec 13th: Deilg Inis Living History Theatre Company will provide actors for the Nativity Scene in Archbold's Castle again this year. There will also be live animals to add to the atmosphere. This is a highly popular event in the true non-commercial spirit of Christmas.

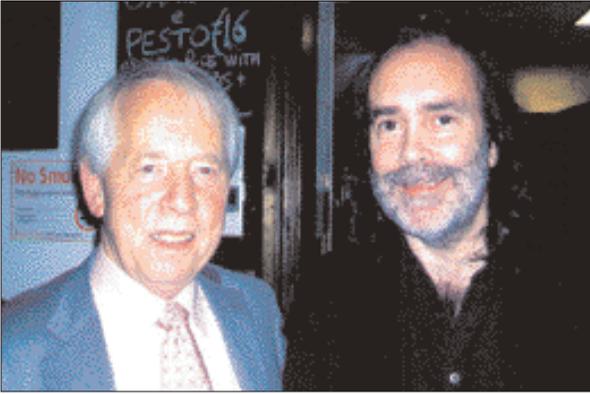
Christmas Presents: Remember to try Dalkey Castle's gift shop when buying your presents. In addition to the knitwear and jewellery, the new 14 min DVD Discover Dalkey a Stroll through the Centuries is an ideal gift. It can be played on computers all over the world. We have a Dalkey Calendar with local scenes and Gift Vouchers for 20 which can be used to visit the Castle & the Living History or in the shop.

Dates for your diary: the DLR Health Fair will be held on Jan 9th & 10th. The event organiser is Aoife Kelly. She can be contacted at 086 2257531.

Tel 01 2858366, Email info@dalkeycastle.com Website: www.dalkeycastle.com

Dalkey Castle & Heritage Centre is part funded by
Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown Co Co, CRAGA (Pobal) & FÁS





*Guest-of-Honour, journalist and Dalkey resident, John Waters who launched the latest edition of the **DALKEY ANTHOLOGY** in Dalkey recently. He is seen with the compiler of the Anthology, Frank Mullen. The book is available in all good bookshops in both hardback and soft back at €24.95 and €17.95 respectively.*

*Right:
Canon Ben Neil &
Rev. Father John McDonagh
PP Dalkey at the
Annual Ecumenical
ceremony to commemorate
our local saint, St. Begnet*



*Left:
Ms. Marie Baker, Caothairleach, Dun Laoghaire
Rathdown County Council at the opening of the
new playground on Killiney Hill.*

EVENT
St. Patrick's Dramatic Society
Dalkey.
'HABEAS CORPUS'
by Alan Bennett
25, 26, 27 & 28
November 2009
PAVILION THEATRE,
Dun Laoghaire

Moll's Paraphernalia



OPENING HOURS:
TUE-SUN. 10:30AM-6PM
6A RAILWAY ROAD, DALKEY.
TEL: 285 3293

THIS YEAR...
...FOR THE BEST VALUE...
...FOR THE BEST SELECTION...
...WHY NOT SHOP LOCAL?

Wishing all our customers a very

Merry Christmas

Brighten Your Home for WINTER

OVER
20 YEARS
OF
EXPERIENCE

Why not CALL the experts for a
fresh coat of paint inside or out

PAUL CARR PAINTING & DECORATING SPECIALISTS

14 Hyde Road, Dalkey.

Call the specialists for

Exterior Walls and Window Frame Painting, Varnishing

Interior Paperhanging, Ceiling, Skirting and Varnishing

Paint Spraying

CLEAN RELIABLE SERVICE FROM PROFESSIONALS AT REALISTIC PRICES

Tel: 2820732 / 087 2569176

.... For a free quotation and colour co-ordination service



Our Dalkey gardens are, to some extent, hibernating, notwithstanding this there are always some special surprises out there waiting to be found. Among these specialities is our Winter Jasmine (*Jasminum nudiflorum*). It is always and always a joy with its showers of starry yellow flowers on its bare brushy branches. Truly, there is no substitute for it. It will grow almost anywhere but if you plant it where it will receive at least half a day's sun, it will reward you during the darkest days of winter with what sometimes seems like almost a firework display of acid yellowish to golden yellow gems of little flowers. It is best grown against a wall and needs a little support, like a trellis. It flowers from now until April in any weather. What incredible value. Honestly, it is so easy to grow and will usually root itself in the ground or in trapped leaf litter as it spreads. I pick the little brushy like twigs and put them in little bottles of water where their flowers open out naturally.



Winter Jasmine

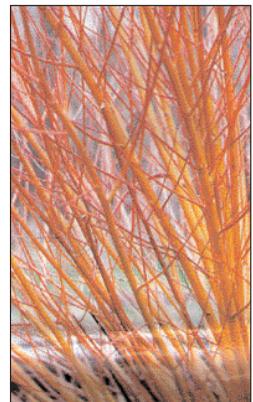


Berried Holly

Over this Christmas Festive Season, maybe try and snatch some time to wallow in some sense of tranquillity and peace. Maybe a walk around some nearby plant nursery, in a woodland, a laneway on Killiney or Dalkey Hills, Bulloch Harbour; - wherever takes your fancy. We are so spoilt for choice in Dalkey! Just to be quite alone is absolutely essential for sanity's sake. To be somewhere quiet, perhaps, just to sit on one of our new glorious benches on Killiney Hill and watch and observe our spectacular seascapes and skies overlooking Killiney Beach and Bay. You might just experience a bright blue sky that is seasonally chilly or witness your first sprig of berried holly. Hollies of all kinds, give good foliage value in the duller months but the lovely variety, *Ilex Handsworth*, *New Silver*, is exceptionally good. It is a smallish upright tree that forms a good solid column of foliage, margined with creamy white. It is a female variety and sets a good crop of berries very reliably.

Although trees and shrubs are, I would say, essential to the appearance of our Dalkey gardens. I would think this is especially so in our winter. Does your garden have enough trees- including evergreens, and are your trees situated in the right place? Many trees can be moved with the necessary care involved during their dormant season. Remember, there is a vast variety of trees available; - large, medium, small and dwarf. There are also many grafted varieties. This golden willow (*Salix alba* var *vitellina*) is grown for its magnificent winter bark. Its bark is yellow on its one-year old branches. It is not suitable for small gardens, hence, it should be planted away from structures. However, it need not be allowed to grow freely and can, of course, be pruned.

We have planted in the ground outside our kitchen window one of my very favourite ornamental trees, the Korean Christmas Fir. This noble fir and the Nordman fir are the Christmas trees known as 'non-shed' trees. The Korean fir, *Abies Koreana*, related to these firs, would make a fine tree for Christmas. It can be kept in a



Golden Willow

Dalkey Flowers



Phone/Fax: 01 236 9088

Flowers For ALL Occasions

- Wedding ● Wreaths ● Birthdays
- Large selection of Indoor & Outdoor Plants ●

DELIVERY SERVICE

Now stocking Jewellery by Melanie Hand

4 Railway Road , Dalkey. Email: dalkeyflowers@yahoo.com

S. HAMMOND

FULLY
INSURED



- ROOFING RESTORATION
- NATURAL SLATES
- LEAD AND COPPER WORK
- GRANT WORK
- CONSERVATION WORK FOR
DUNLAOGHAIRE - RATHDOWN
COUNTY COUNCIL

Tel: 01 284 0330, 087-285 0653

McDonald Group Services

Castle House, 17 Castle Street, Dalkey, Co. Dublin

Established in 1977 Certified to Irish & Now European Standards

24 HOUR MONITORED SECURITY SYSTEMS

Your friendly Security Control Centre available to you 24 hours a day
Wire Free Intruder Alarm Systems. Medical / Panic & Fire Alert / Keyholding

Contact us for a free security survey or system upgrade with no obligation

Tel: 284 0000 Fax: 284 0008 or Mob: 087 248 1118 Email: mcdonaldgroup@eircom.net



Korean Christmas Fir

pot for a few years as it is less vigorous than the usual kinds. It has its own special habit of setting cones, while still a young tree. Its soft pine needles are a limey green, shading to a darker bluish green, with these amazing purplish, bluish cones whilst still a young tree.

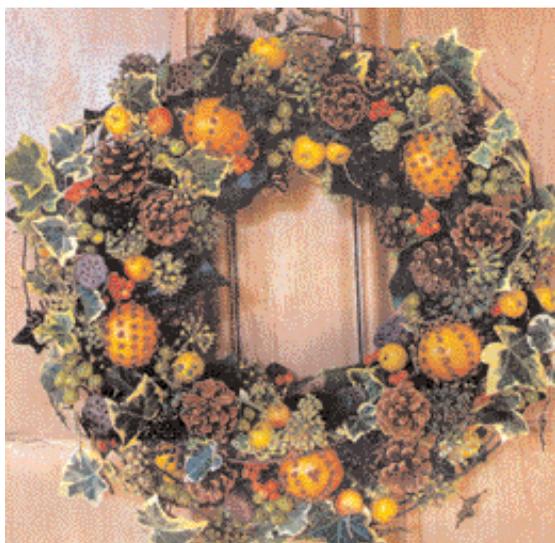
Yesterday, I spent approximately twenty minutes or so digging some sprawling, truly withered, herbaceous clumps. There, hidden away under some of these bedraggled heaps I could see our lenten roses just beginning to drive themselves up through the soil, their glossy, green leaves proving that spring really is around

the corner. Did you know that these absolute beauties are the evergreen relatives of the humble buttercup family? They seem to produce a succession of leaves throughout the year, with a fresh splurge of growth in the early spring, along with their most spectacular teacup-shaped blooms in singles, doubles and sumptuous shades of smoky pinks, purples, green, cream, yellow and speckled. Try and get your hands on one now and it will be performing in a few weeks. They are not cheap but you might be lucky to pick up a few seedlings at your local gardening club, or at a Christmas Bring and Buy plant sale. They flower continuously from January to March and are a real collector's plant. Some of my friends tell me it's easy to have a go at breeding your own special varieties. Simply transfer pollen from one plant to another with a paintbrush and then tie a bag over the flower head in order to catch the seed once set. Who knows what miraculous gems you might surprise yourself with!

The beauty of hellebores, including the Christmas Rose (white - alba) is that they only really need attention once a year; simply cut off the tatty leaves in late autumn, divide, if necessary and mulch around their crowns with leaf mould or well-rotted manure. This also provides a nursery bed for their offspring.e



Hellebore 'Ashwood Strain'



**Happy Christmas to
All our Dalkey
and 'elsewhere' readers**

RUSTIC DOOR RING

Requirements:

- 1 12 inch wreath ring with oasis foam.
- 2 Long pieces of variegated and plain ivy mixed.
- 3 Stems of ivy berries,
- 4 A few small ivy leaves for filling.
- 5 Small oranges (or satsumas) studded with cloves.
- 6 Mixed fresh or artificial berries, cones and crab apples.

GARDEN TALKS IN THE NATIONAL BOTANIC GARDENS
IN DECEMBER 2009



Wednesday, 2nd December

Lecture: *“Flora and Fauna of the North Bull Island”*.

: Education & Visitor Centre – 3.00 p.m.

Thursday, 3rd December:

Lecture: *“In search of Yetis and Pink Poppies”* – Dr. Noeleen Smyth

Education & Visitor Centre – 8.00 p.m.



DOMINIC DOWLING
Solicitors

37 CASTLE STREET, DALKEY, (over Euro Spar)

www.dalkeylaw.com

Welcome new clients – particularly those from the Dalkey area

Telephone: 284 9778

Fax: 2849780

Email: info@dalkeylaw.com



**PROFESSIONAL
GARDENING**

Resident gardener



Telephone: 01 230 3777

Mobile: 086 729 3777

Creation: design, paving, paths, driveways, decking, water features, planting

Renovation: pruning, trimming and cutting back, scrub clearance

Maintenance: lawn mowing, weeding, seasonal pruning and thinning

Summer work:

- Grass sowing and turfing
- Pest and disease control
- Tidying
- Lawn care and conditioning
- Sowing and planting out of bedding plants and shrubs
- Woodwork care for decking, fences, trellis, etc.

Please contact us to talk about your garden

Fully Insured

BSc(Hons) Ag & Hort

No-obligation free estimates

References Available



THE ANNUAL ART EXHIBITION



Above: Minister for Social, Community & Family Affairs, Mary Hanafin, chatting with the Chairperson of the Functions Committee, Rosaleen Callaghan at the Opening Night of the Annual Art Exhibition in Dalkey recently.

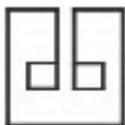


Left: Ms. Susan Cuffe, Guest-of-Honour who opened the Annual Art Exhibition.



Right: Some Dalkey ladies enjoying the opening of the Community Council's Annual Art Exhibition in Our Lady's Hall





DU BERRY CABINET WORKS

BESPOKE FURNITURE

Kitchens, Bedrooms, Studies and

Alcove Units



Telephone:
086 171 3520
01 286 2336



www.shaneduberry.com

1959 to 2009 – 50 YEARS IN BUSINESS

1 Railway Road,
Dalkey, Co. Dublin



Tel: 01-285 9611
www.selectstores.ie

HAPPY HEALTHY CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR TO ALL OUR CUSTOMERS!

- **Select Hampers** – Create your own unique hamper for Christmas. Choose from our wide variety of natural organic products, such as Dr. Hauschka, Green & Black's Christmas food items, oatcakes, jams and chutneys. Starting from €20! Just pop in and Select.
- **In stock for Christmas:** Wheat free/gluten free Christmas cakes, puddings and mince pies, Christmas trees, wreaths, holly, mistletoe, poinsettias and much more.
- **Best of all: 10% off everything Bargain Weekend – Saturday 19th and Sunday 20th December 2009. Free mulled wine and treats whilst you shop!**
- Oliver is here in the New Year to answer all your questions on health and nutrition.

❖ DALKEY DRAMA CULTIVATES CREATIVE SOLUTIONS ❖

BY OLGA SHEEAN

There's a lot of drama in Ireland at the moment, though not the kind that creates curtain calls. Bankruptcies, redundancies, negative equity, and politicians struggling to get their act together are the kind of dramas we can all do without. Unfortunately, the kind of drama that opens hearts, lifts the spirit and inspires creative thinking is often seen as a luxury or indulgence in times of crisis or financial uncertainty. Yet this may be the very thing that enables people not just to bounce back financially but also to grow and benefit in unexpected ways.

“Creative problem-solving, innovative thinking, dynamic ideas, negotiation skills, enhanced self-confidence and team-building techniques are just some of the benefits of doing drama and creativity classes,” says Joy Forsythe, founder/director of the Irish Academy of Dramatic Arts (IADA). An accomplished actress and director, Joy teaches all age groups (children and pre-teens in Dalkey, Glenageary and Glashule, adults in the city centre) and says that most people have no idea how liberating and transformative the creative arts can be - usually because their own creativity has been neglected. Nor, she says, do they realise how creativity can enhance individuals' development, life skills and opportunities.

“Creativity is not just about being good with your hands nor having a flair for the dramatic,” says Joy. *“It's about nourishing imagination and ingenuity, growing more fully as a person, and developing strong self-acceptance and relationship skills in a safe, supportive environment.”*

One mother reported that Joy's Dalkey drama classes changed her daughter's life; her 11-year-old had been crippled by shyness and the classes opened up a whole new world of self-expression and social interaction for her. Geraldine, a stay-at-home mum who feared getting back into the workforce, says the adult acting classes she did with Joy gave her the confidence and skills to go out and get a job. *“I would never have had the nerve to do this otherwise,”* she said. *“Acting gave me valuable social skills, renewed self-respect and a far greater ability to promote and advance myself in the workplace.”*

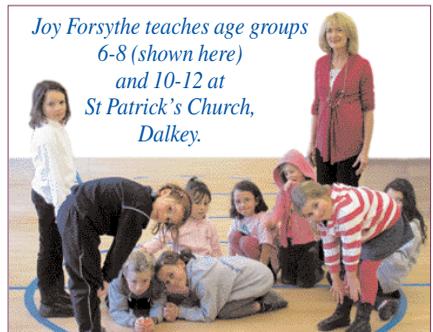
“That's the power of this medium,” says Joy. *“Cultivating creativity at a young age, or coaxing it back out if it's been squashed by the pressure to be ‘sensible’, hard-working adults, makes us much more adaptable, spontaneous and self-reliant.”*

In her junior classes, Joy uses interactive games and story-telling to improve children's focus, concentration, trust, group interaction and role-playing. *“Of course, they all want to be the princess,”* she says, laughing, *“but the classes show them how to share the ‘limelight’ and to respect, appreciate and validate each other as equals.”*

Children also learn how to question pre-conceived ideas so that they become more creative problem-solvers and original thinkers - something this country badly needs. *“I'm always amazed at the ideas and insights that the children have in my classes,”* says Joy. *“They're incredibly observant and they find answers to every problem and challenge they're presented with. I think we underestimate our children's creative abilities, and I learn new things from them all the time.”*

For adults who feel personally or professionally unfulfilled, joining an acting class can help them discover strengths and communication skills they never knew they had. It can also help them to become more comfortable expressing themselves emotionally, resulting in stronger personal boundaries and healthy ways of expressing anger or resolving conflicts.

When we have money problems, we're often tempted to learn a new business skill or money-management strategy. But although this may add to our skill set, it doesn't fundamentally change us. It's the daring exploration and expansion of self, which can be so effectively achieved in drama and creativity courses, that cultivates creative solutions for a changing world. In our ailing economy, that's surely one of the best investments we can make.



GUINEA PIG

The Fish Restaurant

To celebrate 50 years in Business we are offering a

4 COURSE DINNER WITH A BOTTLE OF WINE

The Price! €80 per couple



RAILWAY ROAD, DALKEY

SUNDAY - FRIDAY
from 6 pm – *All Evening*

Tel: 285 9055

Visit our web –

www.guineapig.dalkey.info

Chef Prop. Mervyn Stewart

Exterior Check up for 2009!

Let us:

- Tidy up your garden, front and back
- Cut hedges, prune bushes and weed beds
- Remove all related debris

All this from only €278* inc. VAT!

And for *FREE* we will

Power wash you deck, patio or driveway, supply 5 bags of compost mulch and give a detailed, written report on what we would recommend to enhance your outdoor space

Wait, that's not all!

Receive a **10% DISCOUNT** on your follow up job.

So call today and mention this ad!

James Egan *JENNYLEE LANDSCAPES DALKEY* 086 6019277

* price based on an average sized semi-d, pre-inspection necessary to confirm pricing

Jennylee Landscapes

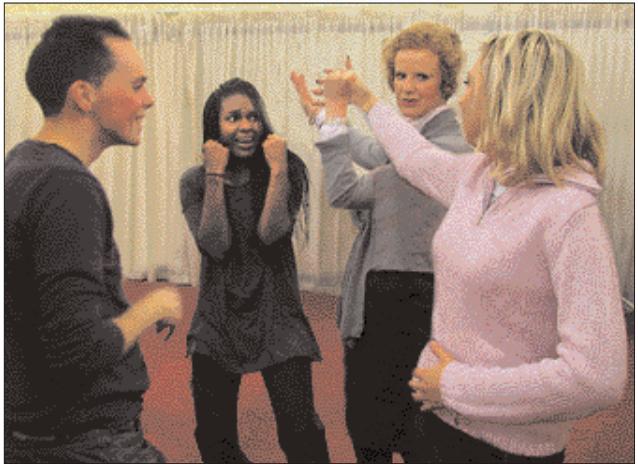


We love your outdoors

For info about classes,
call 01 2302691,
e-mail info@irishacad.com
or see the IADA website:
www.irishacad.com

*Olga Sheean is a Dalkey-bred
author, therapist and personal
empowerment coach.
www.olgasheean.com*

*Right:
“Members of the adult acting
class, from left to right: Vincent
Gavin, Emilie Bonet, Paula
Berry and Alexandra Palewska”*



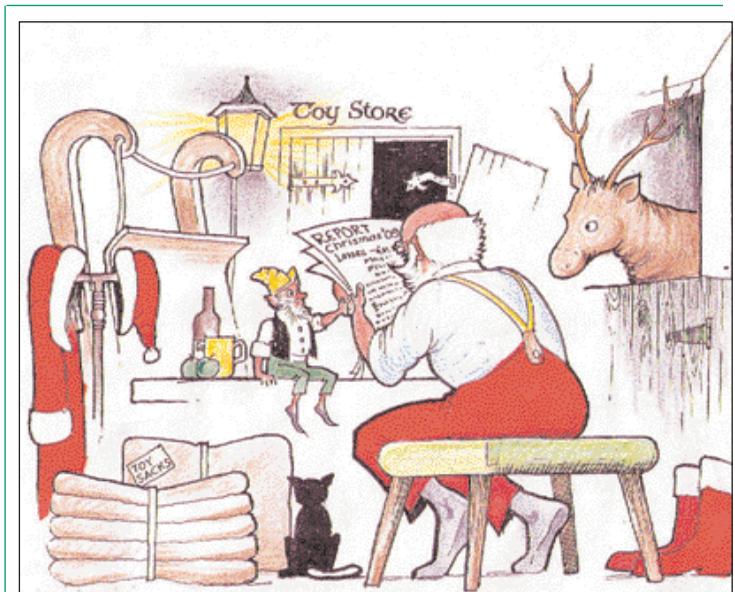
❖ FUNDING ❖

The Executive Committee of DCC recently investigated the effects that Government cut backs, unemployment & the general turndown in the national economy was having on some of the many diverse organisations in the Dalkey area.

Some of the results were startling and contrary to generally held opinions

Resulting from careful financial control over past years, Dalkey Community Council decided they were in a position to help to mitigate some of the adverse effects of the resulting financial shortages which a number of these organisations are suffering and have decided to offer financial assistance to the following :-

- Loreto Primary School,
- Harold Boys' School,
- St. Patrick's Primary School.
- Dalkey Community Games
- G.A.A. Junior Club, Dalkey United Football Club
- Dalkey-sponsored Missionary Projects in Uganda & Kenya.
- Dalkey Players Drama group, St. Patrick's Drama Group
- Dalkey Castle & Heritage Centre
- Dalkey Play Group



Dalkey Stone & Marble Ltd.

“The Natural Stone Company”

Suppliers of exclusive Stone Tiles and Accessories

Travertine, Marble, Granite, Slate, Limestone & Sandstone

Outdoor Patio Slabs, Pavers and Cobbles

Natural Stone Sinks, Bowls, Vases and Lamps

Exemplary Service and Value

HUGE STOCK CLEARANCE SALE

Please call Tel: 202 4888 – Open 7 Days

DALKEY TAXI COMPANY

YOUR LOCAL TAXI SERVICE

Phone: 285 7777

- 24 HOUR TAXI AND COURIER SERVICE
- WHEELCHAIR ACCESSIBLE TAXIS
- SEVEN SEATER TAXIS
- CHAUFFEUR SERVICE
- VISA/MASTER CARDS ACCEPTED

ALL BOOKINGS GUARANTEED

Email: dalkeytaxi@eircom.net

This year we are celebrating the 125th anniversary of the Gaelic Athletic Association. It could be said it is fairly common knowledge that the G.A.A. was established on Saturday, 1st November, 1884 in the Billiard Room of Hayes's Hotel, Thurles, Co. Tipperary. The two papers that contained a letter in October 1884 from Michael Cusack

HARRY CONLON CUP WINNERS



announcing the meeting were United Ireland and Irishman. When people assembled in Miss Hayes's Hotel on that November Saturday, probably not more than thirteen and possibly only seven were present. The accepted number of founder members is seven. They were Michael Cusack, Maurice Davin, John Wyse-Power, John McKay, J.K. Bracken, Joseph O'Ryan and Thomas St. George McCarthy. But it can be truly said that Cusack founded the G.A.A. They agreed at this meeting to ask Archbishop Croke, Charles Stewart Parnell and Michael Davitt to become patrons. Because of that meeting Cusack wrote years later that "*the Association swept the country like a prairie fire*".

While all games are important and children should participate in them, the predominant games in Harold Boys' since the 1950s were hurling and football. For the G.A.A. and its followers the most important point of the 1980s was the Centenary in 1984. The staff and pupils fully realised how important remembering special days and occasions was and not least the Centenary of an association that most felt they were members of by playing the games it promoted.

So when Joe Kennelly and I started hurling training in Cuala in February '84, we did feel it would be extra special to win in the Centenary year. The competition we entered was the Harry Conlon Cup in Co. Dublin consisting of sixteen school teams divided into two sections of eight teams each. The format was straightforward, if you got through your section, you met the qualifiers from the other section in the final in Croke Park. Harry Conlon, a Sligo man, had been a teacher who died tragically and the cup was in his memory.

We had our first match on March 5th and defeated the holders from the previous year, Scoil Chaoimhin. A great start! Players Scott Crangle, Gary Carroll, Donal Farrell and Damian Ivory were noted by HeraldSport as being outstanding for Scoil Haróid. Over the next couple of months we played teams like Scoil Naithi, Westland Row and Bishop Gavin and we remained unbeaten. Thanks to parents who brought us in their cars to and from games all over South Dublin. Another HeraldSport reported our school as having a "*facile win over Sc. Naithi with Colm Crean, Jack Gorman and Ronan Comiskey shining in an impressive victory*". We had reached the final unbeaten and our opponents would be St. Finbarr's Cabra in Croke Park on June 5th.

Thanks to a parent and a great school supporter for many years, Seamus Sheeran, we have a video recording of our final. A friend of Seamus did the camera work and the great

architecture • project management • domestic extensions • interior design

t: 01 7245945
f: 01 6711770
e: mail@node.ie

node

www.node.ie

DAVE & PAUL DEVANEY *Plumbing & Heating*



Burst Pipes, Cylinders, Tanks, Bathrooms, Showers,
Washing Machines, etc.

Installation of Solar Panels, Oil & Gas heating

TELEPHONE: 2847233 / 086-2506788

A1 COMPUTERS

**Your Local
Computer
Company**

Repairs • Supplies • Internet

Tel: 2849715

All Work Guaranteed!

Complete Confidentiality Assured!



IT TUITION FOR YOU! – 087 2940880



It's never too late to learn! Now is the time!

With individual home tuition – use a PC to manage your life effectively.

Only learn what **YOU** need to know!

Why not get yourself a PC?

Call 087 2940880

All ages/ reasonable rates/ All topics covered. Recognized local **Microsoft IT Instructor**



Winners of the Corn Uí Mhaolain Cup 1984

the following September we knew the football competition was ahead of us. Proinsias, the former Principal and our mentor, had retired in June. At our winning game in the football competition the shock of Proinsias' untimely death on 23rd October made for a very sad time in our school. Following Cuala's presentation of a cup in Proinsias' memory, "*Corn Uí Mhaolain*", this was now our prize if we got to the final and won by year's end. Again, parents ferried us to and from the games to places like Ringsend, Marley Park, Herbert Part and Deerpark. Despite a defeat by Kiltarnan during the competition we qualified for the final in Croke Park on Thursday, 29th November. Our opponents would be Kiltarnan!

Again Seamus has left us with a visual memory of this final and commentary once again by Liam Ó Murchú. This was a very close and tough final with nothing between the teams. Even looking at the video twenty-five years later makes the nerves tingle. The score at half-time was Sc. Haróid 1-3 and Kiltarnan 1-0. And so it remained till full time. We were the champions and the first name on the "*Corn Uí Mhaolain*", presented to the captain, Ian Haskins, in the Hogan Stand by Mairéad Bean Uí Mhaolain.

In that Centenary year of 1984 we had won two competitions, hurling and football. The founders of the G.A.A. in Thurles one hundred years before had imagined a greater scale of things but when it all boils down, it is the local clubs and schools that make the G.A.A. a living entity. For us in Scoil Haróid we had our own centenary then and now, twenty-five years later, I pay tribute to those boys who made their own bit of history for our school and our town in 1984. Congratulations!

Corkman, Liam Ó Murchú, did the commentary. It was a close match and with our lead of a goal and two points at half time, we held on for a great victory by two points. Heraldspport reported it as "*the southsiders were put to the pin of their collar to hold out*".

Returning to school

CUP FINAL AT CROKE PARK (NOVEMBER 1984)

The Day was bright, the air was clear,
All around the school fans cheered,
Our lads in strip, maroon and white,
To our eyes looked a wondrous sight.

Flashing limbs and soaring kicks,
Sent Gaelic ball through upright sticks.
The ball was passed from side to side,
Oh really Ref! That ball was wide!
Never was the match one-sided,
By just two points the teams divided.

Oh will that whistle ever blow,
Time never seemed to pass so slow.
At Last! A thunderous cheer went up,
Harold Boys again had won the cup!

*Composed by Betty Houton, mother of
Niall, the goalkeeper that day.
In memory of the final of Corn Uí
Mhaoláin*

SEÁN Ó GORMÁIN

All Brite Brass

Why Not Brighten Up Your Home or Office!



Why not have your Brasses
Professionally Polished & Lacquered?

—
Nameplates / Polishing / Lacquering
Repairing / Brass / Bronze / Copper / Silver
—

Specialists in
Door Sets / Fire Irons / Fenders / Lamps etc.



THE WORKSHOP, BARNHILL ROAD, DALKEY, CO. DUBLIN
Phone: 087-294 2968 E-Mail: ciarankearney@gmail.com

THE CHIMNEY CLEANING COMPANY



**Your Local
Chimney
Sweep**

- VACUUM AND BRUSH CLEANING
- ALL SOLID FUEL, AGA AND OIL FIRES
- PROMPT PROFESSIONAL SERVICE
- CLEAN AND TIDY

Please call Michael at 086 323 2563

Forbes Hamilton

Property Letting & Management Services

2 The Village Gate,
Dalkey, Co. Dublin
Tel / Fax: (01) 275 1982
E-mail: fh@iol.ie

- With Over 30 years experience we can handle all your property needs
- Personal Service Guaranteed

Please contact Conall Forbes on 01 275 1982 or
087-264 6661 Any time



See our website www.forbeshamilton.com

Reg. Ref.: D09B/0415**Application Rec'd Date:** 15-Oct-2009**Applicant Name, Address & Location:** Nihele Jabeur, Grange Court, Rockfort Avenue, Dalkey**Proposal:** Retention permission is sought for alterations to the roof shape, roof-lights and rear elevation of the single storey extension to the side and rear, changes to the front elevation including a flat roof over the now retained existing single storey bay window and the infilling of proposed recessed porch to the rear of the existing house resulting in an overall increase in floor area of 8.3m². Planning permission is also sought for a single storey flat roofed carport to the front of the house behind the garage doors. **Application Type:** Permission for Retention.**Reg. Ref.:** D09A/0275**Application Rec'd Date:** 21-Apr-2009**Applicant Name, Address & Location:** P. & J. O'Loughlin, 57, Mapas Road, Dalkey.**Proposal:** Permission sought for relocation of existing side conservatory to rear of existing house and changes to the approved development (Reg. ref. D07A/1152, Bord Pleanala Ref. PL06D.226816) consisting of: An increase in floor area at basement level and first floor level to the front of 31.7sq.m (total proposed new house area 230.7sq.m.) elevation changes and a revised lower roof profile and ancillary works. **Application Type:** Permission. Add. Info.: 23-Oct-2009.**Reg. Ref.:** D09A/0585**Application Rec'd Date:** 7-Aug-2009**Applicant Name, Address & Location:** R. & G. Barnes, Moreana, Ardeevin Road, Dalkey.**Proposal:** Planning permission sought for development comprising (a) demolition of existing house, (b) construction of 2 no. new two storey over part basement dwellings, with terraces to front at first floor level (c) recessing and widening of existing vehicular entrance at south east corner of site and (d) all associated works. **Application Type:** Permission. Add. Info.: 21-Oct-2009.**Reg. Ref.** D09A/0770 **Application Rec'd Date:** 22-Oct-2009**Applicant Name, Address & Location:** Don & Julis Godson, Island View, Nerano Road, Dalkey.**Proposal:** Permission for development to consist of changes to approved design Reg. Ref. D08A/1414 to include increase in width of approved extension by 760mm, changes to approved internal layout. This application includes the addition of a new bedroom extension to rear of approved extension at first floor level. The total additional floor area over and above approved design will be 71.5 sq. m. All to existing two storey detached dwelling. **Application Type:** Permission.**Reg. Ref.:** D09A/0771**Application Rec'd Date:** 23-Oct-2009**Applicant Name, Address & Location:** Otranto Properties Ltd., Mackays Garden Centre, Harry Byrnes Garden Centre, Castlepark Road, & No.1 Castlepark Close, Sandycove, Co. Dublin(r).**Proposal:** Permission for development which will consist of modifications to previously approved plans (Reg. Ref. D06A/1808 and PL 06D.224130) being omission of the single storey gym building and basement swimming pool, a revised basement level layout to include 6 No. additional enclosed garages and additional landscape open space at ground level.**Reg. Ref.:** D09A/0775**Application Rec'd Date:** 28-Oct-2009**Applicant Name, Address & Location:** Otranto Properties Ltd. 1, Castle Close, Sandycove.**Proposal:** Retention permission for development which will consist of; retention and completion of modifications to approved plans (Reg. Ref. D08A/0480 and PL 06D.230903) being the omission of a substation, amendments to the window locations to the north and south elevations; the omission of metal cladding and its replacement with brickwork to lower parapet level with glazing and powder coated metal cladding at the second floor level on the east side of building; the addition of 2 No. windows on the west elevation and a reduction in the number of units from 6 to 5 by converting 2 No. 1 bed units at second floor level to a 2 bed unit, and all associated development works.**Application Type:** Permission for Retention.**Reg. Ref.:** D09A/0780**Application Rec'd Date:** 29-Oct-2009**Applicant Name, Address & Location:** Jennie and Andrew Power, Site at Ardeevin Terrace, Ardeevin Road, Dalkey, Co. Dublin**Proposal:** Planning permission for construction of partially subterranean three bedroom two-storey-below-road-level detached house, with study, living, dining and kitchen, associated vehicular and pedestrian access, private car parking for 2 cars and ancillary site works.

PLANNING DECISIONS FOR WEEKS 42-45 - 12/10/09 to 6/11/09

- Reg. Ref.:** D09A/0511 **Decision:** Grant Permission **Date:** 14-Oct-2009
Applicant Name, Address & Location: Eileen Sullivan, Parkville, Sorrento Road, Dalkey.
Proposal: Planning permission sought to demolish existing two-storey house and construct a new 2 storey house with attic room on the same footprint including drainage, landscaping and ancillary works.
- Reg. Ref.:** D09A/0655 **Decision:** Grant Permission **Date:** 14-Oct-2009
Applicant Name, Address & Location: Coral Hillary, 47, Hyde Road, Dalkey, Co. Dublin.
Proposal: Permission is sought for a new 3m wide vehicular entrance, piers and entrance gates to facilitate parking on the existing paved area to the front of the existing dwelling house.
- Reg. Ref.:** D09B/0367 **Decision:** Grant Permission **Date:** 16-Oct-2009
Applicant Name, Address & Location: Mr. H. Mooney, Belgard, Saval Grove, Dalkey.
Proposal: Permission is sought for alterations to a mono pitch roof to include high-level windows.
- Reg. Ref.:** D09A/0553 **Decision:** Grant Permission **Date:** 23-Oct-2009
Applicant Name, Address & Location: Colm and Beth Mordaunt, 1, Barnacoille Park, Dalkey.
Proposal: Planning permission is sought for garage conversion to living accommodation, new front porch, revised front and south side elevations, rear extension, new slate roof incorporating revised living accommodation with dormer windows to rear and velux windows to the front, three velux windows to the north side roof, two velux windows to south side roof, internal alterations, revised front boundary wall, revised entrance and site ancillary works.
- Reg. Ref.:** D09A/0634 **Decision:** Grant Permission **Date:** 22-Oct-2009
Applicant Name, Address & Location: Anthony Cosgrave, Thalassa, Torca Road, Dalkey.
Proposal: Permission is sought for widening main entrance gates from 2950mm to 3450mm and the provision of double entrance gates and railings enclosure fixed over existing boundary walls to existing car spaces. **Application Type:** Permission.
- Reg. Ref.:** D09A/0636 **Decision:** Request Add. Info **Date:** 20-Oct-2009
Applicant Name, Address & Location: Mr Timothy and Mrs Sinead Bouchier-Hayes, 33, Castlepark Road, Sandycove, Co. Dublin
Proposal: Permission is sought for an extension to the front and side of house comprising two storeys plus basement; the demolition of existing one-storey extension, a detached shed and 9.5m of the existing boundary wall to the side; construction of a new rendered bloc work boundary wall; the installation of 5sq.m solar panels on the roof of the existing house; widening of the existing gateway and replacement of the existing 3.13 metre wide entrance gate off Castlepark Road by 4.315 metre wide new gate.
- Reg. Ref.:** D09A/0682 **Decision:** Grant Permission **Date:** 5-Nov-2009
Applicant Name, Address & Location: Tom Kavanagh, Waterside, Queenstown Castle, 34 Coliemore Road, Dalkey, Co. Dublin
Proposal: Permission sought for development on this site; 'Waterside', Queenstown Castle, 34 Coliemore Road, Dalkey, Co. Dublin having shared access through Queenstown Castle (a protected structure). The development will consist of: partial demolition of existing partially constructed dwelling house and structures on site. (b) Construction of a new split level 2 storey detached dwelling house (189sq.m) with basement accommodation (54sq.m) to the rear accessed internally via access stairs and externally from the foreshore jetty. The dwelling will comprise of 3 bedrooms with associated bathrooms, living accommodation, stores, external terraces, roof terrace, railings, stairs, boundary walls, entrance court and canopy and all hard and soft landscaping. (243sq.m total floor area). (c) Alterations to the fenestration of the 'as built' boathouse (25sq.m) on the foreshore and completion of boathouse and slipway (previously approved under PI Ref D06A/0739 & An Bord Pleanala Ref PL 06D.219006).
- Reg. Ref.:** D09A/0695 **Decision:** Grant Permission **Date:** 5-Nov-2009
Applicant Name, Address & Location: Barry & Derval O'Dwyer., 11, Hyde Park, Dalkey.
Proposal: Permission sought for (A) the construction of a dormer window (with velux rooflights) and alterations to a ground floor window to the side elevation of the existing semi-detached house and (B) widening of existing vehicular entrance from 2.5m to 3.5m.

APPEALS NOTIFIED BY An Bord Pleanala - Wks 42-45 12/10 - 6/11/09

Reg Ref: D09A/0547

Registration Date: 28-Jul-2009

Location: The White House, 21, Dalkey Avenue, Dalkey, Co. Dublin

Development: Planning permission sought for the demolition of the existing two storey four bedroom house (226sq.m) and the construction of 4 no. two storey plus attic level accommodation, five bedroom detached dwellings (1 @ 385sq.m and 3 @ 269sq.m) with roof mounted solar collectors on each dwelling, modifications to the existing vehicular access, the provision of 3 no. new vehicular accesses (each 3.0 metres wide) at The Metals, off street parking, landscaping and ancillary site development works at The White House. **Council Decision:** Refuse Permission. Appeal Lodged: 19-Oct-'09. **Nature of Appeal:** Appeal against Refusal of Permission. **Type of Appeal:** 1st Party Appeal.

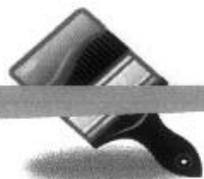
APPEAL DECISIONS of An Bord Pleanala Weeks 42 5/10/ to 6/11/09

No Decisions

PAT EGAN R.I.P.

It is with deep regret that we report the passing of our colleague, Mr. Pat Egan, who died on Tuesday, 10th November, 2009. Pat was a long-serving and enthusiastic member of the Executive of Dalkey Community Council serving as both Vice-Chairman and Treasurer for many years. His knowledge and experience will be greatly missed. We extend our deepest sympathy to his wife, Noreen and his daughters.

Ar dheis Dé go raibh a Anam



Your Local Painter & Decorator

4 Castle Cove, Castle Street, Dalkey

Martin Ellard

Christmas Special Offer 10% discount on all Painting Estimates
(Discount only applies to Labour costs
only for November and December).

Interior and Exteriors

- Wallpapering
- Painting/Oil and Water Based
- Heritage Paints
- No job too small

25 Years Experience

- All Work Guaranteed
- Free Estimates
- Colour Co-ordination and Advice

PAINTING WITH PRIDE

For Free Estimates and Enquires

Tel: 285 7805 Mobile 087 226 2317 E-Mail martinellard17@hotmail.com

Want to improve your home?



ONECALL

HOME IMPROVEMENTS &
PROPERTY MAINTENANCE
1850-663-225

New Showroom Now Open in Dalkey

Unit 2, Convent Road,
Dalkey, Co. Dublin

e: info@onecall.ie
w: www.onecall.ie

www.onecall.ie

We care. . .

• SERVICES • ARCHITECT & DESIGN • BUILDING • CARPENTRY • JOINERY • ROOFING • PLUMBING/GAS FITTER • GRANT WORK
• ELECTRICAL • TILING • PAINTING & DECORATING • PLASTERING • METALWORK • GARDENING • CLEANING • INSURANCE WORK •
LOSS ADJUSTERS APPOINTED • WORKS CARRIED OUT FROM START TO FINISH • KITCHENS • CABINET MAKING • BATHROOM /
WETROOM • HOME ENERGY EFFICIENCY • B. E. R / ENERGY RATING • SOLAR PANEL / GRANT APPROVED • ENERGY AUDIT • S. E. J.
GRANT APPLICATIONS • ACCESSORIES • BATHROOM FURNISHINGS • TILES • WOODEN FLOORS • KITCHEN / WARDROBE / DOORS •
HANDLES • COUNTER TOPS / NATURAL STONE, QUARTZ NATURAL WOOD • PLANTATION SHUTTER AND LOUVER SLIDING DOORS •

DALKEY BUSINESS CENTRE

17 Castle Street, Dalkey, Co. Dublin

Tel: 285 7033 Fax: 285 7823 Email: dalkeybc17@eircom.net



HAVE A
HAPPY, HEALTHY AND PEACEFUL
CHRISTMAS AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR



For All Your Business and Secretarial Needs

- Call Answering Service • Accommodation Address • Faxing
- Typing • Binding • Laminating • Colour and Black & White Photocopying

Our wickedly good Early Bird is now served all night from Sunday-Thursday from 5pm-late.

Friday and Saturday from 5pm til 7.45pm (Closed Mondays)

21 courses for €21 • 3 courses for €9.94

nosh

11-13, The Arcade, 17 Castle Street, Dalkey, Co. Dublin • Tel: 285 7033 • www.nosh.ie

EDIBLE GIFT IDEAS PERFECT FUDGE

STICKY FUDGE – *Fudge is a favourite for gift-giving*



500g caster sugar
2 x 170g cans
evaporated milk
4 tbsp milk

Pinch of salt
100g butter, cubed,
plus extra for greasing
1 vanilla pod, split



Method – Line a 20cm-square cake tin or similarly sized loaf tin with silver foil, extending the foil over the edges of the tin. Grease the foil and set aside.

Put the sugar, milk, evaporated milk, and salt into a large pan. Place the pan over a low heat and stir gently until the sugar has dissolved, then increase the heat to medium and bring the mixture to the boil, without stirring. Once boiling, lower the heat and cook, stirring frequently to prevent the mixture sticking, for 30 minutes.

Remove the saucepan from heat and add the butter and vanilla pod but do not stir. Let the mixture cool, without stirring, for about 15 minutes.

Remove the vanilla pod and beat vigorously with a wooden spoon until it becomes thick and just starts to lose its gloss (this should take about 10 minutes).

Pour the fudge into the prepared tin, leave for about 30 minutes, and then score into 2.5cm squares while still warm. Leave until cold (it will remain quite soft-textured), then use the foil to lift the fudge out of the pan. Cut into squares. Store in an airtight container in the fridge. Or wrap up into small boxes or wrap in cellophane for the ideal gift.

www.tinadunne.com

Yvonne Harrington Designer

The new business name of *Yve Harrington* is now
Yvonne Harrington

For all aspects of special occasion wear including,

Bridal Gowns ~ Bridesmaids

Mother of the Bride or Groom ~ Flower Girls

Debutantes ~ Evening Wear

First Communion ~ Christening Robes

2009 Silk Communion dresses now €100

New collection available in Jan 2010

Individually designed and made to measure ~ all sizes catered for
Full alteration service available

Tel: Yvonne Harrington 087 2809208 / 235 2456

LOOK OUT FOR NEW WEBSITE COMING JAN 2010

Eamon Walshe Garage Ltd.

SALES SERVICE BODYWORK REPAIRS FOR ALL MAKES OF CARS

34 Barnhill Road, Dalkey,

Service Tel: 285 9281, Mobile: 087-244 9030, Fax: 284 9590, Sales Tel: 235 2425

Email: ewg@eircom.net

CELEBRATING 25 YEARS BUSINESS IN DALKEY

- Service • Sales • Bodywork • Valeting • Pre N.C.T.
Checkover - *on all makes of cars*

We have the Diagnostic and Computer Equipment in-house necessary for all makes of cars

We also have two Workshops with five Vehicle lifts
and a facility to store up to one hundred cars on the premises

FREE BODYWORK ESTIMATES:

- **VALETING** from ... **€40.00**
- **SERVICING** from ... **€175.00**



Courtesy cars available for Insurance Bodywork Repairs

We provide all motor trade services



EAMON WALSHE – 45 YEARS IN THE MOTOR INDUSTRY

EXECUTIVE INSURANCE & INVESTMENT BROKERS

9, Barnhill Avenue, Dalkey

- FRENCH LEASEBACK PROPERTY
- ROCK SOLID RENTAL GUARANTEE
- 100% FRENCH MORTGAGE (Terms & Conditions apply)

Office: 285 9943 Mobile: 087 250 8682 e-mail: kieran.aherne@eiib.ie

Executive Insurance & Investment Brokers is regulated by the Financial Regulator

GENERAL ELECTRICAL SERVICES

Registered Electrician

Phone (Day/Evening) 01-2805267



THE GRAVEYARD SCREECHER

I have vague memories of seeing a Barn Owl on Dalkey hill many decades ago but I haven't heard of any in the area in many years. Long Eared Owls aren't uncommon and in winter time daylight flying Short Eared Owls have been seen on Dalkey Island. Sadly Barn Owls (which used to be known as Graveyard Screechers) are in serious decline over most of Ireland but there are some strongholds for them in the West and South West particularly round Kerry and Clare. We found out why at a recent talk given to the South Dublin Branch of Birdwatch Ireland by John Lusby.



Barn Owl

Photo: Richard T. Mills

John is a field worker for Birdwatch Ireland who has been researching the habits of Barn Owls and what might be causing their decline.

In recent years it was thought the Barn Owls decline was due to loss of suitable nesting sites but surveys of nest sites where the owls had nested in previous years showed that they were almost all still intact whereas their former owl occupants had gone. Nest boxes for Barn Owls, which had proven very successful in the UK, had very low occupancy in Ireland.

Barn Owls diet largely consists of small rodents including pygmy shrews, field mice and rats and it would seem the latter creature could be a major reason for the loss of the Barn Owl. Rats have developed immunity to earlier poisons and newer more effective rodenticides have been developed. Very few of these rat poisons kill instantly, instead relying on continued build up in the rats system as the rat keeps consuming the poisoned bait. This means the rat is still active and moving around over ground while the poison is in its system and it can be caught and eaten by owls, thus transferring the poison to the owl.

Barn Owls have very low volumes of stomach acids to break down food and can't digest the fur and bones of their prey so these are coughed up in the form of cigar shaped pellets. Researchers like John search out these pellets near owl roosting sites then take them for analysis where they can find out what the owls have been eating by identifying the remains of skulls and bones. Doing this resulted in some very interesting findings. In the UK Barn Owls diet has a very high content of Field and Bank Voles, which makes them less susceptible to accumulating rat poison. Neither voles are native to Ireland but Bank Voles have been found in the south west of Ireland since the last century and their population is expanding north and east from where they were originally found. There is a fascinating theory that they arrived in machinery that was brought from Germany to help construct the Shannon hydroelectric scheme in the 1920s (see Biology.ie website). Their DNA is a closer match to German bank voles than to ones from our nearer neighbours in Britain. Where the remains of Irish bank voles were found to be the major remains in the pellets of Barn Owls it coincided with areas where there was a good population of the owl.

But an even more fascinating discovery was made during the research work. Bones of a

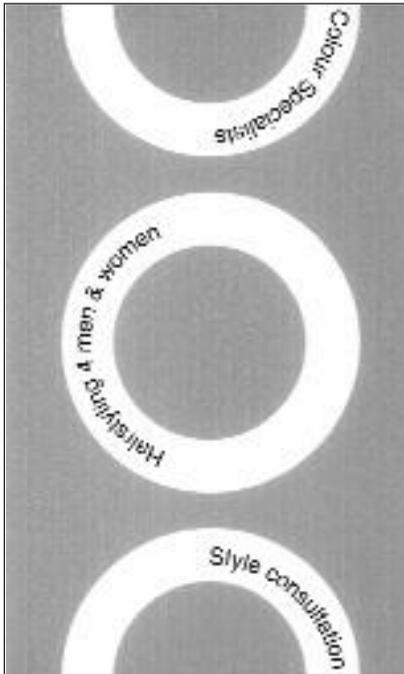


KELLY DESIGN

FURNITURE MADE TO ORDER

- KITCHENS • WARDROBES • HOME OFFICES
• RADIATOR COVERS • ALCOVE UNITS
• BOOK CASES

2a & 3 St. Patrick's Road, Dalkey, Co. Dublin. Ph. 01-285 8235
Email – info@kellydesign.ie



Rhona Mannion



Rhona's

HAIR SALON

*Wishes all our customers
Happy Christmas &
a Prosperous New Year*

20B Castle Street | Dalkey | Co. Dublin
Tel: 01 235 4040

small mammal found in some pellets found in Tipperary and Limerick were proving difficult to identify till the researchers found they were the remains of the Greater White-toothed Shrews, a non native mammal previously unknown in Ireland. Nobody knows how these creatures arrived in Ireland but they were almost certainly introduced by accident and are now rapidly expanding. John Lusby said, “This is a very significant discovery, which took us all very much by surprise. To find remains of one shrew would have been amazing, but the fact that 53 skulls were found in 10 Barn Owl pellets was phenomenal.” He further commented that “the Bank Vole, which was the last introduced mammal species to be discovered in Ireland back in the mid 1960’s, is now a significant element of the Barn Owl diet where it occurs”.



Barn Owl

Photo: Richard T. Mills

It would seem that the owls that are feeding on introduced mammal species, the bank vole and white toothed shrew, are doing well while barn owls that fed on rats are doing badly. It’s still too early to draw any firm conclusions and there are other factors like the very high fatality rate on roads that have to be taken into consideration but it was very interesting to see the value of long term research into one animal’s lifestyle.

Incidentally the animal known as Ratty in *The Wind in The Willows* is actually a bank vole not a rat. Ironically, they could turn out to be one of the few introduced species that actually does more good than harm

Optimum Performance & Handling

Lotus & Porsche Service Repair & Optimisation Centre




Also offering servicing on performance German & European Brands Including:
Mercedes Benz, BMW, Audi & Jaguar

Complimentary winter car check while you wait in
our customer lounge with FREE WiFi & Refreshments

- Fluids / Tyres / Lights / Brakes
- Porsche 24k Major Service - €599*
- Porsche 12K Minor Service - €299*
- Manufacturer recommended Mobil 1 0W-40 oil
- Genuine Porsche Parts
- Free Collection and Delivery or
- Free 24 hour car hire with all general servicing work

*Prices subject to vat

Tell: 01 885 3821

Tel: 01 885 3848

www.oph.ie

email: info@oph.ie



**DOMESTIC
COMMERCIAL
INDUSTRIAL**

Our services include

- FULL REWIRE SERVICE
- NEW FUSE BOARDS
- NEW SOCKETS - IN AND OUTDOOR
- GARDEN / SECURITY LIGHTING
- ADDITIONAL INSIDE LIGHTING

SEAN SMITH - 086 122 1425
 DES O'CONNOR - 085 725 6154
 E-MAIL - SMGELECTRIAL@GMAIL.COM



Reduce your energy costs today with the power of the sun.
 All work carried out by only qualified trades men.

- Grant Approved
- Full reports on your individual system
- All work guaranteed

SEAN SMITH - 086 122 1425
 DAVID DEVANEY - 086 250 6788
 (See also David and Paul Devaney heating and plumbing)
 E-MAIL - SMGELECTRIAL@GMAIL.COM



**Solar
Installers**



McCabes Oil

SELECT STORES, DALKEY

Your Local Home Heating Oil Distributor

- Top Quality Winter Grade - Home Heating Oil - Kerosene
- Same Day Delivery Service
- Prompt Personal Attention
- Keen Competitive Prices
- Mini Tanker Available for Narrow Entrances

ALSO Full range of Smokeless Coal,
 Anthracites, Turf, Logs & Briquettes

Telephone:

285 9611

086 8138545

Mon. - Sat.

8a.m. - 8p.m.

DALKEY TIDY TOWNS – NOVEMBER 2009 REPORT

Bye-laws have been introduced by DLRCC for the Control and Prevention of Litter and Waste Presentation. Litter Wardens will be calling to all businesses in the area to advise them of their responsibilities and give out information leaflets.

Following DTT successes this year and the tremendous support we are receiving from the schools, businesses and public we have entered Dalkey in the DLR Community Awards Competition in the Environmental Category.

The enhancement of the entry to Ormeau Drive from Castle Street has been further improved by the renovation of the Masonic Hall. More projects are planned for next year thanks to our vibrant and talented committee to further enhance our Heritage Town.

The Annual Dalkey Christmas Event is scheduled for Sunday 13th Dec.

LITTER PATROLS - Monthly WINTER SCHEDULE (Weather permitting)

First Tuesday - 2nd Dec. meeting at 10.30 opposite Select Stores

Second Thursday - 12th Dec. meeting at 11.00 at Dillon's Park

Third Saturday - 21st Dec. meeting at 10.30 opposite Select Stores

- Help us by binning your cigarette butts and chewing gum
- Not filling public bins with your household rubbish
- Cleaning up after your dogs
- Checking your motorised road sweeping dates

**VOLUNTEERS
NEEDED FOR
WINTER LITTER
PATROLS**

*Bí brodíúil as bhúr comhsheilbh
Be Proud of your community!*



*Left:
Kelly & Brown families
in
Dillon's Park*



*Right:
Peggy Brown sitting
on bench dedicated
to her late sister Mai Kelly*



HEAD HAIR THERAPY

ST. PATRICK'S ROAD, DALKEY

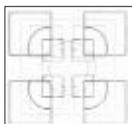


*"The 12 Week Blow Dry"
has Arrived in Dalkey*

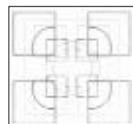
Have smooth manageable hair

Call in or Phone
01 235 1884

ALSO DOING 10% OFF COLOURS MON, TUES, WED



CLASSIC BUILDING COMPANY



- HOUSE EXTENSIONS
- SUNROOMS
- WINDOW REPLACEMENT
- CONSERVATORIES
- SOLAR ENERGY SOLUTIONS



**20C CASTLE STREET,
DALKEY**

For brochure please contact
Tel: (01) 284 0582 / (01) 284 0845

For more information check out
www.classic-conservatories.ie



HOLISTIC | HAVEN

(01) 204 88 06

FOUR THE COURTYARD, REAR 19
CASTLE STREET,
DALKEY, CO. DUBLIN.

HOLISTIC HAVEN

TAILORMADE HOLISTIC TREATMENTS
20% DISCOUNT TO ALL NEW
CLIENTS ON INITIAL
TREATMENT

GIFT VOUCHERS AVAILABLE

OUR THERAPISTS ARE QUALIFIED IN
AROMATHERAPY, SPORTS MASSAGE
SPORTS THERAPY, SWEDISH MASSAGE,
INDIAN HEAD MASSAGE,
MANUAL LYMPHATIC DRAINAGE,
LOMI LOMI MASSAGE,
HOPI EAR CANDLES, INFANT MASSAGE,
STONE THERAPY, SPA THERAPIES,
REFLEXOLOGY

THE ELECTRICIAN

SECURITY LIGHTING	FUSEBOARDS	INFRARED OUTDOOR HEATING
ADDITIONAL SOCKETS	WATERHEATER TIME CLOCKS	WATER FOUNTAINS
REPLACEMENT OF OVENS /	SHAVER POINTS	LANDSCAPE LIGHTING
HOBS & EXTRACTOR FANS	ATTIC LIGHTING	POWER FOR SHEDS &
KITCHEN COUNTER LIGHTING	LED LIGHTING	ELECTRIC GATES

ROUGHAN McKENNA 086 1947 733

THE FLAGS, DALKEY AVENUE, DALKEY.

Email: theelectrician@eircom.net www.theelectrician.ie

JENNING'S PLUMBING & HEATING

*Bathrooms remodelled, power showers, electric showers,
heating, dishwashers, washing machines plumbed,
cylinders replaced, tanks replaced, burst pipes, etc.*

24 HOUR EMERGENCY SERVICE

Call Mike @ 276 2054 / 087 2200 577

**Is your child struggling in IRISH or FRENCH?
(Oral and Written)**



EXPERIENCED TUTOR
available for
**JUNIOR / LEAVING CERTIFICATE
GRINDS**



Phone: 087-1327619



**Dalkey
Credit Union Ltd.**

(Affiliated to the Irish League of Credit Unions)



- Loan Interest Charged at 10.3% A.P.R.
- Competitive Dividends on Savings
- Loan and Savings insured free of charge*
- Access to our Death Benefit Scheme*

Please contact the office for further services available to members.

13A Castle Street, Dalkey, Co. Dublin
Tel: 01-285 3366 Fax: 01-285 3310
E-mail: dalkeycreditunion@eircom.net

**Terms and Conditions apply.*

 **Castleyard**
Office Pods

20/21 St Patrick's Rd. Dalkey

**Live in Dalkey?
Why not work in Dalkey?**

Ultra-stylish one-person offices in leafy courtyard in Dalkey town. One year leases. fully designer furnished.

Call John on 284 9555

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

TALK

Following requests from a number of our Members, Dalkey Community Council are in the process of arranging an open meeting in March, on the subject of:-

“SAFETY IN THE HOME”

Representatives of the Gardaí, Fire Service & Ambulance Service have been invited to make presentations on this important subject

More precise details of the actual date, venue etc will be given in February issue of Newsletter and also displayed on D.C.C. Notice Board in the window of Our Lady's Hall.

We look forward to a Good Attendance

DECEMBER IN THE LIBRARY

Registered Homeopath Judith O' Leary will attend our Parent & Toddler Group first Friday of month for three months Nov-Jan. Ask Judith any questions you have about using homeopathy with babies and children and get her advice on home remedies for cuts, bruises and common illnesses.

Dec Film Club: Tues 22nd Dec at 7pm - 'The Dead' come along for a festive night of film screening with mince pies & mulled wine.

Library Closes for Christmas from Weds 23rd Dec at 5pm.

Reopens: Monday 4th Jan at 10am

Look out for Christmas crafts posters in the library coming up to Christmas.

Please enquire at library for dates, times and books.

Tel: +353 1 2855277 Fax: +353 1 2855789

www.dlrcoco.ie/library

BLACK SHEEP ART GROUP, DALKEY

with Valerie Coombes and John Higgins

ART EXHIBITION 4-13 DECEMBER 2009

(Mon-Fri 9.30 - 5.30 Sat/Sun 2.30 - 5.30 (5 on 13th))

THE CONCOURSE, COUNTY HALL, DÚN LAOGHAIRE

*NOTE: Art classes resume at Black Sheep on 12 Jan. 2010.
Demonstration Lecture "Adventures with Texture" on Jan 30th
Contact Valerie at 01-2840644 for information*



Dalkey School of Motoring

Full Hour
Fully Insured
Dual Controls
Gift Vouchers

Phone Tony on
285 0290 or 086 8724314

WWW.CURRANIRL.COM



ad PIRA
Approved Driving Instructors



**DALKEY COMMUNITY COUNCIL NEWSLETTER
ADVERTISING RATES**



EFFECTIVE FROM FEBRUARY 2009 ISSUE

BLACK & WHITE: Quarter Page: €45. Half Page: € 65 Outside Back: €90.
Small Adverts. €0.60 per word. (14 words max.)

COLOUR Quarter Page: €60 Half Page: €85 Outside Back: €115
No full page Advertisements.

Unless otherwise agreed with the Advertising Manager all Advertisements must be paid for in advance of publication.

APPLE GARDEN SERVICES

DALKEY

ALL GARDEN WORK

- Tidy-ups • Hedges & Lawns
- Pebble Gardens
- Light Tree Surgery

Fully insured / Registered Company

ALL WASTE REMOVED AND 100% RECYCLED

☎ 284 0027 / 087 699 4617

**Local
Friendly
Service**

GAS CONNECT

**Fully
Insured**

GIS + GID Certified Gas Installer

- Gas Boilers Serviced & Breakdowns / Repairs
- Gas Cookers / Hobs / Fires Installed
- New Boiler Installation
- Radiator Valves / Radiators / Pumps Replaced



***NO CALL OUT CHARGE
IN LOCAL AREA***

Tel: 085 1367 474

Email: gasconnect@gmail.com

HOUSES BUILT BY DALKEY URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL 1910

According to Séamas Ó Maitiú in his book “Dublin’s Suburban Towns 1934 - 1930”, published by Four Courts Press, houses built in 1910 by Dalkey Urban District Council included the following developments -

St. Patrick’s Square 24 houses
St. Patrick’s Avenue 12 houses
St. Patrick’s Road 12 houses
Beacon Hill 5 houses

James Scannell



BATHING BOXES FOR DALKEY

In early January 1929 it was reported that the Dalkey Urban District Council has accepted the tender of Mr. Thomas Brady, Contractor, Castle Street, Dalkey, in the amount of seventy eight pounds for the erection of 14 bathing boxes.

James Scannell

Beat the January blues at the SIXTH annual
Dalkey Good Health Fair

*Providing up-to-date information and
resources on a host of Health, Beauty & Wellbeing issues for
Happy Healthier YOU!*

ADMISSION FREE

**Dalkey Town Hall & Heritage Centre
Sat 9th & Sun 10th January 2010**

11.00a.m. - 5.00p.m. both days

TREATMENTS AND PRODUCTS AVAILABLE
Class Enrolments

Free Talks & Demonstrations throughout the weekend

For further information please call 086 225 7531

Spring into Health with a visit to

THE DALKEY GOOD HEALTH FAIR 2010

For further information please call 086 225 7531



THE QUEENS

12 Castle Street
Dalkey



Tel: 01-285 4569
Fax: 01 285 8345

****Lunch Specials from €8.95****

VALUE MENU from 5pm every day

2 COURSES + Tea or Coffee – €16.95

3 COURSES + Tea or Coffee – €21.95

DINE FOR TWO

2 Courses,

Bottle of House Wine

Tea or Coffee €49

Cocktails from 5p.m. every day – €6.00 each

SVP

Society of St. Vincent de Paul

DALKEY



**Annual Church
Collection**



**SATURDAY & SUNDAY
12th & 13th December**

PLEASE GIVE GENEROUSLY

DECEMBER '09 / JANUARY '10 LOCAL HISTORY LECTURES

Tuesday December 1st – At 8.30 p.m. Brain White will present his lecture *‘Hidden Secrets of the Dargle Valley’* to the Kilmacanogue History Society in the Glencormac Inn, Kilmacanogue Village, Co. Wicklow - visitors €3.

Wednesday December 2nd – At 8 p.m. Dr. Rox Cox will present his lecture *‘The Vartry Water Supply Scheme’* to the Rathmichael Historical Society in Rathmichael National School, Stonebridge Road (Dublin Road end), Shankill, Co. Dublin. All welcome.

Tuesday December 8th – At 8 p.m. Douglas Appleyard will speak on *‘The Bram Stoker Family – a typical 19th Century Dublin Protestant family’* to the Genealogical Society of Ireland in Dun Laoghaire College of Further Education, Cumberland Street, Dun Laoghaire, Co. Dublin - all welcome - contribution €3.

Wednesday December 9th – At 8 p.m. Bill Fleeton will present his lecture *‘Unusual Conservation of Buildings’* to the Ballybrack and Killiney Historical Society in the Parochial Hall, SS Alphonsus and Columba Church, Church Avenue (Off Killiney Hill Road), Ballybrack, Co. Dublin. All welcome - visitors €3.

At 8 p.m. the Dun Laoghaire Borough Historical Society will hold its *‘Treasure / Collectors Night’* in the Kingston Hotel, Adelaide Street, Dun Laoghaire - all welcome.

Thursday December 10th – At 8 p.m. Jimmy Mullins will present his lecture *‘The History of Guinness Brewery’* to the Kilmacud-Stillorgan History Society in The Function Room, Glenalbyn, Stillorgan, Co. Dublin - visitors €3.

At 8.30 p.m. Brian White will present his lecture *‘Enniskerry 1830 to 1930’* to the Enniskerry History Society in the A.O.H. Hall, Church, Enniskerry, Co. Wicklow - all welcome - admission €4.

Monday December 14th – At 8 p.m. Ms. Susan Roundtree will present her lecture *‘Mountpleasant Square’* to the Dundrum and District Historical Society in Dom Marmion Hall, Sandyford Road Car park, Dundrum, Co. Dublin - all welcome.

Wednesday January 6th 2010 – At 8 p.m. The AGM of the Rathmichael Historical Society takes place in Rathmichael National School, Stonebridge Road (Dublin Road end), Shankill, Co. Dublin, and all members are requested to attend. The meeting will conclude with the screening of a video.

Wednesday January 13th – At 8 p.m. Ms. Erica Devine will present her lecture *‘The Preservation of Textiles’* to the Ballybrack and Killiney Historical Society in the Parochial Hall, SS Alphonsus and Columba Church, Church Avenue (Off Killiney Hill Road), Ballybrack, Co. Dublin. All welcome - visitors €3.

A BOOK TO READ

‘Writers and Artists of the Borough’ by Colin Scudds, published by the Dun Laoghaire Borough Historical Society, price €6. Last August the Dun Laoghaire Borough Historical Society launched this excellent and fascinating 74- page publication researched and written by Colin Scudds which looks at 29 writers and artists who worked / lived or who are still working / living in the Borough of Dun Laoghaire. At the launch Colin Scudds made it clear that not everyone associated with the Borough could be included in this publication and that possibly at some time in the future these not featured in this work will be the subject of a sequel

Each of the 29 writers and artists featured has his / her own individual biography which comes where available with an illustration of the individual or an illustration of their works. This is an excellent concise book which those interested in literature and art will find an extremely useful reference to keep to hand as will local historians and I suspect 1st and 2nd level students as well who will also find it useful for school projects.

This publication is dedicated to the memory of Barbara Durak, an active member of the Dun Laoghaire Borough Historical Society who passed away in 2006 and whose sister Monica Lonergan provided support for it.



Get what you really want this year...
 Sign up now on our "WISH LIST"

Gift Vouchers & Hampers
 now available!

Open: Mon, Tue: 9-6,
 Late: Wed to Fri 9-9, Sat 9-7
 The Courtyard, Castle Street, Dalkey
 Tel. 284 03 93 Web: www.ebeauty.ie



ESTHETIQUE
 health & beauty clinic

Eugene Noone Construction Ltd.

**EUGENE NOONE
 CONSTRUCTION LTD.**

COMMERCIAL / RESIDENTIAL
 BUILDING

2 CARYSFORT COURT	eugenenoone@eircom.net
CARYSFORT ROAD	Mob: 086 8032935
DALKEY	Fax: 01 2892995
CO. DUBLIN	Tel.: 01 2351592

Quality guaranteed, and competitive rates from your local Company.
 Free Quotations on all building works

Specialist in:
 Home Extensions, Renovations, Conversions and New Build

❖ FORTHCOMING EVENTS ❖

Dalkey Players “ <i>She Stoops to Folly</i> ” @ 8pm in Town Hall	Tues 1- Sat 5 Dec
December DCC Monthly Meeting	Mon 7 Dec
Winter Market in Dalkey School Project from 11.00am-3pm	Sat 12 Dec
Christmas Tree Ceremony & Children’s Show in HC at 3.45pm	Sun 13 Dec
Cuala, Hyde Road - sale of non-shed Christmas trees (Sat 9:00am - 6:00pm & Sun 12:00 - 5:00pm)	Sat & Sun 12-13 Dec

St. Vincent de Paul Christmas Appeal	Sat & Sun 12-13 Dec
Carol Service in OLH @ 3pm. All welcome	Tues 15 Dec
January 2009 DCC Monthly Meeting	Mon 04 Jan
Dalkey Good Health Fair	Sat & Sun 09-10 Jan
Sorting February Newsletter	Fri. 29 Jan



EVENTS THROUGH THE MONTH

Vinyasa Flow Yoga classes continue at Dalkey Castle and Heritage Centre on Mondays & Thursdays. 6.15pm-7.45pm and 8.00pm-9.30pm. Open to all levels and you can avail of a ‘drop in’ rate to sample the system. Contact Gina Dowling gina_dowling@hotmail.com Tel 0872020689

Kung Fu for Kids & Tai Chi for adults & children Town Hall on Tuesdays & Thursdays 5.00pm-9.00pm.

Karate sessions for all age groups @ 6.00-9.00pm Tuesdays & Thursdays. Contact Wayne Deegan at 086 857 2546

Dalkey Players Theatre Group - The Carry Hall Killiney from 7.30-10.30pm Tues & Thurs. Contact Caroline Hickey 086-8092850 or check www.dalkeyplayers.ie for details.

The Irish Vintage Radio and Sound Society meets monthly in Dalkey. If interested please call 086-8391839

DLRCoCo Christmas Tree Recycling will take place from 4th - 19th January 2009 in the following venues: Killiney Hill- car park, Blackrock Park, Cabinteely Park - car park, Marlay - Grange Road car park. Mount Anville - DLRCC Parks Depot, Shanganagh Recycling Centre & West Pier

LIBRARY TIMES: **Mon & Sat.** 10a.m. - 1p.m., 2p.m. - 5p.m. **Tuesday. & Thurs.** 1.15p.m. - 8p.m
Wed. & Friday. 10am - 5pm. Telephone 285 5277

LAST DAY for advertisements & Articles for next 2 issues: FEBRUARY: 5th Jan. 2010; MARCH: 6th Feb. 2010.

ALL ARTICLES STRICTLY TO: The Editor, c/o Post Box, Our Lady’s Hall, Castle Street, Dalkey

NOTE: All Advertising Strictly to: The Advertising Manager, Mrs. Helena Feely, 47 Dalkey Park, Ph: 2858025

All other queries etc. should be addressed to: The Secretary, c/o Our Lady’s Hall, Castle St. Dalkey

EDITORIAL POLICY — The Editorial Staff reserve the right to edit and/or emend articles submitted to the Newsletter. The views and comments published within the Newsletter are not necessarily the views shared or condoned by Dalkey Community Council Limited.

Editorial Team: Gerard Coakley (*Editor*), Ann Perry (*Assistant Editor*),

Richard Mooney, Danny Merity (*Distribution*), Helena Feely (*Advertising Manager*)

Web: www.dalkeycommunitycouncil.com **Email:** gerard@dalkeycommunitycouncil.com

Unless otherwise stated, all material in this issue is copyright of Dalkey Community Council Limited.

Marié's

Centra

11-12 Barnhill Road
Dalkey
Co. Dublin
Tel: 01 285 4433

Services Available:

- LOTTO & SCRATCH CARDS
- FULL OFF-LICENCE / ATM
- CHRISTMAS TREES
- HOT & COLD DELI
- TEA & COFFEE
- NEWSPAPERS & MAGAZINES
- SOLID FUEL & GAS CYLINDERS
- FREE CAR PARKING

Drop into the store every week and check out our
WEEKLY SPECIALS that can't be beaten!

Open 6.30am - 11pm 7 Days a week with Free Parking
Please enquire about our Home Delivery Service

We would like to wish all of our Customers a
MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR



Oh! How Television (and Radio) has changed over the years.....

Japanese broadcaster NHK has announced plans to introduce UHD (ultra high definition) television. Although in the planning stages they claim that UHD will deliver picture quality 4 times sharper than today's high definition broadcasts (test broadcasts are due to start in Japan by 2015)

NHK also predict that the second generation of UHD to be called 8K-UHD (due to be launched around 2020) will have the equivalent resolution of human eye sight (7680 X 4320)

Finally as always around this time of year, I would like to wish everyone a very happy Christmas, and a prosperous new year!!

*Ian Macdonald,
Maxtec Systems*

MAXTEC

Phone: 2850848 / Fax: 2851111 / Mobile: 087 2579222 / email sat@maxtec.ie

PRINTED ON PARTIALLY RECYCLED PAPER

AREA REPRESENTATIVE

Litter Freephone No. 1800 403 503 or 205 4817

Published by Dalkey Community Council Ltd. (A Company Limited by Guarantee)