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Believed to derive from 'novem' which is the Latin for the number 'nine'. In the ancient Roman calendar November was the ninth month after March. As part of the seasonal calendar November is the time of the 'Snow Moon' according to Pagan beliefs and the period described as the 'Moon of the Falling Leaves' by Black Elk. The Anglo-Saxons called November 'Windmonath' or 'Wind-month'.



Flower:
Chrysanthemum

If there's ice in November to bear a duck
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DALKEY LADIES' CLUB - 50th Celebration Party



Ladies' Club Committee with Delma Meredith on of the founder members of the club

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❖ SUMMARY OF DCC OCTOBER MONTHLY MEETING ❖

The October Monthly Meeting took place on Monday 4th October in OLH. The Treasurer Ed O'Neill chaired the meeting and the members heard the reports from the various committees.

Heritage: The summer visitors to the HC were up by 1200 on last year's figure. Major work has been done on St. Begnet's Graveyard thanks to the efforts of DTT, local volunteers and DLRCoCo. The Centre itself is due to get a much needed make-over. The entrance to the Castle will be improved in order to give it a more welcoming appearance and entice the visitor to come in!

AOB: A car parked on Sorrento Road suffered damage to its roof. The broken part of the wall at Coliemore Harbour will be repaired. The trees near Sorrento Park are dying due to the growth of ivy on them and urgent maintenance needs to be done to save them.

As there was no further business the meeting ended.

❖ TIDY TOWNS REPORT - OCTOBER 2010 ❖

We are proud to announce our Awards in the National Tidy Towns Competition -with a significant increase of 7 points!

1. Bronze medal in Category E
2. County Awards, Highly Commended, Dublin (DLR) Dalkey.
3. DLRC entered and **won** the Best Repak Bring Bank in the Dublin Region, for the Dalkey Hill recycling centre. Dalkey Tidy Towns will be awarded this prize.

Please read the adjudication report, published in October's DCC Newsletter. It is inspirational for everyone living, working or just loving Dalkey.

In the DLRC Tidy Districts Competition DTT was awarded 'Best Environmental Youth Initiative'. The display board for our entry is on view in Dalkey Library.

The recently reported neglected state of the Cat's Ladder steps on Vico Road has been rectified by a member of our committee and a volunteer. Such a spontaneous and efficient response is commendable. See before and after photographs in this newsletter or take a walk to see for yourself, it's well worth it!

2010 is UN Biodiversity Year and **Coastwatch Europe** is seeking volunteers to survey Europe's coastlines this autumn (last done in 2005). The work would involve walking 500m of shore at low tide filling in a questionnaire, recording and returning their findings. See www.coastwatch.org to download the questionnaire and for more information. Drawings, cartoons and photos would also be welcome.

Litter patrols for the winter months are 3 times each month.

1st Tuesday at St Patrick's Avenue at 10.30, **2nd Thursday** at Dillon's Park at 11am. **3rd Saturday** at St. Patrick's Avenue at 10.30.

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* *Bí brodíil as bhúr comhsheilbh* * *Pride in your Community* *

Thank you, June Barnett, DTT

DALKEY LADIES' CLUB CELEBRATE 50 YEARS 1960 - 2010



Delma Meredith cuts the cake



Delma Meredith on of the founder members of the club



Fr. Paddy with to his left Maureen Ryan President of the Ladies Club and right Maureen Gaughran Treasurer and Margaret Leonard Vice-President



The Dalkey Ladies Club celebrated their 50th anniversary on Thursday 14th October with a supper preceded by an ecumenical service held in Our Lady's Hall.

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*What a picturesque and pleasing sight which is situated opposite
Ard Mhuire Park, on Dalkey Avenue*

Autumn is here and as our days shorten sometimes our misty mornings remind us that our Season of Mists and Mellow Fruitfulness is certainly, here. Now is our time to enjoy our harvest of colours, hints, tints and shades and of course, to plan ahead, for the oncoming year. - As I heard someone say, yesterday, on the

radio, “Mother Nature, always repays with leisurely observation,”... only, too true.

On awakening early yesterday morning, while staying in Limerick, - it was such a spectacle to notice so many spiders webs, each one, a totally unique structure of fine silky threads strewn, intricately, on my mother’s two, tightly cropped shrubs of Cotoneaster Horizontalis. You do know this tiny dark green glossy, evergreen leafed plant with small red berries; that particular morning, there were countless beautiful webs to be seen, latching onto, virtually everything in the garden. They remind me of those lacy mantillas that some of us, had to wear, years ago.... There are several species of Cotoneaster and it is for sure, one of our most tough, reliable ‘always and always’, looking its best plants: it seems to grow well, anywhere and everywhere, especially around Dalkey and around our beautiful coastline. There is a ground cover variety which seems to be planted in many industrial zones and housing estates, then there are the miniature ones, also the one which may be trained up a garden wall (we have it and I clip it back, training it towards the wall, every now and then). Likewise, there is one that is a standardised lollipop small, ornamental tree. There is too, the weeping tree specimen, which is stunning.

That very same day, I went for a walk with our King Charles, Ruby... As sometimes, we detoured slightly and ended up doing a quick survey around my sister’s garden which certainly has put on its autumnal cloak of many colours. There, I couldn’t help but notice and admire their amazing display of colchicums, - ‘naked ladies’ - our autumnal crocus (crocus speciosus). It flowers September - October, large pale pinkish-purplish delicate flowers which flower on bare, fragile white stems. Their strap-like leaves don’t emerge until springtime; they are easy to grow in a sunny, open position. Another superb bulb in flower at present, and which rarely fails given favourable conditions, is the nerine. I have spotted some lovely clumps both here in Limerick and hugely so, in some of our Dalkey gardens. They like being planted close to the surface of the soil- where, if they’re happy, they will reward us with an abundance of bulblets...(these nerine bulbs are generally pale pink but deeper shades and also, a white variety, ‘alba’, can be sought out. Another striking feature, I was taken by, in their garden, was a piece of an old terracotta water pipe, which was sitting snugly in their pond/water feature. This terracotta pipe looked similar to a woodside Christmas log, partially covered with snow but obviously this time, their water



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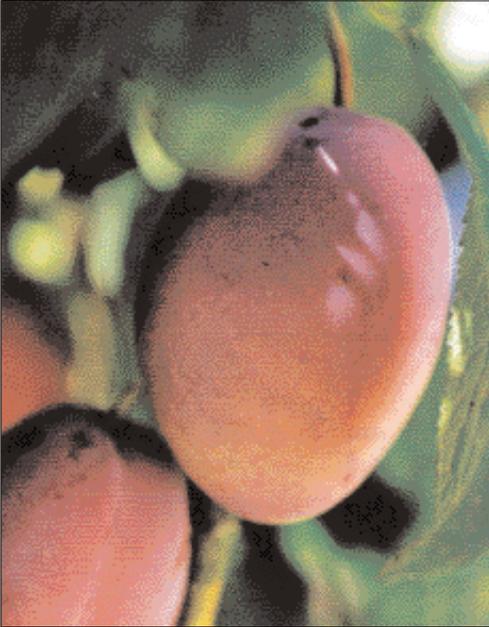
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pipe was artistically 'smitten' with green algae and mosses. The sort of gardening I love, no plastic, totally naturally contrived.



Victoria Plums

The following afternoon, I thought I would pick some plums from a relatively newly planted plum tree in my mothers back garden. To be honest with you, I thought these 'Victoria plums' were just perfect to pick, so I was considering stewing some and perhaps making an Eve's 'plum' sponge pudding and a few smoothies to drink... Well, the truth is, I picked approximately ten, when I got stung by a wasp: I was only stung once before in my life by a bee and it certainly, didn't have the same effect. I immediately soaked the palm of my hand in white vinegar having firstly removed its spear like black sting, then, I tried to suck out it's white sting. It was becoming painfully sore obviously and I thought the pain would ease off, but by the following afternoon, not only were my hand and fingers completely swollen but the sting was beginning to travel up my arm so, having got some sound advice, I

paid a visit to the local doctor, who injected me and put me on steroids and I think , two courses of antibiotics. Such is Life - just be a little bit careful because wasps often lurk in

bruised fruit. The Victoria Plum Tree is, undoubtedly, one of the best known varieties. It is a heavy cropper and sometimes, its branches are so laden with fruit that they can actually, break off.

Today, is another balmy autumn day and on our way home from another nice walk, there was a group of young children with an adult, each one, collecting their very own bag of horse chestnuts. We used to call them 'conkers'. As we walked, some horse chestnuts were actually tumbling down spasmodically, over our heads, what beautiful, shiny, rich, rusty, mahogany-like colours they are and those that fell on the ground, half covered in their green and white fleshy shells - looked equally like, another autumnal work of art.



'Albies Koreana', this small ornamental slow-growing evergreen coniferous tree is, I think, one of the finest specimens.

We have it growing outside our kitchen window and very soon it will, as always, display the most incredible tightly-formed deep blue cones

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TIPS

Poppy seeds- harvest 'pepper pots' when pale brown and shake out seeds. Good idea to store them in a grease proof packet or a jam jar- sealing them to exclude air and moisture, then place them in a cool dry place, ready for planting in early April in nice, crumbly soil raking them into the surface.

1. Clean out birdbaths and keep them topped up.
2. Clean out nest boxes so that birds can shelter inside during winter.
3. Leave some seed-heads standing rather than cutting them back to provide food and shelter.
4. Create log, twig and/rock piles to provide shelter for wildlife.

❖ GARDEN TALKS – OCTOBER 2010 ❖

ALPINE GARDEN SOCIETY – DUBLIN GROUP

Thursday, 11th November, 2010 at 8 pm, – *'Alpines at Home and Away'*.

Venue: St. Brigid's Parish Centre, Stillorgan.

Friday, 19th to Sunday 21st November, 2010

27th Alpine Weekend – Christine Skelmersdale, Martin Walsh and Zden_k Zvolánek,

Venue: An Grianán, Termonfeckin.

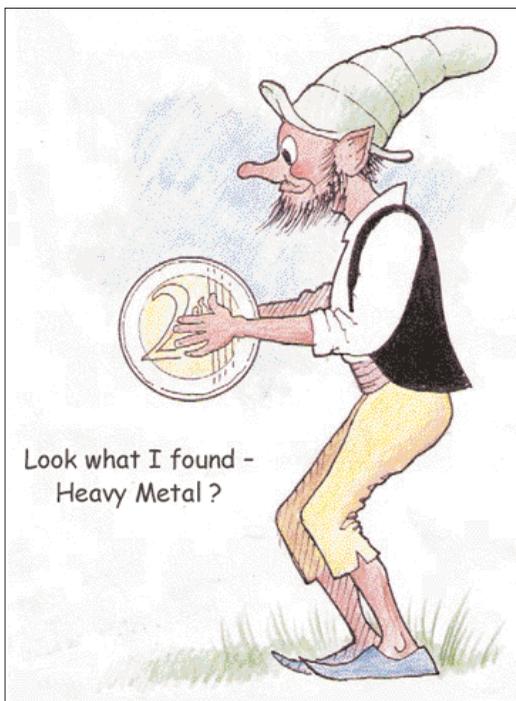
FOXROCK & DISTRICT GARDEN CLUB

Tuesday 23rd November 2010 – 8.00 p.m. "*A Decade of Change at Fota Arboretum & Gardens*" David O'Regan, Head Gardener, Fota. **Venue:** Parish Pastoral Centre, Foxrock

OVERHANGING SHRUBS

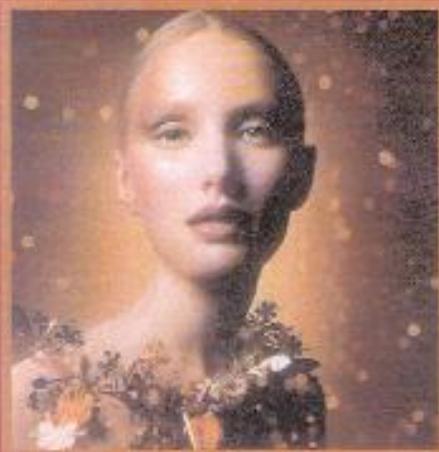
A number of residents have expressed concern at the danger involved in overhanging bushes and branches on footpaths around Dalkey. We have mentioned this before and we would like to remind owners of any offending shrubs or plants to keep them under control. Also, please bear in mind that many of our fellow residents are elderly and may have deteriorating eyesight which are added factors to bear in mind.

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Dalkey Castle enjoyed increased numbers for the summer season, against the national trend. ‘*Meet the Tudors*’ Living History Live Performance as part of the guided tour was a highly popular draw into the town. There was a murder mystery element to the storyline complete with a ghostly figure which allowed us to showcase the peace and tranquillity of the graveyard to great effect. Live Performances continue throughout November and the Christmas Programme will run from the last week of November to Christmas. Shay Linehan, the Director of the Deilg Inis the Living History Theatre Company which provides Living History performances in Dalkey Castle, won the prestigious McGuire Playwriting Competition at the Irish Classical Theatre Co in Buffalo New York state. His play ‘The Cant’ was staged in Buffalo throughout September and plans are afoot to take it further in the US. Congratulations to Shay!

The Architectural Conservation Dept of DLRCoCo organised the removal of all the dead vegetation from St Begnet’s Church, the Graveyard Wall and the Castle/Town House. Sycamores, buddleia and valerian had taken hold on the tops and in the crevices of the walls and were increasing in strength year on year. All the work has been carried out by expert contractors under the guidance of the DLR Conservation Architect. The conservation/repair work is now complete and we are delighted with the end result. Members of Dalkey Tidy Towns aided by volunteers had earlier carried out a major clean up in the graveyard itself. There are a few further projects planned around the entrance gate and the restoring of the last of the pathways to complete the upgrade. Entrance to the Graveyard is through the Heritage Centre and needless to mention is free. Check in at reception.

EVENTS:

The annual **Winter Fair** which is run by Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Enterprise Board will take place over the weekend of 13th & 14th November in Dalkey Castle & Dalkey Town Hall. This is one of the initiatives run by DLRCEB to support creative businesses in the area. It will be open to the public from 11.00am to 5.00pm each day. It is a valuable opportunity to pick up some unique, hand crafted gifts for Christmas and other special occasions at reasonable prices. Suanne May is the event organiser. She can be contacted at 01 839 1630

Vinyasa Flow Yoga Classes continue on Tuesdays at Dalkey Castle and Heritage 6.15pm-7.30pm and 7.45pm-9.00pm. Due to popular demand an extra night is being added. Enquire for details. Contact Gina Dowling gina_dowling@hotmail.com Tel 087 202 0689.

Friday Market continues with organic vegetables from the Dominican Farm in Wicklow and fresh fish from Kilmore Quay.

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Lillie Cunniam - 5th Class who came 3rd place in Ireland in Skiing Competition in Kilternan

Now that October has arrived, all the girls and boys are looking forward eagerly to Hallowe'en and planning their costumes for the big day. We always dress up on the last day before the mid-term break and collect two euro for charity from everyone. It's great fun coming in to school and wondering what everyone will wear and, especially, how the teachers will be dressed.



Our school yard is really improving and even the shed has got a new coat of paint. We can thank Tara Gaw for the lovely table-tennis tables which we have been given as a result of her terrific win in the Special Olympic Games this summer. Please keep winning, Tara, and we might even get a swimming pool one day!

The new junior infants have really settled in now, and the sixth class girls are delighted to have been given their new jobs as prefects and wardens in the yard. It seems just like yesterday since we were in the junior classes ourselves and now we are the "big girls" and are expected to be very sensible and responsible. The teachers tell us that we are doing a very good job.

The winning entries from the "Switch It Off" poster competition are displayed around the school and we hope that everyone has got the message by now. When one competition ends, another always begins! Our next project was to write a poem about Autumn, and the prize-winners from third, fourth, fifth and sixth classes were announced at Assembly on October 11th. The lucky winners will meet John Boyne, the author of *The Boy in The Striped Pyjamas* in the Pavilion Theatre on October 16th. They'll tell us everything they find out about his new book at the next Assembly. All of the entries are displayed outside the computer room and the standard is very high. Two girls even wrote poems as Gaeilge!

Everyone would like to congratulate Lily Cunniam from fifth class on her great achievement in skiing. She came third in Ireland at a competition which was held in Kilternan.

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HAPPY MONDAY

A gloomy cool Monday morning. There was a milky light appearing in the east but nothing resembling sunshine. As we came down the hill past the aircraft beacon we heard somebody roaring from the woods ahead. The remains of an all night drinking party. We'd frequently meet youths hanging over, in every sense of the world, after a long night's session and generally they'd mind their own business. Sometimes people would come up to



View from Killiney Hill

Photo: M. Ryan

the hill top to see the sun appearing above the sea but this didn't sound like some one having a spiritual moment bonding with the wonders of nature so we thought we'd better avoid them. We went a longer way through the woods and then walked up the back of Killiney hill to the obelisk and back.

As we came round the bend on the path, known locally as the Green Road, above the Vico Road we saw one of our friends staring intently down at the sea. There's a little group of regular early morning dog walkers who know each other and often, when meeting, biscuits are exchanged between dogs. I don't mean the dogs give each other biscuits but the owners give biscuits to the other walker's dog. Her dog came over to me for her breakfast bikkie and it was only when my dog started getting impatient for her bikkie I noticed our friend hadn't noticed her because she was staring intently down at the sea. What was she looking at? Dolphins, she announced! At first my natural cynicism came to the fore. There are often Porpoise to be seen swimming along near to the coast. They're much smaller than dolphins and you only ever see a small dorsal fin and a bit of their back as they rise out of the water. They don't leap out of the sea, playfully nudge swimmers or do anything acrobatic although it's always exciting to see them. They are sometimes mistaken for dolphins and initially I thought maybe that's what our friend had seen but I was very wrong. These weren't porpoise.

Not much more than a hundred yards off the Vico Road were at least three dolphins. Leaping up clear of the water and diving back in, tail fins high in the air, this was a spectacular sight. We watched them for 10 or 15 minutes and leaving them was difficult because they showed no sign of swimming away and were staying in the same general area. But an hour later I drove down to the Vico, parked and had a look.

They were still there, just off the bathing place near the cove at Sorrento Terrace. From the Vico Road they were in that close to the shore I was looking down on them. I could hear early morning swimmers whooping with excitement as they watched them. Two dolphins leaped out of the water facing each other like synchronised swimmers and sometimes three



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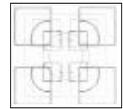
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dolphins would swim side by side almost touching as they surged through the waves. I took loads of photos which were virtually all rubbish, most showing the broken surface where the dolphin had just dived back in. Afterwards I thought I should have forgotten about the photos and just watched them, the photos would never capture their grace or my excitement. I also thought

Dolphins in Killiney Bay

Photo: M. Ryan

afterwards if it wasn't for the shouting from the woods earlier I'd have gone a shorter route and passed our friend before she'd seen the dolphins so I probably wouldn't have seen them.

Every few minutes a Dart would go by and I was wondering did any of the passengers see them, clearly visible below them if they were looking in the right direction. That would lift anybody's Monday morning, it certainly did mine.

Next Sunday we were on top of Killiney Hill near the obelisk and scanning the bay. I, of course, didn't see anything and had wandered off but my sharp eyed companion called me back and directed my gaze to what she'd seen beside a sailing boat near Dalkey Island. A few metres off its stern dark shapes were breaking the surface and our binoculars clearly made out the dolphins although you could easily see them with the naked eye as they launched out of the water. Don't know if they were following the boat or the boat was following them. We watched them again for ages, they came nearer the shore swam just past the beach at White Rock and headed south.

Three Bottlenose Dolphins had been reported many times between Greystones and Dun Laoghaire during the summer and autumn and for a while I was thinking I was the only person who hadn't seen them. Since we had our sighting I'd met lots of people who'd seen them in Killiney Bay and even heard of people swimming with them.

Who wouldn't be a bit glad to see them though (apart from fish of course) are porpoise. Its surprising, and a bit disappointing, to know that dolphins, creatures we have such a high opinion of and credit with such benign characteristics, do actually go out of their way to injure and frequently kill porpoise, many of whom are found washed up dead with dolphin bite marks on their bodies. Perhaps the dolphins consider them rivals for the fish stocks. Anyhow its their nature not malice and it's great to have another wonderful creature to add to our view from the hill.

DANCING BEES

It's been known for some years that honey bees, when they return to their hive, can communicate to other bees where they have gathered nectar by a series of movements called a 'waggle dance' and the bees that witness it will then go to the specified food source they've been directed to. Initially a lot of scientists were very dubious about this proposition saying it was more likely that the dancing bee had brought in a scent of the food plant and it was following this scent that brought the other bees to the food. They couldn't believe bees could communicate detailed information to each other by a series of movements. But subsequent research has proved the original findings correct and scientists



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have managed to interpret a lot of the dances. The movements are usually a sequence of figure eights as they waggle their abdomen and the length of times the movements last or the number of times they occur signals how far away the nectar is. The bees position as they dance indicates the angle the other bees should fly in relation to the sun. A few years ago researchers fitted bees with tiny transmitter antenna and after a returning bee had performed its 'waggle dance' in front of them the researchers were able to track their path and prove that they did respond to the directions and most flew directly to the food source. Further recent research on bees kept in glass sided hives in laboratories has been able to establish how far they fly on their sorties. Interestingly August bees fly on average four kilometres but in September they fly on average two kilometres. You might have thought they wouldn't have to fly so far in what would probably be a warmer month but in fact a lot of plants will have flowered by August. But ivy comes into flower at the end of August and beginning of September and it's this that the bees are flying to. Its nectar rich flowers provide late season sustenance for lots of insects, wasps and butterflies as well as many species of bees, very valuable for any of them that need to build up their energy before hibernating. So apart from providing early berries for birds in spring and a host for the eggs and caterpillars of Holly Blue butterflies the often maligned ivy plant is also a valuable autumn food for many other creatures.

BETTER RED!

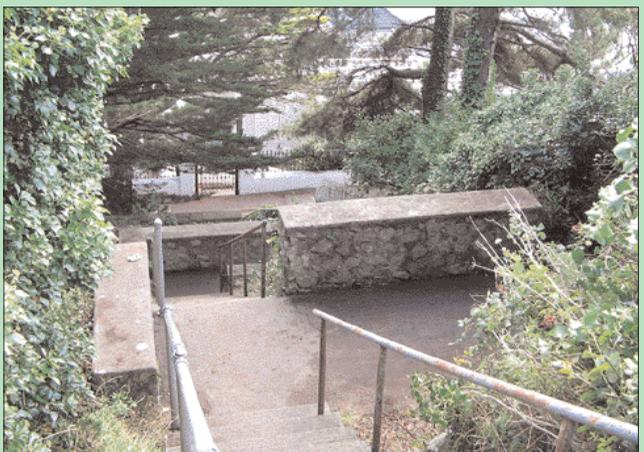
The DLRR Parks Department, Biodiversity officer and other concerned parties held a meeting in September to study progress and reaffirm their commitment to conserving the Red Squirrel population on Dalkey and Killiney Hill. Some red squirrels seen in the last few months by researchers looked very like juveniles and it would be very good news if there had been successful breeding this year.

There are plans to do further surveys of the locality in the future to see if there are any remaining red squirrel populations in the area and to track the distribution of the grey squirrel which threatens their future.

CAT'S LADDER



AUGUST, 2010



AFTER SEPTEMBER 2010

PLANNING APPLICATIONS - Weeks 36-40 6/9/10 to 8/10/10

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.

Reg. Ref.: D10A/0300

Application Rec'd Date: 3-Jun-2010

Applicant Name & Location: Mr Joe Byrne, 14, Saint Begnet's Villas, Dalkey.

Proposal: Planning permission to construct a 2 storey extension to side and rear, new porch to front, new driveway and interior alterations to existing house. **Applic. Type:** Permission
Add. Info.: Clarification of A.I. Recd. Clarification of A.I.: 13-Aug-2010, 13-Sep-2010.

Reg. Ref.: D10A/0543

Application Rec'd Date: 30-Sep-2010

Applicant Name & Location: JCDecaux Irl. Ltd., 5, Castle Street/Ulverton Road, Dalkey.

Proposal: Permission is sought for the removal of 3 No. 6m x 3m & 1 No. 3m x 2m advertising structures together with the supporting steels, concrete slab & columns, the demolition of an existing dwelling & existing walls to allow for the construction of 2 No. 3-storey mixed use blocks. The Ulverton Road block will consist of 1 No. retail unit & vehicular access to central yard which also contains access to all apartments, 6 No. car parking spaces, bin & bicycle storage at ground floor, 2 No. 2-bed apartments with rear balconies & a metropole scrolling internally illuminated advertising display at 1st floor & 2 No. 2-bed apartments with front balconies formed by set back from Ulverton Rd. The Castle Street block will consist of 2 No. retail units at ground floor, 2 No. 2-bed apartments with rear balconies at 1st floor & 2 No. 1-bed apartments with rear balconies at 2nd floor.

Reg. Ref.: D10B/0412

Application Rec'd Date: 28-Sep-2010

Applicant Name & Location: Jo Ann Connolly, 43, Dalkey Park, Dalkey, Co. Dublin

Proposal: Planning permission for retention is sought for development consisting of a single storey rear extension of 31 sq.m, a single storey garage conversion to utility room at side of house of 12 sq.m and all associated site works. **Application Type:** Permission.

Reg. Ref.: D10A/0552

Application Rec'd Date: 5-Oct-2010

Applicant Name & Location: Turlough O'Donnell, Jamrud, Sorrento Road, Dalkey.

Proposal: Permission is sought for a change of use from a single residence to 2 detached residences, 2 new entrances, on-site car parking for each residence, associated site works, 16.9 m² extension, 24.3 m² floor area reduction and retaining an existing architects studio.

Reg. Ref.: D10A/0556

Application Rec'd Date: 05-Oct-2010

Applicant Name & Location: Glencairn Flat Management Ltd, Glencairn Apartment Building, Harbour Road, Dalkey, Co. Dublin

Proposal: Permission is sought for the following development, - relocation of existing vehicular entrance on Harbour Road - General refurbishment and upgrade of hard and soft landscaping including provision of 7 No. additional car parking spaces - upgrading works to elevations including a rendered plaster finish (also some window replacement). - Provision of 3 new apartments in a new third floor level (with roof top plant room)

PLANNING DECISIONS FOR WEEKS 36-40 6/9/2010 to 8/10/2010

Reg. Ref.: D10A/0400

Decision: Request Add. Info.

Date: 9-Sep-2010

Applic. Name: Niall Dowling, Green Rd., Rear of Sorrento House, Nerano Rd., Dalkey.

Proposal: Permission for development at this site fronting onto Green Road, to the rear of Sorrento House. The development will consist of revisions to development permitted under Reg. Ref. D07A/1578 to include: Change from permitted four bed to a three bed detached

dwelling; increase in finished floor level of ground and first floor level of north-eastern wing with roof level remaining as permitted; increase in floor area of dwelling from 321sq.m to 328sq.m; new porch at ground floor entrance; relocation of permitted roof lights with new roof light above ground floor corridor; Increase in first floor terrace at north-eastern elevation; New solar panels at roof level; and internal modifications, alterations to roof lights, and minor elevation changes. **Application Type:** Permission.

Reg. Ref.: D10A/0406 **Decision:** Refuse Permission **Date:** 14-Sep-2010

Applicant Name & Location: Eileen Smyth, 4, Saval Park, Saval Park Road, Dalkey.

Proposal: Planning permission is sought for dormer style dwelling with parking, landscaping, drainage and ancillary works. **Application Type:** Permission.

Reg. Ref.: D10A/0418 **Decision:** Grant Permission **Date:** 20-Sep-2010

Applicant Name & Location: David & Kate Woolfson, Torca Hill, Torca Road, Dalkey.

Proposal: Planning permission is sought for amendments to granted permission Register Reference No.D08A/1113 for a single storey over semi-basement private dwelling house and garage with associated hard and soft landscaping at Torca Hill, Torca Road, Dalkey, Co. Dublin. Amendments include extension of basement storage area on lower ground floor with increase in length of storage area window on north east elevation, the addition of new window to upper ground floor bathroom on south west elevation & reduction in length of master bedroom, the reduction in length of south east elevation by 1.9m the glazing in of upper ground floor covered terrace & integration of external steps internally, alteration of south east elevation window from 2.1m to 2.7m high & insertion of 2 No. glazed sliding doors with internal glass balustrade. Amendments also include addition of new window at upper ground floor south west elevation to kitchen area, the relocation of site entrance gate now placed 2.4m south west of granted location & reduction in height of associated boundary wall by 0.6m. **Application Type:** Permission.

Reg. Ref.: D10A/0430 **Decision:** Refuse Permission **Date:** 23-Sep-2010

Applicant Name & Location: Helen Scully, Site at Torca Road, Dalkey bounded by Elmo Lodge, steps leading to Vico Road and right of way to Knocknacree Road

Proposal: Planning permission for a two-storey dwelling with balcony and garage. The access to the proposal will be from Torca Road. **Application Type:** Permission.

Reg. Ref.: D10A/0300 **Decision:** Grant Permission **Date:** 8-Oct-2010

Applicant Name & Location: Mr Joe Byrne, 14, Saint Begnet's Villas, Dalkey.

Proposal: Planning permission to construct a 2 storey extension to side & rear, new porch to front, new driveway & interior alterations to existing house. **Applic. Type:** Permission.

Reg. Ref.: D10A/0450 **Decision:** Request Additional Information **Date:** 5-Oct-2010

Applicant Name & Location: Monzio Ltd. Eurospar, 36-38, Castle Street, Dalkey.

Proposal: Permission is sought for; (1) The demolition of the existing two-storey building to the rear of nos. 36-37 Castle Street, (2) Demolition of 2 no. lean to buildings to rear of no. 38 Castle St, (3) Excavation of rear areas of nos. 36-38 Castle Street to make all level with Castle St, (4) The erection of a new two-storey extension building to the rear of 36-38 Castle St, Dalkey to include: new customer and service entrances, ramp access to main shop floor below, a goods lift and stairs and a new refuse compound all at ground floor with staff facilities, offices, a canteen, IT room, a goods store and plant room all at first floor, (5) The extension of the existing main shop area to include ground floor area of no.38, (6) Alterations to shop fronts of no. 38. (7) Extension and alterations to first floor 2 bedroom apartment at 38 Castle St, to provide a one bedroom apartment with rear first floor deck area, (8) Ancillary site works including improved boundary treatment generally all at nos. 36-38 Castle St. This development includes a protected structure and is in an architectural conservation zone. **Application Type:** Permission.

APPEALS NOTIFIED by An Bord Pleanala Wks 36-40 6/9/'10 to 8/10'10

No appeals lodged for Dalkey area during this period.

APPEAL DECISIONS of An Bord Pleanala Wks 36-40 30/8/'10 to 1/10/'10

Reg. Ref.: D09A/0780 **Appeal Decision:** Grant Permission **Appeal Decided:** 9-9-'10
Council's Decision: Grant Permission.

Location: Site at Ardeevin Terrace, Ardeevin Road, Dalkey, Co. Dublin

Proposed Development: Planning permission for construction of partially sub-terrainian 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.(Site model to scale submitted with application).

Applicant: Jennie and Andrew Power

Reg. Ref.: D10A/0130 **Appeal Decision:** Grant Permission **Appeal Decided:** 28-9-'10

Council's Decision: Refuse Permission

Location: The 3 Garages, Rockfort Avenue, Dalkey, Co. Dublin

Proposed Development: Planning permission is sought for the partial yet extensive demolition of the existing two storey structure, commonly known as the '3 Garages', and the replacement of this to provide a change of use to a new two storey studio dwelling in the same location. **Applicant:** Mr. David Rogers.

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For all its tragic theme and discussion of fundamental Catholic doctrines, Graham Greene's first play is magnificent entertainment.

St Patrick's Dramatic Society, which has received much acclaim and many awards for previous performances, will be sure to captivate and entertain audiences once more with this classic drama. The talented cast includes Maeve Turner, Michael Byers, Tara Murphy, Deirdre Burke, Val Wallace, Tony Perrem and Clare Cresswell and is directed by Nadia Quick.

The production will take place at 8pm nightly in Dalkey Town Hall from Wednesday 24th November to Saturday 27th November inclusive. Tickets (€12/€10 concessions) are available at the Dalkey Heritage Centre, Exchange Bookshop, at the door on the night, or from 01-2807185.



IF I ONLY HAD TIME



The concept of time has been around since the creation of mankind. It sometimes seems endless, particularly if you are waiting for something to happen. On the other hand, when you reach a certain age it just seems to 'fly by' and there are not enough hours in the day to do all the things which one feels have to be done.

This is highlighted by a 'Golden Oldie' of some years ago with the title "*If I only had time, only time*".

Phrases like '*time immemorial*', which has the ring of the Irish '*fadó fadó*' to it, and '*times past*', '*time honoured*', '*timeless*', etc. are well known and used often to describe various events which involve 'time'.

For some senior citizens confusion sometimes arises when time is being described, depending on whether it is the '12 hour' or '24 hour' method used. Most timetables for

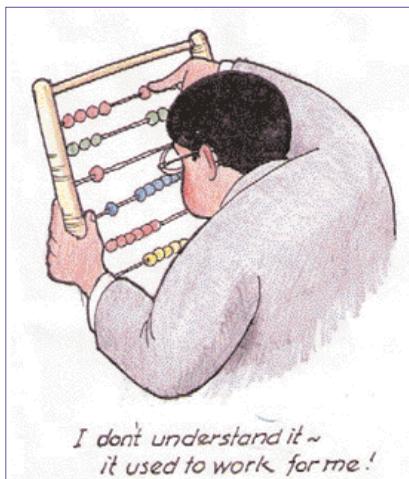
buses, trains, aeroplanes, etc. are described in the '24 hour' version. Parking information is also denoted in the '24 hour' method and confusion arises then as to what is '18.00' or '19.00' hours.

While the '12 hour' clock is easiest for most people to follow there can be confusion here also when opening or closing hours are being described in print, e.g. premises will say 'opening from 12 p.m. to 10 p.m.' or 'closed from 12 a.m. to 8 a.m.'

They seem to forget that '12 Midday/Noon' is neither a.m. nor p.m. And that '12 Midnight' is neither p.m. nor a.m.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

RE: KILLINEY HILL

Dear Editor,

Killiney Hill is a magnificent natural resource for all the local people where we can walk, relax & play and walk our dogs in peace. I want to protest strongly about it being used and abused since the 15th Sept by a very, very large film company. Today the 27th September, I learnt this intrusion on our local park will continue till at least October 5th.

First the recycling banks were moved back to their unsightly location on the hill, in a dangerous spot opposite the playground with no facility to park while disposing of glass. And definitely no place for the very large recycling truck to collect them.

There are so many crew cars on the hill that the whole hill driveway is parked with cars, and only one lane free. This made driving up or down the hill very dangerous as reversing had to be done if you faced a car coming down the hill.

The playground is adjacent to this road up the hill, and kids playing are in danger with so many cars parked. Then the top carpark is overloaded with massive trucks & generators belching out fumes. Already the road and pavements are broken and this causes even more damage. Many of the crew were smoking and throwing their butts in our beautiful park.

In the park itself heavy vehicles were driving around damaging the soft terrain and belching out diesel fumes. Not pleasant when trying to have a quiet walk!

The wildlife and birds no doubt were greatly disturbed. You know Killiney Hill is very special, only the week before I saw one of the pair of hawks residing there and the week before that saw the local dolphins swimming in the bay. It should be a place of peace and tranquillity for old and young to enjoy.

How can we keep our Killiney Hill Safe, and stop it being rented out to film crews? The park was given to the people to enjoy in peace. Not to be rented out by Dun Laoghaire County Council for their gain.

There was no business I could identify for the locals out of this. They brought all their own crew and catering trucks. I asked the girls in the lovely coffee place by the gate and they said only a few electricians came for a coffee.

I reported this to John Bailey who conveyed my concerns to the council. We are yet to find out the details to the agreement, how much money is being paid and what the terms of the agreement are. When I phoned the parks department in the council I was told that the person responsible for the agreement is on leave!!

What can be done to stop this renting out of our beautiful, unique public park to film crews? Surely it should be a place for quiet enjoyment by all young and old. It is fragile and cannot take the abuse it is being subjected to. Please if anyone else reading this feels the same way phone, write or email to Dun Laoghaire County Council and to your local representatives requesting that Killiney Hill no longer be rented out.

Melanie Kovero – 19 Ulverton Road, Dalkey

RE: BLUE WARNING SIGN ALONG VICO ROAD

Dear Gerard,

During National Spring Cleanup Day, June Barnett of Dalkey Tidy Towns asked me to request the County Council to remove the large blue warning sign along Vico Road as it disrupts the beautiful vista that exists along this stretch of road.

Please find attached a question that I subsequently placed at the following Area Committee. I find

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR – *Continued*

the reply received completely inadequate and I intend to pursue this matter further. I would be grateful if you would include it in the next edition of the Dalkey Newsletter please.

On a personal note, I would like to take this opportunity to formally congratulate and thank the existing Community Council Committee for all their hard work and commitment shown on a voluntary basis to the Dalkey area. It is wonderful that such a vibrant, well-organised committee continues to work hard year after year. A special acknowledgement must be given to the editorial group for all their efforts in compiling such an informative newsletter month after month.

If I can be of any assistance to you or the Dalkey Community Council, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

Councillor Cormac Devlin

MEETING OF DUN LAOGHAIRE AREA COMMITTEE BLUE WARNING SIGN – 28 June 2010-13

Question: Councillor C. Devlin

“To ask the Manager to immediately remove the large and intrusive blue warning sign along the scenic Vico Road, Dalkey as it injures the beautiful views of the Bay. A similar motion was placed down by this Councillor in 2005 about a recycling centre at this location which was subsequently removed by the Council.”

Reply:

The blue signs were erected at a number of locations along the coast to complement the beach route of conduct programme. It was considered to place one information sign at each of the beaches instead of numerous smaller signs around the entrance. It was deemed that the larger sign would not adversely affect the view, while a large number of smaller signs at a lower level would have a larger impact on the views from Vico Road.



COLIMORE BATHS



At the May 1920 monthly meeting of the Dalkey Urban District Council, Mr. Thomas Dowling in the chair, Mr. Powell questioned the terms of the agreement between the Council and Mr. Judd covering the renting of Coliomore Baths. The Town Clerk read the terms of the agreement which included provision for the Council to purchase the building at any time on terms fixed by the Arbitrator. However Mr. Powell did not like the conditions of the agreement, remarking that there were places like St. John of God's or Portrane where people who agreed to these terms should be sent. In his view the Baths were a 'white elephant' costing the town's ratepayers £100 a year. He proposed that the 1913 agreement between the Council and Mr. Judd should be rescinded and that notice of termination of the tenancy should be given. His view was based on the fact that the Baths cost the Council £100 a year to rent and that in 1919 it had only received £20 in revenue. He also made the point that bathers avoided this location as it was near a sewage outfall. It was decided to hold a special meeting to consider this matter.

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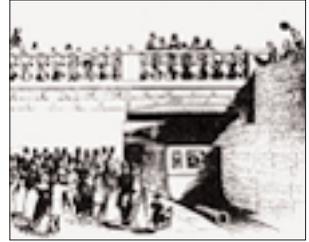
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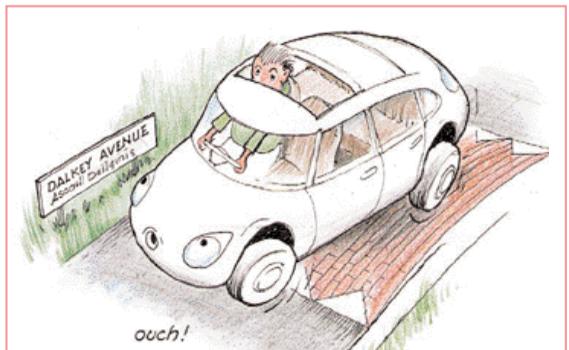
ATMOSPHERIC RAILWAY

Dun Laoghaire saw the inception of the great struggle between the locomotive and the ‘atmospheric’ system, which became a serious competitor in the year 1844. Brunel, the engineer of the famous tour de force where the railway skirts the precipice of Bray Head, was the principal champion of the atmospheric system, giving it merits, ‘rapidity, comfort, safety, and economy.’ Stephenson, no less determined, said simply: *‘It won’t do; it is only the fixed engine and ropes over again in another form; and I don’t think this rope of wind (i.e. air) will do as well as the rope of wire did.’* However, the Government advanced a loan for the purpose, and the Dalkey line was the first upon which the atmospheric system of propulsion was brought into actual practice: so presumably Brunel found his first opportunity here. Many such lines were laid in England. The track was laid from the station at Kingstown (as it then was) to Dalkey in 1844, at a cost of £35,000, its length being about a mile and three-quarters. The power house, with a double-acting air pump, was situated at the Dalkey end just short of Dalkey Station, and there was an incline of 1 in 115 back to Kingstown which enabled the piston to be removed and the train to do the return journey by gravity. The present line follows the same route, and the only place where the atmospheric track is still separately visible is where the lines slightly diverged under Castlepark Road, where there are two bridges - the old stone bridge on the sea side passes over the ‘cutting’ of the atmospheric. Atmosphericics worked on the pneumatic principle. A continuous cast-iron tube fifteen inches in diameter was fixed on the ground between the rails, and acted as a suction pipe. This tube had a slit along the top to allow of the passage of an arm to which was affixed a piston, and the train was secured to the piston arm. The difficulty was to keep this slit airtight. This was attempted by means of a leather valve of some intricacy, which was opened by means of rollers to allow the piston arm to pass; this valve had to be kept pliable and sealed with grease. In order to render the valve airtight after the passage of the piston a band of wax and tallow running beside the valve was melted by means of a long copper container filled with coke which was attached to the train. The valve was pressed home into the hot tallow by another roller. The greasing led to one of the principal difficulties, since the rats are the grease, and the leather, thus rendered succulent. In any case, and apart from the rats, the difficulty of keeping such a tube at all airtight proved insuperable; the tallow melted in summer and stiffened in winter, and one can only be amazed that such a “Heath Robinson” contrivance should have appeared many years after Stephenson had solved the locomotive problem. The atmospheric system was a failure, and the last English survivor of the atmospheric tubes was pulled up in 1848. Ours lingered on heroically for another six years and gave up the struggle in 1854.



Source: Manning Robertson, *Town Planning Adviser, Dun Laoghaire Borough Corporation - Published in August, 1936.*

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36. Caroled
38. Connection
40. Lack of difficulty
41. A seal
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| | 27. Related to language | 53. Ancient Peruvian |
| | 28. Back of the boat | 55. Cut back |
| | 29. Short low gruff noise | 56. Radiate |
| | 30. Come to pass | 57. Anger |
| | 31. Donkey | 58. Hurry |
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2. Pimples
3. Type of carpet
4. Civil
5. Seaweed
6. Blemish
7. In ___ of (replacing)
8. An uncle
9. Cause to continue
10. Jacob's brother
11. Where the sun rises

Solution to Crossword No. 3 page 36



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Wednesday November 3rd at 8 p.m. Rob Goodbody will present his lecture '*The Metals*' to the Rathmichael Historical Society in The Burton Hall, Rathmichael National School, Stonebridge Road (Dublin Road end), Shankill, Co. Dublin.

Tuesday November 9th at 8 p.m. Sean Solan will speak to the Genealogical Society of Ireland on '*Irish Convict Transportation - Damnation or Salvation ?*' in Dun Laoghaire College of Further Education, Cumberland Street, Dun Laoghaire - all welcome, contribution €3.

Wednesday November 10th at 8 p.m. Anne Fleeton will present her lecture '*Ancient fabrics - their colours and how to conserve them*' to the Ballybrack-Killiney History Society in the Parochial Hall, St. Alphonsus & Columba Church, Ballybrack - enter from Killiney Hill Road.

Thursday November 11th at 8 p.m. Fr. Ciarán O'Carroll will speak to the Kilmacud-Stillorgan Local History Society on '*Paul Cardinal Cullen - Portrait of a Practical Nationalist*' in the Function Room, The Glenalbyn Sports Club, Stillorgan, Co. Dublin - admission €3.

Thursday November 11th at 8 p.m. James Scannell will present his lecture '*Behind the Wheel - Early Motoring in Wicklow*' to the Enniskerry History Society in The Powerscourt Arms Hotel, Enniskerry, Co. Wicklow. - all welcome, admission €3.

Wednesday November 17th at 8 p.m. Ms. Emer Singleton will present her lecture '*Rathdown - a history of the town land from prehistoric to the present time*' to the Dun Laoghaire Borough Historical Society in the Kingston Hotel, Adelaide Street, Dun Laoghaire - all welcome.

Thursday November 18th at 8 p.m. Brian MacAongusa will present his lecture '*William Dargan: Great Railway Builder & Patriot*' to the Bray Cualann Historical Society in the Bray Chamber of Commerce House, 10 Prince of Wales Tce., Quinsboro Road, Bray, Co. Wicklow admission €4.

Thursday November 18th at 8 p.m. Pat Sweeney will present his lecture '*Liffey Ships & Shipbuilding*' to the Maritime Institute of Ireland in the Stella Maris Seafarers Club, Beresford Place, (behind the Customs House), Dublin 1 - all welcome.

Tuesday November 23rd at 1.05 p.m. as part of the Tales of Medieval Dublin series of lectures, Ms. Gillian Kelly will present her 40-minute lecture '*The Wife's Tale - Gilianda De Moenis (fl 1340AD)*' in the Wood Quay Venue, Civic Offices, Wood Quay, Dublin 8 - admission free.

A BOOK TO READ

"Executed for Ireland - The Patrick Moran Story"

by May Moran, published by the Mercier Press.

In Glasnevin Cemetery there are 10 graves side by side known as 'The Forgotten' in which 9 of 10 men executed in Mountjoy Gaol during the War of Independence repose - the remains of the tenth are buried in Co. Tipperary - but his headstone is there with the other nine. Written by May Moran, a niece of Patrick Moran, this remarkable book tells the story of Irish Volunteer Patrick Moran who took part in the 1916 Rising and the War of Independence and was charged, convicted, and executed for a crime he did not commit. An active trade unionist - Moran Park in Dun Laoghaire is named after him - he took part in Bloody Sunday 1920, a family secret that emerged only during the course of writing this book. This revealed that he had taken part in the shooting of British secret agents in the Gresham Hotel but he was later tried and convicted for taking part in an operation in Mount Street. Although he could produce numerous witnesses confirming his alibi, the military



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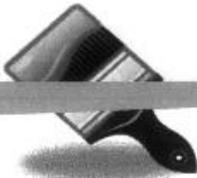
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choose to accept the dubious eye witness testimony of some soldiers and ignored his witnesses and one could speculate that the authorities know that he was involved in the Gresham Hotel but had no to evidence to try for this so used the Mount Street operation instead. May Moran gives excellent coverage to the court-martial and the dubious evidence put forward at it which was accepted by the panel of officers hearing the case. Offered the chance to escape from Mountjoy before his case was heard, Moran declined this opportunity to do as he was confident that he would be acquitted and that escaping would only establish his guilt. He was hanged on March 14th 1921 on a morning when six men were hanged in pairs at 6., 7 and 8 a.m. in Mountjoy. The story of the exhumation of the remains of the 10 men from Mountjoy Gaol, their 2001 State funeral and re-interment in Glasnevin Cemetery forms the closing part of this fascinating and superbly researched book.

James Scannell

❖ THE ASYLUM HARBOUR THAT NEVER HAPPENED ❖

Up to the early 1800's Dalkey Sound was considered a very safe anchorage area for ships using the ancient port of Dalkey and in 1815 when it was decided to build a larger asylum harbour for shipping, it was surveyed as a site for an asylum harbour for the bay but the proposal was turned down and the asylum harbour was built instead in Dun Laoghaire but retained one vital local link as it was built of Dalkey granite which is famous for its hard wearing properties.

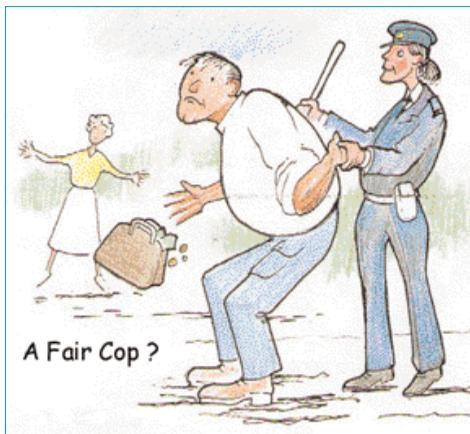
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❖ WAGES IN DALKEY ❖

In April 1920 workmen employed by the Dalkey Urban District Council applied through their trade union - The Irish Transport and General Workers Union - for an increase of 12s per week. The UDC indicated that the request would be considered at the next meeting of the Rate Estimate Committee.

James Scannell

*The Wicklow People -
Saturday April 10th 1920*



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October was very busy for the Business Group. The Dalkey Loyalty Card and IloveDalkey.com was launched at a press launch at Ouzos Restaurant on Tuesday 19th of October from 2pm to 4pm by Ms. Mary Hanafin, Minister of Tourism, Culture and Sport. Over 60 guests were invited including press, photographers, the Business Group members, local school and council members. Food and beverages were sponsored by the “foodie” Business Group members and special thanks to Ouzos restaurant, Clodagh Hannon and Oliver McCabe for organising the event along with Niall Meehan, Paul Donnelly and Janie Lazar. The afternoon was a successful event to launch a “Keep it Local” initiative to promote Dalkey and its businesses to locals and also further afield on a national level.



The Business Group are taking part when Santa comes to town on Sunday Dec. 5th with 2 initiatives to add to the local event; firstly, a “Dalkey Christmas Card Competition” for our local primary schools. Winning entries from 3 age groups which will be printed and published as a Dalkey Christmas Card Collection of 12 cards and will be on sale in local businesses and primary schools during November/December; sponsored by the Business Group, all proceeds are to be donated to Barnado’s. All entries will be on show in the windows of local businesses over the Christmas season with the prize giving on the 5th December.

Second, Oliver has asked local primary schools to come together to perform Christmas carols when Santa arrives on the 5th December. Choirs from each of the schools will sing, so please come along and support them at this community event. Location: Church of the Assumption Car Park from 4.15pm.

The Business Group’s Central Committee successfully applied and received a grant in June 2010 for the upgrade of the site at St.Patrick’s Avenue/Railway Rd on the basis that the area could be used by the community for public events. Further to the notification of the resurfacing of Railway Rd and DART car park by Dun Laoghaire Rathdown County Council taking place mid October 2010, a recent Business Group meeting took place at Photogenic where a proposal by Michael McShane and Barry Moore to financially support the upgrade of the car park into a civic space was agreed by the Business Group members. The Business Group are working with Dun Laoghaire Rathdown County Council, Dalkey Community Council and Dalkey Tidy Towns to redevelop both the DART Car Park and the site at St.Patrick’s Avenue/ Railway Rd depending on funds.

These developments will undoubtedly enhance the general environment of Dalkey for all concerned. The Business Group would like to thank local architect Linda Sherlock for invaluable voluntary work on her highly impressive application to the local county council which achieved the grant for the proposed St.Patrick’s site. If it was not for her ongoing work and dedication, the Business Group would not have a fund to achieve such plans for a civic space in Dalkey.

OLIVER McCABE – *Chairperson – Dalkey Business Group*

SOLUTIONS TO CROSSWORD NO. 3 (page 31)

ACROSS – 1. Rasp; 5. Awl; 8. Epee; 12. Echo; 13. Plain; 15. Mesa; 16. Anal; 17. Agree; 18. Eras; 19. Legislature; 22. Put; 23. Tea; 24. Vase; 26. Pleads; 29. Gyrate; 31. Ali; 32. Sitar; 34. Stunk; 36. Sang; 38. Nexus; 40. Ease; 41. Sigil; 43. Rents; 45. Tug; 46. Tureen; 48. Toupee; 50. Ilex; 51. Ice; 52. Tis; 54. Supercharge; 61. Onto; 63. Lamia; 64. Null; 65. Acid; 66. Trill; 67. Uses; 68. Dace; 69. Ete; 70. Thee.

DOWN – 1. Real; 2. Acne; 3. Shag; 4. Polite; 5. Alga; 6. Wart; 7. Lieu; 8. Eme; 9. Perpetuate; 10. Esau; 11. East; 13. Paladin; 14. Nery; 20. Seas; 21. Ears; 25. Sate; 26. Plait; 27. Linguistic; 28. Stern; 29. Grunt; 30. Ensur; 31. Ass; 33. Axe; 35. Keg; 37. Girl; 39. Stoical; 42. Lees; 44. Such; 47. Exult; 49. Peanut; 52. Toad; 53. Inca; 55. Pare; 56. Emit; 57. Rile; 58. Rush; 59. Glee; 60. Else; 62. Ode.

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This year’s children at the playgroup have now settled in nicely, and are starting to make new friends. The old favourites, the water and the playdough, continue to be the popular activity of choice, although they all run around excitedly when it’s time to go outside to the playground. It’s a pure pleasure to watch the children wander round curiously inspecting all the toys until finally settling on the one that they like the best. Watching them submerge themselves in the world they’ve created around this toy and the adventures they go on together.

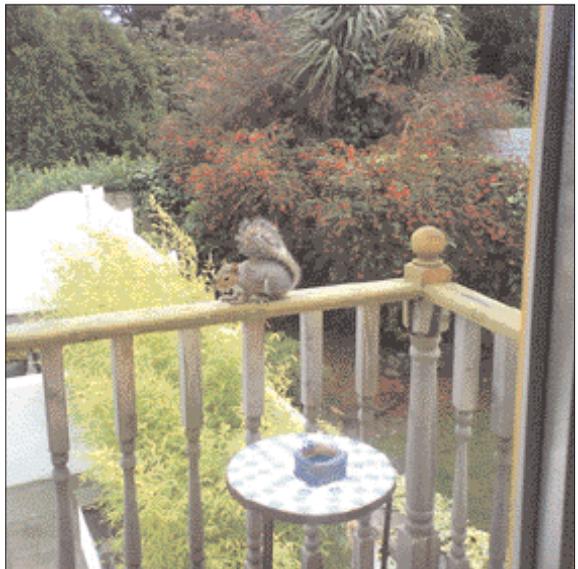
The playgroup received some excellent news this week in that they have been awarded a grant from the council that can be put towards insulating the building. The building is badly in need of an upgrade and insulation long overdue. With this, plus fundraising money, the windows will be replaced, the attic will be reinsulated, and the walls will be insulated.

Winter Cake Sale

The playgroup will be hosting a Winter Cake Sale, in Our Ladies Hall on 4th December from 10.30 - 12.30. There will be books, toys, and games, as well as the cakes to buy. You never know, you might even pick up the odd christmas present. It’s great fun for the kids and absolutely everybody is welcome. You can even enjoy a cup of warm winter spiced apple, while you watch the children having their face painted, doing the treasure hunt or taking part in any of the other games around the place.

On the not so good side, vandals have been breaking into the playground and damaging the property. Incidents include setting fire to the slide, putting cigarette burns in the safe surface and the slide, graffitng the slide as well as damaging the trees, destroying the plants and littering. The Garda have been informed and are keeping an eye on the property but if anyone sees anyone using the playschool out of school hours, please could you contact the Guards. In the meantime, the playgroup is now fundraising to raise money to install high fencing and a security light and camera. The playgroup, the previous manager Mary O’Donovan and the parents committee worked so hard for this amazing playground and it is heartbreaking to see t it being destroyed.

If you wish to know more about the playgroup please contact the Managers on 0860305165 or 0863845730



*Right:
An invidious grey squirrel
feeding on the verandah of
Dalkey resident Eileen
O’Duffy’s home in Village
Gate, Dalkey.”*

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Nov. DCC Monthly Meeting	Mon 1 Nov	St Vincent de Paul Cake Sale in OLH (9.00am-2pm)	Sat 20 Nov
Closing date for receipt of entry forms for the DCC Art Exhibition	Fri 5 Nov	St. Patrick's Dramatic Society's "The Living Room"	Weds 24-Sat 27 Nov
DCC Art Exhibition in OLH	Sat 13 - Sun 14 Nov	Irish Guide Dogs for the Blind Sale of Work OLH (9.00am-1pm)	Sat. 27 Nov
Winter Fair: The DLR Enterprise Board Winter Fair in the Town Hall and Heritage Centre.	11.00am-5.00pm	Cuppa for Kitui, OLH (10am -1pm)	Sun 28 Nov
	13- Sun 14 Nov	Sorting December Newsletter	Fri 3 Dec

EVENTS THROUGH THE MONTH

Karate – for all age groups @ 6.00-9.00pm Tues. & Thurs. Contact Wayne Deegan at 086 857 2546
Dalkey Players: The Carry Hall Killiney from 7.30-10.30pm Tues. & Thurs. Contact Caroline Hickey 086-8092850 or check www.dalkeyplayers.ie for details.
St. Patrick's Dramatic Society Dalkey Northover Hall at 8pm. Mon. & Thurs. Contact Deirdre 087-9566460 or check www.stpatsdramsoc.com for further information.
The Irish Vintage Radio & Sound Society meets monthly in Dalkey. Call 086-8391839

NOVEMBER NATURE NOTES

Tues. 2 November: *Beneath the Waves*: a Maritime Perspective of Dublin Bay - a presentation by John Kenny. Kingston Hotel, 8:00pm.
Sun. 7 November: Coach trip to Wexford. Leaving Stena car ferry terminal, Dún Laoghaire, at 8:30am. To book a place, please contact Aileen Prole (01) 288 9565 (7:00-9:00pm), rdeprole@eircom.net

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

I was pleasantly surprised to see that RTE are now transmitting in High Definition on their digital terrestrial network. Although this is a trial broadcast, the picture and sound quality are excellent, and as good as if not better than BBC HD. Most of the content is filmed by TNaG, and tends to show super views of coastal areas around Ireland. While going to press there was no information available as to RTE's plans for this channel, we will have to wait and see... .. On a different note I believe that The Patton Flyer will be back in operation by the beginning of November, and I would like to take this opportunity to wish Trevor every success in the future.

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