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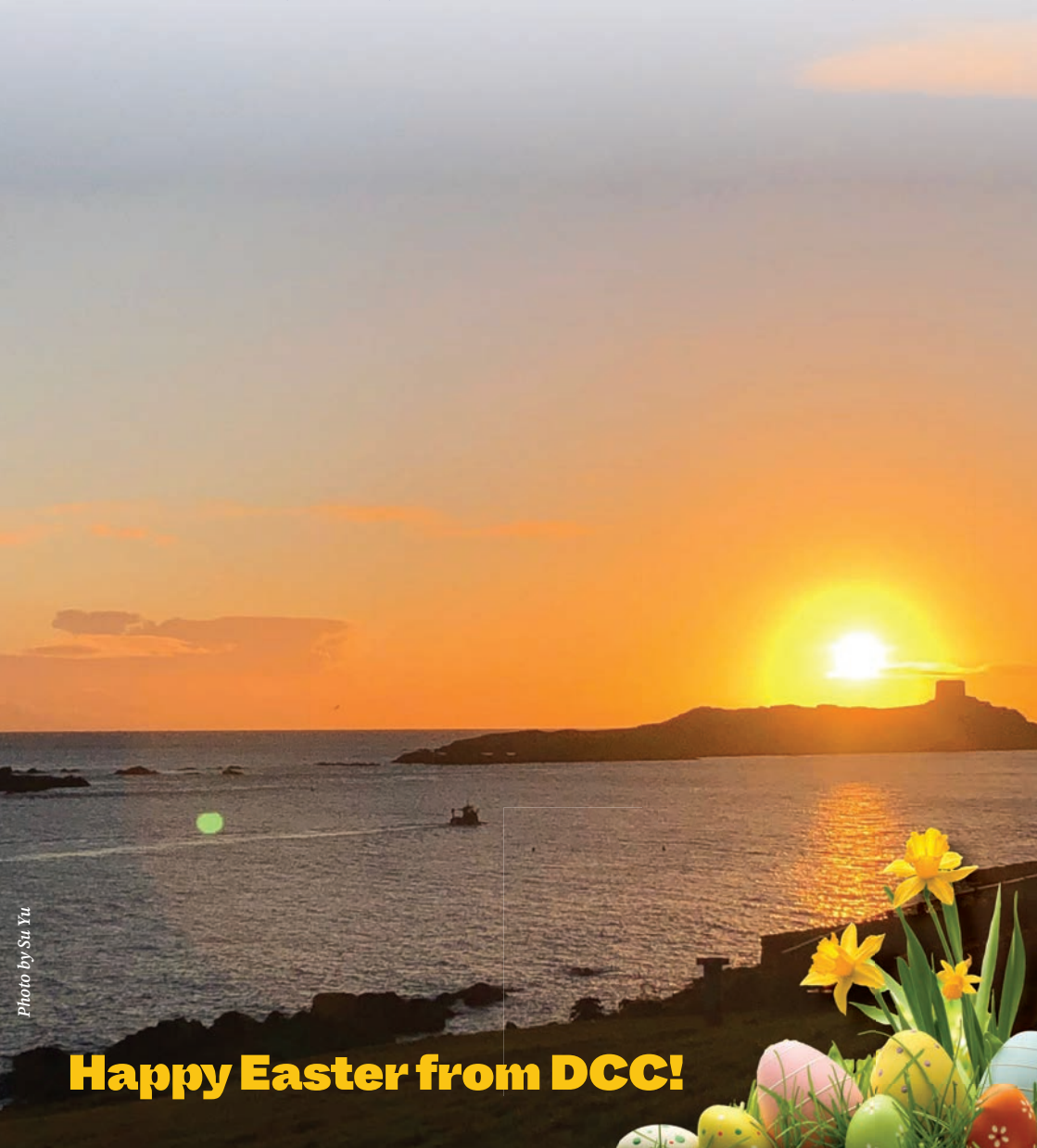


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Happy Easter from DCC!



❖ DALKEY CASTLE & HERITAGE CENTRE UPDATE ❖

Lady Catherine Walsh cut quite a dash at the CIE Awards of Excellence in the Royal Dublin Convention Centre recently. Dalkey Castle won the award for the seventh successive year (photo).

Lady Catherine's character is played by Deilg Inis actor Caitríona Ní Threasaigh on the Magical Heritage Evening at Dalkey Castle. Her back story is based on the Walshes of Carrickmines Castle. She is the wife of Henry Walsh. The primary role of Carrickmines Castle was to protect farmers of Welsh origin who were cultivating the fertile land of south Dublin.

Inevitably, the dispossessed O'Byrnes and O'Tooles cast angry eyes upon the rich cereal-growing lands that Carrickmines Castle sought to protect. From the late thirteenth century, Carrickmines acted as a staging post for the English expeditions against the Wicklow Irish. From 1371 to 1374, Carrickmines Castle was in the front line of conflict due to its position on the road to Dublin.

By the early fifteenth century pressure from the O'Byrnes and O'Tooles was mounting again. A large force of mercenaries was stationed along the Dodder River just north of Little Bray. The implications were clear for the Walshes of Carrickmines and the farmers of south Dublin. The Lord Mayor of Dublin, John Drake, led a citizen's army of Dubliners and, joined by the Walshes and their allies, they slaughtered the mercenaries in August 1402 at the battle of Bloody Bank in Bray.

As time went on, Henry Walsh came to an understanding with the Irish. He spoke the language, wore Irish dress, and used Irish law whenever it suited his purpose. Moreover, Henry is reputed to have rebuilt the Castle in the form in which it was to stand for the next two centuries. He raised the necessary finance through extortion and illegal appropriation of the revenues of Dalkey port.

During the Nine Years War (1594 – 1603) Carrickmines Castle housed the cavalry of the Earl of Southampton, Shakespeare's patron. This, however, did not prevent the O'Tooles from burning the village outside the castle during the night of 12th June 1599.

The end of Carrickmines Castle came in March 1642, when the castle fell to the English, led by Sir Simon Harcourt with 800 soldiers. The battle culminated in the slaughter of its estimated 300 inhabitants. Every man, woman and child inside the fortification was killed, with the bodies buried in two mass graves on site. Apparently, the castle was then blown up and razed to the ground.

The site came to prominence during preparations for the M50 motorway, when excavations revealed the ruins were more extensive than previously thought. Archaeologists found cannon balls, human remains, coins, cut stone window caps, medieval footwear and an elaborate key, among other artefacts. Nothing of Lady Catherine's jewellery was reported to have been found, but maybe the 'footwear' was one of her shoes!

Today, the location and medieval walls of this once important castle are preserved on an 'island' at the Carrickmines junction on the M50 motorway.

While death and destruction occurred at Carrickmines, healing and cures were administered by the travelling Barber Surgeons. It was King Henry VIII who merged the guilds of barbers and surgeons around 1540. Barber Surgeons had all the best knives and saws. They could pull teeth, amputate limbs, cut hair, and shave beards.

We all became way too familiar with mask wearing during the Covid pandemic. Not many people know that during the plagues of the 1530s, Barber Surgeons made fumigant masks



Stephen Cotter, MD of CIE, Deirdre Burke, Margaret Dunne & Lady Catherine at presentation of awards.

Photo courtesy of CIE

which had pads of fragrant flower and herb stalks sewn into small muslin bags. They were worn around the mouth and nose in a beak-like structure, giving rise to the term Quack.

Another cure was promoted in the form of Four Thieves Vinegar which is a combination of sage, clove, rosemary and wormwood, mixed with cider vinegar or wine. In medieval times, in Marseilles, France, four thieves were said to rob the homes of those suffering from the Black Death. The thieves would anoint their bodies in vinegar that had been infused with herbs, now known to have antibacterial and antiviral properties. This herbal vinegar was thought to give the thieves an advantage against contracting the illness. In any event, the four thieves never succumbed to the plague and their thievery continued. When they were finally apprehended, judges offered a less agonizing form of execution if they would be helpful by sharing the secrets of their immunity.

You, too, can learn all about these potions on the Living History Experience every day at Dalkey Castle where the Barber Surgeon hangs out his bloodied red and white pole to show that he is in town.

The DLR Spring into Heritage programme runs through March and April. The Barber Surgeon, the Cook, the Archer and trained guides, all bring history to colourful life. Meanwhile, Lady Catherine will cast a watchful eye over proceedings in the corporate evening shows. Unknown to her, she is being watched closely to see that the Walshes are no longer carrying on their medieval practice of helping themselves by illegally taking tithes from the port at Dalkey!

DLR Spring into Heritage FREE tours on Mondays and Thursdays at 10.00am.

They must be booked online in advance. The Living History Experience continues daily except on Tuesdays.

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Margaret Dunne
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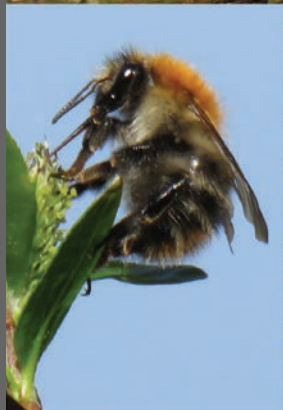
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Springing into Life

Visitors in the garden in March and April



Clockwise from top left:
Honey bee at berberis;
Honey bee flying in to
Viburnum; Ladybird; Pair of
robins; Honey bee; Honey
bee on willow tree flower;
Blackcap; Bumblebee
on willow flower; Male
Sparrowhawk; Male
Bullfinch at feeder





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Springing into Life

Sunrise & Birds on Dalkey & Killiney Hill
in March & April

Clockwise from above: Sunrise from Dalkey Hill,
Dunnock singing above the quarry; Tree creeper
searching a tree trunk for insect eggs or grubs; Jay
with snail in the quarry; Chiffchaff, one of a pair, it
had just been fluttering its wings possibly prior to
mating; Blackcap, another summer migrant singing
in Dalkey quarry





New spring improvements from Dalkey Tidy Towns

The new information sign at the Neighbourhood Orchard at Dalkey Park. Many thanks to the residents there for supplying the sign. We're hoping to add more fruit trees this spring to further enhance the orchard.

The lovely spring time display of spring flowers at the Masonic Hall on Castle

Street. The Narcissus, Brunnera and Hellibores provide nectar and pollen for early foraging bees. They are an example of plants to support the All-Ireland Pollinator Plan which Dalkey Tidy Towns team are planting in the many green spaces around Dalkey.

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DALKEY TIDY TOWNS

A UNIQUE TIDY TOWNS 2024 CHALLENGE FOR EVERY MAN, WOMAN AND CHILD IN DALKEY

Last October, Dalkey received three major awards in the SuperValu Tidy Towns Competition. With 886 entries from all over Ireland, Dalkey was only TWO points short of the coveted Overall Award. Just a few weeks later, with 32 entrants in the DLRCC Tidy Districts Competition, Dalkey received the 'Best Town' award on that occasion.

Following that great news of last October, our Dalkey Tidy Towns team devised a plan to help pull out all the stops this year. The objective is to see how close we can all get to winning the national SuperValu Tidy Towns Competition. What an achievement that would be! At a time when many businesses are struggling and some of our surroundings would benefit greatly from upgrading, the boost provided by the enormous print and TV publicity which the Tidy Towns competitions generates, would certainly benefit all when most needed.

Working with DLRCC and with our DTT Volunteers fully on board, all we need now is for our Dalkey neighbours and friends to join us in the challenge. Simple activities

such as clipping hedges overhanging pavements, clearing kerb weeds outside our homes, keeping pavements clear, painting shopfronts, removing unsightly and unused aerials and abandoned wiring, cleaning road signs and graffiti, and most of all the planting of Summer colour in our gardens, hanging baskets, shopfronts and restaurants. We could all help to make Castle Street and surrounding areas a feast of colour as never before. We are aware that careful watering and weeding are essential – and again, all can help.

We will keep you updated on progress as Summer approaches. The Tidy Towns adjudicators will arrive in five or six months from now. What a great 2024 challenge for every man, woman and child in Dalkey. A real community effort could make all the difference.

Dalkey Tidy Towns



**DALKEY RECEIVES THREE MAJOR AWARDS TO THE 2023
SuperValu TIDY TOWNS COMPETITION**

*Frank Dillon, Fiona Treacy & Des Burke-Kennedy
- Dalkey Tidy Town representatives*



**DALKEY RECEIVES 'BEST TOWN' AWARD
IN THE 2023 DLRCC TIDY DISTRICTS COMPETITION**

*Des Burke-Kennedy,
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Greystones Archaeological & Historical Society

The AGM followed by '*The Curry Houses of Dublin*' presented by Dr. Michael Kennedy, takes place at 7.30pm in Kilian Family Centre, beside Holy Rosary Church, Greystones. All are welcome – admission is €3.

Bray Cualann Historical Society

Margaret McGuirk will present '*The History of the Phoenix Park, Dublin*' at 8pm on March 21st in the Royal Hotel, Main Street, Bray. All are welcome – admission is €8 for non-members.

Foxrock Local History Club

Philip Lecane will present 'A Forgotten Irish Author: Cornelius Ryan, author of *The Longest Day* and *A Bridge Too Far*' at 8pm on Tuesday March 19th in Foxrock Parish Pastoral Centre, Foxrock, Co. Dublin. All are welcome – admission is €5.

Dun Laoghaire Borough Historical Society

Professor Seamas O'Siochain will present '*Sir Roger Casement and Ireland*' at 8pm on Wednesday March 20th in the Royal Marine Hotel, Marine Road, Dun Laoghaire, Co. Dublin. All are welcome – admission is €5 for visitors.

Rathmines, Ranelagh & Rathgar Historical Society

Angela Byrne will recall '*John Lee's Visits to Dublin in 1806 and 1807*' at 8pm on Thursday March 21st in Rathmines Town Hall, Rathmines Road, Dublin 6. Members are free / visitors €4 – The Swan Car Park Evening Rate is €4 from 7 p.m. to Midnight.

Irish Railway Record Society

Ciarán Cooney will present the Annual Film Show on '*Railways of Waterford and Cork filmed by Joe St. Ledger during the 1960s and 70s*' at 7.30pm on Thursday March 28th in the Society's Hueston Station, Dublin 8 premises. Strictly members and their guests only.

Rathmichael Historical Society

Howard Clarke will present '*Medieval Dublin: Making a City*' at 8pm on Wednesday March 6th in Rathmichael National School, Stonebridge Road, Shankill, Co. Dublin. Admission is €5 for non-members.

Mount Merrion Historical Society

Frank Tracy will present '*Lord Massy and Massy's Wood*' at 8pm on Thursday March 7th in The Fitzwilliam Rooms, Mount Merrion Community Centre, Mount Merrion, Co. Dublin. Admission is €4/Students €2.

Kilmacud-Stillorgan Local History Society

Cathy Scuffill will present '*Weaving in the Liberties*' at 8pm on Thursday March 14th in St. Raphaela's Primary School Hall, St. Raphaela's Road, Upper Kilmacud Road, Stillorgan, Co. Dublin. All are welcome – admission is €3 for non-members.

Military History Society of Ireland

Dr. Eoin Kinsella will present '*Reflections on the 1924 Army Mutiny and Enquiry*' at 8pm on Friday March 8th, and Dr. Harman Murtagh '*75 Years of Military History in Ireland*' at 8pm on Friday March 22nd. Both lectures take place in Griffith College, South Circular Road, Dublin 8. All are welcome – admission is free.

Old Dublin Society

Dermot O'Riordan will present '*Dublin 'On War Service' Lapel Badges during WWI*' at 6pm on Wednesday March 13th, and Stephen Ferguson '*Miniature masterpieces – a century of Irish stamps and a window on the Irish soul*' at 6pm on Wednesday March 27th. Both lectures take place in The Conference Room, Dublin City Library & Archive, 139-144 Pearse Street, Dublin 2. All are welcome – admission is free.



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Publications

'Town & country – Perspectives from the Irish Historic Towns Atlas', Editors Sarah Gearty and Michael Potterton, published by the Royal Irish Academy, ISBN 978-1-911479-81-9 (PB)

The Irish Historic Town Atlases, published by the Royal Irish Academy currently cover twenty-five cities and towns with three devoted to Dublin so far and two to Belfast and come in addition to maps complete with full notes. Two volumes also cover the Dublin suburbs of Clontarf and Rathmines. All the atlases have been compiled by expert local historians on their respective areas

In this book various compilers of the atlases discuss various aspects of their work as it relates to town and country covering many varied topics. These essays give remarkable insights into the evolution development of towns and cities and how this impacted on the surrounding countryside.

This fascinating and engrossing book which provides a fascinating insight in the connecting links between town

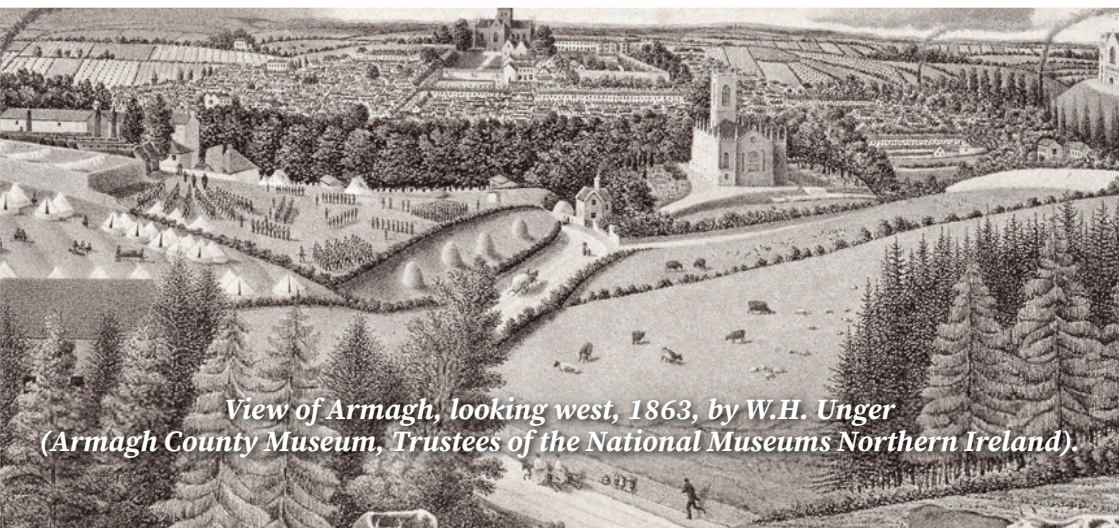
Dalkey - Looking Back

In August 1874 two brothers named Cartwright rowed out to Dalkey Island at low water and tied their boat to the mast of a recent shipwreck. They then dived down to it and collected parts from it but during the operation one of the brothers became entangled in some rope but was released in the nick of time from drowning by the other brother. They then rowed ashore and confirmed their story by showing some of the small items they had recovered from the wreck.

and country is dedicated to the late historical geographer and renowned cartographic historian John Harwood Andrews (1927-2019) whose work and legacy is discussed by Arnold Horner, Anngret Simms, and Mary Davies, with a list of his publications between 1950-2020 compiled by Richard Haworth, Mary Davies, J.H. Andrews and Arnold Horner.

All in all, this is one of those books that anyone interested in local history should have on their bookshelf.

James Scannell



*View of Armagh, looking west, 1863, by W.H. Unger
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Dalkey says Goodbye to Ken the Ferryman

Mourners gathered in Coliemore Harbour to say their final goodbye to the man who had ferried them to Dalkey Island and back many times.

Friends, local residents, harbour users and customers joined the Dalkey Rowing Club, St. Patrick's RC and Stella Maris RC as Ken Cunningham made his final journey past the place he loved so much. A guard of honour lined the road at Coliemore Harbour. The wall of oars, blades down as is customary for a funeral, represented his love of rowing - which he was a master at.

The number of people present was a testament to how much he meant to the local community.

He joins his Dad John and his brother Gerald and we spare a thought for his family at this difficult time. He was a great man and will be missed. Rest in Peace Ken.

Jenny Dilley Dalkey Rowing Club



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DLR KILLINEY HILL GOAT GRAZING PILOT PROJECT

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These goats will play an important role in managing vegetation growth to reduce fire risk to residents of the surrounding areas and also offering opportunities to enhance the biodiversity of Killiney Hill, including important and protected habitats such as heath, wet grassland and other habitats. DLR commissioned a suite of ecological surveys in 2023 to provide information on habitats and species on Killiney Hill and these will inform goat grazing on Killiney Hill.

The Old Irish goat will provide a more sustainable solution to managing the vegetation for fire risk and also enhance our habitats and biodiversity on Killiney Hill.



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THE STORY OF THE PROVOST, NAPOLEON & SORRENTO TERRACE



The current Trinity College Provost, Linda Doyle, was born in Cork, as was Provost Richard MacDonnell but that was back in 1787. Richard's father was a wealthy carrier in Cork but with the overthrow of Napoleon, local property prices collapsed and this, unfortunately, resulted in his father's bankruptcy. Nevertheless, young Richard was sent to Trinity College Dublin, became a fee-paid Scholar in 1801, elected Fellow in 1803 and Provost in 1852. As both a cleric and academic, he was called to the Irish Bar at King's Inns but never practiced. A Liberal reformer, he fully supported Catholic Emancipation, revolutionised TCD's Code of Laws and strongly promoted academic reforms. Married to Jane Graves, they had 14 children. On his father's death, Richard inherited a property named Knocklyon House near Dalkey, leased it out and used the proceeds to buy a large site on which to build his own country retreat. We now know this retreat as Sorrento Cottage, that relatively small detached pink property inland from Sorrento Terrace. Currently being renovated as a family home, it is owned by David Evans, better known as U2 guitarist The Edge.

Up to 1867, there was no road connecting Mr. Burke's Road (Coliemore Road), and Dr. MacDonnells Road (Sorrento Terrace) but this extension then began. Following Provost Richard MacDonnell's death on January 24th in that same year, his widow was approached by Mr. Alexander Conan of nearby Monte Alverno for a permanent lease of her Sorrento Park property. She generously responded that if three Trustees were appointed, she would gift the property free of charge to them. Mr. Alexander Conan of 'Monte Alverno', Mr. Callow of 'Ardnachree' and Mr. Fleming of 'Nerano' were duly appointed as Trustees for the 'Public Enjoyment' of the Park. The weather-worn engraved granite slab which



was presented by Alexander Conan in gratitude to Lady MacDonnell is there on site for all to see today.

Having turned down an offer to be appointed a Bishop, by any standards, Reverend Provost Richard MacDonnell was certainly a talented and ambitious man. Once he and his wife Jane had settled in at Sorrento Cottage, he devised a plan to use the seaward side of his property to construct no less than 22 substantial terraced homes! The first home, Sorrento House, then occupied by the Reverend Provost, (No.1 Sorrento Terrace) was completed in 1845 – just as the devastating tragedy of the Great Famine began to consume the nation. In deference to the calamity, Richard stalled the development and it looked like the end of his plan. However, he subsequently leased the land to his son, Hercules, who then occupied Sorrento Cottage. Hercules was popular in Dublin musical circles and was also one of the original 1863 Dalkey Commissioners. While 22 homes were never constructed, Hercules did complete the eight four-storey buildings which we see today. At that time, each was sold for the princely sum £1,000 pounds. Hercules would be very surprised to know that one of these Sorrento Terrace homes is reported to have been sold in 2015 for €10,500,000! We are reminded that the original Hercules was an Argonaut on Jason's voyage for the Golden Fleece. Timing is everything.



The 17th Dalkey Cub and Beaver Scouts, along with the Beaver scouts from the 10th Kilternan group, came together for a delayed “Jamboree on the Air” (JOTA) event on January 14th. Unfortunately, our plans for this event in October were thwarted by Storm Babet. Despite the setback, we made the most of the rescheduled event, connecting with amateur radio stations worldwide. Our conversations spanned from nearby stations in Dublin to numerous stations across Europe, including Germany and Italy, and reaching as far as Japan and America! Notably, we even had engaging discussions with fellow scouts in Naas and Poland. The activities also featured a blindfold maze game and pioneering projects involving the construction of towers and catapults. A special thanks goes out to all the leaders and, particularly, the volunteers from Radio Scouting Ireland for their efforts in organizing the communications.



During our recent AGM we presented well-deserved service awards. Recognising remarkable dedication, David Ellard and Michael McNamara celebrated two decades of leadership in the Dalkey scout community. Additionally, Richard Cappin was honoured with a 10-year service award for his significant contributions as a leader not only in Dalkey but also in various groups across London.

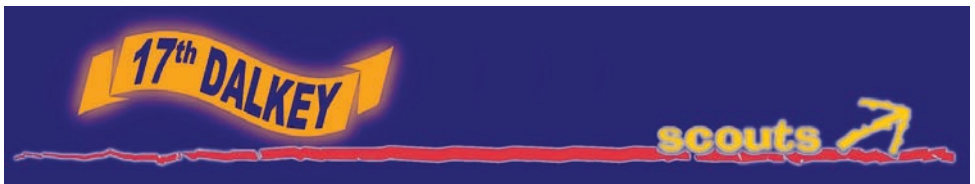


Looking ahead, our Beavers are actively working towards earning their Emergencies, Hillwalking, and Camping badges. Our Cubs are learning more about pioneering and campfire cooking in preparation for upcoming camps. We were also excited to reopen our Scout section for enthusiastic 12-14 year olds last month.

Albert White
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Due to variation in the publication dates by Dún laoghaire Rathdown County Council, please note that the deadline for planning observations/objections may have lapsed when it is read in the Dalkey newsletter.

Reg. Ref.: D24A/0024

Application Rec'd Date: 16/01/2024

Applicant Name & Location: Shamrock Gift Company Investments Unlimited, 69 Saint Patricks Road, Dalkey, Dublin, A96DX09

Proposal: Retention permission for an existing 3 storey building accomodating a retail/commercial unit at ground floor level, a commercial office unit at first floor level and a one bedroom apartment at second floor level.

Application Type: Permission for Retention

Reg. Ref.: D24A/0034

Application Rec'd Date: 18/01/2024

Applicant Name & Location: Sorrento HGT Unlimited Company, 1, Sorrento House, Sorrento Terrace, Sorrento Road, Dalkey, Dublin, A96CX47

Proposal: (a) A new external steel staircase rising from the basement area to the forecourt including minor alterations to the front railings and plinth. (b) A new 12.3sqm single storey set back extension to the eastern elevation of the existing building at ground floor level to provide a new cloakroom and WC with a new flat roof over, in selected natural stone cladding and full height glazed infill panels and (c) minor modifications to development permitted under D22A/0566 to now include replacement selected natural stone cladding to existing extension to east of the building over two levels, selected natural stone finish to external verandah canopy and new pillars to the canopy at lower basement level in lieu of previously permitted stone columns. The application includes all associated landscaping and site development works. A Protected Structure.

Application Type: Permission

Reg. Ref.: D24A/0050

Application Rec'd Date: 26/01/2024

Applicant Name & Location: Alvina Byrne, 6A, Ulverton Road, Dalkey, Dublin, A96KF25

Proposal: Permission for the subdivision of an existing dwelling etc.

Application Type: Permission

Declare Application Invalid: 02/02/2024

Reg. Ref.: D24A/0055/WEB

Application Rec'd Date: 29/01/2024

Applicant Name & Location: Edel Noble & Martin Stairs, 14, Saint Patrick's Road, Dalkey, Dublin, A96FA43

Proposal: Retention of amendments to previously approved planning Ref No. D22A/0560 to include an amended window to that condition on the west elevation of the two storey rear extension, and access hatch to a rear roof and the proposed re-inclusion of balustrades on the first floor flat roof at 14 St Patrick's Road, Dalkey, Co. Dublin, A96 FA43. This building is in an Architectural Conservation Area.

Application Type: Permission for Retention **Declare Application Invalid:** 01/02/2024

Reg. Ref.: D23A/0675

Application Rec'd Date: 26/10/2023

Applicant Name & Location: Cian & Adele O'Morain, 104, Saint Begnet's Villas, Dalkey, Dublin, A96CF64

Proposal: Construction of a 13.8m2 ground floor level extension (parapet height to match existing at ground level) to the rear of existing house. The proposal includes the construction of a single storey 23.5m2 garden room (parapet height 2.95m above finished ground level) to the rear boundary wall of the property, along with a new rear garden access gate to the northern boundary into Hyde park. The works also include internal alterations to the existing house at ground floor level, landscaping, drainage and associated site works and services.

Application Type: Permission **Further Information:** Additional Information 07/02/2024

PLANNING DECISIONS - WEEKS 03-06 2024 15/01/2024 - 09/02/2024

Reg. Ref.: D23A/0724 **Decision:** Refuse Permission For Retention **Date:** 19/01/2024

Applicant Name & Location: Shane Rushe, 39, Castle Street, Dalkey, Dublin, A96P953

Proposal: Retention for the as constructed glazed bi-fold doors in lieu of shop front window granted under D21A/0227.

Reg. Ref.: D23A/0563 **Decision:** Grant Permission **Date:** 25/01/2024

Applicant Name & Location: Adelphi Real Estate Ltd, Barnhill Place, Barnhill Road, Dalkey, Dublin, A96VN29--site adjacent to Dalkey Lodge.

Proposal: Revisions to approved planning (D18A/0418, ABP-303725-19, D23A/0021 and D23A/0037). The revisions comprise of a proposed relocation of 5 no. car parking spaces previously approved in the basement to surface level to accommodate additional plant requirements at basement level and alterations to basement gym layout. The application site is 0.935 hectares in size and sits adjacent to Dalkey Lodge, Barnhill Road (A Protected Structure).

Reg. Ref.: D23A/0734 **Decision:** Grant Permission & Refuse Permission **Date:** 23/01/2024

Applicant Name & Location: James Delany, Barrington, Saval Park Road, Dalkey, Dublin, A96W292

Proposal: Retention of (i) Insertion of a rooflight and conversion of a first-floor garage storage area for use as a family member/granny flat, ancillary to the main house. (ii) ground-floor extension to the side of the garage with a lean-to roof and access onto private access road. (iii) erection of a gate at the north-east of the site and (iv) external alterations to the front elevation of the garage.

Reg. Ref.: D23A/0747 **Decision:** Grant Permission **Date:** 25/01/2024

Applicant Name & Location: Glenn Brien, 14, Railway Road, Dalkey, Dublin.

Proposal: The development will consist of: 1) Demolition of existing rear returns and external access stairs. Partial demolition of existing rear elevation to connect into new works. 2) Refurbishment and extension of existing house. 3) Construction of new 2 storey flat roof rear return extension. 4) New extension to include a courtyard matching next door No.13, rooflights and a recessed first floor loggia and 'sedum' green roof. 5) All ancillary works necessary to facilitate the development.

Reg. Ref.: D23B/0542 **Decision:** Grant Permission **Date:** 23/01/2024

Applicant Name & Location: Edward Harris, 6, Village Gate, Dalkey, Dublin, A96VH90

Proposal: 1) The construction of dormer structure (approx 3m wide) to the rear roof (west). 2) Proposed east facing window in existing gable at attic level and all associated site works

Reg. Ref.: D23A/0764 **Decision:** Grant Permission

Date: 31/01/2024

Applicant Name & Location: Glenn & Patricia Marina, 26, Corrig Road, Dalkey, Dublin, A96R8Y0

Proposal: Alterations to the existing dwelling to include a new porch to the front, a two-storey with single-storey extension to the rear, internal layout alterations, external wall insulation to the existing building, replacement of existing windows, new windows, Solar PV panels, new paved areas, new paved patio including steps, SUDS, rainwater harvesting unit, soakpit, changes to drainage layout, relocation of existing steel shed and all ancillary site and other works.

Reg. Ref.: D23A/0767 **Decision:** Refuse Permission

Date: 08/02/2024

Applicant Name & Location: Triple Rock Limited, Lands at The Barn, Atmospheric Road, Dalkey, Dublin, A96TN90

Proposal: The development will consist of: a) the demolition of a two-storey residential dwelling and attached single storey outbuildings on site (total floor area approx. 571 sqm); and b) the construction of 9 no. residential units in the form of 7 no. houses (3 detached, 3 semi-detached, 1 mid terraced house) and 2 no. apartments ranging from 2-3 storeys in height all with associated private balcony/terrace/garden areas; c) Vehicular and pedestrian access is proposed via Atmospheric Road d) Removal of 7 no. trees and replacement with 25 no. semi mature trees; e) The proposed development shall also provide for 15 no. car parking spaces at surface level; f) Bicycle parking will be provided to apartment no. 9 in the form of a separate bike storage area while each of the houses and apartment no.8 will be able to store bicycles within their individual homes and gardens. 3 Sheffield bike stands are proposed to provide secure bicycle parking for visitors; g) Communal open space area (c.262sqm); all boundary treatment; site services and all associated site development and landscaping works. All associated site and infrastructural works including provision for water services; foul and surface water drainage and connections; permeable paving; soakaways; all landscaping works; landscaped boundary treatment; footpaths; and electrical services. For development on a site: of approx 0.255ha on lands at 'The Barn', Atmospheric Road, Dalkey, Co. Dublin, A96 TN90.

APPEALS NOTIFIED BY AN BORD PLEANÁLA - - WEEKS 03-06 2023 15/01/2024 - 09/02/2024

None for Dalkey

APPEALS DECISION BY AN BORD PLEANÁLA - WEEKS 03-06 2023 08/01/2024 - 02/02/2024

Reg. Ref.: D22A/0705

Appeal Decision: Grant Permission

Appeal Decided: 25/01/2024

Council Decision: Refuse permission

Location: Seafort, Anastasia Lane, Off Sorrento Road, Dalkey, Co Dublin, A96RK30

Proposed Development: Development consisting of demolition of existing 2 storey house and construction of new 2 storey house with a single storey return, Plant room/garden store, front parking area with new front boundary wall and revised vehicular entrance, upgrading of existing boundaries including new 2.0M high wall to rear railway line, new drainage and all associated siteworks and landscaping. **Applicant:** Niall & Ruth Scannell

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Friday 22 March 10:30 - 11:30

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John Martin on Dalkey's History

14 March 5.30-6.30

John Martin is a retired town planner who has written the Dunganarvan Historic Town Atlas, published by the Royal Irish Academy in 2020. Since then, he has been researching the local history of the Dalkey / Bullock area, with a view to publishing a book. Join him for an informative talk on Dalkey's local churches and schools. To book please call 01-2855277 or email dalkeylib@dlrcoco.ie



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WOMEN'S EUROHOCKEY INDOOR CHAMPIONSHIP II



Sisters Orla, (Captain) and Sarah Patton from Anglesey Park, who were on the Ireland Indoor Hockey team which won the Gold Medal in the European Championship II that was held in Galway recently. Both girls are past pupils of Loreto Abbey Dalkey. This was the first time a European Indoor international tournament was held in Ireland.



DALKEY COMMUNITY GAMES - DALKEY DASHERS 2024

The **Dalkey Dashers** will commence training for the Community Games on Wednesday **03rd April at 7.00pm**. Training takes place every Wednesday evening from **7.00pm until 8.00pm** on the Loreto Dalkey school hockey pitches. Everyone between 6 years and 14 years living in the Dalkey/Killiney/Glenageary areas are welcome. There is a one off **fee of €5** (€10 for a family) to register.

Parents MUST park on Harbour Road.

The age cut off is as follows:

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three steps they are reminded to take if they ever feel unsafe online.

We celebrated *Safer Internet Day* recently at our school. Each class took part in an internet safety slogan competition. The entries were fantastic and it was very difficult to only choose three winners from each class.

On the day, Reuben the entertainer came to our school to perform his internet safety show for all classes. He gave the boys some really useful tips about browsing the web safely and we all really enjoyed his funny tricks!

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LAUDATE CHOIR FESTIVAL

This year, our school participated in the Laudate Music Festival for primary schools. We joined with 12 local schools to sing and pray together. It took place in Mount Merrion Church during Catholic Schools Week. Children from 3rd to 6th class in our school were invited to participate. 42 pupils joined the choir in Loreto and gave up their lunch times to rehearse. We learnt over 15 songs in English, Latin and

Irish. Our amazing choir teachers were Ms. Quinn and Ms. Howard. Ms. Quinn accompanied our choir rehearsals on piano and both teachers taught us the lyrics and the songs.

On the evening of January 31st, we arrived at the church at 6:45 and the performance began around 7:00. We all felt nervous, but very excited. Our conductor guided us through the whole concert. Our

school's favourite songs were *Sing for the Climate* and *Shelter Me*.

At the end, various children from other schools said prayers and Monsignor Dan O'Connor spoke about St. Brigid.

Singing in the Laudate choir was an honour and an experience we'll never forget.

**By Abigail Charlton
& Rosalyn Cahill
(6th class)**





GREEN, GREEN, GREEN.....

Hi, our names are Juno, Matty and Ryan, we are the 6th Class representatives of the Green School Committee in our school. Every Tuesday we go outside to help with the gardening for our school's environment. Some of the adults who help out are Sarah, Miriam [our principal] and Claudia.

So far we have planted field beans, onions, garlic and holly seeds. We are hoping that the holly seeds will sprout in their time, it takes about two years for them to sprout and we are happy to be leaving a legacy behind us for all the children and the next Green Team.

We are planning a Green Day hopefully on the 15th of March 2024. We are trying to raise awareness for helping the earth be more green, but we want to do it in a fun way. So we are going to have a little party on the patio in our school. The patio is upstairs in our school and gets lots of sunshine.

My name is Juno and the theme for the day is trying to get everyone in the school to be more green. I am going to be the Mascot for the day and I have decided to be "Shrek" for two reasons, (1) I have the costume already and (2) he's green and all the children will identify with him. I'm not sure whether Shrek is environmentally friendly but he will be by the time I'm finished with him. Wish me luck!

*By Juno Ormsby
Ryan McFadden & Matty Sharkey
6th Class DSP*





LUKE FROM LEINSTER RUGBY

This month in St. Patrick's National School we have had Luke from Leinster Rugby in every Tuesday to teach us some rugby skills. It was lovely to be able to play in Rev. Ruth's garden.

Each session started with some easy passing drills where everyone learned how to throw and catch the ball using the right technique. Luke taught everyone how to find space on the pitch to throw cleanly.

At the end of each session Luke allowed the children to play a mini game to showcase their new skills and test them out on each other.

As the weeks went on the sessions became more advanced and the children had a great time learning and applying their new skills through mini games and tag rugby.

The sessions were really great fun and everyone enjoyed their time with Luke learning more, increasing their fitness and having fun.

*Written with the help of
Lorcan Hughes (6th Class)*





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Easter Mass Times

Easter Saturday

- 30 March – 9pm Vigil Mass

Easter Sunday

- 31 March – 9am and 11am Masses

The advance of Spring is very noticeable, and the wonderful sounds of nature are a reminder of new life once more. I have always been struck by the new energy that Spring brings, with the lengthening days and fresh growth. This month the Church calendar has many highlights. **Laetare Sunday** (Rejoicing Sunday) occurs on March 10th, the midway point in Lent. **St. Patrick's Day**, (March 17th) our National Feast, is celebrated the following week and for some a brief respite from the Lenten exercises. **Holy Week** begins on March 24th culminating in the highpoint of the Christian year, **Easter**, on March 31st.

The moving date for **Lent** and **Easter** often provokes discussion about the confusion that sometimes arises about dates, and our eastern brethren have a fixed date. I often wonder, too, how people in the southern hemisphere celebrate a Spring feast in their Autumn!

Easter has always held out a positive message of hope in the midst of turmoil in our world. With so many conflicts ongoing around the world, one wonders how those who suffer can live with this hope. Yet that is how many people survive appalling conditions. There are people willing to risk their lives to support people in desperate need, as witnessed by reports from the conflict zones.

One of the key notes from Pope Francis in his message for Lent is to cite the example of the **Good Samaritan**. He wonders who taught this man to reach out to the wounded traveller? What was in his heart that moved him to attend to the victim of assault? Love.

In another scene after the Resurrection, **Thomas** confronts the other apostles about not accepting that Jesus was alive until he



physically touched the wounds of Jesus. When Jesus appeared before the apostles in the locked room, Thomas reaches out to touch the wounds and then expresses his belief. Ministry to the sick has always been an important part of Christian action.

For all who are wounded, mentally, physically or otherwise, may you draw comfort from the fact that Jesus himself suffered with us in his final days and accompanies us, whether we are aware of it or not in facing the challenges that confront us. I, too, have been challenged in recent months to allow Jesus to accompany me in my illness. The Resurrection of Jesus to new life gives us hope that we have a new relationship with Jesus, who has overcome the limitations of this life.

May the Lord bless you and keep you and let his face shine upon and give you his peace.

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Holy Week and Easter Services

Monday 25th 8pm St. Matthias Ballybrack
Tuesday 26th 8pm Christchurch
Dun Laoghaire
Wednesday 8pm St. Paul's Glenageary
Thursday 8pm St. Patrick's Dalkey.
Good Friday 12 midday Ecumenical service
"Stations of the Cross" Holy Trinity Killiney

Easter Sunday

6.30am Group "Sonrise" Service
Killiney Beach
9am Holy Communion
10.30am Holy Communion

It seems only 5 minutes since Christmas and Lent is looming as I type this. I heard a story about a child who commented that it was hardly worth Jesus' while if he was born at Christmas and died at Easter.

The Interchurch Migrant Support Group works ecumenically so here is an update. We are planning another trip to Mosney with 40 bikes in April. In advance of the trip, we also plan to run a bike maintenance workshop there. Possibly 9th March.

The funds are running low. Each bike costs €70 and we need more funds to cover the next trip. Therefore we want to set up a GoFundMe type page asking for financial support. In the past funds have been raised by donations from the churches and cake sales and things like the poetry book.

Gardening

Conscious that Mosney is far away, the group wants to support local migrants, refugees and asylum seekers in the Dun Laoghaire area. We are in contact with the Eblana Centre in Dun Laoghaire which is home to some men who have been helping with the Dun Laoghaire Tidy Towns group and some of them would be very interested in gardening work. I am compiling a list of parishioners who would like to have these men do some gardening work for them. Steve Slusarski, Director of the The Bike Hub is helping us with this. There may be other skills among the residents in Eblana (one is a tailor)



Accommodation

Once a migrant has been granted permission to stay in Ireland, and has had that permission for at least 16 months, they are being asked to leave Mosney (or I guess any other government funded centre). Finding accommodation is hard. Accommodation in Mosney is free but once they leave they will have to pay. Although they will have HAP payments, getting a house will be almost impossible.

Jobs

The group has supported people in education (laptops and courses) and in job seeking with advice and help finding openings such as apprenticeships, through our own personal networks. Support for this worthy project is welcome from individuals, businesses or indeed parishes. I'm sure a speaker can be provided in return.

Fete May 11th 2024

Plans are well underway for this much anticipated event. The Dog Show was so successful it is happening again. Keep an eye out for the essential booking forms to enter. Donations for sale and willing buyers are always welcome!

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Sunday Club want to remind all that our next session will take place in the Carry Centre on Sunday 3rd March and the theme will be Mothers. The final two sessions will be held on Killiney Hill on 7th April and 5th May and will follow a Forest School format. As always, we will meet in the church at 10.45am.

Interment of Ashes

The ashes of Ishbel Lee, Pam Taylor and Anne Wilson have recently been interred in the Garden of Remembrance. Each of these ladies contributed greatly to parish life over many years and we remember them and think of their families at this time.

Church Music

Congratulations to Natalie McConnell on completing Level 2 of the Archbishop of Dublin's Certificate in Church Music, run by Church Music Dublin. Natalie, a professional musician, playing violin, is now working to complete the third and final level of the course. She subs as organist on occasion in Killiney and other parishes too. When time allows, she sings Alto in the parish choir. Oh, by the by, she's also a busy Mum!

Switched on Bach

On Friday, 22 March at 7.30 pm we will be hosting David O'Shea who will give a short organ recital (c.45min) of music by Bach. Donations in aid of the organ restoration fund €10 (at door), to include a glass of wine and nibbles. This is part of a Pipeworks education and outreach programme, timed to coincide with the week of Bach's birthday, (21 March) and will give an opportunity to hear the fruits of our ongoing restoration of the organ. The programme will be lively and entertaining, appealing to all.

Storehouse

Our donations of biscuits, honey and jam are always welcomed with open arms by the Storehouse in Crinken parish, who provide the Social Work Agencies weekly with boxes of food for needy families, the number of

which is sadly ever increasing. Thank you to all who support this venture and please continue to do so – the box is always at the back of the Church. Boxes of chocolates or sweets will also be gratefully accepted. We thank Helen Irwin for her work coordinating all this.

Specshifters

We are sorry to have to tell you that Specshifters has come to an end due to organisational changes in the Philippines charity and the conclusion that shipping glasses from Ireland is no longer viable. We are most grateful to everyone – including a number of readers outside the Parish – who have supported the Revd Steve and his wife the Revd Linda Frost's initiative in the Roscommon Group of Parishes over the last four years. Recently, Steve collected 139 pairs of glasses for the year, up on 133 in 2022.

Ways are still available to conveniently donate old or unused spectacles. For example, Specsavers Dun Laoghaire have a box for old glasses, and one can just drop them in whenever you are passing.

A particular thanks to David Millar for all his work on SPECShiftERS. Small initiatives such as these two examples are important. They have a far greater impact than we imagine.

Table Tennis continues to go well. We have 28 members so at this stage we are full. However, we are setting up a waiting list and if you are still interested in joining, please give Sandra a ring on 087 6291568.

Sheep Thrills now have a waiting list to get into Sheep Thrills! Our group is very busy and we continue to sell in the Victorian Tea Rooms, Killiney Park and in St. Patrick's Cathedral. We are most grateful for all the wool we are given as it knits into fabulous garments. Wool is always welcome. Contact Joan 0872460078





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SOUTH DUBLIN BRANCH OF BIRDWATCH IRELAND

March 2024 Indoor Meeting

Date & time:

Tuesday, 5th March at 8pm.

Location: The Killiney Room,
Graduate Bar, Rochestown Avenue.

Event: Branch AGM.

Details: Once branch business
is completed we'll have
a fun quiz.



BirdWatchIreland
protecting birds and biodiversity

March 2024 Outdoor Meeting

Date & time to meet:

Sunday, 10th March at 10am.

Outing to: Kilbogget Park.

Extra information: Meet at the
Granville Road entrance gates to
the park. For a map showing the
meeting place check
www.southdublinbirds.com
the meeting point is at Flag 1
on the map.



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SUMMARY OF DCC MEETING 13TH FEBRUARY 2024 HELD IN OLH

- TT:** The DTT volunteers are busy with the regular litter patrols, weeding the flower beds and planters, clipping the overhanging hedges and sweeping the roads. DLR Parks Dept. cleared the centre of the Killiney Towers roundabout and trimmed the trees. They also planted bulbs and wild flowers in the grass in the outer perimeter of the roundabout. Hyde Park is in need of an upgrade and it is hoped that a masterplan will be put in place for it.
- Graffiti:** Alan Winter reported that he dealt with eleven tags during January.
- Planning:** It is quiet at the present and there was nothing of major significance to report.
- AOB:** DLR will be contacted about broken kerbing on Rockfort Avenue and the loose paving slabs in Castle Street.

The next DCC meeting will be held on Tuesday 05th March at 3pm in OLH.

UPCOMING EVENTS THROUGH MARCH 2024

Dalkey Community Council DCC Meeting is Tuesday 05th March at 3pm in Our Lady's Hall.

Classical Music Concert

on Saturday 02nd March in aid of Acquired Brain Injury Ireland in St. Paul's at 7:30pm.

Windfarms & Wildlife information evening

in Fitzpatrick's Castle Hotel on Tuesday 12th March at 7:30pm.

DARA Art & Floral Art Exhibition on 23rd & 24th March in OLH from 10am to 5pm.

Easter Sunday 31st March: 6.30am Group "Sonrise" Service Killiney Beach.

Scrabble & Afternoon Tea in aid of Barnardo's every **Thursday** at 3 pm in Derrymore, 35 Coliemore Road, Dalkey. Call Di Fitzpatrick at 089 447 4236 for more information.

Pilates Tuesdays 7.15pm & 8.15pm Heritage Centre

www.wildgoosewellness.com/pilates Tel: +353 1 437 6933

Feldenkrais Class Tuesdays at 7pm.

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Argentine Tango Classes Tuesdays at 8pm. Followed by **Practica** at 9pm.

Practice & social dancing. Dalkey Town Hall. Tel: 087 411 6384 for further information.

Karate – Wednesdays in the Town Hall. Beginners at 5.30pm,

Advanced Children at 6.30pm and Adults/Teens at 7.30pm

Contact: 085 1412828 or email secretary@hombudojokarate.com

Meditation Sessions Wednesdays at 7.00pm. Heritage Centre

Contact taracentredublin@gmail.com Tel: +353 1 492 7136

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

Satellite viewers who use "Freesat" will have noticed some channels are no longer available. A total of nine channels were removed including all of the "Great" family of channels, which include movies and general entertainment.

Pop (children's) channels have also ceased using Freesat (this leaves only three movie channels and two children available via the Freesat platform).

Fortunately all these channels are still available to viewers who use non Freesat receivers.

On a different note Sky subscribers can expect to see an increase in their monthly bills, starting from April Sky will be going up by 6.7%!

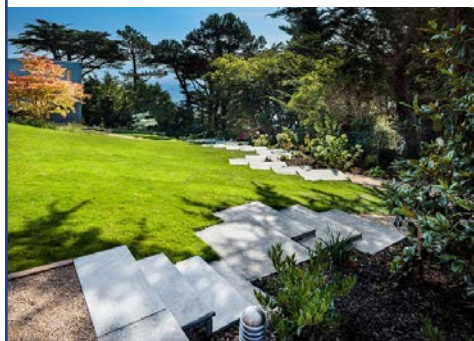
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