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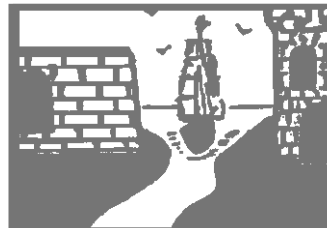
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August: The Roman Emperor, Augustus named the eight month August in honour of himself. He died 19 August 14AD. The Anglo-Saxons called August "Weod-Monath" or "Weed Month".

Flower: Poppy and Gladioli

August brings the sheaves of corn.
Then the harvest home is borne.

MINUTES DCC MONTHLY MEETING JULY 2008

The Monthly Meeting for July 2008 was held in the Youth Hall, rear of OLH, on 30th June. The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and signed by the Chairman.

Despite a previous report the problems at the Flags right-of-way has resurfaced and more ground appears to have been encroached upon with concrete posts and wooden slats being used to block off the area. This will be investigated by our Planning Committee.

The situation regarding the Newsletter distribution is still a problem. The Tidy Towns Committee was complimented by the Chairman for their work and use of attractive flowers at the Eurospar car park. Tidy Towns also have a number of projects in the pipeline for the immediate future. There being no further business, the meeting concluded.

CLARIFICATION

In our July 2008 issue we made reference to on-going work at the Flags. Our reference to the Flags was in relation to the public right-of-way, known locally as 'the Flags', and in no way related to any house or residence of the same name located in that area. We are happy to clarify matters and we apologise for any misunderstanding or confusion regarding our report.

Remember the Council's website is packed with information about Dalkey, including the Newsletter, and can be accessed at:

www.dalkeycommunitycouncil.com

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❖ **DALKEY TIDY TOWNS REPORT TO DCC - July 2008** ❖

More input from Dalkey Schools in June - **Loreto Junior school** planted the rear border of the public carpark and checks for litter on Convent Road. **Harold Boys** planted a plot at their school and checks for litter on St. Patrick's Road. **Castlepark School** have harvested their potatoes. They were cooked and served to the pupils in the canteen.

Thank you to teachers, parents and pupils. Also DLRCC for tremendous support.

DTT's application has been made to **DLRCC Tidy Districts Competition**. I do not know how many Resident Associations and businesses have entered but the prizes are generous and the goodwill is priceless.

A planter was installed at the rear of Our Lady's Hall as one of DTT's '**Action Day**' projects in May. This was designed & commissioned by Dalkey Tidy Towns assisted by Dalkey Leo Club. St. John of Gods Carmona Nurseries provided plants and their Service Users helped us plant them out. A thunderstorm and heavy rain caused a severe soaking, for the plants and us, but our reward was seeing a DARA group sitting outside later enjoying the evening sunshine and appreciating the greatly improved scene.

This report shows how many local people are now involved, in some way or another, with Dalkey Tidy Towns. Our committee thanks you all.

DTT is invited to the *All Ireland 'Best Kept Towns'* Awards Presentation at Belfast Castle. Only 13 towns qualified to be entered for this competition and I will be very proud to represent Dalkey. Please join us in keeping Dalkey tidy.



JUDGING IS IN PROGRESS.

Tuesdays – meeting 10.30 at Select Stores.

Thursdays – meeting at 11.00 at Dillon's Park on Coliemore Road.

Saturdays – meeting 10.30 at the Church Car Park.

Thank you.
JUNE BARNETT,
Secretary, DTT.

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❖ **FORTHCOMING EVENTS** ❖

DCC Monthly Meeting (August)	Monday 28 July
DCC Monthly Meeting (September)	Monday 1 September
Sorting August Newsletter	Friday 25 July
Sorting September Newsletter	Friday 29 August

FORTHCOMING HISTORICAL EVENTS

Between Monday August 18th and Friday August 22nd the Rathmichael Historical Society will hold its 34th Summer Series of Evening Lectures nightly at 8 p.m. in Rathmichael School, Stonebridge Road, (Dublin Road end), Shankill, Co. Dublin. Speakers and their subjects are – **Monday August 18th** – Ms. Heather A. King, MA, Archaeologist DOE - "*Early Medieval Settlement at Clonmacnoise*"

Tuesday August 19th – Dr. Elizabeth O'Brien, FSA - "*Pre-Norman Churches of South-East County Dublin.*"

Wednesday August 20th – John Bradley, MA., FSA, NUI Maynooth, will present The Leo Swan Memorial Lecture on - "*A Day in the life of an Irish Medieval Town.*"

Thursday August 21st – Dr. Edel Bhreathnach, Academic Project Manager, UCD Micheal Ó Cleirigh Institute - "*The Role of Women in Medieval Ireland.*"

Friday August 22nd – Linzi Simpson, Project Manager, Margaret Gowen and Co.- "*The Viking Warriors of Dublin: Ninth Century evidence from Dublin.*" Admission is €4 per lecture and includes Tea/Coffee & biscuits after lectures. Members of Rathmichael Historical Society have free admission. Enquiries to Richard Ryan at 01-28553960 or email:rmjryan@gmail.com

SPORTSFEST 2008

AN ACTIVITY DAY FOR OLDER ADULTS

The Sports Development Office of Dun Laoghaire Rathdown County Council in conjunction with Go for Life are holding a Sportsfest - an activity day for older adults on August 26th & 27th in U.C.D. Belfield. More information available on www.dlrccoco.ie/sports

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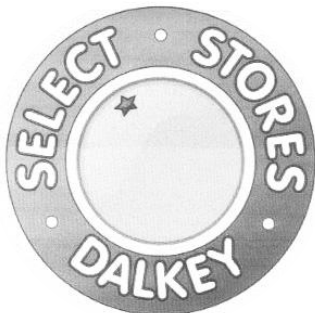
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Special thanks are due to all who participated in a great initiative involving Dalkey Tidy Towns Committee, Dun Laoghaire Rathdown County Council and students from Loreto National School, Dalkey. The students planted seeds some months ago in the Council nurseries; they nurtured them and when they had reached the correct stage of growth they transplanted them in full bloom into the flower beds in the car park at the rear of Eurospar Dalkey. They are now in bloom and look absolutely wonderful. Well done to all concerned!!



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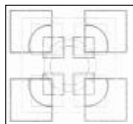
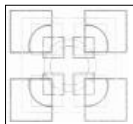
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Monday, 18th August at 3pm – Ages: 7-12 yrs. Max 20 / Booking essential

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Thursday, 21st August at 3pm – Ages 7-12 yrs. Max 20 / Booking essential

An action packed multicultural craft-making and drama session trip with artist Eithne Griffin. Experience the journey around the world through craft and drama. Take off from Japan with mini kites. In India make paper cut outs for shadow theatre. In Africa make sculptures from paper clay and in South America make festival decorations.

Eithne Griffin is a local artist working in sculpture, print and paint. She has been running creative workshops with children and adults for 12 years and is currently working with "The Juno Moon Puppet Theatre".

KITE MAKING WITH JEFFREY TAN

Try the art of traditional Chinese kite making

Wednesday, 27th August at 3pm – Ages: 7-12 yrs. Max 20 / Booking essential

MONOPRINTING WITH ARTIST KATE MINNOCK

Thursday, 28th August at 3pm – Ages: 7-12 yrs. Max 12 / Booking essential

Monoprints are created by painting onto a sheet of glass. Layers of colours and shapes are built up using brushes, sponges, rollers and then areas are wiped away using feathers, toothpicks, cotton swabs, foam rubber or fingers! Paper is then laid on top of the image and a one-off print is taken. Monoprinting is a fun and easy way to make colourful spontaneous works of art.

Kate is a full-time artist and has given monoprinting workshops to both children and adults. All materials are provided. Please wear old clothes and bring an apron.

DALKEY'S READING TREE

Last year the staff in Dalkey Library created a beautiful Reading Tree with your help. Once again, all children are invited to decorate the tree as you read throughout the summer.

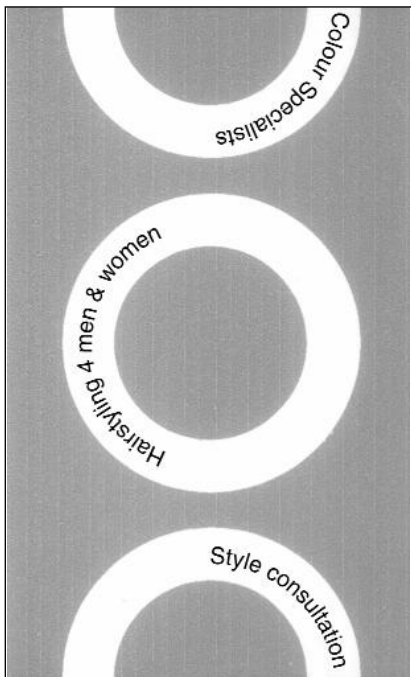
How? When you have read a book, please write a short review and place your review "My Favourite Book" on a fruit on the Dalkey Tree. The staff will help you. Just ask!

Ages : 7-12 years.

❖ HERITAGE WEEK 2008 – AT DALKEY LIBRARY ❖

Heritage Week takes place this year on 24th - 31st August in conjunction with Dalkey Castle and Heritage Centre the library will be bringing you a talk on Local History on Tuesday 26th August at 6.30pm and on Friday 29th August at 3pm a real live Medieval Archer will be in the library to demonstrate, inform and interact with interested parties! All welcome.

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In July a neighbour was expecting some American friends who had been on a cycling tour of Ireland. Unfortunately their holiday coincided with torrential rain, floods and cool winds all under a grey sunless sky. Before they even got to Dublin they had given up, worn down by the damp and gloom and booked a flight to the South of France. Holidaying in Ireland in the summer can be a gamble but Ireland in the winter attracts hundreds of thousands of visitors who are quite happy to stay here for six months or more. Not a terribly wise move you might think but then these visitors are coming here to escape days of almost continuous darkness, ice and snow in the far north and cold weather and lack of food availability in the east. These visitors are birds; waders, ducks, swans, geese, thrushes and finches.

If you'd like to find out a little more about the birds that flock to Ireland in the Winter there's a free illustrated talk about them in the Kingston Hotel on the 2nd September. Organised by the South Dublin Branch of BirdWatch Ireland the talk is free and open to everyone. It is aimed at people who are interested in wildlife and would like to know a lot more about it. We'll be talking about and giving identification tips on the many different species of birds including waders, geese, ducks and all the birds that might turn up on fields and parks near you and even in your garden. We'll be explaining why some of these birds travel thousands of miles to get to our shores and lakes and what keeps them here over the winter months. We'll also have a question and answer session afterwards so if there's anything you want to know about birds we hope we'll be able to answer your queries. We'll have a little shop at the meeting as well at which we'll be selling bird food, bird identification guides and CDs. We have meetings at the Kingston every month from September to May with a talk about birds or some wildlife-related subject and each meeting is followed by a guided outing or coach trip to see birds. Our September outing is to Kilcoole (the village formerly known as 'Glenroe') in Co. Wicklow. We'll be walking down the coast with the sea on one side and the BirdWatch Ireland reserve and open fields and farmland inland. In September a lot of birds will have come down from their breeding grounds in the far north and will be stopping over at sites such as this. There will also be swallows and house martins that might be feeding up before setting off across the sea to begin their journey to Africa.

The photograph shows a Roseate Tern chick which was born in June in a nestbox on Maidens Rock off Dalkey Island. It is being weighed and having a ring, or band, put on its leg to act as a record in case the bird is recovered somewhere else, such as near its wintering ground off West Africa. Through leg rings on birds it can be established where and when they were born and where they have flown from. Through leg rings it has been found that Roseates can live up to 17 years. They are one of Europe's most endangered breeding seabirds, so Dalkey is privileged to have at least one pair breeding.



The rings are put on very carefully and don't cause any distress to the birds. Bird ringers have to have a licence which they get after doing hundreds of supervised ringings. Although only one pair of Roseates bred on Maidens Rock there were also Common and Roseate terns breeding on it, though once again subject to the treacherous weather of an Irish summer.

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SPINACH IN SEASON – AUGUST RECIPE

Spinach was first cultivated in ancient Persia; now called Iran. In the 1930s it was hailed the “wonder food”, due to its high iron content.

One of the great virtues of spinach is its ability to protect against eye disease - namely ARMD (Age-Related Macular Degeneration). Scientists suggest that this is not due to its beta-carotene content but to two other compounds, known as lutein and zeaxanthin which are phytonutrients that are part of the Carotenoid family. A study in the US found that people who ate spinach or green leafy vegetables (five or more portions a week) had 43% lower risk of developing ARMD. Eating spinach regularly may also improve vision for some ARMD sufferers.

Blueberries are not blue inside but white or pale green and have really small seeds that are hardly noticeable. Blueberries have grown wild in Asia and North America for thousands of years. Nutritionally, they are not very exciting. It is their natural chemicals that are antibacterial and have a tonic effect on blood vessels that make them very beneficial in helping to treat cystitis and other urinary infections. They are related to cranberries and they too play an important role in helping with urinary care.

The deep blue colour of fresh blueberries is due to anthocyanin pigment. This is a powerful antioxidant that fights free radicals. Choose firm, plump berries without any squashed or leaking fruit. Blueberries react with metal so line tins with paper or cling film. They freeze well so you can have them all year round.

A half cup of blueberries will give the same amount of antioxidants as five servings of: peas or broccolis, carrots or apples.

Blueberries are a great anti-ageing food as they have the highest anti-oxidant levels of any fruit. The polyphenols in blueberries have become important in recent research on ageing.

BLUEBERRY AND SPINACH SALAD – Serves 2

450g (1lb) fresh spinach leaves	200g (7 oz) canned mandarin oranges - (in natural juice) drained	2 tbsp olive oil
3 tbsp hazelnuts - chopped	Honey-Sesame Dressing	3 tbsp liquid from mandarin oranges
350g (12 1/2 oz) fresh or frozen blueberries	1 tbsp sesame seeds	1 tbsp honey
1/2 medium red onion, thinly sliced	60 ml (2 fl oz) cider vinegar	1/4 tsp paprika

Trim, wash and dry spinach. Tear spinach into bite sized pieces. Place in salad bowl and set aside.

Dressing: Toast sesame seeds in un-greased skillet; stirring over medium heat until browned. Combine toasted sesame seeds, cider vinegar, olive oil, water, sugar, paprika. Mix well.

At serving time, pour dressing over spinach and mix well to coat leaves. Add blueberries, red onion slices, mandarin orange segments and hazelnuts and toss just enough to mix.

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❖ GLIMPSES OF OLD DALKEY *Continued from last issue* ❖

On the side of the old church we find another stone which says:

"This stone was erected by Mr. Murtagh Dempsey of the City of Dublin in Memory of his affectionate son Hugh Dempsey blockmaker of said City who departed this Life April 7th 1790."

Local tradition says that Hugh Dempsey was crowned "King of Dalkey" about 1780.

In 1835 a famous Dalkey pilot, Bill Harwood, then over a hundred years old, brought a few friends into the churchyard, pointed to a certain patch of ground and therein requested the he be buried there when his time came. So it was done when he died aged 101 the next year, and on opening his grave, a large stone was found whereon were found ancient crosses and cups said to be of pagan origin. The stone was put over Bill as his headstone; in the course of time it fell prone, but was put back again in position about 1900 and stands there to this day.

Across the road is the Catholic Church of the Assumption. Since the latter half of the sixteenth century Dalkey was without any place of worship for Catholics, and the local people had to go to Cabinteely or Kingstown, unless they could avail themselves of Fr. Smith's chapel at "Alverno". In 1840, Canon Sheridan of Kingstown called a public meeting in Dalkey at which £400 was raised; the building began at once, and the chapel was opened on 29th September, 1841. In 1846, Fr. James Fitzpatrick was the first resident curate in Dalkey. Dalkey was at that time in the Parish of Kingstown; from 1616, after the Provincial Synod of Kilkenny, until 1829 it had formed part of the Parish of Monkstown. From 1829 it remained in the Parish of Kingstown until 1863 when the new Parish of Glasthule and Dalkey was formed under Very Rev. John Canon Harold, followed in 1868 by the Very Rev. Canon McCabe while in 1880 the Very Rev. George Canon Harold became Parish Priest (he was a brother of Very Rev. John of 1868); he was followed in 1894 by the Very Rev. Joseph Canon Murray who perpetuated the name of his predecessor by the practical memorial of a new boys' school - "The Harold Memorial Schools", which still flourish today. Canon Murray presided over the joint Parish for over 30 years and after his death in 1927, Dalkey was for the first time elevated to the dignity of a separate Parish under Canon Jones, followed in 1931 by Very Rev. E. Canon Gough, who still watches over the Parish.

Going down Castle Street we see one of the Messrs. Findlater's stores, with the inevitable clock; on this site over 50 years ago flourished "Pat Byrne's Tavern". In the garden "Red Bill" Harwood's famous boat, the Sea Rover, turned upside down, formed the roof of a summer-house, under which many a tale was told and many a glass quaffed. From outside Pat Byrne's used to start "Dockery' Bus Service", a local horse omnibus plying to Kingstown about 1850-1880; a single fare: 3d. inside, and 2d. on top. When coming back to Dalkey with a full load of passengers, it was met at Bullock Castle by a spare horse to help pull it up the hill to Castle Street. Dockery retired disheartened from the transport business when he heard of the horse-trams coming to Dalkey - had he the worldly acumen of our day he would have carried on, and have had to be bought out for an extortionate amount.

"Pat Byrne's" brings us to the subject of old Dalkey Taverns. Dalkey still supports - or at least provides! - an amazing number of licensed houses per head of population. I have been successful in tracing the following taverns flourishing in the nineteenth century in Dalkey: At Bullock: "John Golden's", mentioned earlier in this paper; in Castle Street: "Whiteheads" and "Connolly's" (near the present Connolly's bakery), "Higginbotham's" (the present Doyle's, hairdresser, No 44), "Pat Byrne's" (Findlater's), "The Castle Tavern" or "The Cock Pit" (Foley's, 115 Coliemore Road), Murphy's "Railway Hotel" at beginning of Railway Road; "Annie Murphy's" (Mangan's, 1-2, Sorrento Road); Tutty's "Queenstown Tavern" (opposite Cliff Castle); and up on Dalkey Hill "Larry Lambe's Beer House" at the top of "The Flags".

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❖ THE LEGEND OF ST. BEGNET – Patron Saint of Dalkey ❖

At the end of the classic Western film *The Man Who Shot Liberty Valance*, the character portrayed by Jimmy Stewart, who was elected to the U.S. Senate on the strength that he shot the notorious outlaw Liberty Valance (portrayed by Lee Marvin), reveals during a newspaper interview after the funeral of John Wayne's character to the reporter concerned that in reality it was Wayne's character who shot Liberty Valance and allowed Stewart's character to receive praise for it. 'What should I do?' asks the reporter to which Stewart replies that "where the truth and the legend conflict, print the legend" and on this note the film ends with the true version of events concealed.

While we know something about our national patron saint, St. Patrick, the same cannot said of St. Begnet, patron saint of Dalkey, as although accounts vary about her identity, all agree that she was remarkable woman. The varying accounts of her life agree that she was a virgin saint who either lived as a hermit or was the first abbess of nuns on a small island off the English coast. One of these accounts records the achievements of a young Irish woman in establishing a religious order in England.

The legend of St. Begnet says that she was a 7th century Irish princess to whom an angel appeared to when she was a child and asked her to devote her life to the service of God. She agreed to do this and was given a bracelet with the sign of cross on it by the angel as a symbol of her vocation. Begnet grew up to be a beautiful woman and turned down her many suitors in keeping with her vocation. When her parents arranged her marriage to the son of the King of Norway, she left home in order to remain faithful to her vocation, leaving everything behind her except her bracelet. After finding passage on a small boat, she sailed to Northumbria on the west coast of England where she was received into the Church by Bishop Aidan and became the first abbess of nuns. But as her convent was located on the coast pirates regularly attacked it so Begnet moved her convent inland towards Cumberland.

After her death, her bracelet became an item of veneration but by the 12th century it was used by accusers and defendants in place of a bible to swear that their testimony was truthful in the certain knowledge that a terrible fate awaited anyone who swore falsely on it as it was recorded "Whosoever forswore himself upon her bracelet swiftly incurred the heaviest punishment of perjury - a speedy death".

How St. Begnet became associated with Dalkey is not clear even though her name was given to 2 churches in the area and Dalkey town and the area surrounding it was known as Kilbegnet for several centuries. Why this is so is unknown and leaves a number of unanswered questions - Did Begnet come from Dalkey or did she sail from Dalkey to Northumbria? Or did missionaries spreading the faith after her death name the churches in her memory?

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Niall Cullen won the Shield presented to us by the Queens, and Brian Pierce was Runner-Up. This competition wound up the season. We broke up for the "Summer" on 25th June and will re-commence again on Wednesday, 3rd September. New members are always most welcome. Venue is Cuala Sports Stadium, Hyde Road, Dalkey.

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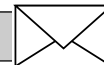
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR



A Village or a Town?

In the July issue of this newsletter, a correspondent stated that Dalkey should be described as a town and not a village and, while he is correct in this opinion, the definitions of the term 'village' and 'town' vary from dictionary to dictionary and from organisation to organisation.

One dictionary defines a village as "any small assemblage of houses less than a town" and a town as "a place larger than a village".

The Concise Oxford Dictionary defines village as....."a group of houses and associated buildings, larger than a hamlet and smaller than a town, especially in a rural area; "the inhabitants of a village regarded as a community"; "a self-contained district or community within a town or city, regarded as having features characteristic of village life". Town is defined as "a large urban area with a name, defined boundaries, and local government, being larger than a village and usually not created a city; "any densely populated area as opposed to the country or suburbs"; "the central business or shopping area in a neighbourhood".

The Collins Gem English Dictionary defines village as "a small group of houses in (a) country area" and town as "a collection of dwellings larger than (a) village and smaller than (a) city".

If one goes on the internet, the above definitions vary from dictionary to dictionary as they do with various organisations such as the Central Statistics Office and Ordnance Survey which have their own criteria to define these terms.

As mentioned in a previous DCCN article, *Thom's Directory* in 1857 stated the village of Dalkey occupied 11 acres and had a population of 252 people inhabiting 40 houses and was part of the larger Parish of Dalkey, which was 467 acres in size, and had a population of 2232. In 1863 the residents of Dalkey obtained powers under the *Towns Improvement (Ireland) Act, 1854*, to constitute themselves as the Dalkey Township Commissioners with the village now becoming a township under the then terms of the legislation even though it did not have a population of 1500+ which is definition of what constitutes a 'town'. However in order to take over responsibility for several matters which were still the function of the County Dublin Grand Jury, it was necessary for the commissioners to have the *Dalkey Township Act, 1867*, enacted to have these responsibilities transferred to them and in the process the boundaries of the Dalkey Township were defined for the first time.

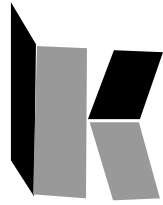
In 1899 Dalkey became an urban district township under the *Local Government (Ireland) Act, 1898*, and retained this status until 1930 when Dalkey Urban District Council was dissolved under further local government reform with administration of the town being taken over by Dun Laoghaire Corporation which itself was dissolved under local Dublin area government reform in the 1990's and was replaced by Dun Laoghaire - Rathdown County Council which currently provides local government administration and services for Dalkey and the surrounding area.

While without doubt Dalkey is a town, I suspect that when people use the term 'Dalkey Village' in fact they mean Castle Street, which is the town's main thoroughfare and business centre in the same way that people refer to Ballybrack Village, Killiney Village and Shankill Village when in fact they mean the Main Street in Ballybrack and Shankill as in both these places most businesses are located along it. On a current population basis Ballybrack, Killiney, and Shankill can be considered as towns rather than villages but are still considered the latter.

So Dalkey Town it is!

Finally while the Republic of Ireland is divided into 26 geographical counties, there are in fact 29 county councils to administer them - Co. Tipperary has 2 and Co. Dublin 3.

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level gable window and new side lit bay window on south elevation. Also proposed ground floor extension to east side. **Council Decision:** Grant Permission & Refuse Permission.
Appeal Lodged: 25-Jun-2008. **Nature of Appeal:** Appeal against Refusal of Permission
Type of Appeal: 1st Party Appeal

APPEAL DECISIONS of An Bord Pleanala - Wks. 24-27 2/6/08 to 4/7/08

Reg. Ref. D07A/1275 **Appeal Decision:** Attach Condition(s) & Amend Condition(s) **New Determination Date Due:** 13-Jun-2008. **Appeal Decided:** 9-Jun-2008

Council's Decision: Grant Permission.

Location: Roslyn, Barnhill Road, Dalkey, Co. Dublin

Proposed Development: Demolition of the existing front boundary wall and vehicle and pedestrian access gates and piers. The provision of a new front wall to a height to match the existing at 1.4m generally to include a steel rail and mechanized hardwood timber vehicle access gateway with an opening width of 7m and a proposed gate height of 1.9m. The existing side boundary walls to either side of the front garden are to be raised to match the front wall height at 1.4m max. (subject to sloping site conditions). **Applicant:** Joe O'Shea.

Reg. Ref.: D07A/1152 **Appeal Decision:** Grant Permission **Appeal Decided:** 27-Jun-'08

Council's Decision: Grant Permission. **Location:** 57, Mapas Road, Dalkey.

Proposed Development: Permission is sought for the demolition of existing single storey conservatory and existing detached garage to side and sub-division of existing site to provide for new two storey detached three bedroom dwelling over part basement storage space (total floor area 199sqm) with new vehicular access to side boundary and pedestrian access to front boundary and ancillary works to the side of this main location. **Applicant:** P & J O'Loughlin.

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pitched roof with areas of single storey construction to the front, side and rear. Also proposed are roof lights and solar panels to the front and external insulation to the rear and side of the existing house.

Reg. Ref.: D08B/0329 **Decision:** Declare Invalid (Site notice) **Date:** 10-Jun-'08

Applicant Name, Address & Location: Shane O'Mara, 30, Mapas Avenue, Dalkey, Co. Dublin.

Proposal: Permission is sought to complete and retain indefinitely enlarged dining and utility rooms extending circa 1 metre in a northerly direction together with a flat roofed single storey extension to first floor bathroom affecting the north and eastern elevations, including internal reconfigurations and changes to external elevations.

Reg. Ref.: D08A/0480 **Decision:** Request Add. Info. **Date:** 19-Jun-2008

Applicant Name, Address & Location: Otranto Properties Ltd., 1, Castle Close, Sandycove.

Proposal: Demolition of a two storey dwelling (258 sq.m) and the construction of 8 No. Senior Citizen residential apartments (total gross floor area 631sqm) in a two and three storey building comprising 8 no. one beds (58sqm to 67sqm), 4 no. surface level car parking spaces with access from Castle Close via remodelled entrance gates, minor amendments to the site boundary with the adjoining approved development Reg. Ref.: D06A/1808, landscaping and ancillary site development works, on a 0.0918 hectares site, all relating to requirements under Section 96 Part V of the Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2002. Application Type: Permission

Reg. Ref.: D08B/0332 **Decision:** Request Add. Info. **Date:** 23-Jun-2008

Applicant Name, Address & Location: Eoin and Geraldine O'Donovan, South End, Knocknacree Road, Dalkey, Co. Dublin

Proposal: The erection of a two storey residential addition of 103.74 sq.m. to existing house with alterations internally and externally to the existing structure.

Reg. Ref.: D08B/0340 **Decision:** Request Add. Info. **Date:** 27-Jun-2008

Applicant Name, Address & Location: Francis McGagh, 1, Barnhill Road, Dalkey, Co. Dublin

Proposal: Alterations and extension to existing dwelling house, including internal rearrangements with new external chimney stack, extended ground floor terrace and dormer window to rear and two storey extension to side and rear of dwelling, accommodating new family living, dining and kitchen space, additional bedroom, associated service spaces and bathrooms.

Reg. Ref.: D07A/1439 **Decision:** Grant Permission **Date:** 30-Jun-2008

Applicant Name, Address & Location: Iseult Hannon and Ronan Greany, 2, Mapas Road, Dalkey.

Proposal: Reversion from existing use as Doctor's Surgery to Domestic Residence, construction of a two-storey extension to side and one-storey extension to rear at first-floor level, demolition of existing one-storey garage structure, various internal alterations and all associated site works.

Reg. Ref.: D08A/0376 **Decision:** Clarification of Add. Info. **Date:** 2-Jul-2008

Applicant Name, Address & Location: Siobhan Smith, 3, Saval Park, Saval Park Road, Dalkey.

Proposal: Construction of a two storey dwelling house on a fully serviced site including ancillary works.

Reg. Ref.: D08A/0504 **Decision:** Refuse Permission **Date:** 30-Jun-2008

Applicant Name, Address & Location: Oliver Kavanagh, 2, Rocklands, Harbour Road, Dalkey.

Proposal: A new detached two storey residential dwelling located to the rear of existing detached house consisting at ground floor of: 2 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, with living, dining and kitchen areas at first floor, including site boundary treatment, car parking for two vehicles with new vehicular entrance and gate to Harbour Road and all associated site works, including diverting existing public sewer. Application Type: Permission.

Reg. Ref.: D08A/0542 **Decision:** Request Add. Info. **Date:** 2-Jul-2008

Applicant Name, Address & Location: Frank and Lorraine Costello, 22, Dalkey Avenue, Dalkey.

Proposal: Demolition of existing house and construction of a new two storey over basement house with balconies. Associated site works include new boundary walls, widened entrance gates and rear pedestrian entrance.

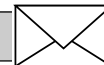
APPEALS NOTIFIED by An Bord Pleanala Week 24-27 – 9/6/'08 - 4/7/'08

Reg Ref: D08B/0256 **Registration Date:** 8-Apr-2008

Location: Sylliz, 29, Dalkey Avenue, Dalkey, Co. Dublin.

Development: Modifications to previously approved D06B/0861 consisting of new west facing roof

❖ LETTERS TO THE EDITOR *continued* ❖



I refer to Richard Mooney's letter in the July edition of the Newsletter that "*Dalkey is a Town and not a Village*". My mother and my grandmother would always be furious if anyone referred to Dalkey as a village. In fact, my grandmother (in her young days) remembers when Henry Gonne, the first Town Clerk and Commissioner, declared Dalkey as a Town. Any true Dalkeyite like Richard and me would agree with this.

I think a more apt description is that: Dalkey is a Town with a Village atmosphere.

MARIE BYRNE

❖ HOME SECURITY ADVICE FOR THE ELDERLY ❖

The following advice is offered to enable you to reduce the risk of crime. These are some simple steps you can take to improve your personal security both at home and when you are out and about.

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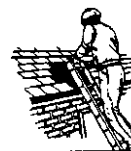
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PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED Wks. 24-27 9/6/08 - 4/7/08

Reg. Ref.: D08A/0662

Application Rec'd Date: 09-Jun-2008

Applicant Name, Address & Location: Leslie and Carmel Buckley, 8, Rocklands, Harbour Road, Dalkey.

Proposal: Permission is sought for the demolition of the existing 309 sq.m, three storey five bedroom detached house and adjacent 36 sq.m garage; and the construction of a new two storey over basement four bedroom 633 sq.m detached house with two basement car parking spaces, with access from a new entrance gate off 'Rocklands', associated landscaping and site works.

Reg. Ref.: D08A/0664

Application Rec'd Date: 10-Jun-2008

Applicant Name, Address & Location: Otranto Properties Ltd., Mackays Garden Centre, Castlepark Road, Sandycove, Co. Dublin

Proposal: Planning permission is sought for modifications to Apartment Block B (Planning Permission Reg. Ref: D06A/1808 and PL06D.224130) to include an additional 4 no. apartments consisting of 3 no. 1 no. bed apartments (53.8 sq.m) 1 each at ground, first and second floor levels and a 2 bed apartment (93.5 sq.m) at third floor level. A reduction in size of 2 no. approved 2 bed apartments to 2 no. 1 bedroom apartments. (from 95 sq.m to 71.8 sq.m) and 1 no. approved 3 bed apartment to 1 no. 2 bed apartment (110 sq.m to 85.4 sq.m) and ancillary site development works is also proposed. These works will increase the overall floor area of approved apartment Block B from 27 t 31 at this site Mackey's Garden Centre, Castlepark Road, Sandycove, Co. Dublin and part of 1 no. Castle Close, Sandycove, Co. Dublin.

Reg. Ref.: D08A/0315

Application Rec'd Date: 19-Mar-2008

Applicant Name, Address & Location: S O'Donoghue, 44, Castlepark Road, Dalkey, Co. Dublin

Proposal: The demolition of existing single storey house, the construction of two new semi-detached 2 storey dwellings, and, provision of new entrance gate in existing front boundary wall.

Application Type: Permission. **Additional Information:** 12-Jun-2008.

Reg. Ref.: D08A/0663

Application Rec'd Date: 10-Jun-2008

Applicant Name, Address & Location: Ruth Lambkin, Johnville, Ardeevin Road, Dalkey.

Proposal: The construction of a two storey, 3 bedroom house with a two storey external gallery for the access to the roof garden and the garden at ground level. **Applic. Type:** Permission.

Reg. Ref.: D08A/0673

Application Rec'd Date: 11-Jun-2008

Applicant Name, Address & Location: Otranto Properties Ltd., Mackeys Garden Centre, Castlepark Road, Sandycove, Byrnes Garden Centre, Castlepark Road, Sandycove And Part Of No. 1 Castle Close, Sandycove, Co. Dublin

Proposal: The construction of 3 no. two storey over basement level townhouses (106.4sq.m each) with sunken gardens and terraces in place of a single storey health facilities building (402 sq.m) including a gym, wc's and a janitor's office, at basement level 16 metres long swimming pool with changing areas, shower and a wc, that were approved by Planning Permission reg. ref. D06A/1808 and PL06D.224130. Also proposed are modifications to approved Apartment Block B to include an additional 4 no. apartments consisting of 3 no. 1 bed apartments (53.8sq.m) 1 each at ground, first and second floor levels and a 2 bed apartment (93.5sq.m) at third floor level. Also proposed is the reduction in size of 2 no. approved 2 bed apartments to 2 no.1 bed apartments (from 95sq.m to 71.8sq.m) and 1 no. approved 3 bed apartment to 1 no. 2 bed apartment (from 110sq.m to 85.4 sq.m) and ancillary site development works. These works will increase the overall floor area of approved Apartment Block B by 4,260 sq.m to 4,381.6 sq.m and increase the apartment numbers in Block B from 27 to 31. **Application Type:** Permission.

Reg. Ref.: D08A/0696

Application Rec'd Date: 16-Jun-2008

Applicant Name, Address & Location: Peter Borza, 48, Castle Street, Dalkey, Glenageary.

Proposal: Refurbishment and subdivision of existing two storey dwelling into 2no. one bed and 1 no. two bed dwelling units, including 2 no. new single storey extensions to sides totalling 22.5sq.m, new loft space in attic, replacement of porch to front new bin store to front and new 16.8 sqm yard for bin storage for neighbouring restaurant to side.

Reg. Ref.: D08B/0467

Application Rec'd Date: 20-Jun-2008

Applicant Name, Address & Location: Gerard Glendon, Wakajawaka, 14, Cunningham Drive,

Dalkey, Glenageary, Co. Dublin

Proposal: Permission sought for the construction of a ground floor extension to south west of existing dwelling, attic conversion with extension to existing pitched roof with associated velux windows, new dormer window on first floor to north elevation and veranda to rear. Additional windows to both front and rear elevations. **Application Type:** Permission.

Reg. Ref.: D08A/0387

Application Rec'd Date: 4-Apr-2008

Applicant Name, Address & Location: Prof. and Mrs. M. Gilchrist, 1, Seafeld Terrace, Coliemore Road, Dalkey.

Proposal: Extend and restore existing semi-detached dwelling (a protected structure), extending at 2 storeys with split level to the rear providing a total of 3 bedrooms and north-facing terrace together with internal reconfiguration to existing structure including new walls, stairs, blocking up a western gable window and associated site works. Add. Info. 25-Jun-2008

Reg. Ref.: D08A/0729

Application Rec'd Date: 24-Jun-2008

Applicant Name, Address & Location: Mr David Geoghegan, 14, Saint Begnet's Villas, Dalkey.

Proposal: Construction of a front porch and a two storey side/rear extension to an existing end of a terraced house with rear single storey kitchen extension (exempted development) a No. 14 St. Begnets Villas, Dalkey, Co. Dublin to provide two additional bedrooms. The garden will be paved and the existing driveway will be widened by approx. 500mm to provide additional off-street parking. The front and rear existing windows will be re-located/replaced to facilitate the proposed development and improve thermal efficiency. The overall height of the house will remain the same.

Reg. Ref.: D08A/0772

Application Rec'd Date: 3-Jul-2008

Applicant Name, Address & Location: Mr. Justin Mac Innes, Montpelier, Ardeevin Road, Dalkey.

Proposal: Permission sought for the refurbishment and extension to the existing house. The development will consist of the removal of the existing three story return to the rear and part of the retaining wall to the rear garden including some walled, roofless structures; the construction of a two storey extension to the side (west); the addition of a three storey extension to the rear built in the main on the footprint of the existing return, (the ridge and eaves height are to match the existing front roof). The new works will also incorporate a single storey extension to the west of the new return, the conservation and repositioning of the existing brick screen wall to the side of the house, the widening of the existing vehicular entrance and the reinstatement of the existing pedestrian entrance way fronting onto Ardeevin Road, the forming of terraced gardens to the rear, general landscaping works and associated site development works on a site of approximately 0.24 hectares.

Reg. Ref.: D08A/0773

Application Rec'd Date: 3-Jul-2008

Applicant Name, Address & Location: Simona Doyle, 9, Saval Park Crescent, Dalkey, Glenageary.

Proposal: (1) The re-integration of the existing, single storey, one bedroomed granny flat (51 sq.m) into the main, single, storey four bedroomed dwelling (110 sq.m). (2) The extension of the existing pitched roof over the existing flat roofs, at both gables. (3) The retention of the existing garden room and living room (36 sq.m total) extensions to the side. (4) The provision of two bay windows (4 sq.m total) to the front. (5) Alteration to the fenestration on the front elevation. (6) The provision of roof lights to the roof on the front elevation.

Reg. Ref.: D08B/0493

Application Rec'd Date: 30-Jun-2008

Applicant Name, Address & Location: Shane O'Mara, 30, Mapas Avenue, Dalkey, Co. Dublin

Proposal: Permission sought to complete and indefinitely retain enlarged dining room and utility rooms extending circa 1 metre in a northerly direction together with a flat roofed single storey extension to first floor bathroom affecting the north and eastern elevations, including internal reconfigurations and changes to external elevation. **Application Type:** Permission.

PLANNING DECISIONS - Weeks 24/27 - 9/6/2008 to 4/7/2008

Reg. Ref.: D07A/1602

Decision: Grant Permission

Date: 9-Jun-2008

Applicant Name, Address & Location: Sean MacNaBheatha, 7, Castle Close, Sandycove.

Proposal: The development consists of demolition of the existing single storey side extension, front conservatory, front and side boundary walls and construction of an extension and alterations to the existing house, new garden shed, new vehicular entrance and driveway to the front, new front and side boundary walls, entrance piers and ancillary site works. The extension to the side is two storey with a