



DALKEY - Deilginis 'Thorn Island'

COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Irish Heritage Town

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September: *Latin for seven, was the seventh month of the Roman Calendar*

Meán Fomhair
(September) 2011

By all these lovely tokens
September days are here
With summer's best of weather
And autumn's best of cheer.

Flower: Aster



**HAPPY
GRANDPARENT'S DAY !!**
11th September 2011

Former King
of Dalkey,
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SUMMARY OF DCC AUGUST MONTHLY MEETING

The DCC August meeting took place on Tuesday 2nd August in OLH.

Tidy Towns: DTT are encouraging the residents to keep the town tidy and litter free. Incidents of littering or illegal dumping if spotted should be reported by using the Freephone number 1800 403 503.

AOB: When enjoying the views on the Vico Road vehicles should be parked in the spaces provided. Parking is not permitted opposite a continuous white line.

The next meeting is Monday 5th September in Our Lady's Hall.

DALKEY CASTLE & HERITAGE CENTRE

Dalkey Castle & Heritage Centre

has secured a commission from Failte Ireland to devise and compile an evening entertainment for visitors to showcase the work of the internationally known writers and music makers of this area. Ultimately it will be a suitable product to partner with an evening meal followed by the entertainment to benefit visitors. Smaller sub sections can be extracted for book festivals, readings, lunchtime performances and general literary events. Dublin has been made a UNESCO City of Literature and as many of the great writers either currently live, have lived or had associations with this area, it is particularly satisfying to get the opportunity (and the funding) to promote this fact to a wider audience. We will afford the home audience an opportunity to see this show in October/November as it should be of great local interest. We are delighted that Failte Ireland has bestowed this honour on Dalkey Castle & Heritage Centre. More details next issue.

Living History Live Performances 'Meet the Tudors' continues daily with change of times from Sept 1st : 10.00-17.00 weekdays and 10.30-17.00 on Sat and Sun. Closed on Tuesdays.

Art Exhibitions: 15th September- 18th September.

Local Artist Deborah Donnelly's Exhibition **Familial Places** will be held in The Gallery at Dalkey Castle and Heritage Centre. It features scenes from around Dún Laoghaire and South County Dublin. The beach scenes of Sandycove, Seapoint and the Pier feature strongly.

Deborah says ".....they are places I bring the kids to all the time and it would be a sin not to paint them! The CoCo Market in the People's Park on a Sunday and the chaos of Sandycove on a busy summer day is all there in the paintings!" She will also be selling & signing copies of her book "How to paint a cow" too. Admission Free: open to the public from Thursday 15th Sept -Sunday 18th 11.00- 16.30.

Zumba Fitness Classes: Dalkey Town Hall 'Ditch the workout and join the party!'

Beginners' classes every Wednesday from **September 21st** : 7pm - 8pm or 8pm - 9pm.



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Yoga and Pilates: Watch the notice board for details of new classes beginning in Sept.

Friday Market: Dominican Farm brings organic fruit and vegetables from 10.00-2.00pm.

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Dalkey Castle & Heritage Centre is part funded by Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown Co Co, Dept SP (Pobal) & Fás

COMMUNITY GAMES SWIM TEAM

Dalkey put forward four Dalkey Children to represent Dalkey in the swimming event of the Regional Community Games held in Tallaght on the 3rd of July.

Alex Hughes swam in the Under 10 freestyle and put on a great performance. James Shortt swam in the under 12 freestyle, and won a silver Medal for Dalkey. Mark Fahy swam in the under 10 backstroke and won all his qualifying races and brought a Gold medal home to Dalkey. Nicole Hughes swam in the under 12 Breaststroke and she also came home with a well deserved Gold. Both Mark Fahy & Nicole Hughes went forward to represent Dublin in the the Nationals in Athlone on the 12th & 13th of August.

At the Nationals the competition was very tough. Mark won his Heat and qualified for the semi-final. From this he qualified for the final and he came 5th on the day. A fantastic result. Nicole swam a very strong qualifying race and got all the way through to the final. Despite very tough competition especially from Donegal, Nicole's training paid off and won Gold for Dublin. A great result!

All of the Dalkey swimmers who competed in the Community Games swim with Trojan Swimming Club.



Mark Fahy Gold Medallist

We would like to wish all the swimmers who represented Dalkey continued success and congratulate them on their achievements both at the regional and National Event.

Marie Barry
Dalkey



James Shortt & Mark Fahy, both medallist for Dalkey



Nicole Hughes, Gold medallist for Dublin

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❖ DALKEY TIDY TOWNS – AUGUST 2011 REPORT TO DCC ❖

Dalkey Tidy Towns volunteers enjoyed a field trip organised by DLRCC ‘Exploring the Ecology of Killiney Beach’. At the same time we noted data for completion of the **An Taisce ‘Beach User Survey’**.

We have registered DTT for a Clean Coasts Weekend

*** 9th – 11th September. ***

All we need now are the volunteers! We could cover Whiterock Beach, Dillon’s/ Sorrento Parks and Bulloch Harbour with enough helpers?

See DTT Notice Board in front window of Library for news.

Dog faeces and unattended dogs have been reported and consequently the Dog Warden will be spending more time in Dalkey. **DNA for dogs?**

Noted in - **ANOTHER LIFE** - (Michael Viney. Irish Times 2nd July).

‘The stream sparkles through drifts of cuckoo flowers and bright blue forget me nots, and to drink from it ought to be an Arcadian privilege. But beyond the mountain fence on short-cropped commonage, sheep droppings can exceed even the legendary density of dog poo in Dalkey.!!

Dumping and vandalism remains a problem. Use the freephone number if you notice anything. (back page of newsletter in red box).

A Green Cone for your garden will digest your food waste - the bones, skin and fat from fish and meat. Left overs and out of date food. From seven years of use our cone has never been even half full. The rich compost can be used in your garden when it does need to be emptied. A company in Ashford is prepared to give a 15% discount to Dalkey residents at €77.95 and delivery would be €7.50. Included is a counter-top caddy and a pack of accelerator powder. ‘Delivering Your Garden’, Ballycullen, Ashford, Co Wicklow.

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LITTER PATROLS FOR SEPTEMBER CHANGED TO 3 TIMES EACH MONTH

Tuesday 6th 10.30 at Writers Corner; **Thursday 8th 11am** at Dillon’s Park and **Saturday 17th 10.30** at Writers Corner. Join us if you can.

Green Home Tip - Water plants early morning or late evening - water stays in the soil and does not evaporate in the sun.

Thank you.

June Barnett, DTT.

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Agapanthus – some different species of Agapanthus. Agapanthus seems to grow effortlessly here in Dalkey, both in restricted terracota pots and in our local simple ‘Dalkey’ soil

September can be a tranquil month of gentle calm, amazing sunshine and a late surge of growth. I heard someone on T.V. say, ‘*September is borrows of Summer but definitely, whispers of Autumn*’. So, our Autumn is slowly arriving and all our Dalkey gardens can be a haven, an available facility that can last right into these oncoming balmy nights of ours. Even a conservatory or an apartment can provide a harmonious personal space, where one can recharge ones batteries in today’s hectic environment. September is often referred to as the ‘*second Spring*’ because of the reassurance of growth that occurs this month. Although many

plants are ripening, their fruits and seeds are beginning to wind down for the year, others are already preparing for next year. Late summering plants play a most important role at this time of year and possibly none more than our highly fashionable, old favourite, late flowering nodding and very special agapanthus. Its strap-like leaves and various shades of bright blue are to be seen in every nook and cranny here in Dalkey. Incidentally, there are three types of agapanthus inflorescences. Its common name is Lilly of the Nile or Blue African Lily. Agapanthus is evergreen which of course is a bonus. I was fascinated to see them thriving so effortlessly on all types of boulevards here and there in South Africa. Avoid wet, heavy soil. Perhaps when you next see one, observe its seedhead, truly to be admired and so well deserved. It resembles a sputnik with its black seeds held on long stems in see-through, papery pods. In recent years specialist growers have introduced stunning free flowering varieties from white to palest blue, to almost blue-black. My absolute favourite is creamy white. I find it startling, festive, elegant and flamboyant: it just simply does ‘*something*’ for me; it definitely says, ‘*you deserve the Best*’. Artic Star and White Heaven are both excellent cultivars and both are well suited to growing in containers. Remember these plants become more floriferous with maturity in their root bound pots.

FERNS – Some people consider ferns the eighth joy of gardening. In Victorian times, ferns were all the rage. Recently, they’ve enjoyed renewed interest thanks to the architectural appeal of their handsome foliage and the utter beauty of their unfurling fronds. Generally ferns enjoy cool, moist, shady conditions and so the Victorians grew them among rocks or stumps in specially created ferneries. Possibly, they’re at their most effective when planted in groups to create a lush verdant feel - different ferns with fronds in contrasting shapes and sizes. Ferns can be shady characters. In the mid 1800’s fern fever and its popularity saw roads, houses etc named after them. Ferns appeared on wallpaper, glass, textiles, pressed into albums, notepaper, and so on. But, alas, it was in our gardens that the fern really reigned. Some gardeners became passionate, if not feverish in their collecting and of course the fern enthusiast needed somewhere to keep his choice collection - a ‘*fernery*’. Our Irish climate seems to be pretty perfect for such plants which seem to require high levels of moisture to survive. Some of our Dalkey lichens, mosses and ferns seem to abound within our dark humid wet forests. Ferns entice the eye. They are intricate, lacey, elegant and

DALKEY LADIES CLUB UPDATE FOR SEPTEMBER 2011 ISSUE

The Dalkey Ladies Club will open on September 15 with an interesting and varied programme planned for the coming year. The Club meets each Thursday in Our Lady's Hall at 8.00p.m. and new members are very welcome.



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graceful. Tree ferns such as *Dicksonia Antartica* can make such a good centrepiece focal point. They are best suited to a sheltered environment, protected from strong winds, etc.... Our little fernery is situated outside our kitchen glass door in a north easterly aspect. It's a pretty tiny space but still, we have crammed in an interesting collection of smaller species there and believe it or not there is always some fern to be admired throughout our deepest darkest wintery months. Perhaps, consider planting a few tree stumps of varying, graduating heights and sizes in order to create a tropical effect, perhaps some green lattice trellis behind, secured to the wall. Some of your bases for ferns would benefit highly from hydroponics (small lava based clay balls - available very cheaply in most garden centres, usually under €5 a bag). We have three 'fern squares' which are cut out of mature Australian tree fern trunks. We use these for bases, our ferns seem to thrive on their aeration, drainage, etc. Again we bought these square mats for approx. €2.50 each at the RDS Flower Show, several years ago.

CARE FOR YOUR FERNERY – Dig in plenty of garden compost, leaf mould or shredded bark. This will help retain moisture and improve the soil structure. Swap your plants, ferns around until you're happy with the layout. Perhaps lay together contrasting leaf shapes or colours next to each other but bear in mind their eventual height. I think it's a good idea to leave old fronds on plants over winter in order to provide protection.



A frond of our precious Killorney Fern

Some ferns can be established on rockwork or in the mortar of old walls, others like peaty habits so suit poor, acidic soils. Ferns really do introduce texture and shape to your garden.

Maybe worth considering:

1. The Hart's Tongue
2. The Royal and Lady Fern
3. The Tattling Fern
4. 'Lady in Red' - *Athyrium angustatum*

rubellum from USA, is commonly known as the Burgundy Stem Fern because of its bright burgundy red stems that feature on mature plants. Grows well in partial shade or full sun.



Athyrium Filix - femina 'Fritzelliae'

5. The Killarney Fern - *Trichomanes speciosum*. Its fronds are so thin that it is almost translucent. It is ever so rare, it likes moist temperate zones such as growing in dark humid caves or close to waterfalls.

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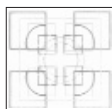
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Red Admiral and Wasp

My partner had bought a bird feeder in a charity shop. Fundamentally the same as most of the other sunflower seed feeders but they are mostly green plastic while the new one has a metal top, base and perches and clear hard plastic. I thought it might take the birds a while to get used to it before they started feeding from it. I've often heard people saying they had recently hung up feeders hoping to get birds in their garden but nothing was coming to them. (The same applies to nest boxes which will often be in place a few years before any birds show an interest and start using them). Eventually an adventurous bird will come to the feeder and have it

to himself for a while before other birds see it's safe and the word gets round like a good restaurant review.

We were just about to go out for a walk when we hung out the new feeder and I was thinking it was a pity because we wouldn't be able to see which species of bird would be first to investigate it. I needn't have worried though, we were barely in the kitchen door after hanging it when we saw a blue tit fly on to a perch and begin eating. Seconds later a coal tit landed on the other perch. By the time we got back from our walk a chaffinch was on one side and a juvenile greenfinch on the other while a male bullfinch waited his turn on the nearest branch. Birds attract other birds and there's always far more safety in numbers for them. We have sparrowhawks flying into the garden regularly, weaving through low hedges and often flying a few inches above the ground hoping to surprise some unwary bird but I've never actually seen them catch anything. All along the sparrowhawk's flight path birds will issue a high pitched warning call and everything ahead will know to take cover and when there's a lot of birds around the feeders someone is bound to see the predator coming. It's the same with the big flocks of waders that feed on shorelines in winter. If a peregrine flies in a birds chances of getting caught are significantly reduced if there's eight or nine hundred other birds identical to it milling about. So if you haven't been feeding birds in your garden and you want to start, don't worry if they're initially slow to come. There was a movie some years back which had the byline 'If you build it they will come'. In this case you could say 'If you hang them out, they will come'.

It used be said that a good crop of berries meant we were going to get a cold winter since it was nature's way of providing for the birds in the harsh weather to come. Unfortunately I don't think nature is that thoughtful and of course the berries that are appearing now are the result of what happened in the past year rather than a prediction of what's going to happen in the future. The very cold winter followed by a very mild spring would have produced the flowers which are now present as bumper crops of berries. Great masses of rowan berries were already on the trees in July and it looks like the brambles are going to be bent over with big juicy blackberries. Our own wild strawberries in the garden seem to have much more fruit than usual and though very small compared to shop bought fruit they're very tasty.

We've already had a pair of blackcaps eating leycesteria berries in July which seemed very early. Some berries like holly need to get a hard frost to soften them before they're edible for birds. There's never too much fruit on the wild raspberry bushes that grow on the hill and I must confess the birds won't get a chance if we see them first, they're delicious and, like blackberries,

no matter how big and ripe they look they're never ready to eat until they come away easily off the stem, almost jumping into your hand. Maybe this is one way that nature is thoughtful, if they're not ready for you to eat them they won't let go without a struggle.

I'd heard a bird calling from the conifer hedge at the end of the garden in early August. I was fairly certain it was a blackcap's alarm call, which sounds like two stones hitting together, but couldn't see the bird that was making it. Next day it was calling again from the same place but this time the bird emerged from cover and yes, it was a male blackcap. Heard it calling from the same

place on subsequent days and was wondering could it possibly have a nest this late in the year? Although not a great summer for people it seems to have been a good one for wildlife with birds having two or even three families, or broods. We'd seen Goldcrest, Treecreeper and Bullfinches all feeding young birds very late in summer and as I write there's a wood pigeon sitting on a nest in a tree further up our road. I asked Dick Coombes of BirdWatch who told me it was possible the blackcaps were still feeding young or even had a nest. He'd been doing field work compiling the Bird Atlas and he said 'he'd had quite a few pairs of blackcaps doing exactly that "tack-tacking" away', adding it's been a phenomenal year for blackcaps with record numbers of them around the country.

It says something about how regular the dolphins in Killiney Bay have become when we turned our back on them to look at some insects in the grass on the 'Green Road'. It was a lovely humid sunny day and as we had stopped at a bench to prepare for some leisurely dolphin watching we spotted movement in the grass. The hot weather had brought out grasshoppers, more than I'd ever seen together. Some were mating and all were very active while making little chirping sounds. This sound is known as stridulating and is made by the grasshopper rubbing its hind legs against its wings. Males stridulate to attract females and apparently each species of grasshopper has a unique chirp or song and can be identified by this. There are different species of grasshopper in Ireland but I think the ones we'd seen were Common Field Grasshoppers. Lucy was happy enough to let one walk up her tee shirt while I tried to photograph it. It then lived up to its name by spectacularly launching off into the air landing a few metres away.



Speckled Wood Butterfly

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her in the enterprise. It continued to trade until the late 1950s. The shop stock was comprised of the finest Irish laces as can be attested by the fact that it won First Prizes at the Royal Dublin Society (R.D.S.) Irish Lace competitions. These Irish laces were: Youghal Needlepoint Lace (Co. Cork); Carrickmacross Applique Lace (Co. Monaghan); Limerick Tambour Lace (Co. Limerick) and Irish Crochet Lace which was made all over Ireland, the most famous centres being at Cork and Clones. In the latter part of the 19th century over



Irish Crochet Lace

20,000 women were employed in making Irish Crochet Lace in Cork City and outlying areas. Other goods sold in Gordons were First Communion and Confirmation dresses and veils, fine Irish linen napkins, tablecloths and handkerchiefs. Gordon Lace Shop had a wide clientele, one of the most noted was Mrs. Lily McCormack, wife of Count John McCormack, the renowned Irish Tenor. For a publicity photograph of John, in his rôle in the opera Don Giovanni, he wears a fine specimen of Irish Crochet Lace. Mrs. McCormack presented a Christening Gown of Carrickmacross Lace, bought in Gordons, to her daughter, Gwendoline, on the birth of her grandchild.

In the summertime, Mrs. Gordon and her family used to take a holiday villa in Dalkey on Beacon Hill and eventually came to live here permanently. The Royal Dublin Society has done much good work to promote the making and wearing of Irish lace over the last two centuries and continues to do so. Its Annual Craft competitions, held at the Dublin Horse Show, has a number of Irish Lace Classes, with entries coming from all parts of Ireland.

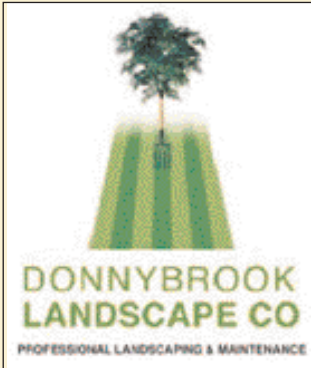
From a book of the 1899 Lace competition, recently published by the Society, at least three Dalkey residents were prize-winners, one of them being a Mrs. Rossiter of Tempe Terrace.

Great quantities of Irish laces were exported to America, England and France. In France, one of the famous couture houses, Doucet, used "cascades of Irish Crochet Lace". In England, Irish lace, usually Youghal Needlepoint, was presented to Royal Ladies. One of the most noted pieces was a long train of Youghal Lace presented to Queen Mary by the ladies of Belfast. She subsequently wore this as a



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Durbar in India in 1907. More recent royal brides have worn antique Carrickmacross Lace on their wedding days. Princess Diana's gown was trimmed with Carrickmacross Lace which was also embroidered with seed pearls by the Royal School of Needlework. Crown Princess Mary of Denmark wore a veil of Carrickmacross lace from the Danish Royal Collection. The Duchess of Cambridge (Kate Middleton) wedding gown used lace made by the "Carrickmacross Applique technique" which originated there in 1820. The lace was made this year by the Royal School Needlework at Hampton Court Palace.



Youghal Needlepoint Lace

Gordon's Lace Shop

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Gordon's Lace Shop Invoice

I am indebted to Mr. Derek Gordon of Dalkey (Lucy's grandson), for the details of the Gordon family history and to the late Mr. Jack Smith (also one of Lucy's grandsons).

Mary Coleman – *Co-Founder and Honorary Life President, Guild of Irish Lacemakers*

A SUDDEN 1889 DEATH IN DALKEY

Between 12 Noon and 1 p.m. on Thursday July 11th 1889 John McDonald, described as a journeyman bookmaker, was found lying unconscious on Ulverton Road, Dalkey, by Thomas Kelly Coliemore Road, who immediately informed the police of his discovery.

Brought to St. Michael's Hospital, Dun Laoghaire, McDonald never regained consciousness and died shortly after admission despite the best efforts and attention of the medical staff. The Coroner was informed of his death but ruled that it was not necessary to hold an inquest.

James Scannell

Source:

The Irish Times - Friday July 12th 1889





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PLANNING APPLICATIONS - Weeks 28-31 11/07/2011 to 15/7/2011

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Reg. Ref.: D10A/0614

Application Rec'd Date: 8-Nov-2010

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

Proposal: Permission is sought for development for the following ; a) relocation of existing vehicular entrance on Harbour Road, b) general refurbishment and upgrade of hard and soft landscaping including provision of 7 no. additional car parking spaces, c) upgrading works to elevations including a rendered plaster finish (also some window replacement), d) provision of 3 no. new apartments in a new third floor level (with roof top plant room over) at existing apartment building. Further Info/ Clarification of F.I. Recd Additional Information. Clarification of A.I.: 10-Jun-2011, 12-Jul-2011.

Reg. Ref.: D11A/0341

Application Rec'd Date: 19-Jul-2011

Applicant Name & Location: Laura Murphy, 16, Whites Villas, Dalkey, Co. Dublin

Proposal: Retention permission is sought for the demolition of an existing 9.5 sq.m single storey rear extension; the retention of the construction of a 26.8 sq.m two storey extension to the rear, consisting of 13.4 sq.m at ground floor level and 13.4 sq.m at first floor level; associated elevational changes to the north and east elevations; and the retention of a vehicular access off White's Villa's, all on a site of 165 sq.m. Applic. Type: Permission for Retention

Reg. Ref.: D11A/0198

Application Rec'd Date: 21-Apr-2011

Applicant Name & Location: Marie Conlon, Ardburgh Road, Dalkey, Co. Dublin

Proposal: Planning permission for a development on a 0.21655 hectare site at Ardburgh Road. The development will comprise of the construction of 2 No. semi-detached dwelling houses. House No. 1 is a 5 bedroom house over three levels with a gross floor area of 345.6 sq.m. House No. 2 is a 5 bedroom house over three levels with a gross floor area of 327.7 sq.m. A new access to the site is proposed from Ardburgh Road and a total of 6 No. car parking spaces are provided. The proposed development includes all site development works, services, landscaping and boundary treatments. Additional Info.: 29-Jul-2011.

Reg. Ref.: D11B/0260

Application Rec'd Date: 3-Aug-2011

Applicant Name & Location: Catriona & Michael Lawlor. Willow Brook, 2, Saval Park, Saval Park Road, Dalkey, Co. Dublin

Proposal: Retention permission is sought for conversion of attic into a habitable bedroom, with associated velux rooflights. Application Type: Permission for Retention.

PLANNING DECISIONS FOR WEEKS 28-31 11/7/2011 to 5/8/2011

Reg. Ref.: D06A/1581/E **Decision:** Grant Extension of Duration of Perm.**Date:** 11-Jul-'11

Applicant Name & Location: Michael & Frieda McGovern, St Pauls, 8, Ardeevin Road, Dalkey.

Proposal: The development will consist of the construction of a single detached two level dwelling to the North-East of the existing semi-detached house. The existing vehicular entrance is to be retained with parking provided for two vehicles. The development will provide for South-West facing terraces to the rear as well as a balcony to the North-East

together with all necessary site works. **Applic.Type:** Extension of Duration of Permission.
Reg. Ref.: D06A/0060/E **Decision:** Grant Extension of Duration of perm.**Date:** 19-Jul-'11
Applicant Name & Location: Fergal Murray, Woodbank, Saval Park Road, Dalkey.
Proposal: Single & two storey detached dwelling, demolish garage and create new vehicle access to rear of Woodbank. **Application Type:** Extension of Duration of Permission.
Reg. Ref.: D11B/0138 **Decision:** Grant Permission **Date:** 18-Jul-'11
Applicant Name & Location: Mr. Dominic Galvin, 66, Ulverton Road, Dalkey.
Proposal: Planning permission for material alterations to the permitted development per Reg. Ref. D08A/1392 (An Bord Pleanála Reg. Ref. PL06D.233883) to consist of: amendments to the fenestration to the front and side elevations, omission of glass box and canopy above front door, and the replacement of permitted timber cladding infill with treated copper finish to the front and side elevations and minor alterations to side gable window.
Reg. Ref.: D11B/0187 **Decision:** Grant Permission **Date:** 22-Jul-'11
Applicant Name & Location: R. & E. Saunders, 4 Beacon Hill, Nerano Road, Dalkey..
Proposal: Planning permission is sought for (a) Conversion of first floor bedroom to bathroom including all associated drainage works, (b) alterations to ground floor window ope to rear to accommodate new double doors, (c) new hardwood deck to rear, (d) overhauling and refurbishment of windows throughout and (e) all associated site works. (A protected structure). Application Type: Permission.
Reg. Ref.: D11B/0191 **Decision:** Refuse Permission **Date:** 22-Jul'11
Applicant Name & Location: Jimmy & Sheila Nicholson, Convent Road, Dalkey.
Proposal: Planning permission is sought to (a) demolish 2 No. existing single storey 'lock ups'. (b) Erect a storey and a half style lofted 'lock up' for domestic use together with all associated site works. The property to which this application relates is located between No.29 & No.30 Convent Road, Dalkey. **Application Type:** Permission.
Reg. Ref.: D05B/0563/E **Decision:** Refuse ext. of duration of permission **Date:** 26-Jul-'11
Applicant Name & Location: F.J. Campbell, 17, The Rise, Barnhill Road, Dalkey.
Proposal: Permission for provision of attic bedrooms, first floor windows to front and rear gables and three velux roof-lights on each side of the existing roof slopes. **Applic. Type:** Extension of Duration of Permission
Reg. Ref. D11A/0199 **Decision:** Grant Permission **Date:** 27-Jul-'11
Applicant Name & Location: Dublin Bus, Hyde Road near junction with Barnhill Road, Dalkey, Co Dublin.
Proposal: Planning permission is sought for the removal of the existing bus shelter and its replacement with a new stainless steel and glass bus shelter 5.0m x 2.0m x 2.5m high with 2 no. internal illuminated Advertising Panels each of 2 sq. metre area, new shelter relocated 10.5m closer to junction with Barnhill Road. **Application Type;** Permission
Reg. Ref.: D11A/0272 **Decision:** Grant Permission **Date:** 27-Jul-'11
Applicant Name & Location: Brendan & Nuala Toal, 5, The Rise, Dalkey, Co. Dublin
Proposal: Planning permission is sought for demolition of existing converted garage, outdoor utility room and WC, widening of existing vehicular entrance and the construction of a new side extension to include entrance hall, utility room and dining area.
Reg. Ref.: D10A/0614 **Decision:** Grant Permission **Date:** 5-Aug-'11
Applicant Name & Location: Glencairn Flat Management Ltd., Glencairn Apartments, Harbour Road, Dalkey, Co. Dublin
Proposal: Permission is sought for development for the following ; a) relocation of existing vehicular entrance on Harbour Road, b) general refurbishment and upgrade of hard and soft landscaping including provision of 7 no. additional car parking spaces, c) upgrading works

to elevations including a rendered plaster finish (also some window replacement), d) provision of 3 no. new apartments in a new third floor level (with roof top plant room over) at existing apartment building.

APPEALS NOTIFIED by An Bord Pleanala Wks 28-31 11/7/'11 to 5/8/'11

Reg Ref: D10A/0644

Registration Date: 23-Nov-2010

Location: Ard Na Carraige, The Green Road, Dalkey, Co. Dublin

Development: Permission is sought for the demolition of existing terraced two-storey over basement four bedroom house (280m²), and the construction of two No. terraced two-storey over basement houses, consisting of a four bedroom house of 252m² with garage (house 2), and a two bedroom house of 202m² with car port (house 1), both with roof mounted solar collectors and rainwater harvesting, with pedestrian and vehicular access from the Green Road, and associated landscaping and site works. **Council Decision:** Grant Permission. **Appeal Lodged:** 27-Jul-2011. **Nature of Appeal:** Appeal against Grant of Permission. **Type of Appeal:** 3rd Party Appeal

APPEAL DECISIONS of An Bord Pleanala Wks. 27-30 4/7/'11 to 29/7/'11

Reg. Ref.: D10A/0711 **Appeal Decision:** Refuse Permission **Appeal Decided:** 22-Jul-'11

Council's Decision: Refuse Permission.

Location: Firmbank, Dalkey Avenue, Dalkey, Co Dublin

Proposed Development: Planning permission for the erection of a 2-storey dwelling and the provision of a new vehicular entrance off Dalkey Park to access same including all service connections and associated site-works. **Applicant:** Martin Doran.

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This is a new series based on nutrition which aims to assist readers of all ages with their nutritional needs.

September:

A healthy lunchbox a day keeps the yawns away.....

Fruit and Vegetables: Many of us struggle to get our kids to eat enough fruit and vegetables a day, yet the lunchbox provides the perfect opportunity to boost a child's consumption of fresh produce. Choose different types and consider presenting fruit in many ways. Mixed Fruit Salad, Fruit Compote, Puréed Fruit, chopped, sliced and so on. Mini packs of dried fruits with no additives or added sugar. Fresh fruit smoothie with Rice or Soya Milk will keep for a school day when made fresh in the morning.

Use frozen berries with banana and some grounded flaxseed. Rice or soya milk will not ferment with fruit like dairy does leading to upset stomach.

Children often prefer raw vegetables to cooked, try cherry tomatoes or sticks of carrot, cucumber and pepper are popular, florets of broccoli and cauliflower, fresh peas, whole mange touts, sugar snap peas, baby corn.

Dairy Foods: It is important to provide good sources of calcium as about half of adult bone density is laid down during adolescence. Along with absorption from magnesium which can be found in nuts, seeds and greens. Calcium can be found in Greens and grains as well as dairy products. Stay away from processed cheese. Buy local farmhouse cheese or organic for your child. All lovely with organic oatcakes or rice cakes.

Make your own fresh fruit yoghurt with probiotic natural yoghurt and some pureed fresh fruits such as mango, pear or blueberry. All of these ingredients are great for your child's stomach to strengthen the immune system.

Protein: Protein foods are fantastic for staying away from hunger pains and they work together with carbohydrate foods to create energy for your child. This also helps to boost concentration, memory and attention span. Use protein rich foods in sandwich fillings, savoury dishes and salads or to nibble on. Good examples are lean cooked free range or local chicken, turkey or beef; cooked fish and prawns; cooked eggs; nuts, nut butters and seeds, seed butters, pulses and hummus, vegetarian sausages and nut cutlets; tofu.

Children in particular need omega 3 essential fatty acids for their developing brains, eyes and nerves. Omega 3 has also been shown in some, but not all, cases, to improve mood and benefit those with dyslexia and attention deficit hyperactivity disorder. It is found in oily fish such as salmon, sardines and tuna, which all make great sandwich fillers. Pitted Olives great too!

Starchy Carbohydrates: Whole grains are the body's main source of long term energy and should be at the heart of every lunchbox. Try and stay away from the sliced pans as they have no wholegrain and are just water and sugar. Try Granary, Rye or Spelt bread for a change, toasted if possible. Try Whole wheat baps, rolls, wraps or pittas.

Drinks: Children need to drink more fluids at school. Dehydration can affect concentration and intellectual performance as well as transportation of fluids around the body.

Provide bottled water, diluted fresh fruit or vegetable juice, fresh fruit smoothie or milk. With milk just watch out for any sensitivity or intolerance signs such as skin rash, eczema or sinus Phlegm problems. Try Rice, Oat or Soya milk instead.

Avoid carbonated sugary drinks at all times!

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SEPTEMBER 2011 LOCAL HISTORY TALKS



Saturday 3rd at 11 a.m. the 3rd Quarterly Meeting of **the Medal Society of Ireland** will take place in the Teachers Club, Parnell Square West, Dublin 1. Between 12 Noon & 2.30p.m. there will be a Medals and Militaria Fair which will be open to the public.

Tuesday 13th at 8 p.m. Ms. Rosemary Raughter will speak to the Genealogical Society of Ireland on **'Unbounded Charity and Unfortunate Females: Lady Arabella Denny and the early years of the Leeson Street Magdalen Asylum'** in Dun Laoghaire College of Further Education, Cumberland Street, Dun Laoghaire - all welcome, contribution €3.

Thursday 15th at 8 p.m. Dr. Barbara Walsh will present her lecture **'Woolworth's - When the Shopping was Good'** to the Bray Cualann Historical Society in the Bray Chamber of Commerce House, 10 Prince of Wales Tce., Quinsboro Rd, Bray. All welcome - admission €4.

Tuesday 20th at 1.05p.m. Margaret Murphy will present a 40-minute lunchtime lecture **'The Peasant's Tale'** as part of the Tales of Medieval Dublin month lectures in the Wood Quay Venue, Civic Offices, Wood Quay, Dublin 8. Admission free.

Wednesday 21st at 8 p.m. Dun Laoghaire Borough Historical Society will hold a special screening of the DVD **'Heritage of Kings'**, made by the late John Cook, a complete history of Dun Laoghaire on film, in the Kingston Hotel, Adelaide Street, Dun Laoghaire. All welcome.

Friday 23rd at 5.30 p.m. Culture Night – Ms. Claire Crowther, Bray Cualann Historical Society, will present a Culture Night talk on 'Bray Town Hall and the Brabazon Windows' in Bray Town Hall, Main Street, Bray, Co. Wicklow. All welcome – admission free,

Between 6 p.m. and 9 p.m. celebrate Family History on Culture Night in the Dublin City Library & Archive, 138 - 144 Pearse Street, Dublin 2. Talk to experts - try out sources - look at exhibitions - get new ideas! Advice and suggestions will be offered throughout the evening and first-time researchers are particularly welcome. No booking required – all welcome. Further details from 01- 674 4999.

Wed. 28th between 10.30a.m. & 12.30p.m. the Morning Open Meeting of the Genealogical Society of Irl. takes place in Weirs of Dun Laoghaire, 88 Lr. George's St., Dun Laoghaire. Contribution of €3 includes Coffee / Tea.

A BOOK TO READ

***"Enniskerry - A History"* by Michael Seery, published by The History Press Ireland.**

This book traces the evolution and development of Enniskerry, Co. Wicklow from its origins as a small settlement by a bridge crossing the Glencullen River to the vibrant centre that it is today with the emphasis of this book on the 19th century when most of this development took place.

Divided into 3 main chapters, the first chapter 'A Sense of Place' provides the reader with a brief history of how Enniskerry village evolved, what it looked like at various periods as recorded by numerous travel writers who left early descriptions of the village and surrounding areas, and from various maps which recorded its development as a small rural cluster of buildings around a river crossing with this development increasing in tempo following the construction of Powerscourt House.

The second chapter 'Education and Religion' covers education in the village before and after the implementation of the National School system with education making a huge positive impact on the youth of the village by improving literacy and numeracy rates and improving their employment opportunities. The author also looks at some problems that were encountered with the schools and the impact and role that local clergy had with their congregations.

The final chapter 'Life in the Parish of Powerscourt' looks at life in the village and surrounding area during the 19th century and the influence and role of Lord Powerscourt on the development of the area. During this century the quality of housing improved, employment was mainly in agriculture and having got through the Famine by a combination of factors, the author includes the interesting observation that in the latter half of the 19th century, the number of women in the village declined as they left it to take up employment in domestic service in Dublin. At the same time the village experienced renewed development between 1850 and 1870 driven by the 7th Viscount Powerscourt after which the village settled down remaining virtually unchanged until well into the 20th century.

By drawing from 18th century travel literature, the Powerscourt Papers and other sources, the author looks at the evolution and development of Enniskerry, who drove it and influenced it and how all the events and developments that took place in and around it were interlinked with each other.

All in all an excellent concise history of Enniskerry Village, Co. Wicklow, and a title that no local historian should be without.

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Dalkey Hockey Club will register three teams in Divisions 8, 11 and 14 allowing players of all levels of dedication and ability to enjoy their matches. Dalkey 1sts narrowly missed out on promotion last year providing us with a clear goal from the onset of the season this year. The season will commence under the

coaching stewardship of Louise Smith and other coaches will be engaged later as the need arises. Anyone who wishes to get involved in Dalkey Hockey but would prefer a sideline role might consider acting as team manager for one of the three teams. Dalkey Hockey is also seeking people who might like to try out for the position of goalie. So if you are considering re-launching your hockey career or commencing one, come along to Rathdown School, Upper Glenageary Road, any Wednesday at 7 30pm.

Check out our website www.dalkeyhc.com or visit us on Facebook: Dalkey Hockey Club.



Dalkey Thirds — Cup Finalists

INTERVIEW WITH THE CHAIRMAN OF DALKEY BUSINESS GROUP

Jason McChesney is this year's chairman of the Dalkey Business Group. He's 'committed big time' to doing as much as he can for the group, while keeping his own business going - he's a business coach, helping business owners achieve their business and personal goals.

Ten things you may not know about Jason McChesney:

1. He grew up in the context of a family car business.
2. He was head boy at school.
3. He was laying a wreath in Enniskillen when the bombing happened, and escaped death by inches. It was a defining moment that told him life was short, and influenced his subsequent choices - looking at his own life goals, and becoming a business coach to help others do the same. Jason also narrowly escaped the tsunami in Sri Lanka.
4. He spent 18 months travelling 24 countries, and at the end of it decided he wanted to live either in Dublin or Sydney. Dublin won because it was the capital of Ireland and Ireland's where most of his friends and family are.
5. He's had some interesting non-career jobs: Selling door-to-door in Perth, working as a movie extra in Hong Kong and mustering cattle as a cowboy in the Northern Territory, Australia.
6. He's a good salesman. He cut his teeth at IBM, selling computers.
7. He has built up three businesses from scratch, taking them into the realms of significant turnover.
8. He trained to be a business coach with the international Action Coach franchise, an experience that was short, expensive and 'life changing'.
9. He's seriously sporty. He's run marathons in Dublin and New York and has completed a 'half ironman' - his next big goal is to do a full ironman, which involves swimming 2.4 miles, cycling for 112 miles, then running a full marathon ('14 hours of solid go').
10. He lives in Killiney.



Chairman of the Dalkey Business Group, Jason McChesney

What's the purpose of the Dalkey Business Group?

It's to help the local businesses in the Dalkey area, putting Dalkey 'on the map' more, promoting it as a place to do business, eat, drink, have a coffee, visit. There are two groups to address - locals, who we want to encourage to shop locally when possible, and tourists, who we want to encourage to come and visit.

What are your goals for your year as chairman?

To continue the great work that Oliver McCabe did last year with our great committee and business members. To grow the number of business members to 100, to grow the number of Dalkey Loyalty Card holders to over 2,000, to help achieve any available local grants to enhance Dalkey, to help lead and facilitate the businesses working together more in collaboration rather than competition.

For example, I don't think the restaurants, say, should see each other as competitors but as collaborators, maybe putting together a food festival '*Taste of Dalkey*' and bringing food experts and writers in.

Recently for instance a local restaurant ran its own '*festival event*' - they organised it on their own and it's great to see them being proactive, but it would be even better if they'd got together with the other restaurants and got the food reviewers and the bloggers in, helping Dalkey be known as a place with great restaurants. Together we have more contacts between us so we can achieve more by working together. Engaging bloggers is so important these days.

The business group now has subgroups working on specific issues like tourism, loyalty cards, parking, the website, etc. I'd like to see all of our subgroups being active and asking themselves what they want to see happen, what they can do, and for each subgroup to have an active 'champion' reporting to the group regularly. In all of this, I'd like to be more of a facilitator than someone 'in charge'.

These things take time. I've seen in business that in the first year of a job you get to know the job, in the

second year you get better at it, and in the third year you ask ‘where next?’.

These ideas also take money. We have a lot of ideas and not much money, hence the growth of membership is one of the important areas.

What’s unique about Dalkey?

I’d say it’s the heritage and literary aspects, plus we have our own island! It’s obviously also a good place to eat and drink, and for outdoor activities - but so are lots of other places.

Where is the room for improvement?

We need to spell out what’s available in Dalkey. You go to Dingle for Fungi, you go to Galway for the races, you go to Johnny Fox’s for seafood and Irish dancing. I’ve seen from our dealings with people like Dublin Tourism and Dun Laoghaire Rathdown that we need to give them a reason to promote us to tourists. We have to define it, and explain it, and present it well - for example Ten things to do in Dalkey, How to spend a day in Dalkey, What to do on a wet day in Dalkey - all of that can go up on the website and be promoted through social media.

I’ve also learned from the tourism bodies that it’s not a good idea to have a festival for everything. If you do, you become a Jack of all trades, and nobody has a clear idea about you.

Our directional signs - what they call ‘wayfinding’ - need work. Tourists often ask us where the sea is. If you arrive at the DART station and walk down to the corner tourists have a choice of five roads to take and the only signs say where the library is, and where Loreto Abbey is. So off tourists go to Loreto Abbey, thinking it sounds interesting and historical, and what do they find? A school.

It costs €160 a year to be a member of the Dalkey Business Group. What’s in it for the members?

It gives you great visibility and from last year’s experience those that put in the effort got return for their own business. It’s a good way to promote your business. You get good exposure through the website and other social media, and with the loyalty card scheme we run, you get a monthly chance to promote your business to over a thousand local people who aren’t on your own database. That’s worth having. And you meet people. I’ve met brilliant people through the Dalkey Business Group.

Can anybody join?

We’ve had a lot of interest from people living locally who aren’t business owners, they just want to help their community, and that’s really welcome and appreciated. Instead of €160 they pay an ‘associate member’ rate of €80.

The Dalkey Business Group meets monthly. Meetings are in local venues and last up to two hours, followed by social drinks. To join the Dalkey Business Group check our website: www.ilovedalkey.com/dalkey-business-group/front-page/

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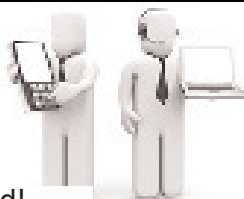
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MARITIME DALKEY *Continued*

The series continues about Dalkey's rich maritime past and present-day activity. It is in memory of the late Dr. John de Courcy Ireland (1911-2006), the maritime historian and author who resided in the town with his wife Betty for many years.

In mid-August a tug that was named after Coliemore Harbour was scheduled to be broken-up on the slipway in Cork Dockyard. The 1962-built Coliemore was launched as Applesider on the Humber River in Yorkshire before she changed hands a decade later to serve a long career with the Dublin Port & Docks Board (DP&DB), now the Dublin Port Company.

Coliemore is not the only vessel linking Dalkey's medieval maritime past with Dublin Port, as the DP&DB's tug fleet were given names (in Irish) of Dublin Bay suburbs. Her fleetmates are the Cluain Tarbh (Clontarf) and Deilginis, of course being Dalkey!

Of the trio the 1997-built Deilginis is the largest at 335-tonnes but more significantly she was the last tug commissioned for the DP&DB. She, alongside Cluain Tarbh, is up for sale as seen, and is moored close to the East-Link toll-bridge where the replacement tugs Beaufort and Shackleton are also berthed.

These new sister tugs played a starring role in the National Lottery's TV advertisement: 'Making Magic Happen' where they impressively displayed their fire-fighting water cannon capability to great effect in the formation of a 'rainbow' in the heart of the Dublin's Docklands.



Clyde Fisher at anchor

daily throughout Dublin Bay transferring pilots to vessels which include those in the vicinity of the South Burford buoy, near The Muglins lighthouse. On a rare occasion for a pilot cutter, the Cork-built Camac transited Dalkey Sound in January, and swung around the island to board a pilot to one of the vessels belonging to Arklow Shipping Ltd.

In a bygone era, Coliemore-based 'hobblers', whose trade it was to provide pilotage, would row out to vessels, though by the late 19th century steam and motor power took over. The hobblers would race out to an incoming ship and whoever got there first got the job. The boats then were much heavier to the present day counterpart, the East Coast Skiff which is used by the Dalkey Rowing Club.

Dublin Bay is divided into anchorage quadrants. The majority of vessels take anchorage in



Deilginis in River Liffey

The port also operates a fleet of pilot cutters, the Camac, Dodder and Liffey. They serve the Dublin Pilotage District which cover the waters of the River Liffey below Rory O'Moore Bridge and out to the Baily Lighthouse, from there to the Burford Banks buoys and across to Dalkey's Sorrento Point.

Speeding at 20 knots the pilot cutters can be seen



Camac at speed through Dalkey Sound

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the south of the bay, where they can be seen closest to the coastline at Sandycove and Bulloch Harbour.

Two years ago the oil tanker *Cumbrian Fisher*, which regularly calls mostly from Milford Haven, south Wales made a rare anchorage close to The Muglins. Since then she and her sister *Clyde Fisher* have also anchored south-east of the island.

There are around 15,000 vessel - arrivals and departures - to Dublin Port annually. Apart from the cross-channel ferries, the majority set a course on the shipping lane passing Dalkey and running parallel along the coast. Commercial shipping no longer plies through Dalkey Sound, though the last known cargo-ship to have made a passage through the sound was the 999-tonnes *ILona G*, which took place over a decade ago.

Today the only large vessels using the sound are from the Naval Service (see July issue), research vessels and tall-ships, as reported in last month's issue.

Words and Photos: Jehan Ashmore



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

SEEKING INFORMATION

Just wondering does anybody ever know anything about Dylis and Tommy Bannon who owned a Fish Shop in Dalkey in the 1970/1980. There was also a sister of Dylis (nee Reynolds) Eithne Reynolds. These ladies were related to me on my mothers side - Gordon's - and I would love to know anybody has any history on the family.

I visited your lovely village today for the first time and was delighted with the experience, it was beautiful weather wise and I had a delightful day.

Would love if you could help me with my research or guide me in any way.

Warm wishes.

Mary Cronin – marycronin500@gmail.com

Dear Editor,

With regard to the July issue, may I make two small observations concerning the captions for the '*Dalkey Trams*' illustrations.

The picture '*Last Tram from Dalkey*' is not that:- the last tram ran on July 9th/10th, 1949 - the picture is dated 1948 and the last tram ran in darkness around 11.30pm that night.

The image '*Dublin United Tram Liveries*' is in fact showing the route symbols used by day on trams over the destination boards up to 1917 when Route Nos. were introduced and these route numbers were retained by buses when they replaced trams. Older busmen still refer to their vehicles as 'cars' rather than buses.

The route symbol for Dalkey was a green shamrock and for Blackrock and Kingstown (Dun Laoghaire) a green shamrock with the letter K in the centre.

Kind Regards

James Scannell – Shankill



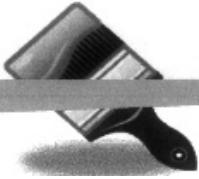
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Dear Sir/Madam,

I refer to your item by the heading TT (Tidy Towns) in your August edition regarding the missing cap for the Tramyard pillar, and feel you might be interested in the enclosed photograph of my son, Joseph O'Brien, re-building the pillar which had been demolished by a truck. He also carried out repairs to its companion.

Yours sincerely,

Pat O'Brien



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Senior Citizens return OLH (2.30 - 4.30pm)		Hospice Coffee Morning in Benitos	
Chat, Bingo, cuppa & meet a new friend.		(9.30-12.30 in OLH)	Thurs. 15 Sept
All welcome.	<i>Date to be confirmed</i>	World Heart Day	Thurs. 29 Sept
Grandparents Day	Sun 11 Sept	Sorting October Newsletter	Fri. 30 Sept
Dalkey Ladies Club resumes.		DCC (Oct.) Meeting in OLH	Mon. 3 Oct
New members welcome	Thurs. 15 Sept		

EVENTS THROUGH THE MONTH

Karate sessions for all age groups @ 6-9pm Tues. & Thurs. Wayne Deegan at 086 857 2546

Dalkey Players If treading the boards or working backstage interests you Dalkey Players Drama group will be back in action on Tuesdays and Thursdays from beginning of Sept. Contact Caroline Hickey 086 8092850 or check www.dalkeyplayers.ie for details.

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

Mountains to Sea dlr Book Festival Sept. 1st-11th 2011 marks the centenary of the birth of Flann O'Brien but it's also the 3rd birthday of the Mountains to Sea dlr Book Festival in Dun Laoghaire. Brochures freely available in bookshops, libraries & from the Pavilion Theatre.

Art Exhibitions: 15th- 18th Sept. (see page 2) Dalkey Castle & Heritage Centre article.

Yoga Classes Tuesdays and Thursdays 6.15-7.45 & 8.00- 9.30pm from Sept 13th Contact: Sorcha 087 9475220 or Beverley 086 8581299. **Zumba Fitness classes:** (see page 2).

Pilates: Watch the notice board in HC for details of new classes beginning in mid Sept.

Friday Market: Dalkey Town Hall Dominican Farm with organic fruit and vegetables from 10.00-2.00pm

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