



Sneem Community Notice Board

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Men on Tour!



Pictured above are members of Sneem Men's Shed who went on an outing on Thursday 28th of September to Castletownbere and Bere Island. Back row l-r Johnny Casey, Louis Moriarty, Ger Coffey, Ronnie O'Reilly, Noel O'Sullivan. Front row l-r: Eugene McGinnis, Michael Egar, Mossie Walsh, Sonny Looney, John Galvin.

Pictured right is Tommy Gibbons who won the GAA lotto jackpot recently, shown here receiving his cheque for €4,750 from Don Keogh, GAA Vice-Treasurer.

Sneem received a Silver Medal in this year's Supervalu Tidy Towns Competition, see full report pages 15 - 19.



Next Newsletter will be out on 2nd November 2017

This is YOUR Notice Board!

Deadline for the next newsletter - Monday 30th October by 10am anything received after this date cannot be included in newsletter. Call the Resource Centre on **064 6645545** or **087-1403919** (please leave a message), email: sneemcnb@gmail.com, use our post box outside the Resource Centre or leave a private message on our Facebook Page.

Community News

Birthdays

October: Daniel Murphy, Collette Riney, Matthew O'Sullivan (Gerah) on 6th: Stella and Julia O'Sullivan (7) on 7th: Molly Knightly on 9th: Kate Jonas, Patrick O'Sullivan on 11th: Leah Marie Schots (7) on 13th: Daniel Riney on 14th: Tim Lea on 15th: Kathy Jukes on 16th: Sheila O'Regan on 19th: Thomas McConnell (7) Alfie Burns (9), Rebecca O'Brien (19) on 20th: Mary O'Shea on 20th: Paul Breen, Graham Jukes on 28th: Michael Dennehy on 31st Oct.

November: Maria Burns (7), Claire Galvin on 1st: Caoimhe Galvin (7) on 2nd: Saoirse Kavanagh on 3rd: Rachel O'Brien (13), Don Keogh on 4th.

Deepest Sympathies

Are extended to the family of Betty Hussey, North Gerah who died on 24th September.

Deepest Sympathies

Are extended to the family of Patrick Hurley, Bantry who died on 20th September

Congratulations

To Brendan Teahan and Lynda O'Callaghan who got married recently in Tralee.

Congratulations

To Ryan Breen, Kelly's Cross, Sneem and Hayley Mackay, Leopardstown, Dublin, (pictured right) who were married in Tuscany, Italy on September 9th 2017.

Tuesday Arts and Craft Group

Several people have expressed an interest in purchasing the wall hangings in the front room of the Resource Centre. However, they are not for sale. It is suggested that the ladies who meet on Tuesday mornings (11am – 1pm) might like to work on a wall hanging (or wall hangings) to sell. With this in mind, we would like as many people as possible to attend the coffee, craft and chat session on Tuesday 10th October at the Resource Centre at 11am to discuss the project.



Community News

First Aid /Cardiac First Responder Course

It is hoped to organize a First Aid / Cardiac First Responder Course during October. This four hour certified course will be held in the Community Centre in Sneem and will cover how to help someone who suffers a heart attack or stroke and also how to administer C.P.R. and how to use the defibrillators that we already have within our parish. It is suitable for both beginners and those who wish to do a refresher course on the AED, etc.

The course will be given by Ger Deasy, who is qualified in both Basic Life Support and First Aid techniques. The cost of this course including certification is €45 and perhaps could prove to be life saving for someone.

Anybody who is interested should contact Tim O'Sullivan, South Gerah at timf.osullivan@gmail.com or by phone on 086-8559283 as soon as possible so as to arrange a suitable night for all. Groups of ten can be accommodated together and a number of nights can be arranged.

Best of Luck

Anne-Louise Laflamme of Dana Jewellery, Sneem, has successfully been shortlisted by Kilkenny Design out of over 200 applicants who submitted to an open call looking for new designers. Presentations will take place in the RDS in Dublin.



Indoor Bowling

The indoor bowling season has resumed activities in the Community Centre. New players are more than welcome to come along any Wednesday night between 8 - 10pm. All you need is a pair of flat soled shoes, everything else will be supplied.

Sneem Gardeners

Autumn is here again and any time from now until November is good for planting garlic. Sneem Gardeners have three organic varieties for sale. Val-lelado (soft neck outdoor only), Messidor (soft neck/outdoor or indoor), Morado (hardneck/ outdoor only). The soft neck varieties are easier to plait. Garlic is €15 a kg. Most people need about €3.50 worth. The garlic can be picked up at O'Sullivan's Butcher Shop.

Dance Hall Days

Has anyone got photos of the Old Ring Ballroom, Sneem? If so would they please send them to Sneem Digital Hub, Killarney Rd. Sneem or scan and email them as jpeg images to sneemevents@gmail.com or kerrygeopark@gmail.com.

Community News

World Rowing Coastal Championships

A grandnephew of the famous Steve 'Crusher' Casey from Sneem has qualified to row in the World Rowing Coastal Championships in France in October.

John Casey, 35, is from Sneem but rows with the Arklow Club in Wicklow and won gold in the single sculls at the Irish National Championships, beating the defending champion by seven lengths. Victory in the Nationals has qualified John who lives in Gorey, Co Wexford for the World Championships in Thonon, France from the 13th to the 15th October.

Nearly New Lunch



Pictured above are volunteers in the Nearly New Shop who generously donate their time to keep the shop open all summer: Gisela Liedke, Helga Gliss, Genny Haines, Maureen Connolly, Maggie Tindale, Caroline Besson Lea, Eileen Burns, Kathy Jukes, Gilly Reid-Walker, Mary Casey, Clare Broom Harvey, Lee O'Sullivan, Barbara O'Connor and Alice Fleming who enjoyed their end of season lunch at the Blue Bull recently.

Don't forget to turn back your clocks
on Sunday 29th October.



Sneem Community Crèche

AGM

The Annual General Meeting for Sneem Community Crèche was held on Thursday 21st September and was well attended.

The following members were elected to the committee:

Chairperson: Julie Lee Knightly

Vice Chairperson: Caroline Clifford

Secretary: Stephanie Cahill

Vice Chairperson: Aideen O'Leary

Treasurer: Sheena O'Sullivan

Vice Treasurer: Sheila Clifford

PRO: Amy Foley

A fundraising committee has also been established.

There are some fundraising events coming up so please keep an eye out for them.

Crèche Staffing

Our Manager Deirdre Murphy is relocating to the UK. We would like to wish Deirdre the very best of luck for the future. She will be missed. The Manager's post and Assistant relief staff posts have been advertised and candidates are currently being interviewed.

Office Administrator Vacancy

There is a vacancy for an Office Administrator in the Sneem Community Crèche on the Community Employment Scheme. Hours are 19½ per week. Contact Joe Murphy, Sneem Development Office, Sportsfield Road, Sneem.

Sneem Crèche Fundraisers

A **Halloween Family Fun Run** as part of the fundraising effort for Sneem Community Crèche and Pre-school will take place on Saturday 21st October. It should be a fun family morning with lots for the kids to do. Contact Danielle 087 9646235 for further info, hope to see you there!

Scarecrows On The Green In Sneem!

Will take place on Saturday the 28th October. There will also be face/hand painting to help raise funds for the Sneem Community Crèche. Contact Davida on 089 2349698.

Crèche Open Day

Sneem Community Crèche are holding an Open Day on Saturday 21st October from 2pm to 5pm. All Welcome.

1st Annual Wild Atlantic Way Cycle Sportif



Pictured above are cyclists at the start of Stage 4 of the Inaugural Wild Atlantic Way Cycle Sportif in Sneem on Saturday 16th September. The unique cycling event featured 17 stages spanning over 2,000km of the Irish coastline from 13th to 29th September. Photo by Valerie O'Sullivan

Sneem Bord na nÓg



A great morning's football was played on Saturday 30th September in Derrynane. Three highly competitive games were played in a great spirit and brilliantly refereed by Eugene Dennehy. Pictured above are the Sneem/Derrynane U11 team: Adam Corridan, Michael Casey, Patrick Moran, William Davis, Rob Donovan, Killian O' Sullivan, Daragh Murphy, Tom Clifford, Aiden O'Sullivan,

Sean and James O'Sullivan, Sean and Paud Casey, Dylan McGiff and Klaudijos Digimas.

Christmas Shoebox Appeal

It's that time of year again. If you would like to donate a gift of a full box of joy to a child in need, then you will have to have it ready by the 10th of November.

Wrap the box and lid separately with Christmas paper, use an elastic band to secure the box.

Choose boy or girl and what age group: 2-4 years, 5-9 years or 10-14 years.

Include €4 in your leaflet envelope either on top of the gifts or taped to the inside of the lid.

What to include:

- **Something to write or draw on** - a pen, pencil, copy book, paper, colouring book, felt pens, sharpener, eraser, solar calculator
- **Some hygiene items** – toothbrush and toothpaste, soap (wrapped please), facecloth, hairbrush, comb
- **Small clothing items** – a hat, scarf, gloves, socks or underwear
- **A treat** – sunglasses, game, small Irish gift, a photo of yourself, sweets (must be in date until at least April 2018), make up, a small musical instrument, toys like a doll, a car, cuddly toy, skipping rope, yo-yo, a finger puppet

Please don't include:

- Any food (apart from sweets)
- Chocolate
- Medicines of any kind
- War related items
- Large clothing items
- Anything breakable
- Any liquids that could spill or freeze
- Sharp items
- Scary things (like Halloween stuff, or skull and crossbones)
- Books with words

Empty shoeboxes are available in the Resource Centre and full boxes can be returned there.

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Kenmare Carnegie Arts Centre

Small Roads Theatre and Dining Festival October 5th - 16th. Tickets €15 - special offers online www.smallroads.com. Box Office opens 3pm every day during the festival

Halloween Howl—Carnegie Events— Oct 29th-Nov 5th

Film Screenings— **Sunday 30 Oct -1pm & 3pm.** €4 per seat- Booking essential.

Film Screening— **Tuesday Nov 1st**—9pm—Horror Movie/The Conjuring (2013) (15) €5—Booking essential

Wednesday 2nd November— **Animal Roadshow- 12noon**— Booking essential.

The mobile education program by Animal Roadshow provides introduces a variety of exotic creatures to you, in a safe and entertaining way. With close encounters and loads of handling opportunities! The selection generally includes lizards, snakes, owls, tortoises and much more **See Halloween Howl Programme for all events - €5-- Booking essential.**

Films: October 20 Film **“Marguerite”** (Fr /Czech/Bel)(2016) Drama) KFS (15) Paris, 1920s. Marguerite Dumont is a wealthy woman, lover of the music and the opera. The problem begins when she decides to perform in front of a real audience.

October 27th **“The Legend of Tarzan”** (2016)(12A) Adventure The Legend of Tarzan is a 2016 American action adventure film based on the fictional character created by Edgar Rice Burroughs. Directed by David Yates

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Sneem Rowing Club

Sneem Rowing Club Gym Opening Hours

Monday/ Tuesday/ Thursday: 8am to 12pm

Wednesday/ Friday: 5pm to 9pm

50/50 Draw

The next 50/50 draw will be held in Riney's Bar on Friday the 6th of October. Tickets are now on sale from club members and in bars and shops throughout the village. Remember if you're not in you can't win.

Table Quiz

We will be hosting a fundraising table quiz in the Wrestlers Bar on Sunday the 29th of October at 9pm. Table of 4 is €20 and there will also be a raffle on the night. Please come along and support.

As the rowing season draws to a close for another year the club would like to thank everyone who came along to support the crews, the parents and grandparents and anyone who provided transport to the crews, everyone who helped out in any way over the season. Thank you to our sponsors without whom the club would not be where it is today. It was another successful season for our club with all of our crews and coxes putting in a lot of time and dedication into training throughout the season. We are looking forward to another wonderful season in 2018.



Ladies Seine Boat 2017

On Saturday the 16th of September our ladies seine boat crew coxed by Adrian Fitzgerald took to the water in Caherciveen as part of the annual charity race in aid of The Irish Pilgrimage Trusts group 135, Kerry. It was great to see the 5 determined crews from Caherciveen, Sive, Valentia, Cromane and Sneem battle it out once more for such a worthy cause. It was yet another tough race but the mighty women of Sneem managed to finish the race in 1st place.

A great finish to the racing season for the ladies. The ladies would like to thank everyone who sponsored them, to those who filled in as a sub for training and to everyone who travelled to cheer them on that day. Also a massive thank you to our transport manager Brian Foley for towing the boat for us once again.

D. O'Shea's Bar

Saturday 7th October

Jimmy Lee

Friday 13th October

Tim Larkin

Saturday 14th October

Robin Turner



Friday 20th October

Don't miss the **Old Moderns**

Sharp dressed musicians from Cork, playing all the fun, high energy hits from the 60s, 70s, 80s and right up to modern classics.

Be sure to bring your dancing shoes!

Friday 27th October

Tim Larkin

Tuesday 31st October
Halloween Hooley

Disco & Karaoke Night
Fancy Dress
Spot Prize for Best Dressed



What's On

D. O'Shea's Bar

Saturday 7th October - Jimmy Lee
Friday 13th October - Tim Larkin
Saturday 14th October - Robin Turner
Friday 20th October - Old Moderns
Friday 27th October - Tim Larkin
Tuesday 31st October - Halloween Night

Riney's

Saturday 7th October - Live Music
Saturday 14th October - Live Music
Sunday 15th October - Live Music
Saturday 21st October - Live Music
Saturday 28th October - Live Music
Sunday 29th October - Live Music

Sneem Tavern

Saturday October 21st - Live Music, Song and Dance with Batt Burns and Friends,
Saturday October 28th - Live Music
Sunday October 29th - Molls Gap

Blackwater Tavern

Friday October 6th - Autumn Gold
Friday October 13th - Blackwater Sound
Friday October 20th - Trashing Mill Boys
Friday October 27th - Ui Bhriain

Sneem Events

21st October - Fun Run in aid of Sneem Community Crèche
21st October - Sneem Community Crèche Open Day
28th October - Scarecrows on the Green in aid of Sneem Community Crèche
29th October - Table Quiz in aid of Sneem Rowing Club
10th - 12th November - Sneem International Storytelling and Folklore Festival
3rd December - Sneem Resource Centre Christmas Fair
8th December (tbc) - Christmas Lighting Parade

2018

30th March - 1st April - Sneem Walking Festival.
1st April - Sneem Community Notice Board Easter Egg Hunt and Cake Sale
18th - 22nd July - Sneem Summer Festival
9th - 11th November - Sneem International Storytelling and Folklore Festival

Sneem Storytelling Festival

The sixth Sneem International Storytelling & Folklore Festival takes place from Friday 10th to Sunday 12th November 2017, check out their website www.sneemstorytellingfestival.com for more details.

Friday 10th November

1.00pm - Storytelling in the Barn with Seanchaí Kate Corkery, in the foot hills outside of Sneem. Tea and scones in a farmhouse followed by stories and verse in 18th century barn. Walking shoes and rain gear required. Walk up or transport if needed. Meet at Sneem Hotel - €5.00

4.30pm - Storytelling session with Jack Lynch and Len Cabral. The Wresters Bar, North Square - FREE

8.00pm - Storytelling Concert with our featured Tellers. Batt Burns, Len Cabral, Jack Lynch, Frances Kennedy and Kate Corkery. (some adult humour). Function Room, Sneem Hotel - €15.00

10.15pm - Storytelling Pub Trail, all our Tellers will perform in pubs around the village. Local Public Houses - FREE

Saturday 11th November

10.30am - Performance for Children with Kate Corkery. Sneem Crèche, North Square - FREE

11.00am - Storytelling Workshop for Adults with Jack Lynch. Conference Room, Sneem Hotel - €5.00

11.45am - Storytelling Performance for Children with Len Cabral. Sneem Crèche, North Square - FREE

12.00pm - Lunchtime story swap with Killian Burns. Come tell your story! D. O'Shea's Bar, North Square - FREE

1.00 pm - Lecture - Sean Lyons has published a novel, two collections of humorous poetry and many short stories. Most of his poems tell tales of his travels around the world, observing middle aged Irish men! Conference Room, Sneem Hotel - €5.00

2.00pm - Yarns and Verse to Draw a Smile with Seanachai, Batt Burns. Blue Bull, South Square - €5.00

3.00pm - Storytelling session with Jack Lynch and Len Cabral. Sneem Tavern, South Square - FREE

Sneem Storytelling Festival

4.00pm - Songs and Stories from Kerry. The South Kerry Rosen Choir - with our own Batt Burns. Church of the Transfiguration, North Square - €5.00

5.00pm - The Young Tellers - Seanachaithe in the making, MC Batt Burns. Function Room, Sneem Hotel - €5.00

8.00pm - The Man in the Woman's Shoes. Starring Mikel Murfi. First there were pigs then dogs - possibly even hens on stage. But Mikel's one-man play has to be the first to stage a pitch-perfect representation of a dying turkey! A must see! Function Room, Sneem Hotel - €20.00

Sunday 13th November

12.15pm - Storytelling for Children with Len Cabral. Sneem Crèche, North Square - FREE

12.30 - 1.30pm - Lunchtime Theatre - "Sweet Shop on The Shore". This is a tale of tide and time, a passage through shadows inspired by childhood in a colourful Irish fishing community. An autobiographical Storytelling performance by Kate Corkery. Sneem Community Centre - €5.00

2.00 - 3.30pm - Open House and Story Swap hosted by Len Cabral and Batt Burns. Come tell us your story! Riney's Bar, South Square - FREE

3.45pm - Closing the Festival with a storytelling session with all Tellers. Dan Murphy's Bar, South Square - FREE

Programme subject to change

Box Office Information

+353(0)86 1522346 or info@sneemstorytellingfestival.com

Weekend Ticket €55.00 per person



Sneem, Ring of Kerry

Solution to Crossword No. 39 by Setanta

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Editors' note: It is with deep regret and fond memories that we publish Gerry McIntyre's last crossword solution - RIP Gerry.

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2017 Tidy Towns Results

The tidy towns results were announced on 26th September and a record number of 870 towns and villages across Ireland entered the competition this year. Sneem scored 325 points, up from 322 last year and were awarded a Silver Medal.

Copies of the full report are available in Sneem Resource Centre or online at www.tidytowns.ie/ reports.



Congratulations to Birdhill who won the overall award with a total of 332 points. Marks in individual categories for Sneem are as follows:

| | Maximum Mark | Mark awarded 2016 | Mark awarded 2017 |
|---|--------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Community Involvement & Planning | 60 | 48 | 48 |
| Built Environment and Streetscape | 50 | 41 | 42 |
| Landscaping and Open Spaces | 50 | 41 | 41 |
| Wildlife, Habitats and Natural Amenities | 50 | 37 | 38 |
| Sustainable Waste and Resource Management | 50 | 22 | 22 |
| Tidiness and Litter Control | 90 | 64 | 64 |
| Residential Streets & Housing Areas | 50 | 30 | 30 |
| Approach Roads, Streets & Lanes | 50 | 39 | 40 |
| Total Mark | 450 | 322 | 325 |

Adjudication dates were 27th June and 26th July 2017.

2017 Tidy Towns Report

Community Involvement & Planning

It was a great pleasure to revisit Sneem for the SuperValu National Tidy Towns 2017 adjudication, thank you for your continued participation in the competition. A good map was included in this year's submission however the mandatory Tidy Towns Plan was missing, (we note that there is one from your entry form) hopefully it will be included next year. The map of local attractions on the wall of the public toilet facility makes for a greater understanding of your lovely village by visitors. As in previous years there is wonderful engagement between the Tidy Towns committee and all sections of the community resulting in increased public involvement in the enhancement of quality of life and the future development of Sneem. Liaison with the schools is a significant investment in the future wellbeing of the community. It is a pleasure to note the value placed on Sneem's participation in the competition and the benefits accrued. Communication methods appear to be effective.

Built Environment and Streetscape

The streetscape of the village is enhanced with the charming and creative use of public art from delightful murals of bees on the gable wall of the Stonehouse Restaurant to deer in 'flight' and footprints of animal and man and of course the John Egan Memorial in South Square. Public buildings all look well and the Garda Station, National School, Resource Centre, Day Care Centre and Fire Station were admired for their presentation as were both churches. Freshly whitewashed walls with red capping leading down to the tennis court are visually appealing. Most shopfronts look well too and many were admired as always for their creative use of colour. Remember it is easy to spoil a good shopfront presentation with the indiscriminate positioning of posters in windows and doors. The canopy over the petrol station awaits refurbishment. There has been some improvement in the presentation of back yards / areas to buildings. We wish you every success in the creation of the new digital hub at the old dance hall premises.

Landscaping and Open Spaces

Landscaping on the Caherdaniel entrance to Sneem is visually appealing however there is an over reliance on Montbretia which is an invasive plant and ideally should be kept in check. Good Hedgerow and other planting on the Kenmare entrance to the village is a good introduction to Sneem for the travelling public and the display of roses on the Caherdaniel entrance is eye-catching. Both village greens are as beautifully presented as always and the display of love??? (sic) is a nice touch. In future landscaping keep the focus on native species to enhance biodiversity and don't forget the needs of pollinators; prioritize permanent planting over summer planting. It is a pleasure to note the fourteen native Irish trees recently planted along the river walk. The enclosure of the sewerage works site with hedgerow appears to have been successful, the Community Hall car park is beginning to look quite well now with its land-

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scaping.

Wildlife, Habitats and Natural Amenities

The birds of Sneem must be very happy with their very own pubs courtesy of the Men's Shed! Do keep us updated on visiting species and numbers. It is good to note the guidelines on managing biodiversity in Sneem provided in your Biodiversity Action Plan. The ongoing eradication of Japanese knotweed is an invaluable initiative for the biodiversity status of the village. The willow twig hedgerows are as valuable as they are novel and are only outshone by the willow maze. Keep us updated on the progress of the beehive initiative. The hosting of the International Falconry Event earlier in the year and the involvement of Sneem's youngsters is a life enhancing experience. The entrance to the sports grounds looks quite well however some resurfacing is necessary within the general environs. The playground in the Seaview residential development enjoys good maintenance

Sustainable Waste and Resource Management

The recycling point is very tidy and container flower displays here are a nice touch. The poly-tunnel, community allotments and composting initiatives make a significant difference to the amount of waste generated within the community. Try to quantify energy savings achieved by the use of the L.E.D lights; similarly try to quantify the amount of water saved by rain water harvesting; it is this type of thinking that can attract more marks. The 'scarecrow' initiative sounds like a lot of fun and it is good to note that this will be an annual event!

Tidiness and Litter Control

McCarthy's Motors looks reasonably tidy notwithstanding the many derelict vehicles within its curtilage area. There are unfortunately still some untidy areas particularly behind buildings within the environs of the river. Is it large roadside site near the housing state on the Caherdaniel earmarked for development? It appears to be quite overgrown which suggests neglect. If it's biodiversity status has been established and is being managed for wildlife then signage / interpretation should be provided. Overhead service cables and timber poles are surprisingly still a feature of the village centre. Well done on the spirit of tidiness and pride in the village by volunteers who participate in regular local and county clean-ups. Keep us informed of the success (or otherwise) of the dog fouling initiative. The public convenience block is beautifully maintained.

Residential Streets & Housing Areas

Pairc na Sonas looks reasonably well notwithstanding its unfinished state. An unoccupied estate on the Caherdaniel Road is beginning to look a little

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weather stained and weeds feature along some stretches of curbs. An area to the rear of the residential development beside the recycling point appears to be a work in progress, we look forward to its completion. Green areas in the Sneem Leisure Village were overgrown in some instances. Some roadside boundary walls in the Seaview development need improvement, many gardens here were admired. Well done on the painting of dwellings on the Sportsfield Road and the painting of the boathouse. The completion of the stone wall at the Old Convent House is laudable.

Approach Roads, Streets & Lanes

Good road surface good footpaths and signage on the entrance to Sneem from the Kenmare Road are a good first impression of the village. The Sportsfield road is less well finished and the same can be said of the road in the Seaview development. Hopefully the car park at the Community Hall will be resurfaced soon. Red field gates are a nice touch and the public toilets are very well presented both inside and out. Work achieved at the pier car park and for Sneem Bridge is invaluable. Continued work at the grotto is acknowledged.

Concluding Remarks

Sneem never fails to delight and surprise; from public art to the development of a digital hub to the hosting of an International Falconry Event while at the same time maintaining a high standard of presentation for its buildings, natural amenities, landscaping and biodiversity and all with a seeming effortlessness!

Second Round Adjudication

We enjoyed our visit to Sneem for the purposes of second round adjudication in late July. The layout of the village was considered to be most interesting with its attractive north and south squares which are very well maintained and landscaped to a high standard. The public artwork that could be seen here was examined with interest and we were somewhat surprised to read of the association of Charles de Gaulle and the people of Israel with the small village of Sneem. Perhaps a heritage trail with information plaques could be considered? This would enable you to share the history of your village and its buildings and structures of interest with the many visitors who pass through. The natural stone bridge which links both parts of the village serves as the natural focus to Sneem and the addition of the new walkway which separates pedestrians from traffic and provides a wonderful viewing platform over the river was appreciated by the adjudicator and many others during our visit. High quality buildings of traditional design and well presented facades were in abundance and they made a very positive contribution to the attractive appearance to Sneem. Were pleased to see that the tidy towns committee is leading by example as the community buildings such as the public toilets, St Michaels school and the Gar-

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da station all looked exceptionally well during our visit. While occupancy levels are high, it is acknowledged that some challenges remain and we urge you to continue to work with NAMA, Kerry County Council and the Department in order to ensure that all buildings are maintained and returned to productive reuse.

The hard work that has gone into landscaping in the village was appreciated with the landscaping of the north and south squares standing out. In both instances, the mix of shrubs, trees, roses in bloom and neatly trimmed grass ensured that the spaces were most attractive and inviting places to visit. The landscaping on the triangular area on the approach from Waterville also impressed. We applaud the many projects that you have undertaken under the wildlife category and the garden of the senses is a wonderful place to visit. Here, we are pleased to see the poly tunnel and the composting area in operation but we were surprised to observe that a tap and hose were in position. Why not capture the rainwater that runs off the poly tunnel? Is this a missed opportunity? 'Sraibhaile na nean an t'Snaidhm' is a wonderful amenity with its scenic riverside location, information boards and diverse wildlife and we wondered if some fingerpost signage could be provided to point out its location from the village. Please include it on your map in 2018 to ensure that the adjudicator doesn't miss it.

The standard of litter control was particularly high with virtually no litter to be seen anywhere. Well done also on achieving a good standard of tidiness as weed free roadsides and pathways, clean signage and very well maintained public areas could be seen everywhere during our visit. As always, improvements remain possible. On the Waterville approach, a number of untidy field gates can be seen in the vicinity of the welcome stone and entrance landscaping. Just beyond the 50 kmph signs on this approach, a sign pole with no sign was observed and like the first round adjudicator, we were surprised to see that the maintenance of the Sneem Leisure Village was variable, with some areas overgrown. The base of the natural stone wall in the car park in front of the church was somewhat weedy and weed and grass was creeping into the landscaping bed at the universal access ramp leading into the church.

The standard of residential areas was generally high and we were pleased to see that residents have worked hard on the upkeep of the properties for this year's competition. Approach roads were generally in good condition but the surface on the Waterville approach road and the road in the sea view estate would both benefit from some attention. Well done on your work to the natural stone walls as they looked particularly well during adjudication. You are commended on another strong performance in this year's competition and we look forward with great anticipation to when we return in 2018!

Sneem Resource Centre
Will be hosting their
Annual Christmas Craft Fair
Sunday 3rd December
11am - 5pm
Sneem Hotel



To book a table contact Sneem Resource Centre on:
064 6645545 or email sneemrc@gmail.com

Local Information

Bus Services

Sneem to Kenmare

Monday and Tuesday at 11am returns at 2pm

Wednesday at 9.30am returns at 1.15pm

Friday at 9.50am returns at 2pm

Leaves from outside Riney's

Sneem to Caherdaniel/Castlecove

Monday to Friday leaves outside Riney's at 10am

Sneem to Killarney

Every Saturday leaves outside old P.O. at 11.30am returns 4.45pm

Lo Call 1890 528 528 to book your seat.

For any other routes or information contact Teddy on 087 2315014.

Courier service also available.

Domestic and Recycling Bags

For sale at Sneem House, D.J O'Sullivan's, Mace and Sneem Resource Centre.

Brown bags for Household waste € 5, Green Bags for Recyclable €3.

All full bags can then be left in the trailer on the Seaview Road. No Black bags to be placed in the trailer.

Local Information

Dr P. Malone / Dr D. Forde

Surgery 064 6645102,
Home 064 6645133
Mon/Wed/Fri 2-5pm
Tues/Thurs 10-1pm
Sat by app. 12-1pm

Public Health Nurse-

086 7872096

South Doc - 1850 335999

Gardaí- 064 6645111

Pharmacy- 064 6645288

Kenmare Opticians -

Mon / Fri: 10 - 6pm

Wed / Sat: 9.30 - 1.30pm

064 6648569

Local Taxis

Kerry Experience Tours /
Gerrit Noordkamp

086 2554098

GoSneem Tours/
John V. O'Sullivan

087 2079033

Mass/Church Times

Saturday 8pm - Sneem
Church

Sunday 9.30am - Tahilla
Church

Sunday 11am - Sneem
Church

Saturday 6.30pm - Black-
water Church

Church of Ireland

North Square, Sneem

Sunday 9.30am

10am from 29th Oct.

St. Michael's Church, **Parish Office,** Presby-

tery, North Square. Open
Tuesday and Friday from
10am to 4pm. Mobile 087
3480050

AIB Community Bank

Every Wednesday from

10.30am - 11am in South
Square.

Bee Keepers Meeting

2nd Wednesday of every
month, 8pm in Coo-
manassig Day Centre

Sneem Men's Shed

Every Monday at 7pm in
the Old Dance Hall

Bingo

Every Tuesday at 8.30 in
Resource Centre

Bowls

Every Wednesday from
8pm to 10pm in Commu-
nity Centre

Writers Group

The first Friday of every
month from 1 - 3pm in
Resource Centre.

Fresh Fish

Every Tuesday morning,
South Square

Sneem Toddler Group

will start again on Sep-
tember 4th in Coomanas-
sig Day Centre Seaview
from 10.30-12. Enquiries
Contact Sheena 086
8126546

Sneem Resource Cen- tre Services

Photocopying, Scanning,
Faxing, Internet and Of-
fice services available.
Meeting room. Nearly
New, Book Shop, Drop in
Centre, Sneem newslet-
ter and much more.

Coffee Craft and Chat -
Every Tuesday 11am -
1pm.

Sneem Gardeners

Garden of the Senses
every Sunday 12 noon

Mobile Library

October 17th and 31st
Castlecove 12.30 - 1pm
Sneem NS 2.15pm -
2.45pm and South Square
Sneem 2.45 - 3.15

Tide Times

Here are the high tides for
the period 5th October to
the 1st November '17.

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| 05th: | 17.09 | |
| 06th: | 17.46 | |
| 07th: | 18.24 | |
| 08th: | 06.42, | 19.04 |
| 09th: | 07.24, | 19.46 |
| 10th: | 08.08, | 20.33 |
| 11th: | 08.57, | 21.25 |
| 12th: | 09.54, | 22.25 |
| 13th: | 11.02 | |
| 14th: | 12.28 | |
| 15th: | 13.54 | |
| 16th: | 14.59 | |
| 17th: | 15.51 | |
| 18th: | 16.35 | |
| 19th: | 17.14 | |
| 20th: | 17.49 | |
| 21st: | 18.20 | |
| 22nd: | 06.37, | 18.50 |
| 23rd: | 07.08, | 19.20 |
| 24th: | 07.40, | 19.52 |
| 25th: | 08.16, | 20.28 |
| 26th: | 08.56, | 21.10 |
| 27th: | 09.44, | 22.01 |
| 28th: | 10.43 | |
| 29th: | 10.57 | |
| 30th: | 12.19 | |
| 31st: | 13.22 | |
| 01st: | 14.12 | |

Local Adverts

Offered:

- Large TV stand 2 shelf, Glass doors brand new brought for €180 will sell for €100. Contact: 064-6645388
- Corner Unit with 2 top glass doors. €400 O.N.O. Contact: 0876451880
- Manual Walking Machine and Sit Up Bench. Contact: 0876451880.
- Various Baby Items. Contact 0876451880 for more information.
- For Sale Two Couches: Yellow Couch 86x31 €150 and Red Couch 68x31 €100. Contact: 087-7973731

Wanted:

Looking for regular childminder in Sneem area for 7 month old baby from October/November. Contact: Geraldine on 087 9934547.

James M O'Sullivan
Solicitor
South Square, Sneem
All legal work undertaken

Tel/Fax:
064 668 9664
Mob: 087 286 8855
james@jmos.ie www.jmos.ie
Evening and weekend appointments
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All books and
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for 20c
in Sneem
Resource Centre



Mass and Eucharistic Adoration

Coomanassig Day Care Centre Mass at 11am

Tuesday 10th October
Tuesday 7th November
Tuesday 5th December

Eucharistic Adoration 2017 9.30 am to 12.30 pm

Wednesday 25th October
Wednesday 29th November
Wednesday 20th December

Local Adverts

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Architectural, Engineering
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Some of the services we provide:

- * Property Pre-Purchase Assessments / Reports
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John V. O'Sullivan
Tel: 087 2079033

HAPPY DAYS

**HAND-PAINTED
SIGNS AND MURALS**

Contact: Roland Hunter
085 7700538

**SNEEM
PHARMACY**
South Square

Opening Hours

Mon - Sat 9am - 6.30pm
Sunday 11.45am - 1pm
Bank Holidays 10.45am - 1pm

Film Processing still available

064 6645288

**BOOKKEEPING AND
ACCOUNTING
SERVICES**

Contact: June Hunter
085 7700524

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Safe and affordable childcare.

Full / Part Time / Drop-in Service

Please call 064 6645551

SNEEM GAA LOTTO

CURRENT JACKPOT

€2,950.00

NEXT DRAWS

Sunday 8th October - Riney's

Sunday 15th October - Sneem House

Sunday 22nd October - Wrestlers

Sunday 29th October - Murphy's

Tickets available in Pubs and Shops
throughout the Village

Please support your local GAA Club

Sneem GAA Lotto Results

**Sunday 10th September 2017 Jackpot € 4,750 Numbers drawn: 11,15,20,27
One Winner! Tommy Gibbons Rossdohan Tahilla.**

Sunday 17th September 2017 Numbers drawn: 8, 14, 15, 29

No Winner. €40 consolation prizes went to:- Patrick Sheehan, Pier Road, Sneem; Caroline Casey, Moularostig, Sneem; Mary Gleeson, Direenaclaurig, Sneem; Denis O'Sullivan, Fermoyle, Sneem.

Sunday 24th September 2017 Numbers drawn: 3, 11, 13, 19

No Winner. €40 consolation prizes went to:- Vincent Sheehan, Castlecove; Bernie Connolly, Kenmare; Tim Foley, Eskine, Sneem; Shirley O'Sullivan, Derryleigh, Sneem.

Sunday October 1st 2017 Numbers drawn : 4 ,12 ,13,25

No Winner. €40 consolation prizes went to:- Edel O'Leary, Bohocogram, Sneem; Paddy O'Leary, Bohocogram, Sneem; Caoimhe Galvin and Mary O'Shea, Rossdohan, Tahilla; Hannah Moriarty, Derryquinn, Sneem.