



Oxford Irish Society

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The Society is proud to inform our members that we have been successful in receiving a grant from the Irish Government Emigrant Support Programme (Dion Fund) for the Cara Club. This will help to pay for hall hire and special functions. Please see separate sheet for further details of Cara Club events.

Bear in mind those who are sick within the Irish Community - please include them in your prayers.

The Society wishes to express our sincere condolences to all those families and friends in the community who have lost loved ones since our last newsletter. We would especially like to express our sympathy to the family of Mick McManus, Chairman of The Cara Club (formerly the Over 50's/Retiree's club).

Members of Mick's family recently participated in a 10km run in aid of Cancer Research UK – if you would like to sponsor them and support this great cause please visit www.run10ksponsorme.org/mcmanushastingspringle

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY: Saturday 14th November 2009

**15th Annual Dinner and Dance
5 course menu**

Music by Nathan Carter & His Band

Dancing display by The Flanagan School of Irish Dance

**Irish Bingo & Lucky Ticket Number
(Cash prizes)**

**Contact Rosemary (01865 247926) to book your table and tickets
(Please make cheques payable to Oxford Irish Society)**

Members £30.00

Non members £32.00

Begin the Festive Season early with your Friends and Family!

COMMUNITY NEWS:

WE WOULD LIKE TO ENCOURAGE THE YOUNGER GENERATION TO HAVE THEIR OWN INPUT INTO THIS PAGE. PLEASE ENCOURAGE THEM TO SEND OR EMAIL ANY TOPIC THEY FEEL WILL BE AN INTEREST TO OUR MEMBERS.

We are happy to receive poems/short stories/limericks/clean jokes/photos etc from one and all - don't be shy, make us all smile!

COMMUNITY NEWS

Birthday Wishes to JIM O'TOOLE celebrating his 90th Birthday on 30 September 2009.

WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Congratulations to MARJORIE & JIM O'TOOLE celebrating their 60th Wedding Anniversary on 8 October. A DIAMOND COUPLE.

CONGRATULATIONS

To all the students on their excellent exam results, well done.

We have had a good response from members asking to receive future newsletters via email. If you too would like to save paper and receive future newsletters via email, please send an email to oxfordirishsociety@yahoo.co.uk

Local Information

Irish Eye with Henry Wymbs

BBC Radio Oxford 95.2 FM: Music and Chat from the Emerald Isle – Every Sunday 2– 5. Phone: 08549 311 111

Oxford Irish Dancing Schools

Doyle Academy – 01865 873719
Marion Flanagan – 07971 035797
Maria Sweeney – 01865 773611

Set Dancers

Jim Flanagan – 01865 761677
Abingdon Group – 01235 520171

General Committee: Chairperson: Fiona McDonagh, Treasurer: Rosemary Lynch, Secretary: Ruth Kelly
Committee members: Joan McKenna, Tom Kelly, Ann McArdle, Michael Gillen, Marcus Folan