



Woking & District Irish Association Newsletter October 2007

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Where else would this happen???

The Celtic Tiger may have been an Irish phenomenon for many years, but it is encouraging to know that trust and decency are still alive and well! On a recent visit to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Kennedy, The Hook, Co Wexford, who sell honey, one of our members purchased 8 jars of honey @ €3.99 each. She then realized she did not have her purse in her bag but, Mr. Kennedy (whom she had never met before) told her to take the honey and pay when it was convenient to come back - which of course she did. Doesn't this restore your faith in human nature?!

Re- Fish and Chip Supper

We stated quiet clearly in our July newsletter that the Fish and Chip Supper, with and entry fee of £10 was precisely that. We are only a small voluntary committee and have neither the time nor the manpower to contact all our members to ascertain who did not wish to partake of the above supper and only pay £5 to attend the dance.

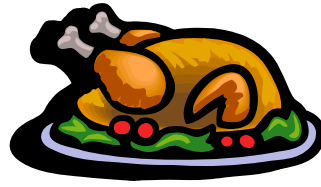
Please, Please read your newsletter - we do our very best to produce it and we hope you read and enjoy it! Why not get more involved and send us news snippets, interesting items, culture corner views (books you have read etc) or even the occasional joke ??

Members Night

Member's night is planned for Saturday 3rd November. This is to thank all our Members for their continued support, the evening includes free admission, the first drink is free and food will be provided, Dancing is by Finbarr and Bernie. Admission is by Membership Card only. !! No Membership No Admission!!



Christmas Dinner Dance December 1st 2007, Venue Chobham Golf Club



Menu



Chicken Liver & Redcurrant Pate, Served with Toasted Ciabatta

Or

Smoked Salmon, Served with Crème Fraiche Topped with Caviar

Or

Homemade Potato & Leek Soup



Roast Turkey With all the Trimmings

Or

Rack Of Lamb on a Creamy Blend of Celeriac Mash Served with Rosemary Jus

Or

Oven Baked Salmon, on a Bed of Crushed New Potatoes, with Hollandaise Sauce

Or

Vegetable Wellington



Traditional Christmas Pudding

Or

Strawberry & Champagne Pavlova

Or

Chocolate and Raspberry Cheesecake



Freshly Brewed Coffee & Whiskey Mince Pies



Interested in Joining us for the Evening Call Jerry by 17th November


On 01276 858456

Cost £30 per Head which Includes Wine



Welfare

Sponsored walk is on Sunday the 18/11/07, starting at the Wheatsheaf pub in Virginia Water. Lunch can be arranged, please contact Margaret on 01483764791 for details, proceeds go to the Senior Citizens Christmas Lunch, which will be on the 26/01/08 at St Dunstan's starting at 1pm

<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Get Well Soon</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">We wish a speedy recovery to</p> <p>John Redmond Glady's Conquer Catherine Sykes Brian Doody Mary Hennessey Joan Redmond Peggy Sullivan</p> 	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Condolences</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;">We extend our sincere sympathy and condolences to the family's of</p> <p>Mick Maloney Peter (Mary Wilmot's Brother)</p> 
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Congratulations

To Sinead and Gary on the birth of their beautiful daughter Aimee Niamh and to Noel and Helen on becoming Grandparents and, of course this makes our treasurer a Great Grand Mother!!

To Pamela and Miguel (Granddaughter of Pamela Matthews) on their recent wedding in India.

To Sharon Whittaker on her recent engagement to Ray Wilmot.

To Roger Richardson on his 65th Birthday

Our Sincere Good Wishes to All

Culture Corner

"It's a long way from Penny Apples" by Bill Cullen

This inspiring story by Bill is an account of his incredible journey from selling on the streets of Dublin from age 6, through to messenger boy for £1 per week in Walden's Ford Dealers in Dublin, where he eventually was appointed Director General. He set up the Fairlane Motor Company, took over Renault Franchise from Waterford Crystal and his amazing turnaround of that Company into what is now the Glencullen Group is an awe inspiring business success story. A great 'must read' ! Catherine has a copy if anyone wishes to borrow it.



Dates for your Diary 2007/2008

<u>Date</u>	<u>Band / Event</u>	<u>Venue</u>
Saturday 27/10/07	Bacon and Cabbage Evening	St Dustan's
Saturday 03/11/07	Finbarr and Bernie (Members Night)	
Saturday 17/11/07	Mary Darcy on Tour	Westfield
Saturday 01/12/07	Finbarr and Bernie (Dinner Dance)	
Saturday 08/12/07	Christmas Grand Draw	Westfield
Monday 31/12/07	Sham (New Years Eve)	Westfield
Saturday 02/02/08	Pat and Delta Country	Westfield
Thursday 14/02/08	Valentine Dance, Pat Murphy and Family	Westfield
Saturday 01/03/08	John White From Cork	Westfield
Monday 17/03/08	St Patrick's Dance Mustang	Westfield
Saturday 05/04/08	Benn Brothers	Westfield
Saturday 03/05/08	Sean Wilson Return Visit from Ireland	Westfield
Saturday 07/06/08	Pat and Delta Country	Westfield
Saturday 05/07/08	Finbarr and Bernie	Westfield

MEMBERSHIP

You can now renew your Membership for 2008, so to enable continuation of our successful association please renew your Membership and if possible encourage others to join. All Members receive the Newsletter; also there is a Member's Draw at the Monthly Dances-you have to be there to win!!!

Woking and District Irish Association

Surname..... Forename.....

Address.....

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Telephone.....Senior Yes/no

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