

# Galbally

## NEW PARISH LOTTERY

Heralding the launch of a new fundraising lottery for the parish of Galbally/Aherlow, Fr John O'Neill PP has confirmed that this venture will commence later in July. One of the big challenges facing many parishes throughout the country is the financial one. Most rural parishes have two sources of income, through a weekly basket collection or weekly and yearly envelope collections.

Unfortunately, parishes cannot avail of any kind of Government intervention as their income is based on voluntary contributions, rather than the income derived from the sale of goods or services.

Conscious of the need to help parishes meet their financial demands, the Archdiocese of Cashel and Emly engaged with a fundraising company to run an on-line parish lottery and, while the diocese oversees the overall project, each parish will have its own jackpot and benefit directly from local contributions, apart from the running costs. Further details will be unveiled in a special promotional brochure to be distributed at ceremonies in local churches this weekend.

## JIM McGRATH RIP

The death occurred last week of Jim McGrath formerly of Kilsanlon, Galbally, Adare and Cahir, Co. Tipperary. Better known locally as 'Jim Floss', many older members of the local community have fond memories of Jim and his years in Galbally. Jim was laid to rest in Ballinacourty Cemetery after Mass in Lisvernane Church on Sunday last. We offer our sincere condolences to his cousins, other relatives and friends. May his soul rest in peace.

## SPLIT THE POT WINNERS

Jack, Ellie and James (grandchildren of Bill Henebry) emerged as the latest Split The Pot winners of €214 on Saturday night last. The next draw will take

place at The Welcome Inn, Garryspillane on this Saturday night and you can get your name in the pot by using buckets located in the local shops or via the Revolut online platform - just send your payment to either of the following and the entry will be added: Gary McCarthy 087 - 2984741, Ger Quinlan 087 - 2383738 or Aishling O'Neill at 086 - 1932379.

## GALBALLY GAA NEWS

The Galbally Under 13 team played Caherconlish last week, losing narrowly by a single point on a scoreline of 4-4 to 3-6. The squad was: Paul Fenton, Cathal McGuire, Bill Crawford, Jack Reynolds, Jamie O'Shea, Cian Harty, Philip Ryan, Adam Lonergan, Fionn O'Carroll, Ciaran Hyland, Fergal Mathewson, Shane McCarthy, Oran Sheedy. Their next game is against Bruff on the Thursday 15th July at 7pm.

Galbally juniors suffered defeat to Mungret by 0-15 to 1-6 at Crescent Comprehensive College. The team lined out as follows: Ger Ryan, Alex Finnan, Tony Henebry, Niall Kearney, Mike O'Dwyer, Tom Davern, Jack Hogan, Cathal Flynn (0-2), Billy Donoghue, Jonathan Scully, Jack Donovan (1-2), Jordan Dineen (0-2), Jamie Raggett, Fionn Flanagan, Jason Dineen. Sub: Pat O'Byrne.

Galbally senior footballers enjoyed a convincing 6-11 to 3-7 victory over Pallasgreen in the County League. The team was: Peter Morrissey, Ryan Tobin, Tom Davern, Cathal Flynn, Jack O'Mullane, Liam Casey, Ciaran Sheehan, Robert Sampson, John Kearns, Owensy Sheehan, Kieran Hickey, Josh Dineen, Ger Quinlan, Jamie Morrissey, Gary McCarthy. Subs: Peter O'Dwyer, James Ryan, Jordan Dineen and Jack Donovan.

## County involvement

There are a number of Galbally players currently involved in Limerick county squads. Under 20

Football: Peter Morrissey, Dylan O'Sullivan, Ciaran Sheehan. Minor Football: Owen O'Sullivan, Cathal O'Mahony (vice-captain) and manager Kevin Denihan. Under 20 Hurling: Brian Heavey and Eoin O'Mahony. Minor Hurling: Paddy Kennedy. Senior Football: Mike Donovan. Senior Hurling: Mark Quinlan, John Kiely, Kieran Hickey. Best wishes everyone involved over the coming weeks.

## Well done

### Gary McCarthy

Galbally and Ballylanders GAA clubs presented a cheque for €5,000 to Pieta House recently resulting from a fundraiser in the summer of 2020. Special commendation is due to Gary McCarthy for spearheading the Galbally side of this fundraiser, having been the main driving force behind it in the local club. Gary brings huge passion to Galbally GAA and is a trojan worker, who delivers silently behind the scenes, seeking no credit for his contributions.

## THE KILDARE CONNECTIONS

Eoin Stapleton, a member of the 1990 Galbally County intermediate winning team, was a selector with the Kildare U20 hurling side that enjoyed a shock victory over Wexford on Tuesday night of this week. Eoin's son, Ross, was also a member of that team.

There is, in fact, another local Galbally connection with Kildare in that Shea Ryan, a member of the county senior football side in the Leinster Championship, is a nephew of Paul Ryan, who was captain of the 1990 Galbally intermediate team.

## CAMOGIE REGISTRATIONS

Although the deadline has already passed, local camogie players can still be registered by contacting registrar, Lisa Power, club treasurer, Mairead Barrett, or by logging on to Foireann.ie. Registration is essential to ensure insurance cover for training and match participation.

# GALBALLY WOMAN WINS PRESTIGIOUS BUSINESS AWARDS

By John Barrett

Galbally native, Kate Fleming has been honoured with the Solo Business Woman of the Year trophy and 'Power Within Champion' accolade in the Network Ireland Kilkenny Awards in recognition of the establishment earlier this year of her LawEd online law tutorial company. The entrepreneur, better known locally as Kate Hedigan, now goes through to the national finals of the Network Ireland Awards, which will be held in Waterford City later in 2021.

A qualified solicitor with the Law Society of Ireland and the Law Society of England, Wales and Northern Ireland, Kate Fleming, has educated over 70,000 young people across 110 Irish secondary schools to date.

LawEd enrolled no less than 3,788 students for its remote learning law courses during the first academic year in operation.

The company won Best Children's Law Workshop Provider 2021 at the Irish Enterprise Awards earlier in the year, while Kate was also selected as a participant on Starting Strong for high performing female entrepreneurs sponsored by KPMG and Enterprise Ireland.

## A fantastic occasion

Delighted with the accolades, Kate Fleming told the *Vale Star*. "The awards event was a fantastic occasion at the historical Rothe House Gardens in Kilkenny, where the sun shone brightly. The company was even brighter and it was just great to be able to abandon Zoom for a day and meet up in person."

Confessing that she still misses Galbally and the Galtee Mountains, Kate added, "I hope that we have created a business that provides products and services that will change generations and future generations. Remember, everyone needs to know the law, not just lawyers."

Typically, LawEd's service users are, secondary schools, youth groups, Youthreach units, public partnerships, local development companies, university access programmes and private clients. Contact info@lawed.ie for further information

## OLD PHOTOGRAPHS

People just love the old photographs, not just for the actual images themselves, but also the stories that they can tell. If you have an old photograph that you might like to share with readers in our weekly Rolling Back The Galbally Years feature, just email to john@valestar.ie or drop into any of the local shops for the attention of John Barrett.

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## YOUR LOCAL NEWS

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Entrepreneur and business award winner, Galbally native, Kate Fleming (Hedigan).



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The Galbally U6 and U8 camogie panels picture at a recent blitz when they played teams from Crecora.