



A Boyle View

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OPENING TIMES:
Monday to Saturday
9.00 am to 6.00 pm
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1.00 pm to 6.00 pm



Feelystone seek artist-in-residence

An artist-in-residence programme is being offered by Feelystone, in association with Boyle Arts Festival, to celebrate 230 years in business and in recognition of the company's ongoing support and sponsorship of the arts.

Founded in 1780 on the principles of expert craftsmanship and knowledge of stone, these core principles are as valid to this modern company today in the hands of the 10th Feely generation.

Sculpted stone offers many possibili-

ties for creative expression and this two-week residency programme for up to five visual artists encourages the creative and imaginative use of stone, together with access to the factory's modern stone cutting machinery and other technical assistance throughout the facility. Open to national and international artists, the residency programme will take place from 17th to 31st July.

From July 28th artists will open their workspace to the public as part of Feely-

stone's participation in Boyle Arts Festival. Each artist will be provided with a workspace, accommodation, free or subsidised materials from stock (primarily stone), technical assistance and use of equipment. Selection will be by competitive application.

For an application form or further information contact Rhona Feely McGrath info@feelystone.ie, tel (086) 8187929. Deadline for receipt of applications is Friday 30th April.

Expansion of train services



Boyle Town Councillors recently noted the expansion of services and reconstruction works at Boyle Railway Station.

Cllr Frank Geelan in particular congratulated Iarnród Éireann on their continuing investment in Boyle. "Platforms have been extended, there is a new passenger shelter, moving the existing redundant signal box and resurfacing car parking space are all underway, currently there are eight services daily on the Dublin to Sligo line", observed Cllr. Geelan.

Boyle train station, courtesy of www.realboyle.com

Work on Rockingham Gate Lodge

Coillte are delivering on their promise to carry out work at the Second Gate, Rockingham. Coillte employees have already started clearing ivy and will carry out other works to secure the building against deterioration and protect it from vandalism.

As part of the project, broken windows are also to be repaired. Coillte may now accept proposals from parites or groups who are interested involving themselves other buildings within the Rockingham Estate or Lough Key Forest Park.

Coillte is not a tourism organisation and such its willingness to involve itself in upgrading Rockingham gate lodge in such recessionary times is to be commended.

Spring Clean in Boyle

It's that time of year again to get out and clean up around your area. April is the month of the National Spring Clean so in conjunction with this Boyle Tidy Towns are arranging clean ups.

The first clean up will take place on Thursday, April 15th, on the Roscommon approach road, meeting at SuperValu. The second clean-up takes place on April 29th on the Sligo approach road, meeting at the GAA pitch. The third clean-up will take place on May 13th, in Abbeytown, from the GAA pitch to the first Rockingham gate, meeting at GAA Pitch. The fourth clean-up takes place on

Mya 27th, working on the Pleasure Grounds and lawns town area, meeting at the Pleasure Grounds. All Clean ups start at 6.30 pm gloves and bags provided.

Tidy Towns have also sent letters to the local schools asking them to adopt an area to clean up for the month. Organisers would request that local businesses take up the idea and contact Jackie Valentine (086) 3200915 should they require gloves/bags. If anyone is interested in joining the tidy town/river development, the group meet on the second Tuesday of every month at 7 pm in the Royal Hotel.

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■ Daisy missing

Daisy is a one-year old Golden Labrador. Daisy has been chipped and wears a light-coloured collar with her owner's phone number attached. If you have information of her whereabouts please call (071) 96 62210.

■ Car wash

Boyle Marching Band will hold a Fundraising car Wash at Boyle motor Works on Saturday 17th April from 9 am to 6 pm. Standard Garage fees, additional donations welcome!

■ Table quiz

Dominick Nicholson from Corrigeenroe will head to a Niall Mellon Trust project in South Africa next November. A fundraising table quiz will take place on Friday 23rd April, in the Mayfly, Ballinacree, at 9.30 pm in aid of the project. Your support for this worthy cause would be much appreciated. Refreshments served and raffle on the night, everybody welcome.

■ Trad music

A traditional music session takes place in the Abbey Bar, St. Patrick Street, on Friday nights. It has been running for some weeks now hosted by James Carty on fiddle and is very favourably supported by local musicians.

■ Art auction

An art auction for Haiti will be conducted by John de Vere White on Monday April 26th, at the D4 (formerly Berkeley Court) Hotel Dublin. Viewing will take place on Saturday, April 24th from 1 pm to 5 pm, Sunday April 25th 11 am to 5 pm and Monday April 26th from 9 am to 4 pm. Organiser Fergus Ahern said, "The response from artists and collectors has been extraordinary in its generosity and work continues to flow in from both sources".

■ Task Force

Boyle Development Task Force, which was created following the closure of the Green Isle fish processing facility in Boyle, in response to job losses and to the perceived decline in the areas of inward investment, new job creation, investment in infrastructure and tourism in the Boyle area, has been disbanded by Roscommon Co Council. The information came to light at a monthly meeting of Boyle Town Council. The Task Force management committee is/was comprised of

representatives from local government, business organisations, statutory funding organisations, Tourism Organisations and Local Politicians.

■ Award for Frankie

Boyle guitarist Frankie Simon is recognised as an outstanding musician and a gifted songwriter but his talents were recognised further afield recently when one of the world's leading musical institutions, Berklee College in Boston awarded him an online music scholarship.



■ Parking in the Park

Chaotic parking was reported in Lough Key Forest Park recently and concern was expressed that the parking could have caused difficulty in the event that an ambulance had to be called to the park. The topic of parking in the Park has arisen many times at Boyle Town Council meetings and also at Joint Policing Committee meetings. Kathleen Martin, director of Rockingham/Moylurg Co. Ltd. has assured members of Boyle Town Council that the issue will be brought up at the company's management meeting on Thursday next and that she will seek a resolution to the problem.

■ Living with teens

A parenting course for parents of teenagers starts on Wednesday 28th April for four evenings, from 8 pm to 10 pm each evening in the Family Life Centre, Boyle. Booking is essential and cost is a donation.

The aim of this course is to encourage positive parenting. Topics that will be covered are developing good communication skills, managing challenging behaviour and building self esteem in parents and their children. For further information and booking contact the Centre on (071) 96 63000 or email info@familylifecentre.ie