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## I'm fighting for the family farm – Feighan

Frank Feighan TD has reiterated Fine Gael's commitment to the preservation of the family farm structure, and has completed a submission to the EU Commission on the reform of the CAP on behalf of Fine Gael.

The commitment by the Boyle-based Deputy follows recent revelations on a huge decline of up to 40 percent in farm income over the past three years. "The Government's actions in rolling back EU schemes and drastic reductions in payments has contributed to this," said Deputy Feighan.

"Fine Gael believes that a strong European Common Agricultural Policy is vital to secure the provision of

safe, healthy and affordable food for the people of the EU whilst rewarding farmers with a fair and sustainable income.

"The family farm structure is critical in maintaining a vibrant rural economy and a continuous supply of quality safe food for consumers. The CAP is vital to the preservation and development of the family farm structure.

"Fine Gael has led the CAP debate in this country, having held a series of public meetings throughout the country on the issue. We intend to be to the forefront of Ireland's defence of the CAP and the single farm payment system," concluded Deputy Feighan.



Jimmy Murray, Agri-Services Ltd., Roscommon, presenting sponsorship cheque for best turned out horses to Orla Healy, Roscommon Race Committee at Roscommon on Sunday.

## Further temporary accommodation welcomed

The approval of additional temporary accommodation for St. Mary's Convent NS in Roscommon, was welcomed this week by Minister Michael Finneran.

"St. Mary's Convent National School has been approved for additional funding under the Temporary Accommodation Scheme 2010. The building unit in the Department will be in touch with the Board of Management of the school shortly," said Minister Finneran TD.

## Kilcroan Cemetery

Mass for the deceased in Kilcroan Cemetery will be offered at the Cemetery on Sunday, 20th June at 3 p.m.

## Knitting group

Anyone interested in joining a knitting group or learning to knit, is asked to contact Chris on (090) 66 25852.

## Pattern Mass

The annual St. John's Parish Pattern Mass will be celebrated next Thursday evening, June 24th, at St John's Well, Lecarrow at 8 o'clock.

## RISE! Campaign event in Roscommon

A RISE! Campaign information night will be held in The Hyde Centre, Athlone Road, Roscommon, at 8.30 pm on Thursday 24th June.

This is one of a series of information nights organised around the country by the RISE campaign, with 25 such events already having been held.

The RISE! Campaign was formed last January to promote and defend traditional rural sports like hunting, coursing and shooting from new laws being proposed by the Green Party in government. The Campaign is mobilising support, locally nationally, to try and ensure these proposals are defeated.

## Castlereah cake sale

Castlereah Musical Society will hold a cake sale in St. Anne's Hall on Sunday 27th June after 12 noon Mass. All donations greatly appreciated and you can leave your items into Angela Webb on Patrick Street, or contact (087) 6130844. There will be an unwanted gift stall and book stall on the day. Your support will be much appreciated.

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**Third Level Courses on offer in Carrick on Shannon 2010**  
Courses Starting in Autumn 2010

**Irish Academy of Public Relations Courses:**

**Certificate in Public Relations**  
3 days – Saturdays: Oct 2nd & Oct 23rd, Nov 20th  
€390

**Certificate in Journalism**  
3 days – Saturdays: Sept 25th, Oct 16th, Nov 6th  
€390

**Diploma in Sports Event Management NEW**  
Saturday Oct 30th, Nov 13th & 27th, Dec 11th, Jan 15th & 29th, Feb 12th & 26th  
€895

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**ACCA Fundamentals NEW**  
2 years, Tuesday 2.30pm – 9.30pm  
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**Higher Cert. in Business Studies NEW**  
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**Home Gardening & Horticulture NEW**  
8 weeks, Wednesday 7.30 – 9.30pm  
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Further information available on [www.leitrimthirdlevel.ie](http://www.leitrimthirdlevel.ie) or from Aoife/Nollaig on 071 9650496.

Please note courses will only be offered if sufficient numbers are obtained and course times may change slightly.

**Registration Evening will be from 6pm – 8pm on Tuesday, September 14th September in the Council Offices, Carrick on Shannon**

## Lots of course options in Carrick

As the summer season kicks into full swing, now is the ideal time to think ahead to what course you would like to pursue this September! There is an exciting range of new courses being offered in Leitrim this autumn.

The Leitrim Third Level Initiative, which is co-ordinated by Leitrim County Development Board, has teamed up with Athlone IT and the Irish Academy of Public Relations to offer a range of eight new and exciting courses: Diploma in Personal and Executive Coaching; Diploma in Sports Event Management; Higher Certificate in Business Studies; ACCA Fundamentals; Certificate in Journalism; Certificate in Public Relations; Sign Language; Home, Gardening and Horticulture

The courses will be offered on a part-time basis subject to sufficient numbers being obtained. Details of course costs and times are included in the advert in this edition of the paper and on [www.leitrimthirdlevel.ie](http://www.leitrimthirdlevel.ie).

The Irish Academy of Public Relations has joined forces with Leitrim Third Level Initiative again this year to offer their

very popular Certificate in Public Relations. This will run over three Saturdays on October 2nd and 23rd and November 20th at a cost of €390.

The Certificate in Journalism will also run over three Saturdays on September 25th, October 16th and November 6th and costs €390. If you have an interest in writing or have to write newsletters etc for work then this could be the course for you.

Diploma in Sports Event Management is an exciting new course, which will take place on Saturdays every fortnight from October 30th to February 26th. It costs €895. This course provides people who run projects or events of any type with the know-how to ensure it runs smoothly and maximises the return for the organiser. The course will focus in particular on sport events but the programme will also be relevant to other events that you might find yourself organising, such as a charity, community or business event.

As in previous years, Athlone IT will again offer a range of courses which are as follows: ACCA Fundamentals is a two-

year course which will be run on Tuesdays from 2.30 pm to 9.30 pm and costs €595 per module plus exam fees. The new ACCA Qualification is designed to provide the accounting knowledge, skills and professional values which will deliver finance professionals who are capable of building successful careers across all sectors, whether they are working in the public or private sectors, practicing in accounting firms, or pursuing a career in business.

Higher Certificate in Business Studies is a two-year course run one afternoon or evening a week for 24 weeks. It costs €1,950 per annum. This course contains business knowledge and skills, which form the basis for a career in industry, commerce or the public service. It provides an understanding of functional areas of business and of the factors that influence business success. Graduates of the course should be able to use their knowledge and skills to solve technical and human problems in a business/commercial context.

At the moment, quite a few people are looking at their options in terms of study or

change in career. The Advanced Diploma in Personal and Executive Coaching is designed to determine, plan and implement life/career goals through powerful mentoring strategies and by encouraging the development of all personal skills to the optimum.

Home, Gardening and Horticulture is an eight-week course run on Wednesday evenings at a cost of €200. Home gardening is very popular at the moment and this eight-week courses gives you the opportunity to acquire the basic knowledge and skills needed to grow and maintain a variety of herbs, fruit, vegetables and plants.

Athlone IT's Sign Language course (Level 1) will be run for 20 weeks on Wednesday evenings. It costs €295 plus exam fees.

All courses fees are payable to the college and deposits will be payable from end of August or on the Registration Evening (September 14th from 6 to 8 pm). Further information and application forms are available from Leitrim County Development Board at (071) 96 50496 or on [www.leitrimthirdlevel.ie](http://www.leitrimthirdlevel.ie)