



Michael captures the power

Michael Corcoran, aged 7, a student from Kiltewan NS took third place in the 5-9 age category of the Bord Gáis Energy 'Capture the Power' photography competition. Michael Corcoran, whose photograph captured him pushing a barrel of turf, beat over 4,880 other entries to take the title.

Michael will be presented with his prize of an iPod touch at the Bord Gáis Energy Capture the Power VIP

Prize Giving at Dublin Zoo on April 27th, where he will take part in an interactive day including VIP access of the zoo, a prize-giving ceremony and some exciting surprises on the day.

The Bord Gáis Energy 'Capture the Power' competition was open to students of all ages across Irish primary and secondary schools. It encouraged talented young photographers to capture unique moment.

G'wan the Rossies!



It's my ball....and that's it!

Action from Roscommon v Dublin All-Ireland U-21 semi-final last weekend. Picture: Ken Nolan.

Local €100,000 winner heads to Alaska

A retired farmer from County Roscommon is heading fishing to Alaska next Christmas, after winning €100,000 on the National Lottery's Easter Millionaire raffle.

It was a very happy sunny Friday afternoon last week for a lucky Roscommon man who collected his €100,000 Easter Millionaire Raffle cheque in National Lottery offices.

He won the prize in the Easter Millionaire Raffle draw and watched the show live as his ticket was pulled out of the draw drum on the show on RTE One, hosted by Derek Mooney, at the 10.25 pm broadcast Easter Monday.

The lucky winner purchased his ticket in the Eason outlet in Ballymahon Street, Longford. The lucky ticket number was 034 983. The

lucky man, a retired farmer, collected his win with his young son but stated that he preferred his win to be a private one. "I plan to go on a world cruise with this win - it'll be great", he smiled. "I'm also big into fishing and to do it in style, I'm going to Alaska at Christmas 2010 to indulge my love of the sport," he concluded.



Ballaghaderreen to host first ever turf throwing test

Celebrate May Day in Ballaghaderreen with the first ever International Turf Throwing Test.

The May Day Horse and Pony Fair has been part of Ballaghaderreen life since Charles Strickland's purposely-designed market town came into being hundreds of years ago. As well as horses and ponies, trading in all livestock, fowl, fancy goods and crafts has re-

mained strong on the first day of May each year. The 'International Turf Throwing Test' will add another fun dimension to the day and will surely become an annual event at the May Day Fair.

The Turf-Test is simple, for men who can throw a sod the furthest, for ladies it's briquettes. The age of entry is 16, and the categories are individual, men, ladies, U21 Men. U21

Ladies, or if you are not a solo performer, put a team of four together under the same age/gender categories.

Prestigious trophies include: The Peat, The Heather, The Sod, The Clod, and team trophies include: The Sausage, The Hopper, The Long-Arm, The Slane and the coveted 'Beesom Award', will be presented to the worst effort. For further information call (094) 98 61441.



Senior classes at Lisacul NS all dressed up recently!

Bachelor of Lanesboro charity night this weekend

A 'Bachelor of Lanesboro' charity night in aid of the Irish Cancer Society, will be held in the Lough Ree Arms, Lanesboro, on Saturday 24th April, at 9 pm. The night is based on the format of the Rose of Tralee. The audience will select the most eligible man in Lanesboro/Ballyleague/Newtowncashel to become the Bachelor of the

town! DJ, late bar and raffle on the night!

A dozen of Lanesboro's finest lads are lined for what promises to be a great night, with lots of fun. Guest presenter, iRadio's Sally-Ann Barrett will present the night. Tickets are available in the Lough Ree, in Joe O'Brien's, or on the door. Please support this worthy cause.

Get fit for the Bogtrotters Marathon

Here's a new challenge and a reason to get fit. The Bogtrotters Marathon takes place on Saturday, 24th July in Strokestown.

It's a full, half and relay marathon with a difference and is open to runners and walkers of all abilities. Register now to motivate yourself to train on www.thebogtrotters-marathon.ie or become a fan on <http://www.facebook.com/TheBogtrottersMarathon>

This marathon offers a new way to enjoy the landscape, flora and fauna of Co. Roscommon and an opportunity to explore quiet bog roads and grassy tracks. Not your bog standard marathon!



Laura MacDonald, who travelled from Brisbane, Australia to see her Mayo boyfriend finally arrived in Ireland West Airport Knock on an Aer Lingus flight from London/Gatwick on Wednesday afternoon. Pic: Mick McCormack.