



A Boyle View

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The Lost Brothers who will perform at Boyle Arts Festival on Wednesday 28th July.

Young upstarts at Boyle Arts

Boyle will be rocking to the beat of a myriad of hot, young bands this week with plenty of opportunities to continue celebrating Roscommon's fantastic Connacht Final win! Showcasing rock, pop, indie, folk and blues each of these superb acts are first-rate and well worth catching at Boyle Arts Festival!

Meteor-award winning band and festival favourites The Coronas get things started in St. Joseph's Hall on Wednesday 21st July with prize-winning local band The Antics and Dublin based singer-songwriter Craig Walker. This Irish band is really making its mark on the music scene, having supported the legendary Beatle, Paul McCartney on his recent Irish date.

On Friday 23rd, John Walsh and Pepe de Algeciras treat the crowd in Clarke's to a lively night of Flamenco music accompanied by Flamenco dancer Mercedes Garcia Lope.

Waterford five-piece O Emperor light up Saturday night in The Moving Stairs with their beautifully crafted songs and harmonised vocals. Fresh from a support slot with Mumford and Sons and a superb

Oxegen gig, they are supported by local musician Paddy Fennelly.

An excellent opportunity to get out and about on Sunday night with two free gigs to choose from, so why not go see both? The delightful singer-songwriter Joy Booth is in Daly's and rock/blues ensemble Trigger & the Hitmen entertain folks in The Patrick's Well.

Galway rock and roots collective, The Cartoon Thieves play the Moving Stairs on Tuesday night. Currently recording their own album, they feature strongly on Sharon Shannon's latest release, including the lead single 'Mama Lou' which they also penned.

The Lost Brothers intrigue audiences on Wednesday, 28th having previously performed at festivals such as Glastonbury and Electric Picnic, and on TV's The Culture Show, Other Voices and MTV2.

On Saturday, 31st July, Emmet Scanlon and What the Good Thought bring their diverse line-up, including cello and brass, to Daly's for some gentle pop/folk tunes to round off an electrifying ten days of musical joy!

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Well done

Well done to Boyle players David Casey and Sean Purcell in Sunday's Connacht final, and thanks also Boyle-based Garda and team Manager Fergal O'Donnell, who played vital roles in the Connacht Championship victory. It was a first for the county in nine years, a first for this final pairing since 1947, and one in which six Roscommon team members had earned All-Ireland honours before becoming members of the senior team.

Streetscape Project

A pilot landscaping project is to get underway in Main Street, Boyle, this week. Hanging baskets will be erected on the ESB poles in Main Street, which will enhance and mirror the wonderful efforts made by Sloan's, McGee's and Harrington's. Ardcarne Garden Centre will aid by loaning seven trees which will be planted in tubs from Canarua all the way to Mattimoe's. This is a pilot proposal to give people an opportunity to experience the visual impact of street landscaping. By placing the trees in tubs the layout can be altered as deemed necessary. Your feedback on the scheme will be very welcome.

Queen of the Curlews

Sharon Conroy, Áine Cummins and the Queen of the Curlews organising committee provided a very special night's entertainment for the Boyle Ladies Football Club with the 4th 'Queen of the Curlews' annual fundraiser in St Joseph's Hall, Boyle on Saturday 17th July. Each of the prospective Queens looked great and performed to the highest standard when interviewed by excellent Master of Ceremonies, Mike Smith Jnr. This was a fun event and all regarded each girl as a very special person and a winner in her own right. Lucia Cretaro is the new Queen of the Curlews. It has been a great year for the Cretaro family, Lucia, is now Queen of the Curlews and her brother Carlo is Boyle person of the Year.

Fishing competition

Boyle & District Angling Club held a Junior Fishing Competition and a Fun Day for Children at Boyle Marina on Woodenbridge Road on Saturday in conjunction with the visit of Chernobyl

children visiting the area. There were bouncy castles and a barbecue onsite. Paul Meerick gave helicopter rides over the area for the Chernobyl children.

Celtic fun day

Boyle Celtic Junior Fun Day was held on Boyle Celtic's home ground on Saturday in conjunction with the fourth running of the Ian Beirne Memorial Tournament

Boyle Arts Festival

Make sure you get along to some of the events at this year's Boyle Arts Festival, which swung into action yesterday (Wednesday). The Festival committee work through the year, making every effort to have the very best of visual art, drama and music and performance available.

Campa gaeilge

Boyle Teenagers enjoyed two weeks of an intensive Conversational Irish Language Course and informal activities in St. Joseph's Hall with facilitators Micheal O'Tuathail, Caoilfhionn Dodd and Sarah O'Callaghan. Bhí aoileanna freisin: Esther ag caint faoi na leabhair a scríobh sí, Ronán ag muireadh rince seannós agus lá an-dheas i Loch Cé. Bhain na daltaí sult as na gníomhaíochtaí seo go léir. Organisers look forward to another camp next year

Singing workshop

On Saturday 24th July, Anúna will provide a free singing workshop at the Church of Ireland between 10.30 am and 12.30 pm focusing on techniques to improve singers' skills and abilities. This workshop is open to individuals and also those from a choir or ensemble for any age from 15 years to adults.

Touch art

Touch is a mixed media collection from 10 Castleboyle artists. The exhibition will create an inner calm that will keep you in touch with what really matters. Viewing at Feelystone, Greatmeadow, Boyle from 23rd to 30th July.

First aid course

A basic first aid course will be held in the Family Life Centre, Boyle, on Friday, September 24th, from 9.30 am to 5 pm. Cost is €60 and the trainer is James McLoughlin from Absolute Safety.

Gaa update

Congratulations to Fergal, Stephen, Joe and the panel and especially to the two Boyle representatives David Casey and Sean Purcell who had starring displays in last Sunday's Connacht Final.

The Boyle Feelystone team had a good win over Éire Óg in the first round of the North Junior B Championship on Saturday evening last in Loughglynn.

Congratulations to County President John Joe Nerney on his participation on the Shannonside FM 'Up for the Match' programme on Saturday night. The Club extends its sympathy to Kitty Flannery and extended family on the death of Paddy. Well done to the Ladies Football Club on the staging of another excellent Queen of the Curlews night and to the winner Lucia Cretaro.

Importance of Family Life centres stressed

The Family Life Centre in Boyle is increasingly acting as a lifeline for people who have lost their jobs because of the recession, according to the Family Resource Centre National Forum and the Family Support Agency, which recently launched a report detailing the work of Ireland's 107 Family Resource Centres over the course of 2009.

Following the report launch last week, the Family Resource Centre National Forum and the Family Support Agency held a political briefing event in Dublin, to which all members of the Oireachtas were invited.

Louise Moran and Deborah Rodden of the Family Life Centre travelled to Dublin to brief TDs and Senators about the work and impact of FRCs overall. Almost 90 politicians, including Roscommon-South Leitrim TDs Denis Naughten, Frank Feighan and Senator John Ellis, attended the event.

The report launched last week showed that 98 people completed training courses

– directly related to employment – in the Family Life Centre last year. A further 119 people completed educational courses in the centres, while 980 people availed of information on a range of topics, including social welfare rights and entitlements, housing and personal debt.

According to Packie Kelly, Chairperson of the Family Resource Centre National Forum, "645 people availed of direct

one-to-one support – what we call 'cup-of-tea' support – in the Family Life Centre last year, while a further 215 people received in-house counselling sessions. People who are feeling worried or stressed because of the recession – or for any other reason – can come to their local FRC for a cup of tea and a chat with one of our staff members or volunteers. Just sharing their worries with somebody else

and having somebody listen to them in a respectful and confidential space can go a long way towards lightening their load."

Fifteen people were employed by the Family Life Centre last year, of which four were funded by the Family Support Agency. In addition, ten people served as volunteers with the centre, either on a day-to-day basis or as members of the Boards of Management.



Roscommon-South Leitrim TDs Denis Naughten and Frank Feighan pictured with Tina McLoughlin and Jennifer Logan of Mohill FRC; Helena Golden, Breffni Community FRC and Louise Moran and Deborah Rodden of the Family Life Centre in Boyle, Roscommon.