

people news

De Sathairn 3 Iúil / Saturday 3rd July
OFFICIAL OPENING AT 8.30PM IN SPELLS VENUE
 Followed by Colm O'Donnell & Friends in Concert

DE LIAMAIN 4 Iúil / Monday 4th July
 8.30pm - 1pm: Masses in St. Nealla's College
 8.30pm - 9pm: Dinner in St. Nealla's College
 9.30pm: "Táiríní le h-Éireann" by Anna Ó Súilleabháin
 10.00pm: "The Irish Song" by Anna Ó Súilleabháin
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 11.00pm: "The Irish Song" by Anna Ó Súilleabháin

DE MAIRT 5 Iúil / Tuesday 5th July
 8.30pm - 1pm: Masses in St. Nealla's College
 1.00pm: "The Irish Song" by Anna Ó Súilleabháin
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 2.00pm: "The Irish Song" by Anna Ó Súilleabháin
 2.30pm: "The Irish Song" by Anna Ó Súilleabháin
 3.00pm: "The Irish Song" by Anna Ó Súilleabháin

DE CEADAIN 6 Iúil / Wednesday 6th July
 8.30pm - 1pm: Masses in St. Nealla's College
 1.00pm: "The Irish Song" by Anna Ó Súilleabháin
 1.30pm: "The Irish Song" by Anna Ó Súilleabháin
 2.00pm: "The Irish Song" by Anna Ó Súilleabháin
 2.30pm: "The Irish Song" by Anna Ó Súilleabháin
 3.00pm: "The Irish Song" by Anna Ó Súilleabháin

DE ARDACH 7 Iúil / Thursday 7th July
 8.30pm - 1pm: Masses in St. Nealla's College
 1.00pm: "The Irish Song" by Anna Ó Súilleabháin
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 2.00pm: "The Irish Song" by Anna Ó Súilleabháin
 2.30pm: "The Irish Song" by Anna Ó Súilleabháin
 3.00pm: "The Irish Song" by Anna Ó Súilleabháin

DE NAIDHE 8 Iúil / Friday 8th July
 8.30pm - 1pm: Masses in St. Nealla's College
 1.00pm: "The Irish Song" by Anna Ó Súilleabháin
 1.30pm: "The Irish Song" by Anna Ó Súilleabháin
 2.00pm: "The Irish Song" by Anna Ó Súilleabháin
 2.30pm: "The Irish Song" by Anna Ó Súilleabháin
 3.00pm: "The Irish Song" by Anna Ó Súilleabháin

DE SATHAIRN 9 Iúil / Saturday 9th July
 8.30pm - 1pm: Masses in St. Nealla's College

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Apostolic Work Display Day

All roads lead to Fourmilehouse next Sunday, 27th June, when Apostolic Work will be presenting five diocesan Missionaries with the proceeds of this year's 'Chicken Fund' from our knitted chickens at Easter time.

Sister Nora Somers, Presentation, Athleague and Lusaka, Zambia, and Fr. Stan Brennan, OFM Fuerty and Boksburg, South Africa, are two local recipients. Many visiting Missionaries will be present and you are cordially invited to the event which commences at 2 pm with the presentation of the Fund and various Burses. This will be followed by Concelebrated Mass at 3 pm with Bishop Jones and refreshments will be served afterwards. You will also have an opportunity to view the many religious items requested and the vestments and Altar Linen made by members. This event is usually held in Sligo, and having it in Roscommon this year gives everyone a chance to see the 'Work of our Hands'.

Sixteen on trolleys in Portiuncula

Sixteen patients were accommodated on trolleys in the accident and emergency department of Portiuncula Hospital in Ballinasloe on Wednesday, June 23rd. On the same date there were no patients on trolleys at Roscommon County Hospital and eleven on trolleys in the accident and emergency department of Roscommon County Hospital.

WHETHER IT'S THE ROSSIES, WORLD CUP OR WIMBLEDON



Sports favourite pub is

JJ's

The Square, Roscommon

Open from 5.00 pm Monday - Thursday; and 12.30 pm Friday - Sunday

Strokestown golden hoard on display

A new hoard of Early Bronze Age gold from Coggalbeg, Co. Roscommon, is now on exhibit at the National Museum of Ireland - Archaeology, Kildare Street, Dublin and admission is free.

The hoard of Early Bronze Age goldwork, which formed part of the contents of a pharmacy safe stolen from Sheehan's Chemists, Strokestown, Co. Roscommon, in March 2009, went on exhibit yesterday, June 23rd.

The hoard consists of a gold lunula, a crescent-shaped collar, and two small gold discs dating to the Early Bronze Age c. 2300-1800 BC. The three objects had been placed in the pharmacy safe in 1947 and had only been seen by members of the Sheehan family on a couple of occasions since then. The opportunistic robbery of the safe led to this amazing discovery. In late March this year two Dublin men pleaded guilty to the burglary of the pharmacy and were given three-year suspended sentences.



Pictured at the launch of the exhibition of the Coggalbeg hoard were (left to right): Dr. Patrick Wallace, Director of the National Museum of Ireland, Mary Hanafin TD, Minister for Tourism Culture and Sport, Ned Kelly, Keeper of Irish Antiquities, National Museum of Ireland.

Following the robbery of the safe the Sheehan family told the investigating Gardaí that in addition to family papers and belongings the safe contained three pieces of gold jewellery. Curators from the National Museum's Irish Antiquities Division were able to assist Gardaí in identifying the type of objects most likely to meet

the description provided by the Sheehan family. The description suggested a hoard of gold ornaments of the Early Bronze Age period. Because of the thin and flat nature of the objects and their extremely light weight (78g in total, about 2 1/2 ozs) it became apparent that the hoard might have been missed completely when the con-

tents of the safe were examined by the robbers. This eventually proved to be the case. The investigating detectives established that all the papers from the safe had been dumped in a skip in Dublin. As the refuse was due to be collected within a few hours of this information coming to hand, An Garda Síochána moved quickly

to secure the skip and arranged for the refuse to be examined. The detectives who undertook this very unappealing task were rewarded by the recovery of the hoard, complete and intact.

Detective work of an archaeological nature undertaken by the National Museum of Ireland's curators in the Irish Antiquities Division led to the identification of the original finder of the hoard and the place where the find was made. The finder was Mr Hubert Lannon, Fourmilehouse, who had found the hoard when cutting turf in his bog at Coggalbeg, Co. Roscommon, in March 1945. Unfortunately, it was also discovered that Mr Lannon had died in his 93rd year just three weeks before the robbery in March 2009. However, his family were able to confirm that he had made a find in his bog which he had given to Mr Sheehan, the Strokestown chemist. Admissions to all exhibitions at the National Museums of Ireland are free.

Regan's Bar,

Roscommon

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FRIDAY 25TH JUNE Start of Regan's New Game

CHASE THE ACE

at 10.30pm

LIVE MUSIC BY SLYDER

SATURDAY 26TH JUNE All sorts with ... DJ MARK

SUNDAY 27TH JUNE Leaving Cert Bar-B-Que

followed by

DJ DARRAGH

from 7.00 pm • I.D. Required

All Parties Catered For Music & Food Organised.

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