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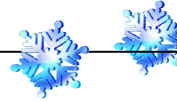
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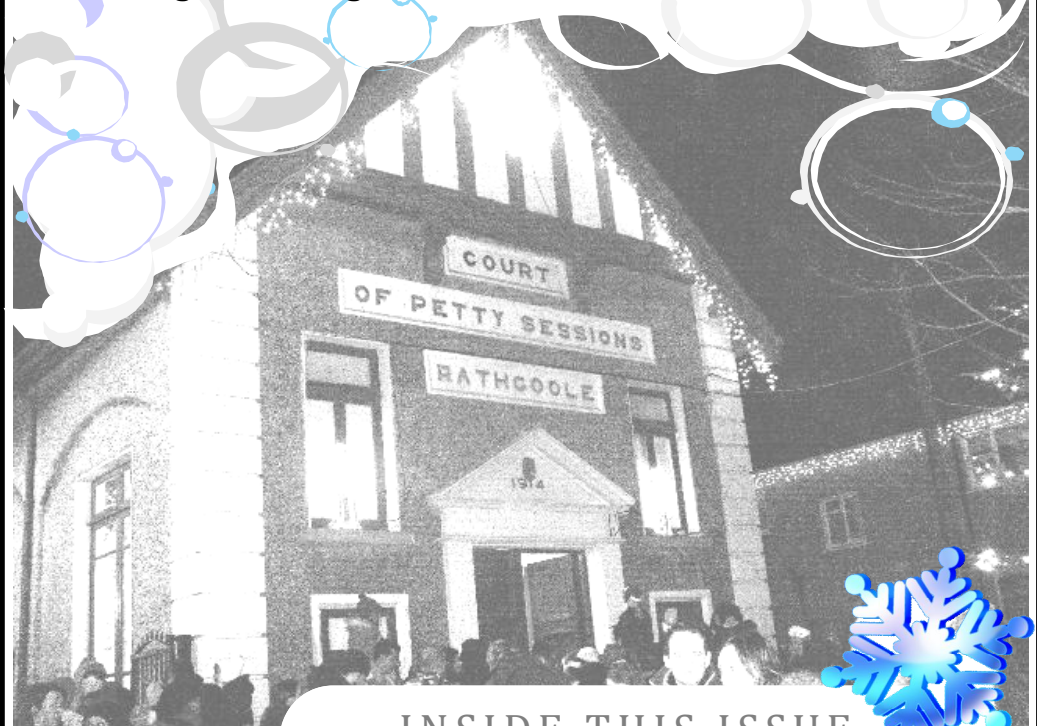
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Seasons Greetings!

On behalf of Rathcoole Community Council we would like to thank all our user groups, sponsors and advertisers for your support in 2011. To the Centre staff and volunteers a big thank you for all your hard work and dedication throughout the year. The recent highly enjoyable "Old Folks Party" and the magnificent Christmas lights in the village are both examples of what can be done. Happy Christmas and best wishes for 2012.

Nollaig Shona agus Athbhliain faoi Mhaise Daoibh.



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LIGHT UP OF RATHCOOLE

Rathcoole CE scheme threatened by Budget cuts

Prior to the budget, there was no indication that the Government intended to cut CE (Community Employment Scheme) materials and training funding by two-thirds - from the current €1,500 per participant to €500.

Unless TDs from the Government parties are put under strong and immediate pressure, there is no chance of reversing this decision. We know that these cuts, and other loss of entitlements for participants, could make some schemes unsustainable. This would have a catastrophic effect on the lives of participants for whom CE schemes are their best opportunity to return to the workplace.

This will affect the scheme in Rathcoole, which provides a wide range of services to the community, and will reduce the revenue to provide services and training.

We are asking you to support us in our efforts to have this decision reversed by lobbying politicians and signing our petition in the Community Centre

Appropriate links to websites are shown

[http://www.oireachtas.ie/members-hist/default.asp?](http://www.oireachtas.ie/members-hist/default.asp?housetype=0&HouseNum=31&disp=mem#tabs-3)

[housetype=0&HouseNum=31&disp=mem#tabs-3](http://www.oireachtas.ie/members-hist/default.asp?housetype=0&HouseNum=31&disp=mem#tabs-3) (follow this link to TDs contact details). You should tell them:

1. There is no justification for making cuts to CE schemes when unemployment particularly long-term unemployment - is soaring. CE schemes give skills and confidence to the long-term unemployed, which are essential if they are to re-enter the workforce. If this is a truly a 'jobs budget' the Government should reverse this decision now.
2. CE participants and supervisors will be on the dole if the cuts go ahead creating additional costs to the exchequer, which will have to meet significant redundancy costs.
3. Local community projects depend on CE schemes to deliver a range of essential voluntary services to their communities. In the current economic crisis, this has never been more important. Up to 90% of CE schemes are in voluntary services and will collapse destroying hundreds of vital local projects - if these cuts go ahead.

Anybody who listened to the Liveline show with Joe Duffy two days after the budget will realise the strength of feeling there is nationally over this, anybody who attended the lights or the Xmas Party for Older Residents in the area will appreciate first hand the benefits of having a thriving and effective scheme in the area, not just at Xmas but all year round.

PLEASE HELP US TO REVERSE THESE CUTS



PRESURE ON FOR U-TURN ON BUDGET CUTS

By Niall O'Connor
Thursday December 08 2011
HERALD

THE GOVERNMENT came under intense pressure today to reconsider a number of crippling budget measures after conceding it was wrong to cut disability payments.

The opposition has seized on the climbdown – and demanded that Taoiseach carry out a review on a number of his Cabinet’s austerity decisions. And a Labour TD has publicly admitted the Government is prepared to perform a U-turn on the move to slash funding for community employment schemes. TD Arthur Spring said a “*number*” of deputies are unhappy with the 66pc cut.

“I think that's something we've raised straight away. Because for places like the family resource centres that would have the childcare facilities, they would use people from community employment schemes,” he said.

Mr Spring's admission that there is manoeuvre to U-turn on further areas is sure to be seized by the opposition. Fianna Fail today claimed that is “*more than feasible*” for the cabinet to hold immediate talks aimed at reversing some of the measures in the budget. Public Expenditure spokesperson Sean Fleming said:

“They have thankfully rethought disability payments and now they look like they are reversing savage cuts to community projects.”

Social Protection Minister Joan Burton will today propose an amendment to the Social Welfare Bill – which will remove the controversial measure to cut disability payments.

CHRISTMAS FAIR



Senior Citizens Party



Community IT and Continuous Learning Centre



Good News



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Commercials GAA

Commercials Hurling club celebrated 125 years this year, and still the club is going from strength to strength. We now have had to change our juvenile training times to accommodate the large numbers who come down a Tuesday night, putting extra sessions on a Wednesday and Saturday. This year culminated in a great night at the juvenile Commercials Christmas Party and a very successful casino party night in An Póitin Stil on December the 9th. Thanks to everyone, who helped make this evening a great success.

A big congratulations to the Under 13's Boys who

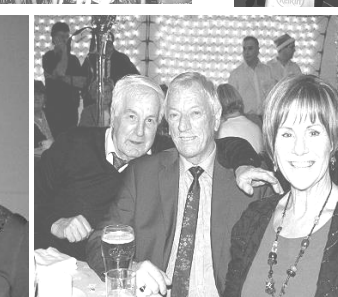


Picture of U11 with Mentor John O'Leary (left) and John Morris (right)

won their league. There was a presentation of medals on the night by our Chairman Danny Murphy to all players. There was also a presentation for Player of the year award and most improved player. Well done to Rhys Butler for receiving the Player of the year award and Graham Moloney and Liam Pouch for receiving most improved players. Well done lads! The U21 team is going very well and they are out again at the end of January, see you all there! Thanks to Rathcoole Lights Committee for donating the goodies on the night as well as Dunnes Stores, Saggart and Tesco's Rathcoole. Thanks also to all the mentors and coaches who give their time so generously during the year.

Hope you all have a very happy Christmas and see you all in the New year.

Our new website commercialshurlingclub.gaa.ie gives all our contacts and details.



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Our Juvenile and academy sections have also finished up for 2011. Details of times and venues for training for the 2012 season will be posted in the next newsletter


On the social front the club held a members and friends night on December 16th in the club lounge. On the night a special raffle for prizes totalling €1600.00 did take place among all ticket holders of our weekly lotto draw.

Our annual fundraising Slim 100 will once again take place this January. If you have would like to participate please contact Janet Murray on 087-2832942

The Old Folks Christmas party will be held in the club lounge on January 7th 2012. As always you are all very welcome to attend and details can be got from Ashling Magee on 087 9079046.

The club would like the community to know that we have two function rooms that can be hired for parties christening etc. For further details please contact Ashling Magee on 087 9079046.

Finally the club would like to wish all our supporters and friends a very happy Christmas. A special thanks to all our sponsors throughout the year at our various fund raising events and we look forward to seeing you all once again in 2012.



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IMPROVING OUR SERVICES IN RATHCOOLE COMMUNITY CENTRE

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01 - 4508238 is now also being used as a fax
line so the line will be
answered automatically and routed either to
fax or reception depending on the type of the
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Sorry about any inconvenience, this is just to
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Community.

Thank you for your co-operation .
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