

Schull News

Schull & District Community Council Newsletter

News...

Thanks & appreciation goes to the members of **Schull & District Community Council** who have all agreed to serve on the council for another year. They are your representatives and are volunteering their time and efforts for the improvement and promotion of the village and surrounding areas. Do not hesitate to contact them with any concerns or suggestions you might have: schulldistrictcc@gmail.com

At last it looks like the **Christmas Lights** are going up, by December they will be in place and ready to bring some much needed sparkle to the Main Street. The whole project was funded by the CCC, and involved a considerable investment into the installation and wiring. It is hoped that in future years the lights can be added to and that the village will literally be a shining beacon on the Mizen!

A couple of social evenings are planned – the Schull Regatta is hosting a **Ladies Night** of tips, advice and lots of fun on Friday 5th. For more information check out their facebook page. The SCIRS are hosting a **New Year's Eve Ball** – a great fundraising night of fun is guaranteed. Both events are in the Harbour View Hotel. Keep your eye on notice boards and the schull.ie calendar for details of other events happening.

Scoil Mhuire Parents' Association will once again be organizing the village Christmas **Tree of Light** that will be located outside the Bunratty Inn. Why not dedicate a light on the tree to a person who is not around this Christmas time, for whatever reason? The names will be displayed on the tree throughout the festive period. A special gift card will be available for purchase at various locations around Schull. Plans are still being finalized for welcoming Santa who will officially turn on the tree lights, look out for posters.

Schull Country Market are delighted to be holding **two Christmas markets** this year, Sunday Dec 20th & 27th. On the 20th, they will have their usual Christmas hamper raffle in aid of **Schull Hospital Patients Fund** and Santa will be popping by with some little gifts for all the boys & girls. Enjoy complimentary mulled wine & mince pies while you pick up the last few presents or essentials. On the 27th, take the opportunity to stroll off that Christmas dinner, perhaps meet with family and friends, pick up any forgotten gifts (we've all done it!) or if you don't feel like doing any more cooking, find some lovely food to replace (or compliment) the inevitable leftovers.

Books of Condolence for the victims of the Paris bombings will be in St Mary's, Church, Holy Trinity Church, Lowertown Church and Schull Library. Once signed, they will be sent to our friends in Le Guilvinec with our best wishes and support.

Events

December

- 4 Ready Steady Christmas - Ladies Night
- 5 Defibrillator Training Session
- Tree of Light & Turning on of Christmas Lights
- 11 Schull-LeGuilvinec Pub Quiz – Harbour View Hotel 8.30
- 19 Book Signing of HOME, by Trish Deseine (AnnaB's Bookshop)
- 20-21 SCC Christmas Production
- 20 Christmas Country Market
- 27 Sunday Market
- 31 SCIRS New Years Eve Ball

On behalf of the Schull & District
Community Council

*Merry Christmas and a
Happy New Year.*

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Sports and More...

Schull Tennis Club Junior Tennis Coaching with coach Pat McCann. Every Tuesday from 3.15pm - 4.15pm at the Tennis Courts in Schull.

Sessions will consist of agility and fitness techniques, tactics and game play.

The course will run up until Christmas.

For further information please contact Pat on 087 234 9022.

All our tennis players will be delighted to hear that the **tennis courts** are in line for a major overhaul, the equipment and surrounding netting will be replaced or repaired, and in the new year it is anticipated that the court will be resurfaced. What a fantastic amenity for both locals and visitors alike.

Plans are being made for the first annual **Schull Blueway Kayaking Festival** to be held next July. We have to be one of the best spots in the world to kayak and this festival celebrates all aspects of the sport from beginners, families and even experts! Look out for further information about this as things develop. Check out facebook/ <https://www.facebook.com/Schull-Blueway-Kayaking-Festival>

What's On

Another **defibrillator training session** is planned for December 5th. Cost is €15 and it is open to anyone who wishes to participate. Scoil Mhuire N.S. 9-2pm December 5th.

Drop into **AnnaB's Bookshop** for their first book signing – Trish Deseine will be in the bookshop signing her new book 'HOME, recipes from Ireland' December 19 at 2pm

This year's **Schull Community College Christmas production** is "Christmas Crackers" featuring 'Hair-the Musical' and 'Raold Dahl's Rewriting Rhymes'. The two performances are on Sunday 20th and Monday 21st December. Time to be confirmed...look out for posters.

The Annual **Carol Service** takes place on Sunday December 13th at 4pm in St Mary's Church. There will be a collection of non-perishable foods at the entrance to the church in aid of **St. Vincent de Paul**. Please support. Refreshments served afterwards in the Parish hall. All are very welcome to attend. Penitential Service

December 15th Schull 7.30pm

Christmas Mass Times

Christmas Eve Schull 7pm

Christmas Day Schull 10.30am

Highways & Byways

Congratulations on a 'job well done' go to the CCC who have completed the work on the new pathway on **Pier Road**. The work was carried out quickly and efficiently with minimal disruption to either pedestrians or traffic.

Happy to report that new **playground** equipment has been ordered and will be installed as soon as possible depending on the weather!

The final phase of the **CCTV** is in place, the ESB have done their work, connections will be made to the Garda Station and then the system will be up and running, hopefully before the end of the year.

Probably too early to mention **St. Patricks Day**, but start making plans for your float. Building on last year's beautiful parade it is hoped that there will be an even greater participation by local groups. So get your creative juices flowing and let's celebrate *all* that it is to be Irish in the 21st Century.