

# Schull News

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Schull & District Community Council Newsletter

## News...

This year's **Fastnet Film Festival** was one of the best! Schull welcomed huge crowds of filmmakers from all over the world for 5 glorious days of films, workshops, sunshine and 'craic'. Over 400 short films were screened across 18 different venues in Schull and Ballydehob. Visitors also attended feature screenings, film quizzes, children's entertainment and nightly live music. The village looked amazing with the new festival flags and bunting, thanks to **Denis O'Leary** for the installation! Thank you's go to all the tireless volunteers that also contributed immensely to the success of the weekend. Of course, none of this would have been possible without the hard work and dedication of the Steering Committee, Hilary, Helen, Pauline, Aidan, John, Julia, Maurice, Maria and Bridie ~ THANK YOU! We are looking forward to next year already!

The **Tourist Office** is open again for business. Pauline Cotter is in charge and though she does a superb job answering the million or so enquiries she gets, she does need some help. If you would like to spend some time in the office helping our visitors get the most out of the area please let Pauline (28600) know.

**Halloween** is now a major event in the village and one that will hopefully continue to grow and grow. It is hoped that this year we join forces with Ballydehob, Leap and whomever else is interested in developing a "Wildly Scary West Cork Trail". Are you interested in getting involved in the planning and creating? Another creative idea presented to us is the idea of Schull participating in the **Dublin St Patrick's Day Parade** next year. This would be a wonderful opportunity to showcase Schull on this huge stage. Are you interested in this exciting project? Contact Julia (086 809 1285) for more information or to express interest in both projects.

The **Schull Country Market** has allocated a space each week for any Community based fundraising/information projects that need to raise funds or awareness. Contact the market directly if you would like to avail of this generous offer.

Work on the **tennis courts** will commence shortly – be patient!

June	Events
11	Sunflower Day for Marymount Hospice
11	Fastnet Triathlon
18	Schull Twinning fundraising Trad Session
24	Schull Regatta Fundraising Psychic night
July	
2	S&DCC Flag Day

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## Random Requests

The work of the **Schull & District Community Council** is both vital and rewarding as this committee works on making positive and sustainable changes, developments and improvements to our lives here in Schull. The commitment is not huge but it is important so get involved. There are three areas that will need new representatives; Dereenatra/Gortnamona, Colla/Schull, and Corrydorgan. If you live in these areas please consider joining the Community Council. If you wish to nominate someone from these areas please ensure you have their consent first! The new committee will take office from the AGM in October. Contact us directly (schulldistrictcc@gmail.com) if you need any further information.

We are still looking for a suitable site for a community garden. Any suggestions? Get in touch.

The planetarium still needs anyone interested in the night skies to train with a view to running the shows. Again get in touch if you need more information.

Check out [www.schull.ie](http://www.schull.ie)

## Sports and More...

Save the Date ~ Sunday 10th July - **Long Island trip and family BBQ.**

This is your chance to experience the magic of an afternoon on Long Island, whilst also having a delicious BBQ facilitated by Fingal Ferguson of Gubbeen. Join us on the island ~ by what ever means you prefer (boat, kayak, ferry, swim) and have a fantastic day out, including treasure hunt and exploring the new island trail. Contact Deirdre (086 240 4709) or Ann (086 170 1096) for further details.

Work on new **loop walks** is near completion. The Trail Head for the newly signposted trails is the gable end of the Dentist's. The walks are through Gubbeen, Colla and Derreenatra. An updated map of the walks is now available in the Tourist Office.

June 11<sup>th</sup> is the **Fastnet Triathlon**, be mindful of the athletes competing in the cycle and run – follow instructions of the volunteer marshalls. Contact the Triathlon club if you want to help in any way.

**Bunratty United U14** took on Lyre in the Supervalu, West Cork Schoolboys League Cup Final. From the start Bunratty took control of the game with 3 goals from Paddy O'Driscoll. Despite the best efforts from Lyre goalie he was powerless to stop Bunratty from adding a fourth goal, when James O'Regan reached outside and Darragh O'Shea hit into an empty net. Lyre broke clear with five minutes to go but goalie and captain for Bunratty, Ryan McSweeney was equal to the Lyre striker efforts, brilliantly tipping the goal bound shot away from a corner. To their credit Rovers kept pushing and were rewarded with a deserved consolation, shortly before the final whistle went. The win confirmed Bunratty United as Supervalu **U14 Cup winners**. Congratulations to amazing bunch of players.

Try **Archery Tag**, the fast growing new combat sport, think Hunger Games meets Nerf meets Dodgeball. It's safe and a lot of fun for all the family from 8 years old and up. If it's a dry day we will play on the outdoor pitch if it's raining we can move it indoors to the sports hall. Goleen Community Centre. Drop in sessions on Saturday afternoons 2.30 €10 / session, call to book and avoid disappointment. Call: +353 (0)87 799 0607

## What's On

The **mobile AIB Bank** is now in Schull on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays.

**Café Cois Cuan** is now open Friday and Saturday evenings with a last seating at 20:30. They have a new Wine List as well as an Evening Menu featuring light bites, sharing boards & more!

**L'Escale** is now open again – serving freshly cooked seafood, crepes and ice creams.

Schull – Le Guilvinec Twinning **Trad Session** with Galway Jimmie  
June 18 @ Bunratty from 9.30 onwards.

Another great night is guaranteed as the Schull Regatta Committee are holding a fundraising **Psychic Night**. €20 per person for your future revealed, buffet and raffle. Tickets going fast contact either Ellen, Susan or Grainne – details on the Regatta Facebook page.

## Highways & Byways

A message from Sgt O'Donovan,

"With the summer months now with us, **An Garda Siochana, Schull** would like to take this opportunity to welcome all visitors to the Mizen Peninsula area. Your safety is our priority and we would like to remind all people visiting the area that *An Garda Siochana* will assist you where at all possible during your visit. As there will be a large number of visitors predicted to the area we would like to take this opportunity to remind tourists to travel safely on the roads bearing in mind the increase in traffic volume. We would also like to take this opportunity to remind people to be careful with their property and valuables. To those visitor's bringing boats and other marine leisure equipment, please ensure that it is secure when not in use. There will also be the usual summer time **parking restrictions** in Schull for the summer months and there are car parks in the town a very short walk from the town centre. Breaches of Schull by-laws can result in Fines on The Spot being issued.

Finally we wish you a safe and enjoyable stay in the Mizen Peninsula and hope you enjoy your stay."

~ An Garda Siochana Schull

We cannot emphasis this enough ~ **PLEASE, PLEASE park responsibly** ~ the village is getting busier by the day and any traffic congestions are not only dangerous but also detract potential visitors from stopping here.

**USE THE CAR PARKS!!!!**