RENMORE

Ballyloughane's new litter bins

Cllr Terry O'Flaherty has welcomed the installation of two new special litter bins at Ballyloughane Beach.

These bins have a capacity of 1,100 litres each and have been designed specifically by the City Council with a focus on recycling.

The new bins have a larger openings at the side to cater for the disposal of pizza boxes as well as for general litter.

"The openings on the bins that were there heretofore were quite small and did not allow for pizza boxes, resulting in them being left strewn around or else left sticking out of the open area, which gave the impression that the bin was full to capacity and this was not always the case," said Cllr O'Flaherty.

"While I am very happy with the two bins, I have made further representations for a third bin to be provided – and I have been assured that this will be in place at the beach shortly," she added.

The Independent councillor is appealing to everyone who frequents the beach area in Ballyloughane to refrain from littering what she described as "a beautiful facility that people living on the east side of the city were immensely proud of. And I would like to thank the City Council for providing the new bins", she concluded.



One of the new litter bins that have been installed at Ballyloughane.



The Renmore side that defeated Colga 4-1 In their Western Hygiene Supplies Division 1 encounter on Saturday.



The Renmore U-12 B team that beat Galway Hibernians on a 6-2 scoreline in the GFA Boys Division 4 League in Bohermore.

Excellent win

Renmore AFC took another huge step towards promotion in Division One with a fine display in Drom against title rivals Colga, running out 4-1 winners. Goals from Keith Fitzgerald (Penalty), Harry F Rogers and a brace from Sammy Omokua saw Renmore close the gap to just two points at the top of the table to keep the pressure on Colga. Next up is a tough away trip to Letterfrack this Saturday to take on West Coast Utd. Thanks go to all who were out to support the lads in horrible conditions.

Reading initiative

Scoil Chaitríona Senior in Renmore is one of eight 64 primary schools across Ireland taking part in a childhood reading initiative which will see more than 1,900 copies of Why the Moon Travels by Oein DeBhairduin donated to sixth class pupils. Eight Galway national schools are involved in the initiative.

The donation of this collection of folk tales - rooted in the oral tradition of the Irish Traveller community collected by Oein DeBhairduin and beautifully illustrated by Leanne McDonagh - comes from Enterprise Rent-A-Car and Children's Books Ireland.

Call for assistants

The Galway Centre for Independent Living is looking for Personal Assistants across the city, including in the Renmore area. This not-forprofit-organisation provides affordable services to enable people with disabilities live meaningfully within society.

Applicants will be required to have a FETAC Level Five Healthcare or QQI equivalent (two modules minimum to be completed), as well as their own car. Email vacancies@gcil.ie for more information.

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Community clean-up of Merlin Woods

Friends of Merlin Woods will join forces with Galway City Council for a community cleanup in Merlin Park Woods on Saturday, March 5, from 11am to 1pm.

They will be targeting some of the hotspots in the woods and are appealing to as many people as possible to help out.

Participants will meet at Merlin Woods Community Garde. Gloves and bags will be provided and people are advised to wear suitable footwear and rain gear in the event of wet weather.

Music opportunities

There are a few places available in the Foróige Music Generation creative, youth-led music programme. Sessions take place on Thursdays from 4.30-6.30pm, in the Cumasú Centre.

The programme is for young people aged from 13 to 18 years, Participants will have an opportunity to try out various instruments in a relaxed environment with experienced Music Generation facilitators.

Contact Tara on 086 0082642 for more information.

New speed limits

New speed limits will come into place around the R446 Martin Roundabout from next Monday, February 28, and will continue until Friday, August 5. These are to facilitate the ongoing roadworks to change the roundabout to a signalised junction.

Works on the Roundabout (between the Coolagh Roundabout and the eastern approach road to the Martin Junction from the Oranmore direction) are ongoing.

Galway City Council has stated there will be an 80kmph limit on the R446 Westbound from a point 1,400m east of the Martin Roundabout for a distance of approximately 520m. The same limit will apply on the R446 Eastbound from a point from a point 80m south of the Coolagh Roundabout for a distance of about 170m.

There will be a 50kph limit on the R446 Eastbound from a point from a point 250m south of the Coolagh Roundabout for a distance of approximately 1,200m. There will be a 50kmph limit on the R446 Westbound from a point 880m east of the Martin Roundabout for a distance of about 1,400m.

Parish update

New adorers are always welcome for the weekly Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at the Good Shepherd Parish. This takes place every Wednesday from 7-8pm and Thursday from 11-11.30am.

First Friday visits are recommencing and if anyone would like to arrange for Communion to be delivered to a housebound parishioner, they are asked to contact the Parish Office on 091756823.

Saturday yoga

Yoga Stretch Galway will return to the Cumasú Centre on Saturday mornings 10am from March 5, with 45-minute classes being offered. These are open level and beginnerfriendly. For more information, contact Agnieszka on 0857423566.

Car break-in

A White Kia Sportage was broken into while parked outside a property at Boireann Bheag, Roscam, between 8pm on Thursday, February 17, and 5am on Friday, February 18.

Anyone who noticed anything unusual in the area last Thursday night/Friday morning or who might have any information about the break-in is asked to contact Galway Garda Station on 091-538000.