



The Edmonton

Blarney



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President's Pen



Greetings everyone,

Hope everyone had a great Christmas and New Year holiday in the "coldest winter ever", and now are enjoying the "great stretch in the evening" as we trudge through the slush and ice. We look forward to warm sunny days and a mild Spring.

We are keeping apprised of the latest information on lifted restrictions and it was announced that effective February 9th the Restriction Exemption Program ended in Alberta. AHS intends to lift indoor masking on March 1st.

Our AGM is on Sunday, March 27, 2022 and we hope to see a full house. Elections will take place, and we look forward to your input on activities you would like to see at the Club for 2022. We'll have a draft copy of our 5-year plan at the AGM for any feedback or constructive criticism from the membership and work towards a final draft sometime in the Summer of 2022.

Please give serious consideration to letting your name stand for one of the Executive Committee positions, and volunteer a little time and expertise to the running of your Club. All positions will be open for election and if you want to get involved just contact any member of the Executive and they will give you a rundown of their duties and what is involved in being an elected member on the Executive.

I look forward to seeing you all as we slowly return to full capacity, restrictions being removed and sold-out functions once again the norm at the Club.

If anyone has any questions or concerns call me at 587-337-3490.

Sincerely,

Tom Morris



Super Bowl Sunday February 13th



Kick off is at 4:30 pm

- Guinness pints \$6
- Miller Genuine Draft bottles \$4

Kitchen Special: **Chili & a bun**

Open Mic Nights Fridays @ 7:00 pm

Hosted by
Martin Doyle & Frank Martin

February 11th & 25th
March 11th & 25th



Stop by, bring your instrument or a song or two, and join us for a family friendly open mic jam session.

Valentine's Dinner Saturday February 12th



Kitchen opens at 5:00 pm
Steak & Shrimp Dinner (first come, first serve)
Members - \$25.00
Non-Members \$30.00

Members Family Fun Day Sunday February 20th



1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Kitchen opens @ 3:00 pm (limited menu)
Free lunch for children under 12

- * Bouncy castle
- * Games
- * Balloon maker *

Ukelele players Wednesday March 16th



Everyone is welcome to join or you can get a drink and something to eat, pull up a chair and enjoy the music.

Starts @ 7:00 pm

Ireland 3D



The film IRELAND 3D is playing at the IMAX Theater starting February 16, 2022 and is scheduled to run until June 2022.

Telus World of Science
IMAX Theatre
11211-142 Street, Edmonton

Currently tickets can be purchased up to and including March 2022.

Our Members can receive 10% off, the coupon code is ISSSIMAX10%. This can be used in person, over the phone or online.

St. Patrick's Dinner Saturday March 12th



Join us for our annual St. Patrick's Dinner. Enjoy a Roast Beef dinner with all the trimmings, desert and entertainment.

- Music by Eric Martin
- Irish Dancers

Cocktails: 5:00 pm
Dinner: 6:00 pm
Entertainment: 7:00 pm



Tickets available at the Club:

Senior Members:	\$35.00
Members:	\$40.00
Non-Members:	\$45.00



ST. PATRICK'S DAY Thursday MARCH 17th



Celebrate St. Patrick's Day at the Irish Centre. Good food, drinks and lots of entertainment (music & Irish dancers) throughout the day.

Tickets:

Members:	\$10.00
Non-Members:	\$15.00

Kitchen open 2 pm - 10 pm (limited menu)
Special: "Irish Stew & Soda Bread" - \$9.00

Feature entertainment is "Amie Weymes & the Atta Boys" playing from 7 pm - 11 pm



Sure to be an exciting St. Patrick's Day!



Irish Trivia Night Friday March 18th



Hosted by *Mike Barry*

Start Time: 8:00 pm

Register (Table of 4) at the Club or call Mel @ 780-233-7558 ... Tickets sell fast!

\$\$ Cash Prizes \$\$



ANNOUNCEMENTS, EVENTS & NOTICES



MEMBERSHIPS

Pat Van Meer 780-887-9776
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Valid from April 1, 2022 to March 31, 2023

Single	\$30.00
Family	\$45.00
Senior Single (65+)	\$15.00
Senior Family (65+)	\$22.50

Applications are available at the Club, by Email irishc199@gmail.com or online at EdmontonIrishClub.ca

Payments can be made in person (at the bar), or by mail:

Irish Sports & Social Society
Attention: Pat Van Meer
12546 126 Street NW,
Edmonton, AB T5L 0X3

Contact Information - Email Addresses

If you have received this Blarney by Canada post mail, it's because we do not have an email address for you. There are situations when we send updates and information about the Irish Centre by email. If you have an email you are willing to share with us, please contact me by email and I will update our records.

In the Kitchen

Janet Wilde 780-566-2191
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Wed.	4 pm - 8 pm
Thurs.	4 pm - 9 pm
Fri.	4 pm - 8 pm
Sat.	4 pm - 8 pm
Sun.	4 pm - 7 pm

Stop by for a bite to eat from our menu; including delicious weekly homemade specials. which will be posted at the Club and on our Facebook.

For questions or constructive feedback please contact Janet (see information above).

NOTE: Due to rising costs, the Executive has completed a review and a modest increase has occurred to our food and bar prices.

Centre Hours

Wednesday	4 pm - 10 pm
Thursday	4 pm - 10 pm
Friday	4 pm - 10 pm
Saturday	3 pm - 10 pm
Sunday	3 pm - 8 pm

(Closed on holidays)

50/50 Raffle

Draw Date: December 24, 2021

Congratulations to "Seamus Coyne", ticket #1423, winner of \$1,455.00 on our online 50/50.



Sunday
March 27, 2022
1:00 pm

Elections take place at the meeting. The following is a brief description of each executive position:

All Executive positions must familiarize themselves with the By-Laws and Roberts Parliamentary rules; attend and contribute to the monthly meetings; be committed to the position; be comfortable communicating (written & verbal); be able and willing to volunteer and help out when needed; work well and be respectful of each other.

The Irish Sports & Social Society By-Laws (Article 5) outline the duties for each of the Executive positions.

The following highlights some of the skills and tasks for each Executive position, however does not include all.

President - be able to ... have an overall view and understanding of Club; represent Club at various events when needed; attend and conduct Club meetings; ensure law and order is kept; sign minutes after adoption; counter-sign all cheques; schedule appointments and organize work necessary for functioning of the Club; manage security and alarm system; fill role of "Bar Liaison"; work closely with Bar Lead on work schedules; monitor prices; oversee orders; resolve issues, etc.; prepare monthly Bar Report; report to the Executive Committee and provide a copy for filing with the minutes.

Vice President - be able to ... assist President; fill in for President when absent; sign cheques; oversee janitorial staff (schedules and supplies); fill role of "Kitchen Liaison" working closely with staff on work schedules, monitor food prices, order food & supplies, help resolve issues, etc.; prepare monthly Kitchen Report; report to the Executive Committee and provide thus copy of report for filing with the minutes

Secretary - be able to ... record and prepare meeting minutes and agenda; receive & read correspondence; prepare/send letters as needed; file all incoming/outgoing correspondence; use Excel, Word and Email; prepare mail outs (labels, stamps, envelopes, etc.); keep the membership list current; keep a current membership email distribution list; prepare a monthly Membership Report to present to the Executive Committee; ensure the President signs the minutes after their adoption; and receive all monthly reports to file with the minutes.

Treasurer - be able to ... work well with money; prepare and make weekly bank deposits; keep all bills and invoices current; prepare payroll; prepare and submit Grant applications; organize Casino (includes preparing the reconciliation of casino funds to AGLC); sign cheques; prepare a monthly Treasurer Report (financial statements, account balances); report to the Executive Committee and provide a copy for filing with the minutes.

Social Convener - be able to ... organize all social activities throughout the year (Club events - St. Patrick's Day, Family Picnic, Halloween, Children's Christmas party, New Year's Eve, etc.); order tickets for events; seek out & book entertainment; schedule Club rentals; oversee

BEREAVEMENTS

Our deepest sympathies to the families & friends of those who have recently passed away.

Gertrude "Gertie" McCartan
Gabriel Cahill, husband of Doodie Cahill
Rita Barry

May the road rise up to meet you,
may the wind always be at your back.
May the sun shine warm upon your face
and rains fall soft upon your fields.
And until we meet again, may God
hold you in the palm of His hand.

Prayers and well-wishes to those in the hospital or under the weather, you are in our thoughts.
Get well soon.

all social events; organize and be responsible for any sub committees; be responsible for any money collected; prepare a financial statement after each event; advertise (posters, Facebook, website, etc.); prepare a monthly Social Report; report to the Executive Committee and provide a copy for filing with the minutes

Sports Convener - be able to ... organize all sports activities throughout the year (GAA games & breakfast, golf tournament, UFC fights, etc.); work with providers (Premium Sports) to schedule and promote local sporting events (hockey & football); prepare & post schedule for sporting events; oversee all sporting events; organize and be responsible for any sub committees; be responsible for money collected from such events; prepare a financial statement after each event; advertise (posters, Facebook, website, etc.); prepare a monthly Sports Report; report to the Executive Committee and provide a copy for filing with the minutes.

Cultural Convener - be able to ... organize all cultural activities throughout the year. *St. Patrick's Day*, provide assistance to the Social Convener; *FEIS*, work with local dance schools for use of stages/trailer; *Heritage Days*, be main contact with Heritage Festival Committee; prepare applications, order forms, etc., organize volunteers; *Rose of Tralee*, schedule meetings, work with Rose of Tralee committee. Oversee all cultural events; organize and be responsible for any sub committees; be responsible for any money collected; prepare a financial statement after each event; advertise (posters, Facebook, website, etc.); prepare a monthly Cultural Report; report to the Executive Committee and provide a copy for filing with the minutes.

Trustee - be able to ... read and comprehend financial reports; ensure all monies received is deposited; examine and audit accounts and books at least once a year; examine minutes of all meetings and Club activities; report and advise on all matters relating to any dishonest administration of the Club.

Member at Large - be able to ... provide help where needed; and perform duties as the Executive committee may direct.

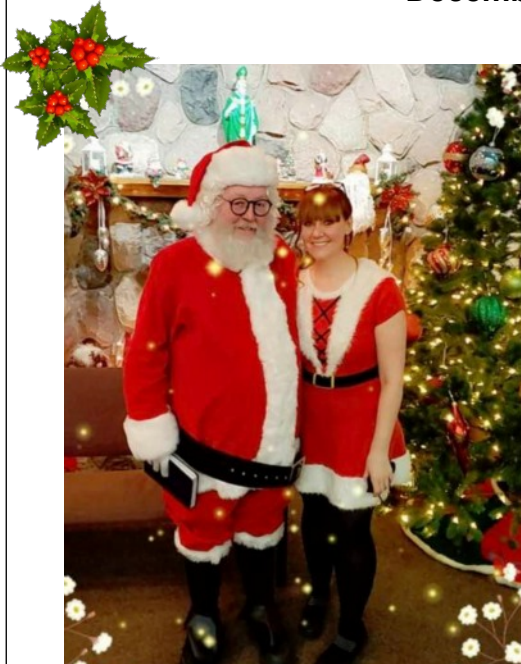


PHOTOS OF PAST EVENTS



CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY

December 2021



McDonnell Scholarship

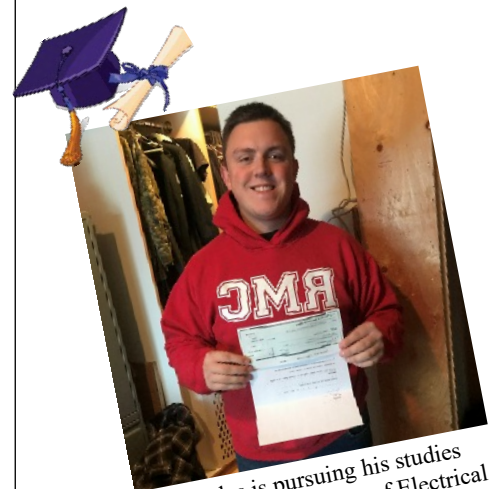
Recipients 2021



Kasia is pursuing her studies enrolled in a Bachelor of Science - Major in Biology, at the MacEwan University.



Aquinnah is pursuing her studies enrolled in a Bachelor of Science in Nursing, at the College of New Caledonia.



Charles is pursuing his studies enrolled in a Bachelor of Electrical Engineering, at the Royal Military College of Canada.



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February 2022

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
	1 CLOSED	2	3	4	5	6
7 CLOSED	8 CLOSED	9	10	11 Open Mic Night	12 Valentine's Dinner	13 Super Bowl
14 CLOSED	15 CLOSED	16	17	18	19 (Semi-Private) Paint Night Fundraiser 6:00 pm - 8:30 pm	20 Members Family Fun Day
21 CLOSED	22 CLOSED	23	24	25 Open Mic Night	26	27
28 CLOSED						

March 2022

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
	1 CLOSED	2	3	4	5	6
7 CLOSED	8 CLOSED	9	10	11 Open Mic Night	12 St Patrick's Dinner	13
14 CLOSED	15 CLOSED	16 Ukulele Players	17 St. Patrick's Day	18 Irish Trivia Night	19	20
21 CLOSED	22 CLOSED	23	24	25 Open Mic Night	26	27 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
28 CLOSED	29 CLOSED	30	31			