



The Edmonton

Blarney



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Irish Sports & Social Society

***60th Anniversary
Dinner & Dance***

***Saturday
November 26th, 2022***

<u>Tickets:</u>	Members	\$50.00
	Senior Members	\$40.00

Come celebrate with us



ANNOUNCEMENTS, EVENTS & NOTICES

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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 available at the Club, or by
Email: irishc199@gmail.com or on our
Website: EdmontonIrishClub.ca

Payments can be made in person (at the bar), or
by mailing a cheque to:

Attention: Pat Van Meer
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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 information and updates about the Irish Centre by email. If you have an email you are willing to share with us, contact me at irishc199@gmail.com and I will update our records.

Questions? Contact Pat Van Meer at the number or email above.

IN THE KITCHEN

Janet Wilde 780-566-2191
Email: mojan@telus.net



Wed.	- CLOSED -
Thurs.	4 pm - 9 pm
Fri.	4 pm - 8 pm
Sat.	4 pm - 8 pm
Sun.	- CLOSED -

The kitchen is keeping busy and Roys weekly specials sell out quickly.

In the next couple of months there will be a slight increase in our food menu. It cannot be helped as you all know food prices are very high.

Also, just a reminder to all that outside food is not permitted in the Club. We allow birthday cakes for Members.

Suggestions or feedback? Contact Janet at her number or email above.

Centre Hours

Wednesday	4 pm - 9 pm
Thursday	4 pm - 11 pm
Friday	4 pm - 12 am
Saturday	3 pm - 2 am
Sunday	3 pm - 8 pm

Christmas Hours

Christmas Eve	Sat. Dec. 24 th	2 pm - 8 pm
Christmas Day	Sun. Dec. 25 th	CLOSED
New Years Eve	Sat. Dec. 31 st	more to follow
New Years Day	Sun. Jan. 1 st	CLOSED

BEREAVEMENTS

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

Isabell Caul, sister of Anita Nixon
Paddy Donovan, Past President &
Honorary member

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.

With all that is going on in the world today,
know that our thoughts are with our members
and their families that are going through
a difficult time or coping with illness.

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



Come on down to the Club on Thursdays for a pint, great food, and get in on our **Chase the Ace** raffle.

Progressive Pot is updated weekly if the Ace of Clubs is not found on the Thursday night draw.

Tickets on sale until approximately 7:15 pm,
Draw will be made around 7:30 pm.

Some of the rules of the raffle are:

1. Tickets are \$2.00 each (there is no limit to the number of tickets an individual can purchase)
2. Tickets are on sale for a period of time on the date and then are cut off.
3. One ticket is drawn. The winner receives 20% of the total pot collected on that night, and picks an envelope from the board which contains a card (cards are in sealed envelopes).
4. If the Ace of Clubs is not selected, the pot carries forward to the next draw date.

PLEASE NOTE:

YOU MUST BE PRESENT TO BUY THE TICKETS ON THE NIGHT OF CHASE THE ACE and BE PRESENT WHEN THE WINNING TICKET IS DRAWN.

GOOD LUCK EVERYONE!

President's Pen

Greetings everyone,



Once again we are coming to the end of the year where the leaves will soon be gone, the ground will be white, and we will be digging out the winter jackets.

It was great to see a full house for our two recent concerts with Calvin Vollrath on October 5th and our own Sharon Shannon on October 7th who made a welcome return to the Club after 25 years since her last appearance here. Hopefully it won't be so long next time.

There are a few Irish groups starting to tour again and we will be encouraging them to include our Club as an important venue for any Western Canadian tours.

We look forward to seeing everybody out and about and using the Club as a meeting place, and for out-of-town visitors and friends who may be visiting for Christmas.

As this will be our last Blarney for 2022 I will take this opportunity to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

If anyone has any issues or concerns feel free to call me at (587) 337-3490 or drop me an email at omuiris@telusplanet.net

Tom



HELP WANTED

We are looking for an experienced part-time Cook to work Wednesdays and Sundays in our kitchen

Apply with resume by mail to **Irish Sports & Social Society**, Attention: Janet Wilde, 12546-126 Street, Edmonton, AB T5L 0X3; or email at edmontonirishcentre@gmail.com

For more information contact Janet Wilde at 780-566-2191

Website

The Irish Club website will be up and running again by the time this Blarney is released ... Check it out at www.edmontonirishclub.ca

**OPEN
MIC
NIGHT**



Fridays @ 7:00 pm

Hosted by *Martin Doyle*

November 11th

November 25th

December 9th

December 23rd

Drop in, bring your instrument, a song or two, or just sit and enjoy some Irish music and beyond. Bring a friend or more and join us for a family friendly open mic jam session.

Irish Conversational Speaking Classes

We have a new Irish teacher at the U of A and her name is Brigita Gallagher, from Cork.

We are offering starter conversational Irish language classes at the Irish Centre.

There are *8* classes scheduled on Tuesdays starting Tuesday 11th October that run for 1 hour 15 mins each starting at 7 pm - 8:15 pm.

October 11th (free) October 18th (free)
October 25th

November 1st November 15th
November 22nd November 29th

December 6th

Register by contacting Jenny McKearney, at (780) 699-1256 (text or call) or by email jennymckearney@hotmail.com.

Pricing per class will be approx. \$15-20 per class, depending on how many stay on for classes 3-8

Children are welcome to attend as Brigita can tailor activities for children.

and we will be offering more advanced classes in the New Year for all those who already have the basics of the Irish Gaelic language.



Drop-in DARTS

Join us every second Saturday at 6 pm on the following dates:

November 5th & November 19th
December 3rd & December 17th



The Executive wishes all our members & their families a very Merry Christmas and a healthy & Happy New Year in 2023!



MEMBERS GAMES NIGHTS



November 2022						
Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
					5 Drop-in Darts	
7 CLOSED	8 CLOSED Irish Speaking Class	9	10	11 Remembrance Day Open Mic Night	12	13
14 CLOSED	15 CLOSED	16	17	18	19 Drop-in Darts	20
21 CLOSED	22 CLOSED Irish Speaking Class	23	24	25 Open Mic Night	26 60 th Anniversary Dinner & Dance	27
28 CLOSED	29 CLOSED Irish Speaking Class	30				

December 2022						
Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
			1	2	3 Drop-in Darts	4
5 CLOSED	6 CLOSED Irish Speaking Class	7	8	9 Open Mic Night	10 Private Christmas Party	11 Childrens Christmas Party
12 CLOSED	13 CLOSED	14	15	16 Members Game Night POKER	17 Drop-in Darts	18 Members Game Night DARTS
19 CLOSED	20 CLOSED	21 Members Game Night 25's	22	23 Open Mic Night	24	25 Christmas Day CLOSED
26 Boxing Day CLOSED	27 CLOSED	28	29	30	31 New Year's Eve	