

Cois Inbhir Residents' Association

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Family Fun Day

It may have been the last weekend before schools reopened but there was a really happy vibe all around Cois Inbhir on the 29th of August as the 2nd annual family fun day took place. Thankfully, the Irish weather behaved itself and we only had to duck for cover for a few minutes during the clean up.

The day started at 11am and there were many activities such as the clean up, BBQ, games, football, face painting and a hunt for clues that kept us on the green until 11pm. This would not be possible without the help of many people. The residents' committee would like to thank a number of people for going above and beyond the call to make the day a great success. In no particular order:

- Orlaith Read for the face painting
- Sarah Scott for the hunt for clues
- Liz Lottering for preparing the children's sweet bags and preparing all the meat prior to it going on the BBQ.
- The Kane family for organising the raffle prizes and running the football.
- Steve Pool for running the bar (very important job!).
- Eugene and the gang in Donabate Family Butchers for a discount on the meat.
- Anthony in Home Stop in Main Street for providing party supplies for the day.
- Des Culleton for providing party supplies for the day.
- Everybody who brought out food in the form of salads and desserts as well as those that lent garden furniture, marquees & BBQs.

...and finally, all of you for turning up, participating in the day and buying raffle tickets. The money raised by the raffle tickets funds future Cois Inbhir community projects. If you have any ideas or suggestions for a social event, please let us know by emailing committee@coisinbhir.com.

Keeping Cois Inbhir Tidy:

Many hands make light work. If everybody plays their part, Cois Inbhir can look sharp and clean all year round. It's as simple as:

- Picking up any litter that may have blown out of bins.
- Pulling up weeds that grow in the path.
- Sweeping the road outside the house to stop moss from growing (especially after the grass is cut).

- Trimming any hedges near your house. There are hedges to the front of the Crescent and the pedestrian entrance to Carr's Mill.



Picture: Some of our younger residents at the fun day.

Christmas event:

For the past two years, Santa has kindly agreed to visit Cois Inbhir and give our younger residents a chocolate Santa. We have contacted him again this year and unless he is called back to the North Pole for important work, he will be visiting us on December 18th.

This year, we want to get the community together in one location so we have changed the format a little and made the main green the focal point for the visit. Marquees will be set up on the green to keep us all dry in the event of some light rain.

We want to give Santa a festive welcome and are looking for boys and girls who like to sing to join the Cois Inbhir Christmas choir and raise the Christmas spirit as Santa makes his way into the marquees. If you think you have the Cois Inbhir Factor and could give Santa a real lyrical treat, come along to the practice sessions on Friday the 4th of December at 6:30pm and again on the night of the event at 6pm. Further details to follow.

Subscriptions:

It is a difficult thing to ask for subscriptions in the current economic climate and I hear you say it is even more difficult to find the money!! Subscriptions are essential for a residents' association to function.

The money is needed to pay for the social events, fund equipment that we need, and run the AGM. In the future, we intend to use some of this funding for planting more shrubs and greenery in the area to help maintain its look.

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If you have not already paid a subscription and would like to contribute, please drop a subscription (€30) into either number 6, 7, 17, 54, 58, 59 or 79 with your house number on the envelope. The Residents' Association can only continue to invest in our community with your support. Annual accounts are published at the AGM and are available to all members.

Social Notice:

Late into the night at the BBQ and "well into the 2nd Keg", the Cois Inbhir Golf Society concept was born. I am now trying to make it a reality by getting a list of those Lads/Ladies who would be interested in playing, so we can plan our "inaugural meeting".

I am asking for a massive response from all those who were/weren't on the green that night to go to our Website, www.coisinbhir.com and follow the Golf link. Please leave your House no, Phone No and E-Mail address and I will be in contact with you. Many Thanks,
Peter Lottering.

Cois Inbhir AGM:

The Cois Inbhir Residents' Association Annual General Meeting (AGM) will take place on Wednesday, November 18th 2009 at 7:30PM in Beaverstown Golf Club.

The Residents' Association is the primary link between Cois Inbhir and the local council and other Community Groups. The AGM gives you an opportunity to have your say on the future of our estate and elect your representatives to the Committee.

All Residents are invited and encouraged to attend to ensure your voice is heard.

Taking in Charge Update:

For those that are not familiar with the term "Taking in charge", it means the County Council taking ownership of, and responsibility for, an area. All new estates should be taken in charge when complete, however this does not happen for 100s of estates across all four Dublin local authorities. The taking in charge process can take 10+ years to complete. We are determined that this will not be the case for Cois Inbhir. Since the beginning of this year, the Residents' Association Committee have been working with the local Councillors, a local TD, Fingal County Council and the developer to complete the estate in preparation for taking it in charge. During 2009, the following pieces of work were completed:

1. Outstanding documentation completed with FCC.
2. New footpaths across the two green areas (not fully completed).
3. Leaking tap sealed and buried.
4. Additional sewer entry points were opened up.
5. Paths lowered at some junctions to comply with accessibility regulations.
6. CCTV work completed on drains.

The following is outstanding:

1. Gap between number 18 and 21 to be levelled and fenced off. Alternatively, the development of the two missing houses (#19 & #20).
2. New paths to be completed and wooden sides removed.
3. Planting of trees and shrubs on the main green.
4. The replacement of an incorrect road sign at the Crescent.

The committee are in contact with the local Councillors and Fingal County Council on a monthly basis. We have also met with the Councillors a number of times. The last meeting took place in the County Hall on the 8th of October. This update was very positive and the Councillors informed us that the process was moving at a good pace.

This is going to be a long journey but we are lucky to have the support of local Councillors (Clare Daly, Gerry McGuire, Darragh Butler, Anne Devitt and Tom Kelleher), a local TD (Darragh O'Brien), Fingal County Council and the developer (Lambay Construction) in progressing this matter as quickly as possible.

Crime Watch – Cois Inbhir

The downturn in the economic climate has resulted in a 300% increase in Burglaries. Many of these crimes are committed by opportunist who are gaining entry to homes via open doors and windows. Surprisingly, a key risk time for these burglaries is between 2pm and 5pm.

Locally, a car was stolen recently stolen from Cois Inbhir after the keys were taken from the family home. The message from the Gardaí is to keep vigilant and don't give opportunists the chance to make you a victim. You can join the Neighbourhood Watch scheme at any time by emailing committee@coisinbhir.com. For more information on crime prevention, go to www.garda.ie.