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Beidh Turas na bhFilí 2012 á reachtáil ag Comhdháil Náisiúnta na Gaeilge i gcomhar le Fèisean nan Gàidheal ó 12-15 Aibreán 2012. Mar a tharlaíonn chuile bhliain beidh filí agus ceoltóirí ar chamchuairt mórthimpeall na tíre mar mhalartú cultúrtha idir Éirinn agus Albain. Is iontach an scéal a chloisteail go bhfuil Ceatharlach i measc na n-ionad ar an gcamchuairt i mbliana.

I gcomhar leis an bhFéile Idirnáisiúnta Pan Cheilteach, reachtálfar oíche mhór filíochta, amhránaíochta agus ceoil ins an Ostán Seven Oaks ar an Satharn,14 Aibreán ag tosú ag 7.30i.n. Cuirfidh an ócáid, a bheidh mar pháirt lárnach den Fhéile Pan Cheilteach, clabhsúr spleodrach le camchuairt na bliana seo

Ar chlár na hoíche beidh léamh filíochta Gàidhlig le Rody Gorman Fearghas MacFhionnlaigh, amhráin Gàidhlig le Linda NicLeòid agus ceol Albanach le portaireacht béil le Rona Lightfoot.

Tá cuireadh tugtha don fhile áitiúil Deirdre Brennan a cuid filíochta a léamh i gcuideachta na bhfilí Albanacha mar aon le neart ceoil agus amhráin ó na hAlbanaigh.

Tá cuireadh chomh maith tugtha don amhránaí agus cláirseoir áitiúil Pádraigín Caesar roinnt ceoil agus amhránaíochta a chasadh ar an oíche.

Tráthúil go leor beidh Club na bhFéile Pan Cheilteach an oíche eagraithe i gcomhar le muintir na hAlban agus leanfar leis an siamsaíocht go maidin de réir cosúlachta.

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Glór Cheatharlach

Dhá ghradam do Ghlór Cheatharlach. Seán Mac Riarmada, Bríde de Róiste, Áine Uí Fhaoláin agus Mairéad Uí Mhadoc ag bronnadh dhuaiseanna Ghlór na nGael

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€5,000 do Glór Cheatharlach

Bronnadh na duaiseanna agus na gradaim i gComórtas Ghlór na nGael 2012 ag searmanas galánta a reachtáileadh in Ostán Theach Carton, Maigh Nuad ar an Satharn, 25 Feabhra. Bhí Glór Cheatharlach i measc na mbuaiteoirí. D'fhreastail ceathrar bhall den choiste stiúrtha ar an ócáid bhronnta agus nach orthu a bhí na sceitimíní áthais nuair a fógraíodh go raibh dhá ghradam, arbh fhiú €5,000 san iomlán iad, buaite ag Ceatharlach as cur chun cinn na Gaeilge i measc an phobail.

Gabhann an Bord Bainistíochta buíochas ó chroí le gach uile dhuine a thugann tacaíocht do Ghlór Cheatharlach agus a fhreastalaíonn ar an iliomad imeachtaí a bhíonn ar siúl ó cheann ceann na bliana. Is feidir gach eolas a fháil ag oifig Ghlór Cheatharlach ar Shráid an Choláiste nó glaoch a chur ar 085 1340047 nó 059 9158205. Is ar reachtáil na féile Pan Cheilteach ach go háirithe atá muintir Ghlór Cheatharlach dírithe i láthair na huaire.

Naomh Pádraig, Aspal Mór na hÉireann

Ina bhuachaillí óg a bhí sé nuair a tháinig Pádraig go hÉirinn ar dtús. Rugadh sa Bhreatain Bheag é sa bhliain 387. Lá amháin agus é ag imirt lasmuigh faoin aer, deirtear gur sciob an Rí Niall Naoi nGiallach é agus tugadh go hÉirinn é. Díoladh mar sclábhaí é le feirmeoir darbh ainm Miliúc. Chaith sé tamall ag aoireacht caorach ar Shliabh Mis i gContae Aontroma. Bhí sé óg, eaglach agus uaigneach. Bhí ocras air go minic agus uaireanta ní raibh aige le n-ithe ach bia na n-ainmhithe. Bhíodh sé de shíor ag guí. Faoi dheireadh, d'éirigh leis éalú go dtí An Fhrainc.

Chaith Pádraig tamall ag foghlaim chun a bheith ina shagart. Ní dhearna sé dearmad riamh ar mhuintir na hÉireann agus, ina thaibhreamh dó, chuala sé iad ag glaoch ar ais air. Sa bhliain 432 chuir an Pápa Ceilistín go hÉirinn é. Chuaigh sé go dtí Teamhair na Rí agus mhínigh sé an Chríostaíocht don Ardrí, Laoire. Thug an tArdrí cead dó an creideamh a mhúineadh do na Gaeil. Las Pádraig tine an chreidimh ar bharr Chnoc Sláine i gContae na Mí.

Thaisteal Pádraig timpeall na tíre ag craobhscaoileadh an chreidimh. D'iompaigh sé mórán daoine chun na Críostaíochta. Bhaist sé iad ins na toibreacha ar a nglaotar Toibreacha Phádraig ó shin. Agus é ag múineadh rúndiamhar an chreidimh, phioc sé seamróg suas agus dúirt "Tá trí phearsa in aon Dia amháin faoi mar atá trí dhuilleog ar aon chos amháin." Caitheann a lán daoine an tseamróg ar La Fhéile Pádraig. Deirtear gur chuir Pádraig an ruaig ar na nathracha nimhe as an tír seo! Chaith sé daichead lá ag troscadh ar mhullach Chruach Phádraig i gContae Mhuigheo. Téann na sluaite ar oilithreacht ann gach bliain.

Bíonn Lá Fhéile Pádraig ar an seachtú lá déag de Mhí an Mhárta, féile mhór i lár an earraigh. Bíonn lá mór aoibhinn beannaithe againn agus caitheann daoine ar fud an domhain dath uaine. Lá mór é do na Gaeil go léir pé áit ar domhan ina bhfuilid. Las Pádraig tine an chreidimh inár gcroíthe, tine nach múchfar go deo. Agus sinn ag ceiliúradh le dóchas ar Lá le Pádraig bíonn mórshiúl i ngach baile agus sráidbhaile nach mór. Bíonn paráid ollmhór i Nua Eabhrach.

Guíonn Glór Cheatharlach Beannachtaí na Féile Pádraig ar chuile dhuine.

BALLON RATHOE EXTRA

ON COUNTY TEAM

Congratulations to two of our local footballers, Darragh Foley and Liam Shepherd, on their outstanding performances at midfield for the Carlow under-21 football team, which defeated Wicklow in the Leinster championship recently. Unfortunately, Westmeath proved too strong for Carlow in the quarter-final last Wednesday.

JUVENILE TRAINING

Camogie training for Burren Rangers U5s to U15s will be held each Saturday morning at 10am at the Fighting Cocks' pitch. Hurling training for the U6, 8 and 10 age groups will be at 11.30am at the same venue. All players are asked to have shin guards and helmets. Burren Rangers are looking forward to a successful year in both codes.

AUTOGRASS RACING

Carlow Autograss will get their season under way on Sunday 18 March at Knocknatubrid, near Aghade Bridge. They will have an exciting start to the season with local mother, Jennifer Kelly racing on Mother's Day. A great family day is planned, with bouncy castles, face painting and trade stalls.

PRE-MATCH LUNCH

Tullow RFC will host a Towns' Cup pre-match lunch at the Black Gates on Sunday next, 18 March at 1.30pm. Guest speakers from Leinster rugby will be in attendance. Bookings, Tom on 087 6385604 or 086 8067800.

WHIST

Prizewinners at the recent whist drive in Rathoe Hall were: top score (divided), Mona Corcoran, Ballyhackett and Nellie Kelly, Myshall; first lady, Kathleen Carroll, Newtown; second lady, Susan Glasheen, Carlow; first gent, Paddy Canavan, Bagenalstown; second gent, Brendan Canavan, Bagenalstown.

LOTTO

The numbers drawn in the recent Ballon GFC lotto were 8, 22, 25 and 28 and there was no winner. Next week's jackpot will be €2,600. The numbers drawn in the Burrin Celtic Lotto were 1, 6, 16 and 27, no winner. Next week's jackpot will be €4,700.

BURREN RANGERS

Burren Rangers will enter a float in the Ballon St Patrick's Day parade. All boys and girls registered with the club are asked to meet at the Land League at 3.15 pm to form a walking group with the float. Please wear the club colours of green and white. U14 boys' football training begins on Monday 19 March at 11am at Ballon GFC's pitch. Meeting of all U21 players will take place in Ballon GFC clubhouse on Friday 23 March at 9pm. It was very important that all players from Ballon, the Fighting Cocks and Kilbride clubs attend.

SPRING CLEAN WEEK

Community groups and voluntary organisations are invited to participate in the Carlow Spring Clean campaign. This approval entitles your group to a refund of the hire of one mini skip for one day during the month of April. Also register with an Taisce nsc@antaisce.org to avail of a free clean-up skip. For further details, please contact Jannette on 059 9136203 or Mairead on 059 9172480.

Aughrim

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SYMPATHY is extended to Paddy Smith, Redna Hill, Aughrim, and Ann Doyle, Coolhullen, Aughrim, on the death of their sister, Breda Collins, in England. Burial took place in England.

GET WELL

Best wishes go to Kathleen Doyle from all her friends.

RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION

The next meeting of Aughrim Active Retirement Association will take place on 3 April at 3pm in the pavilion on the Redna Road.

CAKE SALE

Wicklow Hospice shop, Abbey Lane, Arklow, are holding a cake sale on Friday 16 March. Cakes will be most welcome or come along and buy one or make a donation.

ST PATRICK'S DAY PARADE

After a lapse of 20 years, the parade will begin at 11.30am, after 10.30am Mass, on Saturday. There will be a line-up of businesses, vintage cars, dancers and music. Michael Dywer pipe band will add to the occasion.