



Platinum Clubhouse Commemoration Service

On Holy Thursday 17th April we held our first commemoration service for past members of Platinum Clubhouse who have passed away since the opening of the Clubhouse in 1999.

Twenty four deceased members were remembered by lighting a candle for each member, and a few words of remembrance was spoken about each member. A poem was recited by Paddy M.

*The Clubhouse then fell silent for a minutes silence as we thought and prayed for our past members.
May they rest in peace.*

John F



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May Events

2nd Employment Dinner to Gourmet Burger

5th Bank Holiday Clubhouse Closed

13th Social for members not going on supported holiday

20th -22nd Supported Holiday Waterford

30th Social

May 2014

	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Monday			1 Newsletter team Men's group Walking Group	2 Relaxation Crafts Employment Dinner Gourmet Burger	3	4
5 BANK HOLIDAY CLUBHOUSE CLOSED	6 House meeting Healthy Eating Wellness Day	7 Art Class Standard & Employment meeting	8 Newsletter team Men's group Walking Group	9 Relaxation Crafts	10	11
12 Policy Meeting Art Class Walking group	13 House meeting Trip to Russbourough	14 Art Class Standard & Employment meeting	15 Newsletter team Men's group Walking Group	16 Relaxation Crafts	17	18
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Easter Draw



We decided to have an Easter Draw as we had got a few donations of boxes of chocolates and we got a fabulous Easter egg donated from Tom Doyle a member of our Advisory board so as members and staff arrived in on the Thursday before Easter they received a ticket. The only rule was that you had to be there for the draw which took place at 2 pm.

The Winners were

Mark N,	Easter Egg
Joe G,	Large Easter Egg
Stephen C,	Dairy Box Chocolates
Joe C,	Easter Egg
Jonathon D,	Box of Ferrero Rocher
Frances H,	Easter Egg
Michelle F,	Easter Egg
Philip F	Easter Egg
Joe B	Easter egg

There was great fun at the draw and great excitement from the members picked out.



Timothy Winters Goes to School

*Timothy Winters goes to school
And sometimes nowhere really bound
Education being the golden rule
But the silliest ever found
His mother says that he is a disgrace
And will never ever learn at all
The teacher said he will get no place
And lack of school be his downfall*

*His father said that he is lazy and
No Good*

*And such failure in every way
He also said he tried the best he could
And never listened to what he'd say*

*Swiftly the years did flee
Until Timothy grew a very proud man
And between you and me
The very best of his clan
For Timothy had a special gift
To make anyone laugh
Any sad person he gave a lift
And looked the best in any photograph*

*So the message I give to you
Is that each person is unique
God loves us through and through
And gave us all a voice to speak
For Timothy like anyone
Had a gift bestowed on him
With his gift nothing went wrong
As he gave a happy grin*

Paddy M



CATERING UNIT

Fun Baking Thursday 2pm until 3pm

Fairy Cakes



Ingredients

90g (3½oz) Self-raising Flour

90g (3½oz) Soft margarine

90g (3½oz) Caster Sugar

2 Medium eggs

½ teaspoon vanilla essence

For the icing

175g (6oz) icing sugar

1½ Tablespoon warm water

Yellow food dye

Small sugar flowers

A 12- hole shallow bun tray

Paper cake cases

Method:

1. Heat the oven to 190°C, 375° F, and Gas mark 5. Put a paper case into each hole in the tray. Sift the flour into a bowl.
2. Add the margarine, sugar and vanilla. Break the eggs into a cup, and then add them to a bowl. Stir until the mixture is creamy.
3. Use a teaspoon to divide the mixture between the paper cases. Bake the cakes for 15 minutes, until they are firm and golden.
4. Wear oven gloves to take the cakes out of the oven. Leave them in the tray for a few minutes. Then, lift them onto a wire rack.
5. Sift the icing sugar into a bowl. Stir in warm water to make a smooth white paste. Use a teaspoon to ice four of the cakes.
6. Add two drops of yellow food dye to the icing and stir it well. Use a teaspoon to ice four more cakes
7. Add two more drops of yellow dye and stir it well. Spread it onto the last four cakes. Use sugar flowers to decorate the cakes.



The Colour of Flowers



The colour of the flowers can be many things,

*Red, Blue, Yellow, Orange, Green,
The list goes on and on and on.*

*It never ends no matter what you plant,
They keep coming up through snow and ice,
Nothing else matters to them except the sun.*

The colours lift you up no matter what you get,

*You will always find different types of colours in the sun,
They will always come up and they are beautiful things.*

*Many different types you will find them anywhere,
Their colour you will find in the ground,
Nothing no matter what you do will find its place next to you.*

*Keep the colours next to you,
You will find them happy to you,
If you keep them happy and not sad,
they will always be thankful.*

By Jonathan D

Summertime

Some of us stop and ponder on the month of May as we remember Mary the Mother of God. It's a month we all love as some put up a May altar to honour and love the Blessed Mother. The May altar is usually surrounded by flowers, and years ago people used to sing hymns like Ave Maria around the altar or do a procession.

It is also the beginning of summer when people decide to plan their holidays. A lot like to travel around the country as its beautiful when we get the good weather. Donegal is known for its beauty and scenery, where as places like Wexford have a lovely beach for all and it's noted for its great strawberries and cream.

The sunshine brings out the best in people as everyone is in good form, and there seems to be lots to do. The flowers are tended to as they come out in full bloom. The teenagers and children look forward to their holidays while the colleges close too. Concerts are on a lot throughout the summer for the youth. I feel it's a magical time of the year for everyone.

Frances H



May Birthdays



Stephen L, Stephen C, Martina D,
Paddy M, Denis O'C, Frances D, Pat H,
Stephen M, Wesley C, Carmel D, Joan M,
Theresa M, Dawn B, John D, Mark N,
Martin P.

Kildare

I live in Kildare Town, which like every other town has its own piece of history. Saint Bridget is Patron saint of Kildare. People come from all over the world to visit Kildare for the First of February, which is the feast day of Saint Bridget. People can visit Saint Bridget's well, the Cathedral and her new heritage centre. The Curragh of Kildare is famous all over the world for horse racing, each year all the classics are run on the Curragh Racecourse. Kildare Village attracts shoppers from all over Ireland and the world. The National Stud is one of the most famous Studs in the world, and the Japanese Gardens are known all over the world. Kildare people are very easy going and friendly, there is always music and crack in the pubs. Newbridge is a great town for shopping too with the White Water Shopping Centre, and Platinum Clubhouse which is a hive of activity. Naas is a town with lots of local history; and is full of Ladies Men. The Kildare Football Team was the first team ever to win the Sam Maguire Cup, something no other team can ever take from us. All in all, Kildare is a great place to live in.

Philip F



Jokes

What do you call two bank robbers?

A pair of nickers

Teacher: Make up a sentence with lettuce in it.

Student: Let us out of school early.

Teacher: Where are the kings and queens of England crowned?

Student: On their head sir.

Teacher: Why are you late for school?

Student: I love sleep

Teacher: You mean you sleep at home as well.

Teacher: If you multiplied 14970 by 378 what answer would you get?

Student: The wrong one.

Knock Knock, Who's there,

Canoe, Canoe who?

Canoe you open the door it freezing out here.

James P



Pat C hard at work in the kitchen

Birthday Photos



This month's interview is with

Tommy K

Favourite Meal: Lamb & Potatoes, Peas and Carrots

Favourite Movie: The Field

Favourite Sport: Soccer

Favourite Hobby: Reading

About Platinum Clubhouse

Clubhouse is a member run and centred service, where every individual has something valuable to contribute to the clubhouse and to society at large, irrespective of their diagnosis or level of function.

We offer members a supportive environment in which they can work alongside staff in planning and operating.

Members participate in mutually planned vocational, educational and social activities.

The Clubhouse guarantees four main rights:

- **Right to a place to come**
- **Right to meaningful work**
- **Right to meaningful relationships**
- **Right to a place to return**



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