



# Úna Bhán

Tourism Co-Operative Society

# Newsletter

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***Its time for***

***Boyle Arts Festival!***

Boyle Arts Festival offers, as always, ten action-packed days of workshops, exhibitions, concerts and performances from Wed night July 21st to Sat 30th July.

The brochures listing the Festivals activities are now available throughout the town and are also available at the Booking Office (next door to Marians) which is now open from Monday to Saturday at 10am until 6pm. For all Ticket Booking and



***Boyle Art Festival***

***WORKSHOPS***

Boyle Arts Festival has workshops ranging from 1 day to 5 days, for all ages from 4 years to adults, as well as the ever popular art and drama workshops, this year also offers a Classical Music Workshop.

Do you want to experience the magic of classical ballet through dance and music? Now is your chance! On Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> July you can join Trisha McDermott for a Classical Ballet workshop which takes place in St Josephs Hall - 11am to 11.45am for 4 to 6 year olds and 11.45am to 12.30pm for 7 to 10 year olds. Booking is essential through the Ticket Office Bridge Street, Boyle on 071 966 3085. Imagination GYM® workshop will take place on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> July in the Boyle Library from 11am to 12pm or 12pm to 1pm; this is a creative workshop for 6 yrs to 10 yr olds and will help children access their natural creativity and artistic talent. Please book direct with Boyle Library on 071 9662 6000.

The following Workshops will run over 5 days and take place in Abbey Community College from **Monday 25<sup>th</sup> July to Friday 29<sup>th</sup> July:**

**Drama Workshop** with Catherine Simon, covering all aspects of theatre training, including voice and bodywork, drama games and exercise, improvisation and role play for 4 to 7 yrs & 8 to 12 yrs.

**Musical Workshop** with Abbey Music takes place at 10.30am to 12.30pm for 5 to 7 year olds.

This workshop will provide a wonderful introduction to music and learn about musical concepts through games and activities in a fun and friendly environment.

**Classical Music Workshop** commencing 10.30am to 12.30pm and 1.30pm for 7years to adults, covering theory and practice, individual and group work. Overall, the emphasis will be on FUN and the joy of making music in both solo and group environments.

This workshop will culminate in a FREE Classical Gala Concert in King House on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> July at 5pm.

# WALK & BED PUSH



Local man Paul Condon has organised a 32km sponsored walk & bed push in aid of the Irish Cancer Society. This event will take place on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> July, from Boyle to Carrick on Shannon and back. There will be bucket collections in both towns and on route from Boyle to Carrick on Shannon. People are asked to give generously to this worthy cause. Anyone wishing to make a donation towards this event can contact Paul on 067 9980153 Raffles will also take place on the day .

## FUNDRAISING TABLE QUIZ

Table quiz in aid of the Irish Cancer Society, will take place in Daly's Lounge Bar, Boyle on Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> July at 9pm. Table of 4 people will be €20. Raffle on the night, your support will be gratefully appreciated.

## PONY CAMP & BOYS COUNTRY PURSUITS CAMP

Two summer camps for those who enjoy riding or country pursuits will take place at Lough Gara Stables this summer.

Pony camp includes hacks, lessons, stable management and games.

Country pursuit's camp includes archery, soft ball shooting, obstacle course, falconry, fishing and more.

Both camps are running together from Monday 11<sup>th</sup> to Friday 15th July from 11am-5pm.

The camp includes the added advantage of a bus service from Boyle. Please contact Adrienne 086 8938972 for more information.

## *Boyle Drum Corps*



Unfortunately Boyle Marching Band is not active at present. Local man, Enda who was an active member of Boyle Marching band plans to set up a Drum / percussion Corps in Boyle, in an attempt to keep

some part of the marching band alive. Enda needs interested people (over 14 yrs of age) to play Snare drums, bass drums, tenor drums, cymbals and other percussion instruments. Initially the drum corps will only be offering positions for drummers, with plans to offer places for other musicians in the future

The Drum Corps is still in the start up stage and at present only looking for numbers of how many may be interested in joining.

If you are interested please get in contact with Enda on 086-3710285.

## SVP Online Petition School Book Changes

St Vincent de Paul is running an online petition campaign calling for an end to frequent school book edition changes. Publishers change books frequently which means that parents cannot recycle books and have to buy new ones which causes unnecessary financial hardship. SVP wants the Minister for Education to make book rental schemes compulsory in schools as this is a very effective way to ensure that books can be re-used and that teachers can be confident that pupils can access the book they set. Go to [www.svp.ie/books](http://www.svp.ie/books) to sign the petition.

# Úna Bhán Tourism Markets Tourism Products



## **ABBEY HOUSE BED & BREAKFAST and ABBEY MEWS ABBEYTOWN, BOYLE**

Proprietors Christine & John Mitchell run their long established business in the delightful 19th century Victorian house uniquely set in the grounds of the impressive 12th century Boyle Abbey, with the Boyle River running peacefully alongside the grounds. In addition to the bed & Breakfast accommodation there are three self-catering Mews nestled against the walls of Boyle Abbey, each of them providing accommodation for up to four people (1 double & 2 singles).

[www.abbeyhouse.net](http://www.abbeyhouse.net)

### **Lough Key Resort Extended Opening Hours**

The visitor Centre and its attractions will be open longer for this Summer Season:  
**Monday to Friday 10am to 6pm**  
**Saturday and Sunday 10am to 8pm**

## **Going to 'Zipit' in lough Key?**

**Buy your tickets in Úna Bhán  
Craft Shop, grounds of King  
House before you go and buy  
them for **10% less**. Tickets  
valid until 31st August 2011**

### **A new lower rate of VAT**

comes into effect from 1st July for a range of services connected to the hospitality and tourism sectors. The rate drops from 13.5% to 9% as part of the Jobs Initiative and the Government hopes it will help to stimulate the struggling sectors.

The reduction will stay in place until December 2013, when it comes up for review. The new rate applies to restaurants & catering services, hotel & holiday accommodation, entertainment venues, as well as hairdressing & printed publications, including newspapers and magazines.

A list of everything that is affected by the new VAT rate is available on the Revenue Commissioners website [www.revenue.ie](http://www.revenue.ie)

**Roscommon Community Tourism Network** are delighted to announce that they have been nominated by Roscommon County Council in this years Pride of Place Awards. The goal of Roscommon Community Tourism Network is to increase tourism in County Roscommon. Its aim is to harness the huge potential of local communities and improve the visibility and potential within the county to attract visitors. The adjudication will take place in July and the winners announced in November.

## **Boyle Farmers' Market**

**Every Saturday in the grounds of  
King House, from 10am until 2pm**

**providing a good selection of fresh, locally produced organic Fruit & Veg, Organic Meat & Poultry, Fresh Fish, Cheeses, Organic Free Range Eggs, Breads & Pasteries including Gluten & Wheat-free, Speciality Tea and come and see what else is available...**



# BOYLE BEHIND THE SCENES



## BOYLE TENNIS CLUB

Takes place every Monday at 7.30 (behind Family Life Centre) why not drop in as new members are more than welcome



## BINGO

Every Tuesday in St Joseph's Hall, Boyle, on Tuesday nights. There is a €1,000 euro jackpot up for grabs. Everyone is welcome.

BINGO				
4	19	41	51	●
7	22	44	●	71
10	28	●	56	63
13	●	45	48	75
●	18	31	46	65

## BADMINTON

Players meet Tuesday's and Thursday' throughout the season (Sept to May) in the Abbey Community College Complex each Monday at 9.30pm Thursday at 9pm new members welcome.



## BOYLE CAMERA CLUB

Meet 2nd Tuesday every month  
<http://boylecameraclub123.blogspot.com/>

## BOYLE SINGERS CIRCLE

Meet every third Saturday of the month in Dodd's Bar Boyle.

All singers and listeners welcome especially solo singers with emphasis on traditional song mainly (but not always).



## Boyle Scouts

Boyle Scouts offer 5 different levels for young and older people alike to become involved in scouting in Boyle.

They offer Beavers, the youngest category then Cubs, Scouts, Ventures and finally Rovers is the older category.



## Boyle Boxing Club

Training for adult males takes place all year around on Mon, Wed & Thurs nights from 7:30 pm to 9 pm.

For males ages 8 to 15 years training takes place from Sept till May on a Mon, Wed & Thurs night from 6pm to 7:30 pm.

Training for Adult Females takes place all year around on a Tues & Thurs night from 7:30pm to 9pm.

For females aged 8-15 years training takes place from Sept till May on a Tues & Thurs night from 6pm to 7:30pm.

On Saturdays appointment are by booking only - ring Simon O'Donnell on 086-4041830



## MORE NEWS?

News correspondents at *Úna Bhán* Tourism need interesting items concerning Boyle and its surrounds for inclusion in the local Boyle news columns (we supply Boyle news to 5 local newspapers) & *Úna Bhán* monthly newsletter. Please e-mail [unabhan3@eircom.net](mailto:unabhan3@eircom.net) or telephone 071 9663033.