



# Úna Bhán

Tourism Co-Operative Society

## Newsletter

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### **The Stunning** line-up for Boyle Arts Festival 2010

**Boyle Arts Festival** proudly presents the legendary Irish Rock Band **The Stunning** as one of the headlining events for this year's Festival. They will perform in St. Joseph's Hall, Boyle on Friday 23rd July.

'The Stunning' formed in 1987 and have sold in excess of 100,000 albums in Ireland alone winning numerous industry awards. Their hit song "**Brewing up a Storm**" has become an anthem of sorts and is to be heard everywhere from football stadiums to clubs around the country where it is still a guaranteed floor-filler. Other well known songs such as "**Half Past Two**", "**Romeo's on Fire**" and "**Everything that Rises**" are all very recognizable. The live show will feature all the massive hit tracks and the band line-up includes all the original members. Tickets on sale in May.

The Stunning played last year on the last night of the Volvo Ocean Race's Galway stopover, on the city's docks, in front of about 35,000 people.

Other headlining acts that will appear during Boyle Arts Festival are: Kilfenora Ceile Band, Comedian Ardal O'Hanlon, Anuna, Mick Hanley & Artie McGlynn to name but a few....



### **Boyle Fire and Rescue Services Charity Dualathlon**



The Dualathlon is in aid of cancer care, and consists of a 5k run, 20k cycle and then another 5k run. This event will take place on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> May in Lough Key Forest Park, Boyle, at 12 noon and includes: family fun day, face painting, bouncy castles etc.

For registration please log on to [www.runireland.com](http://www.runireland.com) With the proceeds from this fundraiser going to the Dermatology Department of Sligo General Hospital for the purchase of a Mole Mapping Machine, which helps in early detection of skin cancers. Skin Cancer has risen significantly over the past ten years. These statistics released by the National Cancer Registry of Ireland, show that skin cancer is the 3<sup>rd</sup> most common cancer in Ireland. In the North West region the incidence of malignant melanoma has increased sharply over a ten year period. Skin cancer when detected early, invariably has a very positive outcome. Mole Mapping or Digital Dermoscopy, has its primary focus on the early detection of melanoma. Mole Mapping is a procedure involving the digital imaging and diagnosis of skin lesions. All donations need to be made payable to "Friends of Sligo General Hospital (Dermatology, Mole Mapping).

## Boyle Summer IRISH LANGUAGE Course

With the economic downturn this is a great opportunity for students to participate in a 2 week Irish Language Summer School, without having to leave home for a few weeks.



A new Irish Language course will be held in St Joseph's Hall, Boyle from Monday July 5<sup>th</sup> to Friday July 16<sup>th</sup>. The course will be mainly directed at final year primary students to Junior Cert level students and will concentrate entirely on spoken Irish in formal and informal sessions. With only about 15 students per class it will be a golden opportunity to improve student's standard of Irish and improve their grades considerably. Students will speak only Irish during the course to achieve this. The course will be run by: Michael O'Toole, BA, HDE ( a native Irish speaker and also known to give grinds in the Irish language) with the assistance of Caoilfhinn Dodd and Sarah Callaghan

If interested please call Michael on 086 344 2808 for more information and registration, closing date for enrolment has been extended to Thursday April 15th.

**Please note** that 40% of total Leaving Cert marks will be allocated to oral Irish from 2012 instead of 25% as at present. Application forms available in Úna Bhán Tourism, local schools and Boyle Library.

The cost of the course is €180, deposit of €50 to be given with application. Application forms available in Úna Bhán Tourism, local schools and Boyle Library.

## Culture Night returns to Roscommon

Following the fantastic night of céilís, studio visits, readings and exhibitions around the county on Culture Night last year Roscommon County Council in association with the Department of Arts, Sport and Tourism and Temple Bar Cultural Trust is delighted to announce that Culture Night 2010 will be happening on Friday the 24th September 2010 when County Roscommon will once again celebrate its artistic, creative and cultural capital through a variety of free events open to the public.

The idea behind the creation of Culture Night was to bring cultural institutions together to increase public awareness, access and participation in cultural activities and can include a variety of organisations such as galleries, theatres and historic houses as well as organisations co-ordinating events in churches, museums or in public places. Events have been anything from exhibitions, outdoor films, readings, talks, workshops, performances, tours etc. the possibilities are endless.

Culture Night first took place in 2006 as an initiative led by Temple Bar Cultural Trust in association with the Council of National Cultural Institutions supported by the Department of Arts, Sport and Tourism, with the aim of providing a new and imaginative route for people of all ages to connect with the Dublin's arts and cultural life. Since then the initiative has grown and is becoming ever more popular throughout the country. Roscommon County Council is now **looking to hear from artists, venues and organisations** to suggest how we can make Culture Night 2010 in Roscommon one to remember. Once selected, events become part of a local and national campaign generating a greater awareness of the creative and artistic wealth of the county. If you'd like to organise something, or have a suggestion for something to be organised please contact Philip Delamere at Roscommon County Council Arts Office straight away.

Further information is available from [www.roscommonarts.com](http://www.roscommonarts.com) or email [artsoffice@roscommoncoco.ie](mailto:artsoffice@roscommoncoco.ie), or telephone 090 66 37285.

# Boyle Farmers' Market

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

## FREE EASTER EGG HUNT

During the Boyle Farmers Market on Easter Saturday there will be a Free Easter egg hunt, with eggs hidden throughout the grounds of King House, just waiting to be found! There will also be live traditional music. Watch out for the new Special Offers boards that are posted on the entrances to the weekly Boyle Farmers Market.

### News Stall Holders:

*Nigel Parsons - Gluten & Wheat Free Bakery*  
*Fred's Fresh Fish & Shellfish Stall*

The weekly market offers you the opportunity to talk first hand with the local growers and producers that provide buy fresh, locally grown produce, including vegetables that are in season, organic meat & poultry, home bakes, fruit juices, jams, sauces, gluten & wheat free breads and fresh fish, to name just a few. Fruit & Vegetables are part of a balanced diet that helps us stay healthy. Minimal food miles for these products mean you are reducing your carbon footprint, as well as eating healthily by choosing local food in season. The market is held in the grounds of King House in Military Road, Boyle, every Saturday from 10am until 2pm, with stallholders from around the region braving the winter weather to bring you the finest local produce and handmade crafts. There is also usually a selection of fresh food to eat alfresco while you walk around the market, please come and support your local Farmers' Market. Look at [www.unabhan.net](http://www.unabhan.net) for more details or call 071 9663033 or look at our new face-book page [facebookboyle@gmail.com](mailto:facebookboyle@gmail.com)

**Boyle Farmers' Market is getting ready to celebrate its fifth birthday. The first ever market in the grounds of King House took place on Saturday, April 30th 2005 and preparations to mark this anniversary are underway for May Bank Holiday weekend, Saturday May 1st. Some of the producers who came to that first market are still stallholders, including Maureen Kelleher McNally (baked goods and Irish fruit juices), Brid Tiernan (organic free range eggs) and Louise Cole (jam, marmalade, seasonal vegetables and salads).**

### Ardcarne Plantsplus Garden Centre "Growing your own"

Saturday April 10th at 11am to 12.30pm  
- A-Z of "Growing your own Herbs", 1 morning cost €20

Saturdays April 24th to May 8<sup>th</sup> at 11am to 12.30pm - "A-Z of Growing your own Fruit" 3 weeks cost €50.

Courses include practical demonstrations by our expert team. Booking is essential and fee must be paid when booking.

Limited places, further details email [ardcarne@ardcarneplantsplus.ie](mailto:ardcarne@ardcarneplantsplus.ie)



### Dates for your Diary

**Sun 16th May – Confirmation** will take place in St. Joseph's Church, Boyle on Sun 16th May.

**Sat 22nd May - First Holy Communion** will take place in St. Joseph's Church, Boyle on Sat 22nd May.

*Silke O'Connor who attends the Boyle Farmers Market, can make personalised hand made candles for both of these events, call into the weekly Farmers Market to discuss your ideas with her on Saturdays from 10am to 2pm, in the grounds of King House, Boyle.*

# LOCAL NEWS

## WEEKLY BINGO

Bingo continues in St Joseph's Hall, Boyle, on Tuesday night. There is a 1,000 euro jackpot up for grabs. Everyone is welcome. Start time is 8.30pm sharp.

### CHILDREN'S MASS

The monthly childrens Mass will be held on 25<sup>th</sup> April (4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of each month) at 11.30am mass in St Joseph's Church, Boyle. Practice will take place on Sat 24<sup>th</sup> April from 5-6pm in St Josephs Church. All welcome

**JUMBLE SALE** A Jumble Sale will take place in the Church of Ireland's Parochial Hall (in the School) in Military Road, Boyle, on Tuesday, April 6<sup>th</sup> it starts at 8pm and everyone is welcome.

### Congratulations!

#### NATIONAL GEOGRAPHICAL TRAVEL MAGAZINE

Ballaghboy Lodge Farm close to Boyle has made it into the National Geographical Travel Magazine April 2010 Stay List for the Best Places to Stay in England, Ireland, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland. Karen & Eddie Litton have known for some time that they had been nominated and then short-listed and finally found that they had made it to this most prestigious listing.

### The Bogtrotters Marathon 24th July

A new challenge on your doorstep.... or a reason to get fit, fight the cholesterol, lose weight – The Bogtrotters Marathon, Strokestown Co. Roscommon, is a full, half and relay marathon open to runners/walkers of all abilities. Check out [www.thebogtrottersmarathon.ie](http://www.thebogtrottersmarathon.ie) to register, or [www.facebook.com/TheBogtrottersMarathon](http://www.facebook.com/TheBogtrottersMarathon) - become a FAN!

## GETTING MARRIED?

A new range of personalised wedding stationery has been designed by Eva in the Una Bhan Craft Shop in the grounds of King House. If you are planning your big day and would like to check out the different options for invitations, thank you cards, place names, order of service booklets, menus etc, then call in to the Craft Shop to see the samples available. Each item is hand crafted here in Boyle and can be designed to link in with colour schemes or particular themes for the special day.



## OUTDOOR ADVENTURE DAY.

Roscommon Macra is hosting an Outdoor Adventure Day involving Tag Rugby, Survivor Trails and a Team Expedition at Lough Key Forest Park, Boyle on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> April followed by an evening tour of Carrick on Shannon. Clubs who wish to enter teams or anyone wanting to go along should contact Sean on 086 8571654 or Francis 086 4071160 County website is [www.bebo.com/Roscommonmacra](http://www.bebo.com/Roscommonmacra) and the national website is [www.macra.ie](http://www.macra.ie)

## THE SECRET OF KELLS

The Oscar nominated 'The Secret of Kell's' is the debut feature film from the team at Cartoon Saloon, including local Boyle man Paul Young. The film is now available on DVD in Úna Bhán Tourism Craft Shop, Boyle; The film follows 12-year-old Brendan (Evan McGuire), a mischievous monk who lives with his uncle, Abbot Cellach (Brendan Gleeson). Brendan's life is changed forever with the arrival of Brother Aiden (Mick Lally), a celebrated master illuminator who awakens Brendan's hidden talent for illumination. With the terrifying Viking hordes closing in, the future of the precious Book of Kells is in jeopardy and it falls to Brendan to save the day.

*Pop in and see our Range of Fishing Tackle in the Una Bhán Craft Shop, call in any-time and ask for Roy, including new fly stocks, rods & reels*



## MORE NEWS?

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