

COB OVEN BUILDING COURSE

We have set a date with Liam Carrol for the next Cob Oven building course for **Saturday August 28th** from 10:30 to 4:30pm. This course will explain the basics of working with cob- straw and clay- to make an oven on a frame with fire bricks as the base. The existing pizza oven on site will be lit up and instruction given in lighting and cooking in a cob oven, with a lesson in yeast dough making also. This course is extremely hands on!!!! So be prepared to get very messy, a little pongy, and well fed!! Wear cloths you don't mind getting dirty or stained - some reddish clays can stain. Kids over 10 welcome accompanied, over 14 unaccompanied. 75 euro for the day, 55 concession to those in receipt of social welfare, unemployed, students, and OAP's. 20 euro deposit secures a place, by check or postal order to Kinvara Sustainable Living, Knockakilleen, Doorus, Kinvara, Co. Galway. Contact Lynn O'Keeffe Lascar or Anna Jeffrey Gibson for more information. www.kinvarasustainableliving.com

FARMING IN THE BURREN THROUGH THE AGES

Frank O'Grady and Michael Killeenand are both farmers in the Burren. They are part of the Farm Heritage Tours Co-op that open up their farmland up to visitors. This tours coop has just been launched and is a fantastic way to see some of the Burren land that is off the 'beaten track'. This is a great chance to hear *the local story* as interpreted by both farmers – on archaeology, geology, folklore, history, biodiversity and farming traditions. Supporting the local farmers is supporting the farming traditions of the Burren which are essential to the survival of this fragile landscape. Walk on **4 th July** Ballincasheen Cross between Kilnaboy and Lemaneah Castle (OS51 251 925) This walk is open to everyone. It is free for Burrenbeo Trust Members and a €10 charge for non-members. For more information please email trust@burrenbeo.com or phone 091 638096

NEW COURIER SERVICE

Galway -> Dublin-> Galway Parcels, Pallets, Removals Friendly, Prompt and Reliable Service. Contact: Tom Deveney - 0876921240 or email deveneytom@gmail.com for further information.

Articles for next newsletter in September email kinvaranews@gmail.com or drop into Pam 3 convent Rd.

KINVARA NEWSLETTER

June 2010

SEWAGE TREATMENT WORKS

Kinvara Com. Council met with Jim Cullen of Galway Co. Council last Thursday and were told the design review of Kinvara Sewage Works is going to post Friday, 2nd July to the Dept. of Environment for approval. It is hoped the approval will go ahead and result in the subsequent preparation of contract for tender of the works. All going well the reasonable expectation is that works will commence in 2011. An application for a foreshore licence has been applied for. Fingers crossed!

KINVARA TOWN TWINNING TRIP

On Thursday evening the 13th May 2010 a group of 36 members of our community travelled by bus and plane to our twin Breton town Locoal Mendon and it was a great success! To everyone who travelled a big thank you. You took time off work and family to help cement our friendship and further our cultural ties in music, language, dance, and craic. Thanks to those who organised and supported the various fundraisers we held beforehand especially those who couldn't travel this time. Thank you to all the musicians and dancers who performed with style and joie de vivre. It's great to see people taking on leadership roles and doing it so well. Cath choreographed the concert pieces and kept the performing group on a steady course, Matti was an excellent M.C. for both performances as well as general interpreter for official purposes. Annette was the Dance Master who led by example and took on raw recruits against the odds, Stan acted as the original lynch-pin that we looked to for advice. Thanks to Kathleen and Maria who acted as the Twinning Committee. Our ideas for the future include the possibility of organising a relationship between our Second level schools leading to exchange trips and a badminton team challenge between our Communities. Lastly we were saddened to hear of the passing of Sean Mc Mahon while we were in Brittany, Sean was a member of the first Twinning group to travel from Kinvara to Locoal Mendon over 20 years ago. Our thoughts were with the Mc Mahon family.

KINVARA FARMERS' MARKET

Congrats to Kinvara Farmers' Market, now in its second year, for recently winning an award from Bord Bia for "good practice for farmers' markets". The market continues to grow in stalls and reputation for being an enjoyable shopping and

social event with plenty of good food, handmade products and music! Johnston's Garden every Friday 10 - 2 p.m.

KINVARA YOUTH CLUB SEEKING LEADERS

The Kinvara Youth Club will be going into its fourth year this September and is growing and thriving. We are looking for leaders, most especially men, who would be interested in helping out. The meetings are held on Fridays from 8 to 9.30 p.m. at the Community Centre and are interesting and eventful! If you are interested or know someone who might be, please contact Kathleen Gaughan on 087 6724350, or Anna Murphy on 087 6283184

ANTHROPOLOGIST DONATES 1950'S ORIGINAL WORK TO KINVARA

In April 2010, Robert Cresswell (88), the anthropologist who completed a major study in Kinvara, Co Galway in the mid-1950s, donated his archive of black and white photographs, slides, film, documents and notes etc. to Kinvara and the nation. A slide show of these images was held in Johnstons in May. The hall was packed and due to popular demand we will have another show in the autumn. A selection of Cresswell's images will be available also (thanks to Declan Connolly) on the kinvara website -- kinvara.com The process of identifying individuals and places in Cresswell's 450 approx. photographs and 80+ colour slides has now begun and is enjoying a measure of success. More work needs to be done and this project will be ongoing for some time. If you think you can be of help please contact the community council.

CALENDAR OF CRESSWELL'S 1956 IMAGES NOW ON SALE

A 2011 calendar of Cresswell's images of Kinvara, produced by Kinvara Community Council, is now available for sale. The income will help us defray the expenses we have incurred to date and the ongoing costs in bringing this project to fruition.

GORT FILM CLUB

SEX AND LUCIA - *Written and Directed by Julio Medem* is this summers cinema club's short film complete with a glass of sangria! **1st July, doors open at 8.30 film starts at 9 p.m.** in the Gort VEC building (18 and over)

BEAVER SCOUTS

Beaver Scouts is the junior section of Scouting Ireland and is for boys and girls aged 6 to 8 years of age. Beavers usually meet weekly and the program centres on games, arts and crafts and other activities designed to stimulate the imagination and encourage members to have lots of

fun whilst making lots of new friends. Parents of children that may be interested in joining Beavers in September please contact Cairiona Lawless on 086-2340632

KINVARA COMMUNITY CHILDREN'S CENTRE SUMMER CAMP

Kinvara Community Children's Centre Summer Camp commences on the **28th June - 27th August 2010** inclusive. It welcomes school going children from 4 - 12 years of age. Summer Camp hours 9am - 3pm at 20 Euro per day or 90 Euro per week. Full Day Care Hours 7:30am - 6:30pm - 30 Euro per day / 140 Euro per week. Snacks and hot meals included. For more information please call Edelle on 091 638552 or email kinvaracc@gmail.com Thank you for your continued support.

WILD GOAT FIDDLES

Wild Goat Fiddles is the new name for Kate Thompson's home-based stringed instruments business. Kate got fascinated by violins when she began playing trad music about ten years ago, and soon after that she began to collect fiddles. Kuros Torkzadeh, the violin-maker who is now based in Ballindereen, took her on as an apprentice and taught her how to do a good set-up, and she began to buy and sell a few student violins. Eight years on, she has expanded the business and has a great range of violins, violas and cellos, for professional musicians as well as students. She has a large stock of full-sized fiddles and an unusually wide range of small-sized instruments, both new and vintage, for talented young players. You can check out her violins at www.wildgoatfiddles.com, or phone for an appointment to see them on 091 637501 or 087 7790853

YOUTH PROJECT - KINVARA COURTHOUSE

A group of young people are commencing a project on the History of Kinvara Courthouse. It is hoped to display the results in the form of a short film and later a pamphlet in the Courthouse during Heritage Week 2010 from the **22nd August to the 29th August** from 6 to 8pm each of those evenings. If you have any information, old stories or photos or any knowledge of local people who would be interested in helping us we would greatly appreciate that. Please call into the Courthouse any Friday at about 8pm and ask to speak to the Courthouse History Project group.