

CARS Newsletter

Cappataggle Community Association for Recreation and Sport

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Phase One of Major Development Complete

PHASE 1.

As a result of the fantastic Community and individual effort to date, Phase 1 of the C.A.R.S development is now nearing completion.

We have set June 27th as the completion date.

Fr. Stankard will take up residence in the new parochial house on Friday, July 3rd 2009.

It is fitting that Fr. Stankard

should be the first beneficiary of the Community effort as it was his vision and initiative in transferring the parish lands to the Community that will facilitate and drive the sports and recreation facilities yet to be developed.

We should be proud that these facilities will outlast us all. They will become a monument to Fr. Stankard and this Community and a tangible testament to the united efforts of all who contributed in their own individual way to the success of the project.

Fundraising Update

As the first step in our fundraising efforts, it was agreed to visit every house in the general Parish area including some homes on the periphery. Our intention was two-fold: firstly to inform everybody of the plan and invite them to participate, and secondly to seek your assistance in financing the programme over the next few years.

Volunteers from each station area visited their neighbours, delivering the information booklet and

seeking their financial support.

Those volunteers do so now again and ask you to follow on if possible, with your financial commitment as agreed at that time.

We encourage everybody to share in this project, so if you neglected to contribute to date we will be happy to accept any donation in money or labour no matter how generous.

“One generation
plants the trees;
Another gets the
shade.”

Chinese proverb

PAYMENTS NOW DUE.

26 households due to pay €75.00 since April 2009.

23 households will be due payment of €250.00 October 2009.

16 households due to pay €125.00 since April 2009.

30 households have paid €750 in full.

There are 19 monthly Direct Debits set up to date.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Total in Bank on 12/11/08	=	€59,269.65
Bank Balance on 18/05/09	=	- € 4,866.15
Expenditure to date	=	€69,833.61

* Expenditure to date includes payments incurred in the Phase 2 development

DONATIONS.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who choose to make donations anonymously. To date this figure is in excess of €10,000 and is hugely appreciated.

To those relatives and exiles living outside the area who wish to get involved, we also welcome your contributions and assure you that it will be used entirely in the Development for the benefit of all the members of this Community.

We previously acknowledge the tremendous efforts of a large number of volunteers in Issues I and 2 of this Newsletter, including the Pastoral Council, CARS Committee members, house to house callers involved in the fundraising, the Ladies who provided breakfasts, general labourers, overseers and organizers, voluntary suppliers of plant and equipment and those who donated materials.

This is an entirely voluntary effort and none of the members of the executive or the many members of the committee involved in this Development are receiving any payment or claiming any expenses for their work.

WE WISH TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE TREMENDOUS WORK OF THE FOLLOWING;

Roofers and helpers: Jack Murray, Niall Lawless, Michael McGloughlin, Shane Lawless, Michael Conlon, Fergal Colohan, Martin Lawless, Sean Stankard, Martin Broderick, Martin Kelly, Michael Byrnes, PJ Lawless, Padraic Dillon, Mick Lawless, Seamus Finn.

Electricians: Bernard McDermott, Gerry Donoghue, Ollie Kennedy, Patrick Lawless, Francis Donoghue, Christopher McDermott,

Plumbers: Seamus Garvey, Tony Nevin, Mark Lawless, James Garvey.

Slabbing Ceilings: Martin Lawless, Tony Ward, Micheal Lawless, Michael Lohan, Padraic Dillon

Facia and Soffit: Pat Jennings, Paul Jennings, Tara Jennings.

Tilers: Pat Bowes, Padraic Comer, Pat McHugh, Padraig McHugh.

Groundworks; Gerry Campbell, Martin Lenihan, Patrick Pender, Sean Lenihan.

Garage Roofers: Niall, Michael, Pj. Martin, Micheal, John, Cyril, Shane, Niall Lawless.

Kitchen and bedroom units: Tony Treacy

Carpentry Second Fixing: Niall Lawless, John Kirwin, Padraic Clancy.

Painters: Martin Kelly, Joe and Mary Glynn, Padraic and Bridie Pender, Mary Daly, Helen Byrnes, Micheal Finn. Edel Madden.

JCB Drivers: Padraig Egan, John Dooley, Michael Lohan

Valuable Saturday labour - in addition to the above names - was contributed by the following – Sean Stankard, Jack Murray, Padraig Pender, Michael Lohan, Vincie Murray, Michael, Cyril, Mark, Patrick, Martin, PJ and Niall Lawless, Seamus Finn, Damien Joyce, Sean Dolan, Joe Glynn, Ged Mannion, Martin Loughnane, Seamus Garvey, Michael Garvey, Ged Cronin, Micheal Finn, PC Loughnane, Tomas Finn, Michael Byrnes, Brian Byrnes, Jonathan Shaughnessy, Thomas and Michael Broderick, Seamus Golderick, Philip and Duirmaid O'Malley, James Skehill, Stephen Creaven, David Byrnes, Paul Larkin, John F Monaghan, Tony Ward, Joe Egan, Florence Warde.

Special thanks is due to the magnificent breakfasts organised by Bridie Pender, Mary Daly, Helen Byrnes, Patricia Egan, Edel Madden, Mary Donoghue, Eithne Larkin, Mary Garvey, Margaret Glynn, Maureen McAvinia, Mary Shaughnessy, Claire Pender, Una Dolan, Agnes Warde, Hannah Campbell, Claire Loughnane and Angela McHugh, Geraldine Cogavin, Patricia, Skehill, Mary Kelly, Marie Stankard, Anne Jennings, Chris Lawless, Majella Garvey, Caroline Delaney.

PHASE 2

The Phase 2 development has now commenced with the construction of the 42m x 80m Astro-turf pitch. Also included in this phase is the development of a Hurling wall, Ball alley, Floodlighting, Car-park and associated groundworks.

TOTAL ESTIMATED COST - €400,000. (approx)

This project will be completed by the end of the July 2009.

The pitch will be available for hire on an hourly basis from C.A.R.S. by any club, community group or individuals (Birthday parties!). It will be a tremendous benefit for all these groups and the local primary school. It is projected that in time it will be self-financing.

GED MANNION.

It was with huge sadness and regret that our good friend and neighbour, Ged Mannion passed away on Feb 11th.

As usual it was Ged who was one of the first to offer his help when this project was getting started.

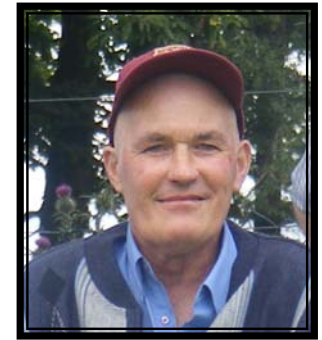
Despite his illness he was there when the foundations were poured - leveling, advising, lending his equipment and causing devilment and laughter.

How fitting that he should be so central to the building of such solid foundations for this Community Development programme as he was a central part of this Community. And while his loss is incalculable his memory is un-extinguishable.



TONY BRODERICK.

If ever there was a man in the parish who would now be in the middle of this community development it was Tony. His popularity could always be measured by the number of tickets he sold for any fundraising event held in the parish. He maintained the community pitch in Cappy as if it was his own and made friends with players young and old - local or native - who played on it. To his family and friends we offer our heartfelt condolences.



SARAH MALONE

The inexplicable passing of Sarah Malone has numbed the parish. That the vivacious, petite lady that she was, could hold still and control forty Cappy players and mentor for photographs, with her beautiful smile and gentle cajoling, worked only because we all loved her. All great photographers can make a child smile just at the right time and Sarah had that magic. With hundreds of photos Sarah captured the joy and elation of the unique odyssey that Cappy GAA Club lived through last year and it is a record that now is a testimony to her creativity and professionalism. We mourn her with her distraught family and friends.



MICHAEL SKEHILL

As we go to print we learned of the shocking, untimely passing of Michael Skehill, the husband to our joint treasurer Patricia and father of James who gave willingly of their time to this development. His passing is a tragedy for his family and a further hammer-blow to this community who have suffered much bereavement in the last year.

We offer our heartfelt condolences and support to the many other families in the Community who have also suffered recent loss.



The fruits of their labours and friendship will live on. May they rest in Peace.