



Clonegal Kildavin Community Newsletter

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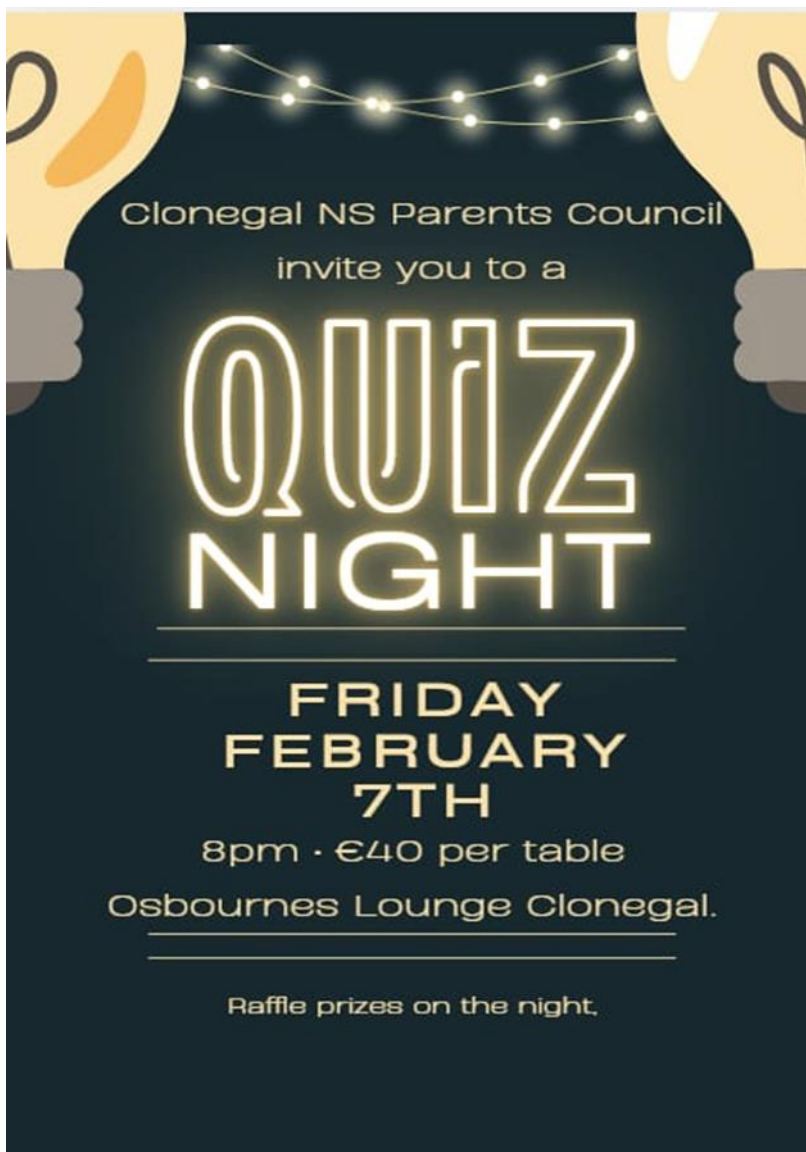
Since our last edition The Veteran Players committee has grown but we would still like anyone interested in joining to get in touch. You know what we do. All the officer positions are filled we are not giving out jobs so come along for the fun and camaraderie

Artificial Intelligence A.I. is the topic sweeping the world. Have you replaced your google searches with ChatGPT or maybe Deepseek. Do you Want to understand this new world and see what tools are out there to help you with your tasks. Well watch this space. The Veteran Players will be hosting a talk on the subject, date to be confirmed.

Podcast: ChatterboxY21 the Veteran Players monthly Podcast has just gone out. This month it featured Dannah O Brien the Irish international women's rugby player who hails from Kilbride. The wide-ranging interview gives a great insight into Irish women's rugby and the world of elite sports. You can listen wherever you get your Podcasts or the Clonegal Kildavin Community Facebook Page or the Clonegal Kildavin Veteran Players Facebook page.

Clonegal Bicentenary Church Renovations Committee would like to thank all those who attended Dr. Kevin Whelan's talk on the history of St Brigid's Church and for their generous contributions

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****Sing & Shine****

Singing classes for children ages 6 to 12.

Variety of classes available throughout the week.

(1 to 1 or 2 Friends/Siblings together or Group class)

****1st Class Free****

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It is still possible to purchase this publication. It is on sale for €10. It is a reproduction of the first four editions of the Clonegal Parish Magazine, "The Call" published in 1969 and 1970. *If you wish to purchase the book you can ring or text 0878380018, with your name and eircode and we can deliver free of charge within 15km approximately of Clonegal/Kildavin. A postage charge of €10 will apply if you want it sent further away. You can purchase a copy at Plunketts Clonegal, McAsseys Ballon and Steamers O Leary Bunclody. Remember there are a limited number left.*

Pickleball and Exercise Classes continue every Wednesday and Thursday night respectively at 8pm in the Spellman Hall Kildavin

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Lotto ^{19th} January

2025

Winning Numbers 08-10 -14 -17

No Winner Next Jackpot €10000 2 Match 3 Winners receive €75 each

Sellers Prize: Damian Treacy

Next Draw 2/02/25 @9.30pm

**Full Results: [kildavinclonegal/benmulhallotto](https://www.facebook.com/kildavinclonegal/benmulhallotto) Facebook page
€2 per entry or 3 for €5**

Interesting Facts: Community Welfare officers who work for the Department of Social Protection are available to assist people who have suffered from Storm Eowyn. The Humanitarian Assistance Scheme can provide support for replacement of goods and more extensive longer-term support under the following different stages. Stage 2 involves the replacement of white goods, basic furniture items and other essential household items. Stage 3 is to identify what longer term financial support is required, including plastering, dry lining, relaying of floors, electrical re-wiring and painting. Income limits for stage 2 and 3 of these supports are: €50,000 for a single person; €90,000 for a couple and €15,000 per dependent child. Reduced or tapered level of support may be provided in cases where a household 's income is above these limits. The level of payment depends on how severe the damage is and a person's ability to meet these costs

St, Brigid. As we celebrate St. Brigid's day let us remember that little is known of the Irish saint that can be confirmed, it is widely accepted that some of the stories about her life overlap with the Celtic Pagan Goddess Brigid. Brigid (or Brigit) from pre-Christain early medieval Ireland. She is an established member of Irish mythology as part of the ancient mythical race of fairies, the Tuatha Dé Danann. Often called a "mother goddess," her feast day is also February 1st, or the ancient pagan festival of Imbolc – the celebration of the end of winter and the coming of spring. With similar attributes to the saint, Celtic Brigid is associated with wisdom, poetry, healing, protection, smithing and domesticated animals. It is easy to see the overlap.

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