



Clare Youth Service

Club/Project Newsletter

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Clare Youth Service Volunteer Awards 2009

Congratulations and Thank You to all our Volunteers who run Youth Clubs and Projects, Youth Spaces and Café, Summer Camps and Festivals, Band nights and exchanges, the CYS Board and Focus groups, fundraisers and much more for a fantastic year. At the Fancy Dress BBQ on May 9th the following volunteers were recognised for their contributions to CYS and the young people of Clare: Sean Roche, Kilnaboy YC; Kelly Slattery Quin YC; Noelle Tierney, Ennis YC; Peter Keane, Kilnaboy YC; Caolan O'Neill Forde; CYS Music Group; Aisling Nestor Moy YC; John Kelly Kilnaboy YC; Val Egan Corofin YC; Bryan McMahon, Skyview YC/Kick Back Café; Conor Twomey Drumgeely YC; Carmel Tierney Kilnaboy YC; Jennifer Ryan, Cloughleigh YC.

Remember Volunteering's fun!!

Local Elections The Local and European elections will take place on Friday 5th June. If you are over 18 make sure you check that you are on the Register of Electors www.clarecoco.ie. Make your voice heard by raising your issues with the candidates as they are canvassing your doorsteps in the next couple of weeks and don't forget to cast your vote.

The Dial to Stop Drug Dealing Phonenumber is a safe confidential and completely anonymous hotline that has proved effective in Dublin, Kildare, Cork and Kerry. Since Sept 2008 the line, which allows people to pass on information relating to drug dealing in their area has received over 1,900 calls. Callers to the hotline will never be asked for their name, address or any other information which might identify them. The person answering their call will not know them and will not recognise their voice. Information gathered is passed directly on to Gardaí to help with ongoing inquiries. There is little doubt that Drugs are an issue in all areas in Clare – while there is no simple solution, no easy answer there is a need for all of us to come together to support initiatives which have been proven to make a real difference. Please display a poster in your community hall/local shop and if you would like additional copies they are available from the Clare Youth Service. Simply contact your club Development worker. Experience demonstrates that the campaign is most effective in the first five weeks so display your poster today – be a part tackling the availability of illegal drugs in our communities. For posters – contact Glen on 086 0484938 or 1800 220 220 or www.dialtostop.ie



A packed church for the recent Kilnaboy Youth Club Mass

Area Finals: 5 youth clubs from Co Clare took part in the Area finals on Saturday 25th of April. The event which took place in UL was a great success for everyone who took part and a big thank you to the 5 clubs from Killeonra, Kilnaboy, Kilrush, Ennis and Cooraclare. The clubs entered the day with great enthusiasm and should be commended for their sportsmanship and participation on the day. The day seen the clubs take part in basketball, soccer, table tennis, chess, quiz and hip hop. Congratulations to those teams which progressed to the National finals which will be held on the 3rd and 4th of July, which again will be held in UL. Best of luck in your preparations for the upcoming event.



Minister Barry Andrews receives a presentation from Ennis Youth Club volunteers to mark his visit to Clare Youth Service.

The X-Games took place on Sunday 11th April in CYS. 16 young people from two youth clubs came together to take part in the fun day, which focused on the element of fun and participation rather than the element of participating to win. The day was a pilot event based around playing random and insignificant games for fun and from the reaction of the young people, this event will be developed further and take place again next year. Thank you to those who attended the event and made it a success and we look forward to your involvement next year.

• Dates for your Diary •

- 20th May:** Induction Training 1 -Lisdoonvarna
- 3rd - 12th June:** Exam Café Youth Space Ennis
- 11th -12th June:** Leargas Contact Making Seminar - Dublin
- 3rd & 4th July:** YWI National Finals - Limerick
- Sun14th June:** Clare Vintage Rally

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Having completed ten weeks of the CYS Personal Development Group Work programme, 30 young people and their tutors came together in CYS to present their experiences to friends and family. Topics covered during the course included friendship. Trust, communication, relationships, family and lifeskills while being active and fun at the same time.

Clare Vintage Rally

Clare Classic & Vintage Club Vintage Show June 14th 12 noon at Ennis Showgrounds. Large display of classic, vintage vehicles, Scythe cutting, Hay cutting & saving, Dog Show, Horse drawn machinery, tractor balancing, Mini-digger challenge, various stalls, and many more fun attractions for all the family. Admission €5 Children U5 free. All proceeds to be donated to Clare Youth Service and the Special Olympics.

Youth In Action

The Youth in Action programme provides funding through Action 1.1 for democracy projects that encourage participation of young people in the life of their local, regional or national community or at international level.

Youth Democracy Projects can last between 3 and 18 months and involve young people aged between 13 and 30, working with organisations working in the field of participation and/or democratic life. A maximum of €50,000 representing 75% of eligible projects costs is available per project. Leargas Youth Work Service is hosting a **National Contact Making Seminar** from **lunchtime Thursday 11th June until 4pm Friday 12th June** to support you in developing ideas for co-operation, projects and partnerships on a national level. For further information visit www.leargas.ie and contact Brian at CYS on 086 6090051

Summer Volunteering:

Anyone with some free time during the summer that would be interested in some once off volunteering please contact a member of the club development team for information on the summer programme around the county.

Photography Competition

Post your photos in time for entering the CYS Photography Competition on 31st May. Post & email entries
bmcmanus@clareyouthservice.org or Clare Youth Service, Carmody Street, Ennis



