



Zipit Forest Adventures, a company that runs forest aerial trail adventures has been granted a licence by Coillte to develop these in a number of forests around Ireland. The company have now submitted planning permission to set up one of these courses in Farran Forest Park. They are seeking permission for the construction of a High Wire Adventure Activity Course located in trees with the provision of Wooden Platforms which are suspended on trees and are connected by different elements, together with a new Reception Cabin and decking area, along with all associated ancillary site works
www.zipit.ie

Breast Cancer Walk



The Annual Action Breast Cancer walk takes place on Saturday October 11th at 2.30pm. Sponsorship cards and further details are available from Murphy's Centra Coachford

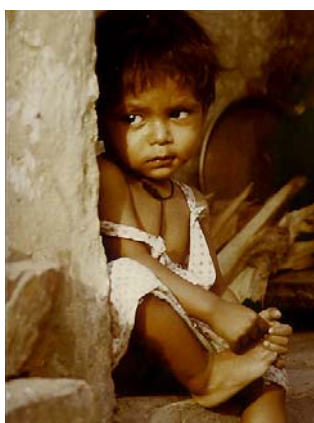
Tidy Towns

Congratulations to the Coachford Tidy Towns committee who achieved their highest number of points in the national competition. 2014 was the groups third year of entering the completion and were awarded 201 points from a total of 450. The judges had huge praise for the hard work that the committee have carried out over the last 12 months and praised a lot of the business's for their efforts "Well presented premises included Casey's Funeral home, Physical Therapy Clinic, Centra, Breathnach's bar and Cooney's service station. Well done to businesses going the extra step with flower displays such as Kathleen's Grocers, the Gala shop and Style's Hair Salon. The fresh blue colours and flower displays were admired at the Village Inn. We liked the quirky 'Mags Take Away'. Residences along the street were freshly painted and colourful. Some were enhanced with window boxes or tubs. We admired the cottage beside the church with its colourful garden". Commenting on the results, Coachford Tidy Towns Chairperson, Martha McCaffery said " We are delighted that once more we have increased our score. We have been working very hard this year and have carried out a huge amount of work in the area. This judging was conducted before the World Fishing championships and unfortunately came too early to witness the wonderful work that was carried out by so many in the village at that time. We still have many issues to tackle if we are to come anyway close in achieving our goal of being in the top half of the villages in County Cork. We have a lot of eyesores and the recycling centre near the GAA grounds is losing us a lot of marks as are the derelict sites in the village. But there are also positives. The new Coachford Greenway is a great addition to the area and it and the church and its grounds came in for some well deserved praise from the judges. The committee have already begun to address some of the issues raised by the Tidy Towns judgment and will continue with our overall plan over the next few years."

TIDY TOWNS

Tidy Towns across the country are about local people coming together to improve their own areas. The effort of hundreds of Tidy Towns committees and tens of thousands of volunteers not only improves the environment in which we live but also helps to cement community relations and build pride in our communities. Tidy Towns is no longer just about litter but is now a community movement concerned about sustainability, waste, environmental protection, local heritage and the future planning of your community. So if you have one hour a week to spare and you have ideas on how your village and area could be improved then come along to the AGM of the Coachford Tidy Towns on Monday September 22nd at 8.30pm in the Community House Coachford. (don't worry you won't be asked to take on a job). All are welcome and we look forward to meeting you .

Cake Sale and Coffee Morning



A coffee morning and cake sale will take place on Sunday 21st of September from 10:30 to 12 in Coachford GAA Hall in aid of the STREET CHILDREN OF CALCUTTA. All baking and donations would be greatly appreciated. Baking can be dropped into the hall anytime from 9.30am. All proceeds will be going directly to the children and their families helping them in areas of education, healthcare, accommodation, nutrition, training and counselling. Please support this cause.





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Aghabullogue Parish Mission September 20th—26th

The Aghabullogue Parish Mission takes place from September 20th to 26th and will be given by the Redemptorist Mission Team of Fr. Derek Meskell, Fr. Brian Nolan and Ms. Niamh O'Neill. The Mission begins on Saturday with a special blessing for babies and Children after the 6.00pm vigil mass. This blessing is repeated after 10.00am mass on Sunday. Also on Sunday at 7.00pm a service will take place to remember the dead. Mass takes place in Coachford Church every weekday morning at 7.00am. On Monday evening 'The Joy of Healing' takes place at 7.00pm. On Tuesday the mass for pupils and staff of Coachford National School takes place at 10.00am and the 'Joy of Reconciliation and Forgiveness' takes place at 7.00pm. On Wednesday evening 7.00pm mass will be celebrating the 'Joy of Youth' and Thursday 'The Joy of Family Life' will be celebrated also at 7.00pm which will be followed by a social gathering in Coachford GAA Hall from 8.00pm. Friday September 26th sees a Walk from Darkness to light taking place at 6.00am. Similar celebrations and masses take place in Rylane and Aghabullogue churches throughout the week.

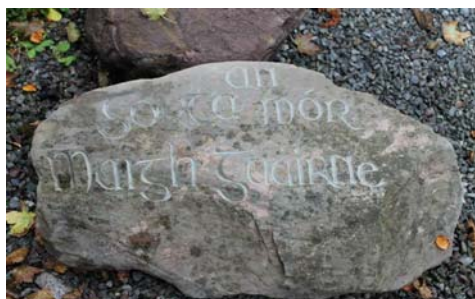


Ploughing Championships & Tractor Building

The Broomhill Tractor Builders will be competing in the All Ireland Tractor Building finals at the National Ploughing Championships nest Wednesday. The boys have been busily training all week and are hoping to retain the title that they won last year. If



you are attending the ploughing on Wednesday make sure to support them. Also at the Ploughing Championships this week are O'Donovan Engineering. The local firm have their biggest ever display at the championships and they would be delighted to see locals visiting their very impressive stand during the week.



Famine Commemoration a huge Success

The recent famine commemoration organised by the ACR Heritage committee in association with Coachford Players was very well received by all those in attendance. The evening began with the unveiling of the Magourney Famine memorial at the old Graveyard by local historian Anthony Greene. This was followed by a performance of the famine based play, 'The Black Man' by Coachford Players in Coachford national School. The play starring Anne Kiely, Joe Scanlon, Emily O'Connell, John McCaffery, Tomas Healy and Hannah McCaffery was a superb piece of drama and very thought provoking. It was excellently directed by Eugene O'Sullivan and written by An-

The Magourney Famine Memorial created by Coachford Sculptor, Michael Quane,

thony Greene.

The evening concluded with a very informative talk and slideshow presentation on 'Magourney and the Great Famine' by Doug Lucey. This presentation brought the tragic events of the 1840s to life and showed on the Great Famine impacted on the people and landscape of Coachford and the surrounding area.

Hannah McCaffery as Mairin and Emily O'Connell as Moll in the Coachford Players 2014 production of 'The Black Man'





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Coachford Foróige

Registration Night

Wednesday September 24th in the
GAA Community Hall, Coachford
from 7.30pm to 8.30pm

**Parents must attend to register
their children**

Registration must be paid in full on
September 24th. For further information
any queries please ring 087 901 1083

limited

Coachford Foróige is
open to all students in
Post Primary schools
(under 18yrs)

Coachford Foróige Club

Coachford Foróige registration night takes place on Wednesday September 24th in the GAA community hall, Coachford from 7.30pm to 8.30pm. Coachford Foróige is open to all children in Post Primary schools. Numbers for the coming year are limited and a waiting list will be created if this number is exceeded. Registration for the next twelve months is only €20 per individual member and €30 per family. **Parents must attend to register their children.** Registration must be paid in full on September 24th. For further information or any queries please ring 087 9011083. Looking forward to seeing you there!

Wedding Bells

Congratulations to Ronan Cooney and Deborah Condon who got married last weekend in West Cork. The couple got hitched in the beautiful setting of 'The Rectory' Glandore in glorious sunshine surrounded by family and friends.



Coachford College Debs

Pictured left are
Úna Browne,
Joanne Crowley,
Catherine Dineen,
Emma Flanagan
and Jill Kiely

Pictured
left are
Aime
O'Connell,
Jennifer
Delaney,
Joanne
Crowley
Catherine
Dineen and
Julie Di-
neen



Muireann Holland, Dearbhla Ahern, Catherine Dineen, Julie Dineen, Jennifer Delaney, Rachel Healy, Aisling O'Donovan, Leigh Lehane, Kadie Downey, Amie O'Connell and Megan McCaffrey



DRAMA

The Coachford Players have never been busier. The Group is currently preparing for three productions. First up is the festival play, *Faint Voices*, The life and love of Francis Ledwidge. The group will travel to Kilmallock, Rossmore, Cork, Haulbowline, and Shannon during October and November to perform the play in the one act festival circuit and to hopefully get a couple of wins and qualify for the All Ireland Finals in November.

The group are also in rehearsals for two one act comedies which will be performed locally in November by some of the group who are not taking part in the festival play.



Music from the Musicals



October 25th & 26th will see the music from the musicals come to Coachford. This night of music promises to be one of the best shows ever to grace the stage in the hall and it's a performance that no one should miss. A large group of singers from all over Coachford and beyond are busy learning songs, practising harmonies and brushing up on moves to in order to entertain everyone over the October Bank Holiday weekend.

Community Council

Work is to begin on the new footpath from Fr. Patrick's Sheehan Place to the National School in October and completion works will be carried out on the footpath near Mags Chipper and O'Callaghans Bar at the same time.. Cork County Council responsibility for the Coachford area has moved from Macroom to Blarney. This new arrangement will be more challenging for us as the Blarney's office record of interest in Coachford's affairs has been fairly dismal in the past.

€8,500 raised for charity from Festival

The organisers of the fifth Coachford Autumn Festival would like to thank all those who supported the festival this year. We believe it was our best festival so far. We would like to thank those who attended the events on Friday, Saturday and Sunday. We hope that families went home happy from the Festival on Sunday, that the runners and walkers were happy with the run on Friday evening and that those who attended the dog show, Junior Agrilypics, Grass racing and the



Voice of the Festival competition were glad they did so. We will continue to try and improve the festival and continue to make it something the whole community can be proud of. To run a festival over three days takes a huge amount of help and involvement from a lot of people. We would like to thank all those who took part in the various events; the runners and walkers, the high Nelly cyclists, Agri -Olympians, singers, musicians, dunk tank swimmers, babies, mummies and grannies, vintage vehicle owners, model toy display builders, dog owners, egg throwers, Sheep racers and children. We would of course like to especially thank those who helped as stewards, ticket sellers, caterers, those who registered the runners, fed the runners, sponsored the festival, sponsored the singers, provided equipment to us, and supported us in any other way. The festival is a huge community effort and only the support of so many in the community makes it possible. We would like to thank Aghabullogue GAA for their co operation, Coachford Cycling Club and the ACR Heritage group for their support and Pdraig & Cormac O'Donoghue and Dairygold for the use of their properties. We would also like to thank the residents of the village and surrounding areas for their patience and understanding for any disruption that the festival may have caused. The 2014 Festival raised €8,500 for charity. Suicide Aware are the main beneficiaries and will receive €3,000 while Macroom Hospital, Sullane Haven Macroom and Coachford St. Vincent De Paul will get €1,000 each. The club will also donate €1,500 to Coachford Tidy Towns, €500 to the Christmas Lights appeal and €500 worth of equipment to Coachford Foróige. Chairman of Broomhill Vintage Club, Tadhg Murphy said " We are delighted to be able to donate so much money again this year to these very worthy causes. We had a very successful festival and we were very fortunate that so many sponsors from the area supported the event. We would not be able to hold this festival and raise this money without their generous sponsorship. This was our fifth festival and over the years we have been able to raise over €30,000 for charity. The festival continues to grow and over 1,000 people (exhibitors and visitors) enjoyed the show on Sunday. To run a festival like ours over three days means a huge amount of work for a small group of people and we would be delighted to welcome new members". The donation of cheques takes place on Saturday September 27th in O'Riordan's Bar Coachford at 9.30pm and everyone is welcome. We are looking forward to 2015 already and ideas and suggestions on how to improve the festival are always welcome.



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Aghabullogue capture The Mid Cork Under 21 Hurling Championship title.

**Aghabullogue 2.18
Blarney 0.12**

What a performance by the Aghabullogue under 21 hurlers. They were losing by three points at half time and won by 12 points 30 minutes later. The boys were given very little hope going into this game but that didn't deter the huge crowd of Aghabullogue Supporters in turning up at Cloughduv to cheer the lads on earlier this month Blarney were overwhelming favourites and were going for their 4th title in a row. At half time Aghabullogue were losing 1.05 to 11 points. However the Aghabullogue supporters were hopeful that the breeze might help the lads and three points wasn't much of a lead to claw back. Second Half started and wow what a half! Aghabullogue tore into Blarney, didn't give them an inch and put three points over the bar in as many minutes. The sides were level and Aghabullogue were all over them, playing some ferocious hurling and throwing points over at will. . When the final whistle blew Blarney couldn't believe that they were held to one point in the second half but Aghabullogue put in a performance that gave them the victory they deserved and scored a massive 1.13 in the second half. Well done to all 22 of them and to their trainers, Joe Foley, Eddie Twomey, John Hogan, Colm O'Connell and Declan Kiely and to the team assistant, Anthony Riordan. Aghabullogue Abú

Kick Boxing heroes

Congratulations to Emma Flanagan and her brother James who won seven medals between them at the recent World Kick Boxing Championships in London. Emma came home with three silver and two bronze while James collected two bronze medals

Camogie

Well done to the Aghabullogue under 14 camogie players who have reached the County League Final by defeating Blarney in the semi final. The girls play Newcestown in the final on next Friday evening

Mixed fortunes for Minors



Aghabullogue Minor Footballers who captured the Rebel Óg East Minor B Football Championship by defeating Carrig Na bhFear on a score line of 2.14 to 1.06.

Well done to the Aghabullogue Minor Footballers who captured the Rebel óg East Minor B Football Championship title by defeating Carrig Na bhFear on a score line of 2.14 to 1.06. The Aghabullogue boys kicked some beautiful scores in the first thirty minutes and played some fine football in the second half to keep Carrig Na bhFear at bay. There were some good performances right throughout the team with Paul Ring,,Sean Dineen, Greg Long, Niall Barry Murphy, Matthew Bradley and Billy Casey catching the eye all evening. Luke O'Connor had a terrific performance in goals and pulling off some fine saves to keep Aghabullogue's comfortable lead intact. This was a wonderful performance by a very young team and if tonight's performance is anything to go by we can expect many more nights like this in years to come. Congratulations to the teams coaches and selectors, Danny Buckley, Willie O'Mahony, Eugene O'Sullivan and Jimmy Thompson. Aghabullogue Abú

Hard luck to the aghabullogue minor hurlers who played a superb game of hurling but came up short in the final few minutes of their Premier 2 final against Carbery. .the score line will show the Aghabullogue boys were defeated by 10 points but for those lucky enough to be in Pairc Ui Rinn witnessed a team who played their hearts out and were very unlucky to be beaten at all. the final score,4.17 to 1.16. Disappointment for the boys but they can be extremely proud of the way they played. Aghabullogue Abú.



The Aghabullogue under 21 hurlers who defeated Blarney to win the Mid Cork title