

THE IRISH CENTRE

AUGUST 1968

News - Letter

Sat. 3rd Monaghan Assoc. Dinner & Dance
Mon. 5th United Ireland Assoc. Meeting
Sat. 10th Clan Connacht Social & Dance
Sat. 17th Sean McDermott's G.A.A. Club - Buffet & Dance
Thurs. 22nd Celtic Sports & Social Club
Sat. 24th Geraldine Football Club - Dance
Sat. 31st Irish Centre Club - Dance

Bingo

Sunday, Wednesday, & Friday

Weekly T O T E Draw.

Every Wednesday

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Welcome back to those of our members who have been to Ireland on holiday. We hope that one and all had a very pleasant time. According to reports July has been a very sunny month in Ireland. No doubt you made the most of it. To those who have still to go - we hope that you will have just as good a time.

July being a holiday month, is normally uneventful at the Centre. The one big event of the month was, no doubt, The Irish Centre Club Annual General Meeting on Tuesday 2nd. Very favourable and heartening reports were turned in from a dedicated and hard-working Committee. Views and suggestions were put forward for the coming year. A vote of thanks was extended to the out-going Chairman, Mary Kenny. The new Chairman is Bridie McGrath. Brian Duggan remains as our able and willing Club Secretary. The Committee is as follows:- Bobby Graham, Nancy Crawley, Tess Rudd, Mary Hopkins, Jim Durian, Margret Lawlor, Joe Kelly, Vic Leary, Gerry Kelly, Dick Fitzgerald, Mary Kenny and Fr. Sheridan.

With the completion and opening of the New Hall, it is hoped that the coming year would be a prosperous and eventful one - clubwise.

The reference to the new Hall reminds me to mention that the Hall is now almost finished. Once the new stair-case is completed we will go ahead with the decoration of the downstairs J.F.Kennedy Hall. We hope to have an official opening of the J.F.K. Hall and the new Hall in September. I am sure that you will agree that it is only fitting that we should make the official opening of the J.F.K. Hall a bit of an event. We hope to do so and will let you know as soon as we finalise our plans.

If I may, I will end on what I consider a very encouraging story: During the month we had a visit from a past resident. He had been here about ten years ago. Over the past few years he had collected all the single shillings that he got for the Irish Centre. He presented his donation, £3.6.0., as a token of appreciation for what the Irish Centre had done for him! - Encouraging ?? - I think so.

God bless you all.