

BIAS NEWS

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INFORMATION SERVICE FOR THE IRISH COMMUNITY

Irish Centre Programme

The Irish Centre in Brent has announced details of sports, music language and dance classes now available. For further information, contact *Pratibha Basudev* on 0171-625 9585.

Social Security Information

Department of Social Security **FREEPHONE 0800 666 555**
Free, confidential information and advice on welfare benefit entitlements and queries.

Irish and Isolated in London

London Irish Network organises sports, social and cultural events for Irish people in London. For further information,

telephone 0171-737 6592 or 0171-737 6003.

Irish Women's Domestic Violence Project

Solas Anois, the Irish Women's Domestic Violence Project was set up in September 1993, in response to the growing awareness of the particular needs of Irish women escaping domestic violence. A refuge is now open for Irish women in London, and provides a safe and supportive environment. If you are fleeing domestic violence, you can be referred to the refuge through an Irish agency or through London Women's Aid on 0171-251 6537. For further information you can contact Carol Colton at BIAS on 0171-328 3368.

About BIAS News

This news bulletin is produced by BIAS Information Centre. Everyone has taken care to ensure the accuracy and currency of all information in the news bulletin. All information is correct as supplied by the relevant organisation.

Moving to Ireland Handbook

A concise and practical guide for anyone planning to move, or in many cases return to Ireland. Contains a directory of useful telephone numbers and contacts in Ireland. The handbook cost £2.00 (incl.p & p) and is available at BIAS Information Centre.

IRISH INFORMATION and ADVICE HELPLINE

0171-328 1188

**USEFUL ADDRESSES AND
TELEPHONE NUMBERS**

Housing

Innisfree Housing Association
160 Iverson Road
London NW6 2HL
Tel:- 0171-625 1818
Fax:- 0171-328 9943

Cara Housing Association
339 Seven Sisters Road
London N15 6RD
Tel:- 0181-800 2744
Fax:- 0181-802 4910

An Teach Housing Association
Haringey Irish Centre
Pretoria Road
London N17 8DX
Tel:- 0181-365 1751

Irish Centre Hostel Ltd
Conway House
20/22 Quex Road
Kilburn
London NW6 7UU
Tel:- 0171-624 2918

Irish Government

The Irish Embassy
17 Grosvenor Place
London SW1X 7HR
Tel:- 0171-235 2171
(general enquiries)
Tel:- 0171-245 9033
(passport enquiries)

Irish in Britain Directory

The fully revised 5th edition of the Directory is now available. With over 2,000 entries, the Directory offers not only a comprehensive guide to life in Britain, but also as accurate reflection of the extent and range of services provided by, and for, the Irish community. The Directory costs £5.99 (inclusive of postage and packing) and is available from BIAS Information Centre.

Careers Services in Brent

Brent Careers Service, Triangle House, 328 - 330 High Road, Wembley HA9 6AZ, Tel:- 0181-900 8588.

Provides information and advice on education, training and career opportunities.

Irish Studies Courses

College of North-West London
99 Carlton Vale
South Kilburn
London SW6 5EA
Contact:- Mary Feeney or
William Curran
Tel:- 0171-387 7050 ext 5371.

The Irish Studies course commences again on Wednesday evenings early in September.

University of North London
School of Languages and
European Studies
166 - 220 Holloway Road
London N7 8DB

Contact Admissions Hotline on
0171-753 7056

Full-time and part-time degrees in
Irish Studies. Mature students
and particularly welcome.

Irish Societies

Federation of Irish Societies
The Irish Centre
52 Camden Square
London NW1 9XB
Contact :- Sean Hutton
Tel:- 0171-916 2733

Employment/Training

The Job Powerhouse
London Irish Centre
50 - 52 Camden Square
London NW1 9XB
Contact :- Derek Hanway
Tel:- 0171-916 6878
or at Conway House on Tel:-
0171-372 6633.

Training project aimed at young
people between 16 and 25 who
are homeless.

New Irish Shop Opens

An Shiopa
64 Uxbridge Road
Hanwell
London W7 3SU
Tel:- 0181-567 1022

Sells Irish food, soft drinks,
newspapers, jewellery, crafts,
linen. Specializes in Irish dance,
dress and accessories.

Women's Gaelic Football

Women's gaelic football skills
sessions take place at Kensington
Sports Centre, Walmer Road,
London W11. Sessions are in the
evening between 7pm - 9pm.
Contact is provided by the
Women's Gaelic Football
Association. on 0171-221 3749.

Domestic Violence

Domestic Violence is a crime. Nobody has the right to assault you physically, sexually or emotionally.

What to do?

In an emergency, contact Police - DIAL 999. Otherwise you can contact your local police station and speak to the Domestic Violence Unit. It is staffed by trained officers who will let you know what other help is available and will support you whatever you wish to do. Your enquiry will be completely confidential. Contact Local Domestic Violence Unit in Kilburn, NW6 on 0171-625 8850. Further information is available from London Women's Aid on 0171-251 6537.

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