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## *SGL Weekly Newsletter – 26<sup>th</sup> October 2007*

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### Tour:

There was not enough interest in a tour to HK to justify organising one.

However, there is now talk of a tour to KL, and we will keep you posted in the coming weeks.

### Upcoming Events:

#### **Fancy Dress Party – 27<sup>th</sup> October**

Cancelled

#### **Gala BBQ – 17<sup>th</sup> November**

After last year's "Culchies vs. ROW" event – we figure we need to build on and improve the concept... So we are planning an afternoon at Turf City with both a Ladies and Men's game (format of which to be decided). The Highlight of the Afternoon will be the Gaelic Cubs ... who we are hoping to see grace the pitch once more.

There will be a pitchside BBQ, soft drinks and a few beers thrown in for good measure. Promises to be a great afternoon for all of the Club. If you have friends that might be interested in joining the club – invite them along.

Date is tentative at this stage, but watch this space.

#### **An Irish Evening at the Theatre with the Gaelic Lions**

From 9 – 25 November, the Singapore Repertory Theatre will be staging The Pillowman by celebrated Irish playwright Martin McDonagh. This will be the Asian premiere of the play that received rave reviews in London and New York and won the Olivier Award for Best New Play in 2004.

The Theatre are offering the Singapore Gaelic Lions Club a 15% discount off ticket prices should we organise an evening with a minimum of 20 pax. They can also assist us and help arrange for dinner or a cocktail reception before or after the show should we desire one.

If you are interested – please let me know asap. ([blathnaid.macnamara@db.com](mailto:blathnaid.macnamara@db.com))

### Special Olympics Athletes & Gaelic Lions:

On Monday, October 15th, 10 of the Singapore Gaelic Lions and Lionesses finest athletes participated in a joint training with the Special Olympics athletes at Bishan Stadium. After some initial warm up drills, the participants were put through their paces with a set of interval running drills capably led out by Lincon Palmer (not quite resembling Brian Habana) and Siobhan CArmody. Once recovered, a light introduction to the basic principals of Gaelic football was led by Paul Prendergast, a contradiction in itself, and the rest of the attending Lions and Lionesses. A highlight of teh evening was some of the special olympic athletes hand passing and soloing with the ball!!

The training has proven to be a positive event for all involved, and thanks goes to the organizer and new mom, Denise Brogan as well as Tracy Clemmer who has nurtured a great relationship with the Special Olympics committee.

The event while only a short time commitment, reminded all of the importance and proximity of our clubs chosen charity. The Singapore GAA club intends to raise money for the Special Olympics during the upcoming marathon event. All efforts to support the cause are appreciated and can be made through the below channels.



#### **The great Gaelic Lions 500 kilometre run.....**

The Gaelic Lions km's for the Special Olympics at the Marathon is now over **500 km!!!**

- 1) Registration for the Singapore Marathon is closed. For those that missed the registration and would like to run under SGL for the Special Olympics, contact Tracy ([tracy\\_clemmer@yahoo.com](mailto:tracy_clemmer@yahoo.com)). Anyone who has registered, are unable to participate and are willing to pass their registration to another club member, contact Tracy ([tracy\\_clemmer@yahoo.com](mailto:tracy_clemmer@yahoo.com))
- 2) Suky Raju has had to withdraw from the marathon due to an injury which will require surgery. We wish Suky all the best with her surgery next week and hope for a speedy recovery.
- 3) Each of the runners has committed to raising monies for the Special Olympics. Any non-runners can support and sponsor the entire group with a once-off credit card or cash donation. Please contact Tracy ([tracy\\_clemmer@yahoo.com](mailto:tracy_clemmer@yahoo.com)) for more information on how to donate.
- 4) To date we have raised \$2300 for the Special Olympics. We have 8 more weeks to raise the additional \$7700 to meet our target of \$10,000. Thank you to those that have already sponsored the runners.

#### **McCraic Membership Cards:**

If you have submitted a form to me for a McCraic Membership card – All of the cards have been processed, and are ready for your collection in Molly Malone's. My Sincerest and most Genuine Apologies if you don't like your photo. ☺☺☺

If you haven't submitted a form – it is attached in the email – send it on to me at [blathnaid.macnamara@db.com](mailto:blathnaid.macnamara@db.com).

**Room Needed:**

Anyone know of any rooms to let – contact Kathryn Dodd ([kathryndodd@hotmail.com](mailto:kathryndodd@hotmail.com))  
Budget \$900

**For Sale:**

Asian Gaelic Games Polo Shirts (Green & White) - \$40 each  
Contact Paul Prendergast ([paul.d.prendergast@accenture.com](mailto:paul.d.prendergast@accenture.com))

**Happy Birthday**

To Mary Roche Barry....

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Sin é don seachtain, Have lovely weeks,

Is mise le meas,

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