



## Celebrating our 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary 1945 - 2020

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### The Captains' Charity

Every year there is a special Captains' Charity day. The golf competitions held on the day are a Men's Team event in the morning and a Mixed Team event in the afternoon. Funds raised by contributions from members are given to a wide variety of charities.

St. Francis Hospice is one of the main recipients and has been for many years. Friends of the Rotunda, The Irish Kidney Association, The Irish Motor Neurone Disease Association, Balbriggan Cancer Support Group, Remember Us, Meals on Wheels and The Balbriggan Scout Group have been recipients of the Captains' Charity fundraising events.



Sandra Downes presentation to Friends of the Rotunda in 2005



Tony Hamilton & Beatrice Magee presentation to Balbriggan Scout Group & St. Francis Hospice in 2018



Lady Captain Marie White & Captain Pat Kinsella presenting a cheque to Balbriggan Cancer Support Group in 2019

### Remember Us

Nora and Pat Roban have organized 3 Golf Classics in 2015, 2017 and 2019. These Golf Classics have raised approximately €38,000. Also held are adult members' discos. These funds help contribute to the running of the local Remember Us centre. Balbriggan Golf Club is proud to support this very worthy cause.



(L-R): Nora Roban, Captain Pat Kinsella, Paul Roban and Lady Captain Marie White (2019)

### The Culture Night at BGC in 2018



Amy Campbell



Sean Kiernan

Balbriggan Golf Club held a Culture Evening with Music, Art & Photography on Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> Sept. The idea for the Culture Evening came from our Lady Captain Beatrice Magee. Balbriggan Golf Club & the Social Committee were helped by Balbriggan Library & Tom Reilly from Ardgillan Castle by supplying the boards and easels for the art & photography work from our club members & local art group.

The evening's entertainment began with a Historical Talk on Balbriggan by *Hugh Cumisky*. He brought a very relaxed, much informed talk on Balbriggan to a packed clubhouse. This was followed up by a traditional music Set from two club members *Sean O'Connor & Brian Flynn*. The Balscadden church choir sang some hymns & a medley of songs that had everyone joining in. You could hear a pin drop when the talented *Amy Campbell* began to play the Uilleann Pipes.

Amy, accompanied by her very proud grandparents *Mary & Eddie*, played a number of traditional tunes as well as songs the slightly older audiences could sing along to.

*Sean Kiernan*, who sings, plays banjo and tin whistle had great 'banter' with the audience & there was no request he couldn't play or sing. *Theresa Murphy* and the Skerries Ukulele Strummers brought great musical fun to the evening.

Not many golf clubs are as lucky as Balbriggan Golf Club to have their own resident poet. The genius of poetry & prose *Tony Curtis*, entertained everyone through his art of storytelling, poetry & song.

*Sean & Brian* got the Open Mic session off to a flying start with some traditional tunes accompanied by *Barry Kenna*. This was followed by *Jem & James Halligan* mandolin & violin players. *Eamon O'Brien* sang a few songs as did *Mary Rogers*. *Jack Slane* quietly amazed everyone with his singing and guitar playing brilliance.



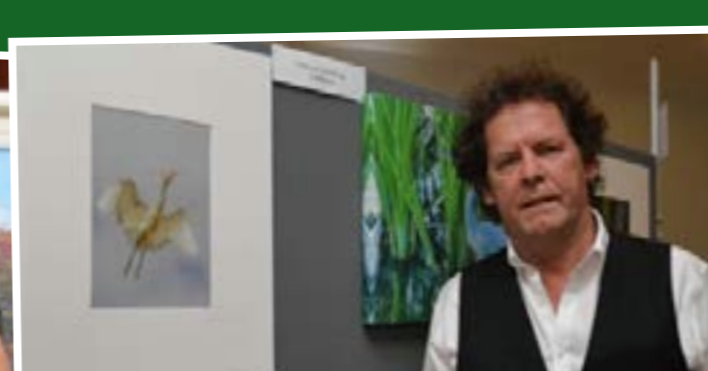
Padraig Faughnan



Theresa Murphy & Patricia Prenty



Frances Whelan, Beatrice Magee & Eilish Hagan



Tony Curtis



Sean Kiernan



Full house at the Culture Night

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