



## BALLINCLEA PARK

**O**ur Submission for the establishment of Ballinclea Park was sent to DLRCoCo Parks Department on 8/7/2004. We sent a letter dated 30/9/2004 seeking an early meeting to explore the best cooperative framework through which we can achieve our objective. The Parks Department responded and a meeting was held in our park Tuesday morning 12/10/2004 between Leslie Moore & Hugh Glynn of DLR Parks and Marcus Donnelly & John Hardiman. The tone of this meeting was very positive and they agreed to respond in the near future re. top-soil, drainage, Lawson Cypress (evergreens) removal and perimeter path. They stated that our submission is far more comprehensive than other cooperative proposals.

A submission brochure was sent to 28 DLRCoCo Councillors during August. Tony

Seery's help with the colour copying is greatly appreciated. Our web site contains the submission brochure which we trust every household will access at [www.ballincleaheights.org](http://www.ballincleaheights.org). A feedback of reaction and comments to any member of the committee would be very welcome

**I ADT:** We wrote to Dun Laoghaire Institute of Art, Design & Technology, Kill Avenue on 21/9/2004 proposing a cooperative venture to encompass Art & Design in the development of our park. The initial verbal response has been positive.

**Coillte:** A tree expert visited our park on 11/10/2004 and gave a very favourable assessment of the 75+ deciduous trees which are displaying beautiful Autumnal colours. His advice was to remove the evergreens in order to allow the rest to thrive, which would also be helped by crowning/thinning of dead-wood and cross

branches. As we have many mature native Irish species he suggested tagging each with a name plaque.

## BALLINCLEA PARK FUND

**A**n unanimous motion was passed at our AGM to seek contributions from each household in order to fund the development of our park. While many members have already contributed we now request all households to become Patrons of Ballinclea Park by contributing €100 (cheques etc. to our Treasurer Scott Jungmann, no. 60). Higher contributions from extra generous Patrons will be very welcome. We invite you to complete and return the form attached.

This Fund will be accounted for separately from BHRA annual contributions and will be used exclusively for the development and enhancement of our park. We cannot overemphasise how crucial full support for

this fund will be in establishing a recreational park in the centre of our community and in declaring our determination to succeed as well as accommodating an innovative input by IADT.

This is a unique opportunity for this community to grasp and develop for the common good so please do not let the side down! Contributions to this fund will be acknowledged on our website by a cumulative total and a listing of the house numbers of patrons without reference to the amount contributed.

Grants: We have already received a community art grant of €800 from DLRCoCo for the Labyrinth and a €600 environmental grant for our compost recycling project. Both of these will enhance our Park Fund as well as the proceeds from the Fun Quiz, November 2003. Please inform us of any other potential grants which you feel might apply to our situation!

Community Employment Scheme: We will apply for a CES to enable the construction of a perimeter path around the park. We will keep you informed on developments.

FUN QUIZ Our second Fun Quiz to bolster the park fund will be held at 8pm on Sunday 21/11/2004 in Killiney Castle Hotel. Jim Coffey has offered to organise this event again, which is great news. With a greater lead in time this year we hope to at least double last year's dividend. We received many spot prizes on the night last year. This year it would help the organizing and sale of tickets if people could give an early indication of spot prizes by phone or e-mail.

Anyone with corporate clout or connections is requested to advise us of any potential gifts which would enhance our raffle. Advance notice of such would greatly improve our promotion of the Fun Quiz.

E-mail notification to our Hon. Secretary, Ann O'Gorman via [secretary@ballinleaheights.org](mailto:secretary@ballinleaheights.org)

CLEAN UP In June four members of the committee swept and cleaned the kerbs & path along the North and East sides of our park. Many residents cleaned their kerbs at this time. Now with Winter approaching it would enhance the appearance of our roads if people cleaned up any overgrown kerbs and trees/plants which have overgrown the footpaths.

#### ANTI SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR

A problem has arisen over certain weekends due to very large gatherings of teenagers in the open space adjacent to the golf course. We ask the parents of any local youngsters who may be part of this al fresco drinking to use their influence to stop this practice and thereby eliminate the disgraceful rubbish left behind. Regrettably the only course of action available to residents is to inform the Gardai when a nuisance is caused.

SPEEDING: Concern has been expressed on this subject owing to the danger to children. 20mph. should suffice within BH so please observe it!!!!!!!!!!

SIGNAGE The committee is working on a sign system which will help to resolve the mystery of BH house numbers. The Ambulance and Fire Brigade services have informed us that prominent numbering, particularly of corner houses, would help them. House numbers which are lit at night would be of benefit.

Un-neighbourly Conduct It has been brought to our attention

that a person of this locality has ostensibly been going through the *motions* of scooping up after their dog, only to toss the goody bag over a neighbour's fence on their way out of our park. If this deplorable practice does not cease we will inform the DLR warden who has significant powers to fine heavily.

Could this disgusting conduct be prevalent in our other open spaces? Please inform us if this is the case as I am sure that nobody needs reminding of the danger to children which this toxic substance represents.

BHRA Equipment  
Our 2 extending ladders,  
2 wheelbarrows,  
insecticide sprayer & extendable loppers are available for use by fully paid up members.

Contact Hon. Treasurer  
Scott Jungmann  
No. 60.

Annual Membership Contributions

It would help us greatly if the few remaining people with old standing orders would up-date them. At present we have 90+% compliance but with a little cooperation we can achieve a clean slate.

Ballinlecka Park Fund

Application to become a Patron of Ballinlecka Park

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

(Cheques etc. to be sent to Mr. Scott Jungmann, Hon. Treasurer at No 60)

For accountability purposes the house number only will appear on our website

Tick here if you do not want your house number to appear on the website