

# THE BEAUMONT NEWS

Official Newsletter of the Beaumont Residents' Association

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SUMMER 2010

## Still less than 30c per week

What can one get nowadays for less than 30c per week. Membership of the Beaumont Residents' Association of course.

And what do they do for this sum of money. They are a lobby group for the Residents of Beaumont, they represent the people from the area at the Neighbourhood Watch Meetings. They liaise with the gardai for the greater well being of the people in the area.

They organise a Christmas party for the Senior Citizens of Beaumont, they organise a Sports Day for the younger members and they also have a Party at Christmas at which Santa pays a visit. They organised nights in the Beaumont House for the Residents to become acquainted with one and other. They participate in the Tidy District Competitions in which they have won numerous prizes and awards. They organise the Alarms for Senior Citizens. (See Page 5).

The greater the number of people that join the stronger the Residents' Association becomes.

As was said in Monty Python, what did the Romans ever do for us.

## SHRINKING COMMITTEE

In 1997 we had a Committee of 19 members, the same in 1999, it then dropped to 14 in 2005 and to 11 in 2008. Now we have 10 Committee members. More members welcome.

## DIARY DATES

Senior Citizen's Party:  
27th November 2010  
Children's Christmas Party:  
11th December 2010

## YOUR COMMITTEE FOR 2010



Your Committee left to right: Back row Barry Doyle, Tony King, Sam Bolton, Patricia Flood, Phyllis Redmond, Des Maguire. Front Row: Ann Cullen, Noreen Maher, Joan Ennis. Committee member not in picture: Chris Foy.

### MINUTES OF AGM TUESDAY 16TH FEBRUARY 2010

Chairman (Des Maguire) opened the meeting at 8.05 by welcoming the members, displaying the agenda and running order for the meeting and inviting members to join the committee. Before getting into the formalities of the meeting, Des conducted a free raffle and a number prizes were won.

Sergeant Stephen Daly accompanied by Garda Stephen O'Carolan from Santry Garda Station entered the meeting at 8.08. Sergeant Daly introduced Garda O'Carolan as the new Community Liaison Garda and stated that Garda O'Carolan was present on his day off. In recognition of the interest and commitment shown by Garda O'Carolan, the Chairman agreed to change the running order of the meeting to allow Garda business to be dealt with at the start, thereby

facilitating Garda O'Carolan's early departure from the meeting. Community Garda Stephen Enright remains in the area and Garda O'Carolan is an additional Garda resource.

Garda O'Carolan told the meeting of few incidents that occurred since last bi-monthly meeting.

He also encouraged residents to be careful of callers to their doors. There have been complaints also about doorstep clothes collections but in general, Beaumont has been quiet since Christmas.

Phone 999 for emergencies – do not call Garda Station for emergencies. Phone the local Garda station number for other business. Do not phone Community Gardai if you have an urgent problem as there could be a delay in getting the message to the relevant Community Garda and therefore a delay in the response. Always get name of the Garda you speak to

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## KID'S SPORTS & FUN SUMMER FEST

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# Two weeks that changed my life

**Tuesday 4th May 2010**

Today I went for Health Check in Mater Private. I went because I am turning 50 and probably have cholesterol and weight issues. It will be a good idea to get bloods done also. Am also getting Mammogram as I will be called for my first one soon anyway. All tests done. Mammogram was not very nice but I am glad it is over and they said nothing to me so obviously it is fine. If they saw something they would tell me immediately wouldn't they? At least I won't have to worry about that for another two years.

**Friday 7th May**

Had a lovely morning shopping for clothes. On way home I missed a call from Doctor in Mater. She said she wanted to talk to me about Mammogram. I phoned back and could not get her. I worried all weekend but told myself that if it was serious she would have phoned me back.

**Monday 10th May**

Phoned the hospital first thing. The girl said she would pass the message to the doctor but said if the doctor had not phoned me back it cannot be too serious. The doctor rang back a few minutes later and explained it was not very serious but they wanted to repeat the mammogram as there was a cluster of dense cells on the right breast and the mammogram could not see behind it. The lady in x-ray then phoned and asked me to come in tomorrow for another mammogram and an ultrasound scan. She said they may also do a biopsy if they feel it necessary. I was apprehensive but thought they would see with a new mammogram and the other stuff would not be necessary.

**Tuesday 11th May**

Down to the Mater dreading the mammogram as it had been very uncomfortable last week. The mammogram was not as painful as last week so I started to relax. The girl took a lot of x-rays and explained that the part she wanted to see was quite difficult to get at. She went away to show the images to the doctor and came back and took more. That was when I started to get anxious. They then took me in for the ultrasound. The doctor was lovely. She was both efficient and kind at the same time. She did the ultrasound and told me she could see something and that in her opinion it was either a radial scar or a small tumour. She said whichever it was it was tiny. If it was a radial scar it would be removed as they never leave them in place as they do not know if they can develop into cancer. If it was cancer then obviously it would have to come out and treatment started. I lay there as she took two samples for biopsy. I made sure not to look at what she was doing but could not block out the noise of whatever it was that was taking the sample. I can only describe it like the sound of a staple gun or a four hole punch. I think at that stage I went into shock. I simply could not believe that I was lying on a bed, naked from the waist up with someone

taking samples of my body to test for cancer. I could not think, I could not talk, all I could do was shake and try not to cry. The doctor then explained she was inserting a clip in to my breast to mark the spot where the growth is. It will be left there until they perform the lumpectomy to remove whatever is in there. The wonder of modern medicine is truly amazing. Then it was back in to the mammogram machine to take more images and make sure the clip could be seen. The doctor explained that there is a team meeting on Mondays and my case will be discussed next Monday 17th and that I am to make an appointment to see the Breast Specialist on Wednesday 19th. This is all happening so quickly my brain cannot process what is happening. The last two hours have changed my life for ever. What ever the outcome next Wednesday my thinking will forever be coloured by my experience today. I got dressed and stumbled down the corridor to accounts to settle my bill. I go outside to phone my husband and then I start to cry. I cannot stop and the biggest thing I am feeling is disbelief. This could not possibly be happening to me. These things happen to other people. No matter how much I tried to tell myself it is probably not cancer and it has been caught quickly, the only word my brain is processing is CANCER. I am on automatic pilot for the rest of the day.

**Wednesday 12th May**

Back to work today. Function and go through the motions while all day long all that is going around and around in my head is I might have Cancer, I might have Cancer. I refuse to let myself think of anything at all (which is not a good thing when you are supposed to be working and making decisions!!!!) because if I give my imagination permission to go where ever it pleases it will take me places I don't want to be at the minute. I so wish it was this time next week.

**Friday 14th May**

Wake up at 5 am and there is no way I am going back asleep. Is not going to happen. Leave it until 7 am to have a shower so as not to wake anyone up. Feel it is time to take away the waterproof plaster that covers the paper stitches that cover where the biopsy was taken. How stupid am I? It was only as I peeled back the dressing and saw the bruising and dried blood that it hit me. My breast is marked and this is nothing to how it will look when they do the actual lumpectomy. Sheer terror replaces any logic that was starting to appear yesterday. I spend the rest of the day totally drained and exhausted.

**Sunday 16th May**

Today I decide to go shopping for pyjamas to bring to the hospital. Now normally a trip to the Pavilion to buy pyjamas or underwear consists of looking at nice pretty stuff in girlie colours and nice shape enhancing under-wired bra's. Today's purchases are pyjamas that button down the front so they can be opened easily for examination pur-

poses and bra's that have full cups and no underwire or lacy bits that might make a wound sore. The wait goes on.

**Wednesday 19th May**

Here at last. At least I will know today what is happening. It is 6.15 and it is raining. Seems appropriate somehow. Last night was the best night sleep since this all began. I am not nervous or scared at the minute. I just want to know now and get it dealt with...whatever IT is. I have stopped trying to guess what the result might be. If it is pre-cancerous it will have to be removed and I will be monitored for the rest of my life in case it returns. If it is a malignant tumour it will be removed and treated and then I will be monitored for the rest of my life. Either way win /win for me .Correct? Roll on 2pm today.

1.10 go to the Specialists office. I was a bit nervous. The doctor called me in and myself and my husband went in. A nurse walked in behind and the doctor said to me "This is Sinead the cancer nurse" I said "well thats all you need to say, I know I have cancer". He explained to me that I had a small tumour which is cancerous and that it has to come out. I cannot believe how calm I am. He explains and I listen. I have to go in next Tuesday for a lumpectomy. I will recover for 4 weeks and then will start a course of radiotherapy. There is a slight chance I may need chemothera-

py but it is unlikely. Now chemo would scare me. The nurse takes us back across Eccles St to the main hospital and starts explain everything that will happen. I stop her. I really don't need all the details. Just do it and send me home. We leave the hospital and I start to phone my family. Still calm. Lets see how long that lasts.

**Thursday 20th May**

Today I am exhausted, numb and emotionally drained. I will just do nothing for the day and see how it goes. Make plans to hand over work duties etc. I will not be back to work until September. That is something we all wish for sometimes. The whole summer off. Be careful what you wish for is what I am saying today.

(To Be Continued)

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# AGM MINUTES *Continued from Page 1*

whenever you phone the Garda Station.

Des O'Loughlin inquired further about the crime incidents in Beaumont. Garda O'Carolan advised that in recent times the numbers of burglaries were down and traffic were offences up.

Sgt. Daly commented that even though one crime is one too many, these figures were very low in relative terms. Sgt Stephen Daly also remarked that people are concerned about the negative impact the recession might have on crime; that it would lead to an increase in crime -but he said that it is not always the case as more people get involved in their Community and Community Projects in times of recession.

Des O'Loughlin asked about where the Gardai and the Law stood in respect to cycling on footpaths as he knew of a man who was recently knocked down by a cyclist on the footpath. Sgt Daly said it is an offence to cycle on the footpath. He said Gardai go into schools to teach road safety and personal safety and speak to students about cycling on footpaths. The students told the Gardai that they their mothers told them to cycle on the footpath for safety. The Road Safety Unit has simulators to teach people about road safety and Sgt Daly said he will endeavour to bring the unit to Beaumont. Frank Gurry enquired about the types of traffic offences in area. He was told the offences were in the main for Insurance, Road Tax, and Drink Driving. Cathy Coakley said there was a problem with cars being broken into while parked in the carpark at Whitehall Church. Sgt Daly said he was not aware of such incidents but in any case it was in the jurisdiction of Whitehall Garda Station. Sgt. Daly and Garda O'Carolan concluded their appearance and exited to applause from the meeting.

Garda J. Hanrahan, Clontarf Garda Station arrived at the meeting about 8.25 pm. The Chairman introduced Garda Hanrahan to the meeting. Garda Hanrahan had no crime figures to present and appeared to be ill prepared for the meeting. He spoke in some general term about some

burglaries that happened back in November and December.

Frank O'Driscoll complained about cars speeding along Dromawling Road. Noreen Maher asked about getting a Garda representative from Clontarf Garda Station to attend BRA committee meetings. Deirdre Higgins asked why Clontarf Station are not responding to calls from members about incidents on Beaumont Road. Garda Hanrahan was unable to give any meaningful answer to the questions posed. He said that unless he gets calls personally he cannot comment on what happened. He also said that when calling the Garda Station, get the name of the Garda you speak with -it can then be followed up. Garda Hanrahan then exited meeting.

The Chairman then reverted back to the original order of business and agenda. Chairman said that the minutes of last year's AGM was published in The Beaumont News and the minutes should be taken as read. There was no matters arising and he asked for minutes from 2009 AGM to be adopted. Noreen Maher proposed and Phyllis Redmond seconded and a unanimous vote was carried.

Noreen Maher delivered the Secretary's Report. Chairman asked for any questions: May Meehan asked if there would be any more Social evenings for 2010. Chairman said a decision had yet to be made. Ms Meehan said they were very enjoyable. Sam Bolton proposed report and Anne Cullen seconded and a vote passed report.

Chairman (Des) deputising for Treasurer (Phyllis Redmond) who was suffering from a sore throat, delivered the Treasurers Report. There were no questions. Treasurers Report was proposed by Madeline Quinn, seconded by Connie Butler and a vote adopted the report.

Chairman asked for the Trustees; Chris Foy, Noreen Maher and Anne Maher, to be ratified. Trustees were unanimously ratified by a vote.

Chairman advised the meeting that five members of the outgoing committee would not be offering themselves for re-election: Anne Maher, Frank O'Driscoll and Weldon Costello. Deirdre Higgins and David Doyle had resigned in the autumn. Chairman

also advised that two Road Reps would not be offering their services in the future; Marcella O'Donohoe and Patricia Doyle. Des thanked all members of the outgoing committee and all the Road Reps and helpers for their generosity, time and hard work throughout the year. A particular thanks to Anne Maher and Frank O'Driscoll for their long and faithful service.

All outgoing committee members who offered themselves for election were re-elected. In addition, two new members were elected; Barry Doyle, Cooleen Avenue and Chris Guilfoyle Coolrua Drive.

All outgoing Road Reps who offered their services for another year were ratified. Two new members offered their services; Cathy Colclough, Coolatree Park and Martin Culhane, Drumnannan Park. Full list of new committee members and road reps are printed in this Newsletter.

Noreen Maher delivered the Neighbourhood Watch Report. It was proposed by Des O' Loughlin and seconded by Samuel Bolton. Vote adopted the report.

AOB.

Des asked the meeting if they would consider a kind offer from a member on Coolrua Drive. The member's garden was being offered for free for 'allotments' for planting

and growing vegetables. There was no interest in the offer at the AGM.

Chairman advised that the campaign to get the 20B bus route to service Beaumont Hospital is continuing. BRA are in communication with Dublin Bus regarding this matter and a consultation process is expected to start in May/June 2010. Frank O Driscoll said he had also been in touch with Dublin Bus regarding this matter.

Mr & Mrs Carroll, Beaumont Crescent stated they wished to thank Deirdre Higgins for her hard work while on Committee.

A discussion developed in respect to the Social Evenings held in Beaumont House during the year and whether the Social Evenings should continue in 2010. It was generally felt that the Social Evenings were good and enjoyable and that they should continue. Des O'Loughlin said he went to a few of the social evenings and enjoyed them. He also thanked the committee for their hard work. A vote was held re continuing the Social Evenings and was asked for. There was an almost unanimous vote in favour of continuing the Social Evenings in 2010, starting in June.

Chairman thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 9.45 pm.



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# Memories of days gone by in Beaumont



*Clockwise pictures:*

*Artane National School - opposite Domino premises at end of Malahide Rd. School closed, then Donnycarney Boxing Club then Training Club FCA. Comm. C. J. Haughey.*

*Next below right: Front gate to Elm Park Lodge.*

*Next: Elm Park Lodge, Mr. Tom Kelly, Rita Kelly.*

*Next: Water Pump outside Dr. Dwans premises.*

*Next: Jack on the avenue from Elm Park Lodge to Elm Park House, formerly Dr. Dwans. Gate now opposite Tommy Doyle.*

## By JACK KELLY in an interview with Noreen Maher

Jack Kelly formerly of Beaumont Road recalls Beaumont when it was literally out in the country over 60 years ago. Jack was one of four children.

The Kelly Family were the Gate Lodgers for the Smiths who lived in a fine big House named Elm Park House, situated where the Houses opposite the Beaumont Hospital are now. The entrance of Elm Park Gate Lodge was directly opposite the first house next door to Beaumont House formally (Dr. Dawn's house). The drive into the Elm Park House started at the Gate Lodge and went all the way up past where Coolatree Road is now situated.

The land stretched as far as and bordered Artane on one side and Belton Estate on the other side. (Where the Gallagher's newer houses were built on Coolgreena Road). The Smith Family had their own tennis courts and an orchard. They were British Army Officers and were referred to as Master Andrew, Master Alf and their sister Miss Lil. Jack informed me that they were strictly not allowed to play or mess on Smith's Estate, as their Father might loose his position as the Gate Lodge Keeper.

There was only one water pump in Beaumont and that was outside the house next to Beaumont House. No running water in those days. Only seven families lived around Beaumont area. The only cars that came up Beaumont Road were Mr. Galvin who lived down near Lanigan's funeral home and he drove the nuns from the convent around. Cleary's delivery van. After that Johnston Mooney delivered bread by a Horse drawn Carriage. Milk was obtained from the large Estates around as they had plenty of cows.

Belton Estate had a fine house built on it and it was the only house that Jack ever saw with a basement which had a billiards table in it. Later it housed horses and the yard was used as a coal yard.

At the beginning of Beaumont Crescent

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## Neighbourhood Watch

With holiday time approaching. Its that time of year again and time to be on the look out for any suspicious activity. We all know how to take great care of our homes when going on holidays by ensuring we have all the usual measures in place i.e. cancel the milk, paper etc., leave the radio on, curtains drawn, automatic lights to come on at dusk and of course a house alarm. Its most important to inform our neighbours. So lets all work together with the Gardai to keep our neighbourhood a safer place. If in doubt please phone 999 and report whatever you think is suspicious activity etc.

There is an increase in persons presenting as a result of violent incidents in A & E in Beaumont. Drugs are not the main reason for violence even though head shops are resulting in increased drug taking.

## Sergeant John O'Driscoll R.I.P.

It was with great sadness that Neighbourhood Watch Committee members learned of the sudden death of Sergeant John O'Driscoll in recent times. Sergeant O'Driscoll was an inspiration to Neighbourhood Watch and one would only have to ask him to do something once and it was done. He was a long time associated with N.W. May he Rest in Peace.

The Beaumont Residents' Association would like to extend its sincerest sympathy to all who lost loved ones over the past four months.

## Graffiti

The Graffiti on some of the walls in Coolgreena Close Park leaves a lot to be desired. It's an eyesore. If any of the neighbours on Coolgreena Close sees anybody drawing graffiti on any of the walls please phone the Gardai at 999 and have a description ready etc. of the person involved.

## Senior Citizens Christmas Party

Our Senior Citizens had a wonderful Christmas Party and were looked after very well. They were transported to and from the party. The entertainment was first class with The Mojo Band who played brilliant music. Michael Maher our MC kept them entertained with his wit, charm and spot prizes as well as the raffle prizes. The professional dancers performed so well and caught the attention of all who were present in the hall. The atmosphere was electric. Our jolly Santa was in fine form and along with his two pretty helpers presented each person with a Christmas Present. He posed for photographs with the seniors and had a smile for everyone. Phyllis and her helpers displayed platefuls of beautiful homemade sandwiches, cakes etc. The hundreds cups of teas and coffees were very welcomed by all. The tables and hall were all beautifully decorated. Many thanks to our local Scouts, their leaders, the Gardai and the many helpers who came along and gave their time so freely on a voluntary basis. Of course it's always fantastic to see our young teenagers helping on the night. Thanks to all those who contribute either finically or by way of spots prizes.

Larkhill Credit Union, Beaumont / Donnycarney Credit Union, AIB Santry, Plasters Union, Byrnes Family Butchers, Barry Pick of the Crop, Karisma Hairdressers, The Barber Shop, Boston Bakery Shantalla Road, Supervalu, The Kilmardinny The Comet, O'Sullivan's Life Pharmacy, Doherty's Pharmacy, Mace, Beaumont House, EBS, Adrian Dunne Pharmacy, Collins Ave. The Goose Tavern, Tesco, Montrose Jewellers, Cosgrave Butchers, Unicare, Dry Cleaners at Omni Park Shopping Centre. King Jewellers, Book Shop at Artaine Castle. Lanigan Funeral Directors, Cremore Clinic. Joan Ennis. Apologies if we have omitted anybody.

Without your support it would not be possible to run the party as efficiently as we do. Many thanks to all those who contributed in any way.

## Bus via Beaumont Road to Hospital

Some of our Senior Citizens are very upset and feel they have a right to public transport via Beaumont to our local hospital. The BRA committee has written to Dublin Bus and stated our case on behalf of our Seniors but has not got any real answers. We were told that there are buses going from town via Beaumont hospital. It would be ridiculous for anyone from Beaumont to have to take a bus into town, in order to get to a bus to Beaumont Hospital. The Dublin Bus Company is not catering for our Seniors here in Beaumont. Please lobby your local T.D.

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## THANK YOU

We wish to acknowledge and thank Mr Dermot Carew, Proprietor of Beaumont House for agreeing to continue his sponsorship of The Beaumont News in 2010. In these days of recession when many businesses and most households are struggling, Mr Carew's gesture is particularly generous and very welcome. This Newsletter could not be published without the Beaumont House sponsorship.

## NEW GRANT SCHEME FOR OLDER PEOPLE



New Grant Scheme for Older People: "Seniors Alert Scheme" is a new grants scheme for eligible older people (65 years or older) who are in need of and would benefit from a personal alarm (pendant). The new scheme replaces the old CSOP grant scheme which was effectively dormant for the last year. Eligibility for a grant under the new scheme will be determined by more strict vetting criteria and shall include; living alone or with another eligible person, be of limited means and resources and be a member of the community group administering the grant - in this instance, Beaumont Residents Association (BRA). The scheme also places much more responsibility on the group's Assessor to determine eligibility. Equipment eligible for grant aid include; monitored personal alarms, security lighting and smoke detectors. Grants usually cover the full cost of equipment and installations. Monitoring fee is not covered by the grant and costs in the order of €70.00 per annum. For full details, contact the Department of Community Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs, Tel: 071-9186700, Email: seniorsalert@pobail.ie, W: www.pobail.ie. BRA can be contacted at info@beaumontresidents.ie

## Beaumont Residents Association Committee Members & Road Reps. 2010

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### Neighbourhood Watch Committee 2010

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# Where there's a Will there are relatives

By Geraldine Lockhart

We are all familiar with the idea of Wills and property bequests to family and friends – we have all seen it on TV, Films, Theatre, and Books etc. It seems very straight forward and simple but due to disputes, expectations and interpretation of words this is an area which can be fraught with difficulties. Indeed, the area is one of the most complex areas of law and it affects all other areas of law. For instance, if you marry, any prior Will is automatically revoked but if you obtain a Divorce decree, your prior will is not automatically affected.

One of the most influential and important pieces of legislation is the Succession Act introduced by Charlie Haughey. Prior to this Act, wives were only entitled to what was called Dower i.e. basically a right to reside in the family home – the main beneficiary was the eldest son.

As a result of this Act, all this was swept away and now, where there is no Will, a spouse (either husband or wife) is entitled to the entire estate if there are no children. If there are children, the spouse is entitled to two-thirds of the estate with the remaining one-third divided between the children.

The Act also introduced the concept of a legal right share in the Estate for the remaining spouse i.e. where no provision is made in a Will for a spouse; he or she is entitled by law to a share in the Estate notwithstanding the Will. If there are children the spouse is entitled to one-third and if there are no children the spouse is entitled to one-half.

Also Section 117 confers a right on a child to make a claim against the Estate where proper provision has not been made for that child. This is not as strong as a legal entitlement but must be proved in the High Court and each case depends on the circumstances of the case.

When making a Will you should bear in mind that you cannot always achieve your ideal particularly in

view of the intervention of the State by way of the Succession Act.

There are many other things that you will need to take into account when making your Will i.e. validity of the Will, testamentary capacity, inheritance tax, type of ownership of assets, marital status and executors and trustees.

Your solicitor will discuss these issues with you and your personal circumstances and wishes to

ensure that your Will reflects your wishes and the needs of your family.

If you would like to discuss your Will or any concerns regarding the Succession Act you can contact Lockhart O'Leary Maher of 191 Howth Road, Killester, Dublin 3 at 8331900 or mail@lomlegal.ie. The firm has 7 solicitors ensuring a wide coverage of all aspects of the law and any of whom will be happy to assist you.

## BEAUMONT PHOTOCALL



**Eddie Fitzpatrick, Coolrua Drive who celebrated his First Holy Communion.**

**Holly Mulcahy received her first Holy Communion in May**

## Beaumont Bus Campaign



The BRA campaign to get the 20B bus to serve Beaumont Hospital continues. Dublin Bus says they are carrying out a review of their network and are not in a position to clarify any changes while the review continues. Paddy Doherty is Operations Manager with Dublin Bus and Paddy promises to keep us informed.



**Snow Bride: Julie Moore, Coolgreena Road is assisted by neighbours through the snow to her wedding car, on her way to be married in December 2009.**

# Memories of Beaumont

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adjacent to the entrance of Beaumont Hospital the high wall was part of Smith's old Orchard. Now going on up the drive and going to the right near A & E and over at the nurse's car park is an old wall which was part of the Artane Piggery. Originally it was the ruins of Artane Industrial School before it was turned into a piggery. Later the newer school was built some distance away. Going left towards the back gate was the remains of the old wall which was Beaumont Convalescent Orchard. The McKee Family were the Back Gate Lodgers at the Kilmore entrance for the Beaumont Land and The Hughes Family were the Front Gate Lodgers which was situated up from the three remaining cottages on Beaumont Rd. on the opposite side. Around 1936 The Dunphy Family were the original gate lodgers. Seemly some relation to Eamonn Dunphy.

Thorndale Estate at end of Beaumont Road. Lord Thorndale left his estate in 1916 and headed back to England with his furniture and belongings packed onto the horse drawn carriage. A brother of Mrs. Kelly (Jack's Mother) was the Gate Lodger for Thorndale Estate and a brother of his dreamed that Lord Thorndale had buried his shot gun down at the

riverbank. When Lord Thorndale had returned to England the Gate Lodger and his brother went down to the riverbank and eventually found the shotgun. His dream had come through. The Government then bought the Estate and used it as a Pig Testing Centre for the Dept. of Agricultural.

The former Gate Lodge Keeper before Jack's father was Mr. Cadwell. He also worked in the Port and Docks. He had a serious accident and lost his leg. He had to be compensated. His son worked for Insurance Co. and offered to invest the money for him. When Mr. Cadwell reached the age of 70 years or so he asked his son to drive him into the Insurance Co. to get the money. Alas, the son has squandered the money. The son was so upset; he drove the car straight into the liffey. This story was printed in the Irish Times on Saturday 25.7.1936 Edition on page 13.

Jack finishes by informing me that the houses opposite Beaumont House were the last to be built as they had to knock the gate lodger's house in order to build those houses. Of course a house was ready for the Kelly Family to move into just up a wee bit up On Beaumont Road, nearly opposite Coolgreena Road as it stands now.

## A SPECIAL THANK YOU

A big 'thanks you' to our loyal Supporters who have stuck with us through the Boom and the Bust. Beaumont House, Doherty's Pharmacy and Chem-Dry are supporters of BRA and the community of Beaumont. Remember these Service Providers and support the businesses that support your community -they deserve your support.

## HIGHLY RECOMMENDED

We can highly recommend a great new homecare service; Homecare 24-7. The service is tailored to meet the needs of elderly people and is dedicated to allowing them to remain in their own home for as long as possible. In these days of Hospital chaos, MRSA and bed shortages, the elderly (or anyone) is better off being cared for at home -unless hospitalisation is absolutely essential. Homecare 24-7 is run by Nurses and Medics, their staff are trained, security cleared and vetted -so you can be sure and secure. Homecare 24-7 offer a Free assessment -without obligation to all BRA members. (see advertisement in this newsletter)

# Beaumont House

## Lounge/Restaurant/Off-Licence

1 Shantalla Road, Beaumont, Dublin 9. Tel: 837 1008 Fax: 836 8405 Email: beaumonthouse@eircom.net

### BREAKFAST SERVED

9am till 12 noon - 7 Days a Week

### CARVERY LUNCH SERVED

Mon-SAT 12-3.30pm

Sundays & Bank Holidays 12-8pm

### EARLY BIRD MENU

Served 3.30pm-7pm Mon - Sat

### A LA CARTE SERVED

Served 3.30pm -9pm Mon - Sat

### SENIOR CITIZENS LUNCH SPECIAL PRICE

### TAKE-AWAY MEALS

Wide Selection of Food Available including:  
Soup, Coffee & Tea.

10% Discount available to B.R.A. Members  
For Food purchases on presentation of  
B.R.A. Membership Card.

### SAMPLE LUNCH MENU

Prime Roast Sirloin Of Beef,  
Roast Crown Of Turkey

Roast Leg Of Lamb, Boiled Silverside  
Of Cornbeef

Deep Fried Fillet Of Plaice, Darnie Of  
Fresh Salmon

Supreme Of Breaded Chicken,  
Breast Of Chicken Curry

### MENU VARIES DAILY

### A.I.B. BANKLINK

The National Lottery is available in our Off-Licence