News from Julianstown

The **Giro d'Italia** race is fast approaching and I do hope you have your **Pink T-shirts, Pink Hats, Flags, Banners and balloons** ready for the 11th May. Meath county Council will be closing the R132 between 1 p.m. and 4 p.m. to facilitate the race, so be prepared to travel on foot! **We are delighted to say that Coca Cola are sponsoring some of the bunting and balloons for us.**

A **coffee morning** is a lovely way to get together with friends or neighbours, or to meet new people. Everyone loves a nice cuppa and a chat, particularly if accompanied by a slice of cake! Julianstown Tidy Towns Committee is holding a coffee morning, cake sale, bric a brac and plant sale on Wednesday 21st May from 10 am to 1 p.m. We do hope that you will tell all your friends and come and join us in the Parish Rooms on the Laytown Road. We would also love if you could please bake a cake, or buns and if you have any bric a brac or ideas for this fund raising event contact Niamh on 086 3477283.

We would like to thank everyone who came along to help clean up around the village recently for the annual An Taisce National Spring Clean. Thanks to Meath co. co. for supplying the skip which we managed to fill with over 70 bags of rubbish. Our Tidy Towns Committee have also been out cleaning the verges with our Tús Workers Anthony and Kieran. Tom, meanwhile, is building BBQ in the Community Garden and it should be ready for all to use pretty soon.

If you would like to give a hand tidy up your village, why not come along any Saturday morning at 10.30 am and meet your friends and neighbours! Don't forget we have a large composter for your grass cuttings in the Community Garden as well as a smaller one for your vegetable and fruit peelings. We are also looking for seedlings or plants that you might have surplus to fill up the many beds throughout the village. Can you help?

Text Alert – We are making great progress with the community text alerts and hope to have it up and running very soon. Mosney Road is going to set up their own group, so if you live near there, please contact Margaret Downey.

The next big event in the **Community Garden** will be all about **Fairies and Elves** on the 15th June 2014 and this is being part funded by **Coca Cola**. There will be children's entertainment, fancy dress, music, face painting, strawberries and cream, tea, coffee, stalls and lots of fun things for the children. More details to follow!

Dovecote: We have been awarded €5,300 by Meath Co. Co. Heritage towards the cost of restoring the Dovecote. There is a tremendous amount of work to be done here and all work must be completed with 'best practice' in mind. If you would like to be involved in this wonderful project please contact Niamh on 086 3477283.

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