

jumping in the Limerick Leader Cup on the first day of the show.



tzpatrick, area rep., Benson & Hedges, presenting the trophy to Geraldine Co. Cork, owner of the miniature poodle, winner of the Championship of the bred by Benson & Hedges, at Limerick. Also in picture are Pat Sheeh Limerick and District Canine Club; P. Crowley, judge; Mrs. H. Barron, Hill-down, owner of the reserve champion, a Yorkshire champion, and David Cuffe, Benson & Hedges, the sponsors.

Attention needed near water

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"So many of the victims are children. Every year boys and girls are drowned while playing in or near water, and four times as many are drowned in rivers or canals as are drowned in the sea. Boys, often more daring than the girls, are more at risk here. But it's not purely in the more obvious danger spots that drowning tragedies occur. Gravel pits, sewage works, road works, farm slurry pits, they all take their toll. Even the bath at home.

"No one wants to make the world an unnecessarily frightening place, either for children or adults. No one wants to stifle natural curiosity and spirit of adventure, but failure to understand and to point out the very real dangers of playing with water could cost you your happiness and your life.

Wander

"So what should we do? The safety researchers at Combined Insurance Company of Ireland remind us that, firstly no small child should be allowed to wander off on its own, to explore. Then, remember what it was like when you were young, and someone just said 'don't'. It tended to make you all the more keen to follow your splendid plan! So, explain, what could happen on a slippery river bank, at an unsafe bathing beach, or in a crowded swimming pool during a session of horesplay.

"Many adults are unaware of the strong currents in some rivers and of the dangers of swimming when they're already tired. It's essential to come out of the water when you begin to feel cold. Swim within your depth, and parallel to the shore. And leave it around an hour after a main meal before you plunge into the water. You'll

of Combined Insurance safety experts: whatever your waterspoe, don't 'go it alone'. Your companions will help you should you get into difficulties, and will sound the alarm. It's a good idea to get in touch with the club or national organisation concerned with your chosen activity. They'll help you to become proficient. Increase your skill, and you'll increase your safety.

"Water can be lethal. Make sure that you treat it with the consideration it deserves. Know the dangers, protect yourself and your family with skill and plain good sense, and water will be an endless source of fascination and delight."

DEATHS

FEURY, Drombanna, Co. Limerick, September 6th, 1978 at Barrington's Hospital, James Feury, late staff St. Joseph's Hospital Deeply regretted by his loving wife, son, brother, sister, relatives and friends. R.I.P. Removal to Donoughmore Church this Wednesday evening at 7 p.m. Requiem Mass tomorrow (Thursday) at 12 noon. Funeral afterwards to Kilfergus Cemetery, Glin, Co. Limerick. (w6c).

HICKEY (nee Broden), 5th September, 1978, Elizabeth, 5 St. Mary's Place, Off Athlunkard Street, Limerick. Very deeply regretted by her loving husband, sons, daughters, brother, sister, sons-in-law, daughters-in-law, grandchildren, great grandchildren, relatives and friends. May she rest in peace. Removal from Cross's Funeral Home, Gerald Griffin Street, to St. Mary's Church, on Thursday evening at 7.30. Requiem Mass on Friday at 3 o'clock. Funeral afterwards to Mount St. Laurence Cemetery. (w6c)

MORAN (Limerick and Myllet Arms, Perivale, Middlesex) — September 5, 1978, at the Regional Hospital, Michael, 25

BOAT CLUB HAS LINKS WITH MAYORALTY

THROUGH its predecessor, the now defunct St. John's Boat Club, Curraghower Boat Club has inherited an interesting link with the Mayoralty of Limerick, the Mayor, Cllr. Bobby Byrne, said in his address at the recent Curraghower Boat Club's Autumn Social at the Ark Tavern, Corbally.

Sixty four years ago, on 31st August, 1914, the then Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of Limerick legally granted the tenancy of the former Port Morgue on Merchant's Quay to Saint John's Boat Club, the Mayor mentioned. The signatories on behalf of Saint John's Boat Club were Mr. Christy O'Mara, president; Mr. Joe Sheehan, treasurer and Mr. Patrick McInerney, secretary, the Mayor added.

In its early years, most of St. John's Boat Club's members came from the Irishtown area.

Veterans still recall the sterling services given to St. John's Boat Club by the signatories to the tenancy agreement with the City Council in 1914 and stalwarts like the late John Kelly, Mick O'Shea and Stephen Kennedy, the Mayor continued.

St. John's Boat Club sent crews to compete in local regattas in craft loaned by older city boating clubs. They purchased the cruiser, "Sunbeam", which took members on enjoyable river outings as far as Kiltross, the Mayor mentioned.

In later years, through the predominance of members from St. Mary's Parish, the club changed its name to the Curraghower Boat Club — an appropriate title as the club overlooks the scenic Curraghower Falls.

On a recent visit to Curraghower Boat Club to preside at a Corbally Regatta Committee event, he was impressed by the flourishing and varied boating activities of the club members, the Mayor remarked.

"Sailing boats, lake boats, pleasure boats, gondolas and cruisers are being used by the members on the Lower Shannon. The members told me that the Lower Shannon

offers a greater challenge to boatmen than the Upper Shannon. I was also glad to hear that local families like the O'Farrells, O'Sullivan, Bennis and Reals still use Curraghower club as a base for continuing the ancient trade of salmon net fishing on the Lower Shannon", the Mayor said.

Referring to the Mayor's mention of Saint John's Boat Club and the sterling work done for boating by its officers and members, he added that Curraghower Boat Club will be commemorating all deceased St. John's Boat Club members with the celebration of a special Memorial Mass at St. John's Cathedral, next November.

Renovation

Thanking the patrons at the autumn social for their support, he said that the club's next project would be renovation of their clubhouse interior. "This project will be carried out by the voluntary effort of our members — and we're confident that with the achievement of all our projects we'll have a clubhouse and boating amenities suitable for the growing number of enthusiasts using Curraghower", Mr. O'Shea concluded.

One hundred patrons attended the enjoyable social. Music was by Louis McMahon Trio.

The Mayor congratulated Curraghower Boat Club on the Club's new boat slip and their foreshore cleaning-up campaign. "Both of these projects were carried out by club volunteers. In appreciation of the club's voluntary efforts, I'm repeating a recent assurance that I will seek AnCo and Limerick Corporation help to satisfactorily complete Curraghower's foreshore clean-up campaign. Indeed, the foreshore clean-up campaign is an example to all citizens. If it were followed by other groups, it could lead to a totally Clean and Litter-Free City", the Mayor concluded.

Curraghower Boat Club's secretary, Mr. Pat O'Shea, thanked the Mayor for his courteous attendance and his helpful support for the Club's clean-up projects. He also thanked the former Mayor, Cllr. Frank Prendergast and local business proprietors and individuals for their generous subscriptions to the Curraghower Boat Club's Slipway Fund last year.

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