

ENTERTAINMENT IN BRIEF

Bell X1 play Big Top show

BELL X1 are back for a Big Top show this Friday night, following the release of new album Arms.

The trio - Paul Noonan, Dave Geraghty and Dominic Phillips - return for the show, which is sold out, back at a venue they last played in September 2013.

Multi-instrumentalist Geraghty said Arms, the follow up to 2013's much acclaimed Chop Chop, which was their third Number 1 and fourth consecutive album to be nominated for a Choice prize, would "break the mould or the formula (we) have used before".

Doors for the show are at 7pm and support is from Pleasure Beach. See www.dolans.ie.

Munchins' strictly fundraiser

ST Munchin's College Parents Association is busy organising the biggest fundraiser that the College has ever undertaken - Strictly Come Dancing.

It takes place at The South Court Hotel, Raheen on Saturday October 29.

Proceeds from what will be a fantastic evening for all the family will go directly to support the learning of students by further developing the IT facilities at the Corbally school. Once this is completed planning for an all-weather pitch facility will begin.

Strictly Come Dancing takes place on Saturday October 29th in the South Court Hotel. This will be a sell-out event with over 800 people in attendance. The line-up of dancers and judges is soon to be revealed.

Music lovers are in for a treat in Caherconlish

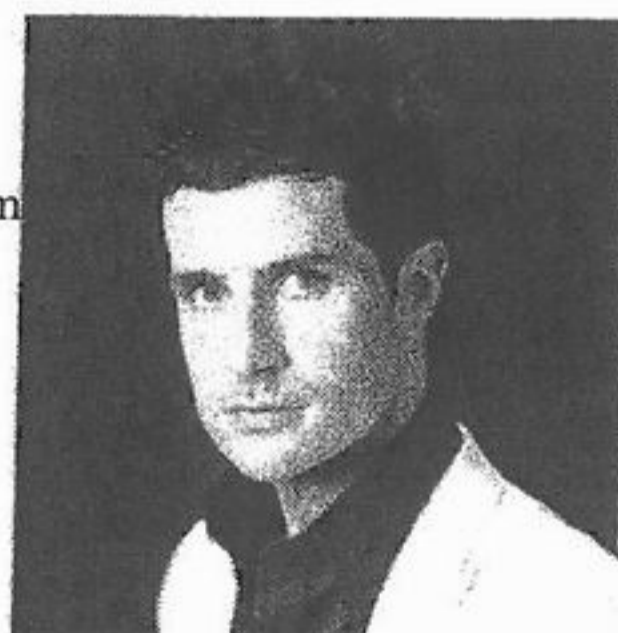
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THE MAGNIFICENT Millennium Centre in Caherconlish is carrying on east Limerick's rich tradition of music and dancing with some of Ireland's leading entertainers performing this Bank Holiday weekend.

It all kicks off on Saturday night with a three hour dancing special featuring the highly rated John McNicholl and his band, along with Muriel O'Connor and Fran Curry. The Millennium Centre boasts a superb dance floor, own lighting system, full bar and catering facilities.

The Derry singer started out life in Foreglen, one of 15 children. There was always music in the house and John's



Caherconlish hosts John McNicholl on Saturday night

comedy by the hilarious 2 Tuff Yokes. This particular show was a huge hit recently in Kilfinane when the audience was enthralled with the superb production.

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Hermitage Green to perform with a music legend in Webb

Limerick band to play supporting act to the Grammy winning songwriting legend

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LIMERICK band Hermitage Green will perform alongside music songwriting legend Jimmy Webb on Saturday October 29 at Limerick's Lime Tree Theatre from 8pm.

Speaking to the Leader ahead of the performance, the band's lead singer Barry Murphy said that it was a "great honour" and a "one-in-a-million chance" for the band to be performing on stage with Mr Webb.

"It's unbelievable really that we got asked to come and play with a guy like Jimmy. It's brilliant," he said.

"We haven't done many supports in our career so far, so we are delighted. This opportunity doesn't come around very often."

Murphy then revealed that the band will be doing a "very stripped-back acapella gig" whilst on stage accompanying the renowned American-born songwriter.

"Jimmy will be playing the piano, so we are going to set up with four vocals, a couple of guitars and a little bit of percussion. It will be very stripped-back."

"If there is an opportunity to go up and do a song with Jimmy afterwards, then that would be what we'd be hoping for really. It would be a great honour for us to be on stage singing one of his songs with him," admitted Barry.

Tickets for Saturday night's performance, which is all part of the Richard Harris Interna-



Limerick's Hermitage Green, who are set to perform with music legend Jimmy Webb at the Lime Tree on Saturday night, a week after the release of their Live At The Curragower EP. Pictured are band members Darragh Griffin, Dermot Sheedy, Dan Murphy, Darragh Graham and Barry Murphy.

tional Film Festival taking place from October 27 to October 31, will be priced at €25.

Saturday night's support-act appearance comes just over a week since the folk group's release of their special five-track EP, Live at The Curragower, which has since been available to download on iTunes and Spotify.

With album releases, once-in-a-lifetime gigs, as well as touring around the globe in

2016, the Limerick-proud group are taking it all in their stride.

Graft, dedication, persistence and a little bit of luck have landed the humble Limerick lads right where they want to be in the music industry after a soul-searching six years since forming in July of 2010.

Having released their debut studio album Save Your Soul back in March, which plummeted to number three in the Irish album charts, the

grounded group have also recently been confirmed to play at Dublin's Olympia Theatre on November 4. Something Barry describes as "a really big point" in the band's career.

"I cannot wait," Barry smiles when asked about the upcoming Dublin gig. "It's our favourite venue to go and watch gigs. So, to be playing there is a serious deal."

"We have a bit of new material to play at the gig, so we're just

going to try to blow the roof off the place."

"It's going to be a busy six months for us, touring, recording and releasing", reveals Barry, who was forced to retire prematurely from his rugby career with Munster in 2011, due to a series of serious knee injuries.

"In 2017 we're touring Canada, Holland, Denmark, the UK, and then back here to Ireland for a summer tour."

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Jared Harris to return for