



NEWRY CITY Marathon

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Monday 35th May 2009 saw the successful staging of the 2nd Newry City Marathon, half marathon and fun run. Approximately 2000 athletes completed in five events, starting at times ranging from 8am – 9.45am and finishing up with final athletes home at about 4.00pm. As you can see from this, the whole event is quite a logistical feat.

The solution, and in fact success of this equation was provided in no small part by your staff at WIN Business Park. Their courtesy, professionalism and knowledge of the process were consistently remarked upon to the committee. As the final days approached before the big day itself the Agency became a hive of frantic activity, and the nerve centre of the marathon. Enquiries were dealt with speedily and anxious athletes fears were allayed, all this as day to day business was also conducted at reception.

The integrity and aims of the marathon were emphasised by the sterling efforts of Liam Quinn who single handedly allayed the fears of many participants and correlated the information for the website which allowed the athletes to know if they were registered for specific events.

Therefore as a committee we are greatly indebted to all the staff at NMEA, their contribution made the day worthwhile and enabled all nervous athletes to turn up on the day, and therefore raise many thousands of pounds for charity.
Once again thank you and hope to see you in 2010.

Yours Sincerely

Jackie Malone
Race Director

Damien Mc Stay
Race Director

Sounding the Planet

Killowen Primary school children have been getting into the swing of things in preparation for a major concert with the Ulster Orchestra on Wednesday June 10 at Newry Sports Centre.

The Sounding the Planet workshops kicked-off with local primary pupils making their own recycled percussion instruments, which they will play at the concert along with the Orchestra.

This fun-filled education project has been funded by

designer outlet centre the Outlet at Bridgewater Park in Banbridge, Southern Education and Library Board, Dungannon and South Tyrone Borough Council, Banbridge District Council and developed by the Ulster Orchestra's Education Department.

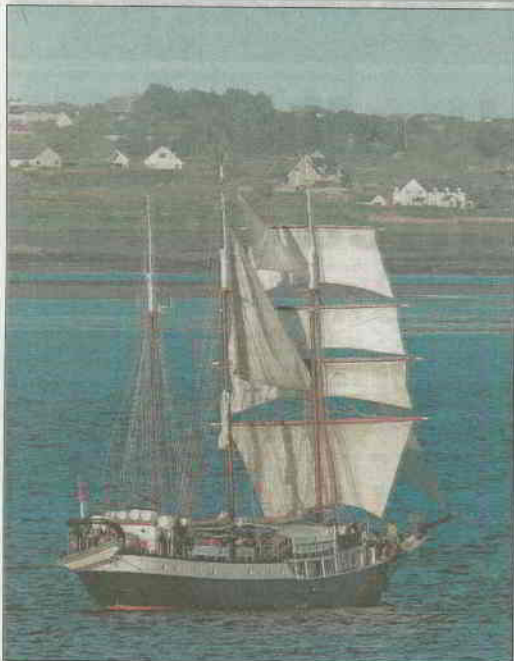
The musical project aims to teach youngsters about orchestral music and to develop students' listening, composing and performing skills.

The theme of recycling and ecology ties in with the school curriculum and demonstrates, through music, each child's important role in our environment.

500 Newry primary school children will take part in the workshops with many more expected to attend the big concert at the sports centre.



Young Luke Hudson and Anna Flanagan from Killowen joined Elaine Quinn, Marketing and Events Executive at the Outlet and Ulster Orchestra musicians Ricky Matson and Richard Hadwen to learn all about making music. 09W22N128



Tall ship sailing up Carlingford Lough. 09W22N158

Enterprise initiatives promote entrepreneurship

Invest Northern Ireland recently showcased its new Enterprise Development Programmes at an event for stakeholders from Newry and Mourne.

Attendees learned how the initiatives aim to increase entrepreneurship and help established businesses to grow.

The programmes consist of two main elements – the 'Go for it Programme', targeting individuals who are considering starting a business, and the 'Growth Programme', aimed at established companies with the ability to expand through exports.

Invest NI's Southern Regional Office Manager, Mark Bleakney, said, "Our new 'Go for it Programme' aims to engender a greater ethos of entrepreneurship in Northern Ireland and support the establishment of more new businesses. Participants on the programme receive tailored guidance to raise their skills levels, help them strategically plan their business activities and make their ideas a reality. Mentoring support is ongoing for new businesses started through the initiative and specific advice is available on a range of areas such as branding and website development.

"The 'Go for it Programme' instils a culture of innovation in new businesses, right from their beginning, to boost their



Invest Northern Ireland recently showcased its new Enterprise Development Programmes at an event for local stakeholders recently. Pictured at the event are (l-r) John Quinn of Southern Regional Office, Newry; Conor Patterson of Newry and Mourne Enterprise Agency and Mark Bleakney of Invest NI. 09W22N103

long-term competitiveness. Experience shows that fledgling companies which embrace creativity from their inception have a greater chance of achieving sustained growth.

"The new 'Growth Programme' helps existing companies to expand by focusing on increased exports and the implementation of innovative projects to

improve their products, services and processes. Tailored advice on a range of topics including marketing, negotiation skills, networking, online sales and financial management is also provided to increase the strength of participating businesses and enhance their potential to sell in target markets outside Northern Ireland."

Road closure

Road works are continuing in preparation for resurfacing of the Newry Road on the outskirts of Armagh.

The area is between Cavanaw Road and Drumgaw Road, Armagh and where necessary the kerbs, drainage and footways have been improved.

The initial works have been carried out using traffic control measures and are now substantially complete.

Preparation of the carriageway for final surfacing is due to commence on Monday June 1. The road is required to be closed to through traffic for health and safety reasons from this date until Sunday 7 June.

Alternative diversionary routes will be signposted. City-bound traffic will be

diverted off the Newry road at Edenaveys to the Newtownhamilton and Keady Roads. Outbound traffic will be diverted along Barrack Street, Gaol Square, Hamiltonsbawn Road and Ballynahonemore Road. Heavy goods vehicles will be diverted through Hamiltonsbawn.

During the period of the road closure access will still be available to residents with in the length of the closure and to local businesses, however some delays will be inevitable.

An additional short length of footway and cycle track will be constructed from Edenaveys Road towards Edenaveys and all work is planned for completion by the end of June.

Roads Service apologies for any inconvenience and would ask for the continued co-operation of road users whilst these improvement works are being carried out.

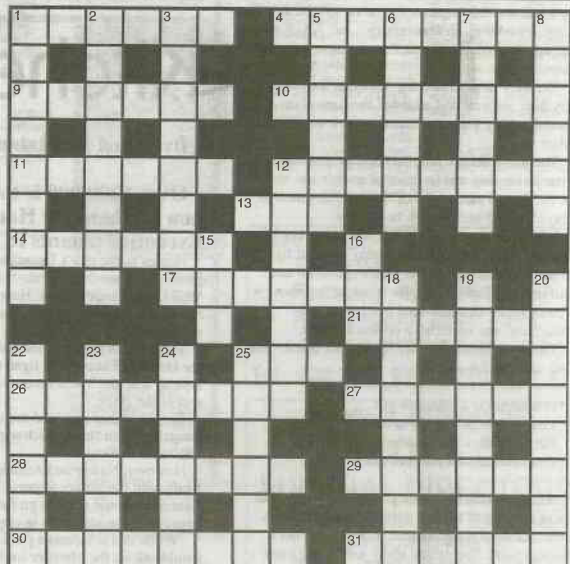
Newry Reporter Crossword

Across

- 1 Extras. (3-3)
- 4 Prehistoric period. (8)
- 9 Uniting. (6)
- 10 Kitchen device. (3,5)
- 11 Textual mistakes. (6)
- 12 Start to hockey match. (5-3)
- 13 Not in. (3)
- 14 Spider's creation. (6)
- 17 Very mischievous. (7)
- 21 Sycophants. (3,3)
- 25 Crimson. (3)
- 26 Artificer. (8)
- 27 Talking to God. (6)
- 28 Tough metal. (8)
- 29 Con-rod part. (3,3)
- 30 Adventure. (8)
- 31 Spies. (6)

Down

- 1 Out of doors. (8)
- 2 Give an account. (8)
- 3 Number. (8)
- 5 Dress up. (6)
- 6 A... the Hun. (6)
- 7 Gather together. (6)
- 8 Wine holder. (6)
- 12 Borough member. (7)
- 15 Night-flier. (3)
- 16 Pigeon. (3)
- 18 Longing. (8)
- 19 Of the Heavens. (8)
- 20 Pushes in. (8)
- 22 Cloak. (6)
- 23 Nauseant. (6)
- 24 Root vegetable. (6)
- 25 Repayment. (6)



Across: 1 Add-ons, 4 Trassic, 9 Pusing, 10 Egg timer, 11 Errata, 12 Bully-off, 13 Out, 14 Cobweb, 17 Naughy, 21 Yes man, 25 Red, 26 Armourer, 27 Prayer, 28 Titanium, 29 Big end, 30 Escapade, 31 Agents. Down: 1 Alfresco, 2 Describe, 3 Nintecoon, 5 Rigout, 6 Atilla, 7 Summon, 8 Carafe, 12 Burcher, 15 Bar, 16 Sty, 18 Yearning, 19 Emptyrean, 20 Intrudes, 22 Mantle, 23 Emetic, 24 Turnip, 25 Refund.