

# Nuachtlitir CCÉ Craobh Ottawa Branch Newsletter

July 2013

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## Ottawa Gaels Annual Golf Fund-raiser Tournament

**Saturday, July 13, 2013**  
**12:30 pm: Shotgun Start**  
**6:30 pm: Dinner**

**Irish Hills Golf &  
Country Club,**  
**3248 Carp Rd, Carp, ON**

\$110.00 per golfer (includes dinner)  
\$34.00 (Dinner only)

For more information, contact Clara (after 6:00 pm) at 613-850-9074 or at:  
[ottawagaels@gmail.com](mailto:ottawagaels@gmail.com)

Who are the Ottawa Gaels? The Ottawa Gaels Gaelic football Club was established in 1975, and are a Gaelic Athletic Association club in Ottawa dedicated to the promotion and development of Gaelic football in Ottawa.

<https://sites.google.com/site/ottawagaels/>



## North American Gaeltacht Irish Language Immersion Week

**August 11 – 17, 2013**

**Permanent North  
American Gaeltacht**

**#298 Gilmore Rd,  
Tamworth/Erinsville,  
Ontario**



Would you like to learn your ancestral language, or revive the "cúpla focal", nó comhluadar a roinnt le Gaeilgeoirí eile in atmaisféar lán-Ghaeilge ar feadh seachtaine?

Why not come to the North American Gaeltacht?

Come for a few days or the whole week.

Camp at the Gaeltacht site, or stay in nearby accommodations. B&B and local billeting available within a mile of the Gaeltacht – just like in Ireland.

Also, there will be workshops in singing, dancing, and in arts and crafts.

For information on the Irish immersion week:

[http://www.srayner.ca/comhaltas/M\\_Language.htm](http://www.srayner.ca/comhaltas/M_Language.htm)

Or, contact Stiofáin Raghnaid:  
[stephen.rayner99@gmail.com](mailto:stephen.rayner99@gmail.com),  
(613) 379-5578 or (613) 384-8921

*Your Comhaltas membership needs to be renewed each year. Renewal notices have been sent out to all current members and we would appreciate receiving your form and payment as soon as possible.*

*If you do not receive the renewal notice, please contact Pat at:  
819-778-2827 or [p\\_cassidy@sympatico.ca](mailto:p_cassidy@sympatico.ca)*

*Forms for new memberships are available from Pat or on-line at: [www.ottawacomhaltas.com](http://www.ottawacomhaltas.com)*

*Have information for the newsletter, contact the PRO: 613-722-3620 or [criostoir.seoirse@gmail.com](mailto:criostoir.seoirse@gmail.com)*

## Other CCÉ News

### History of CCÉ in North America

Bill McEvoy is planning on compiling a book about the History of Comhaltas of North America.

This is a great opportunity for everyone if they have any information to share with Bill to do so. Feel free to forward anything to Bill at: [mikedineen@optonline.net](mailto:mikedineen@optonline.net)

If you would like to mail Bill anything he is at the following address:  
928 Hawkins Avenue, Lake Grove, NY 11755,  
and his phone number is: 631-588-3709.

### Branch Musical Instruments Available For Loan

Musical instruments are available on a loan basis to CCÉ Ottawa members for learning Irish music at the beginner level.

More information on the instrument loans program is available on the Comhaltas Ottawa Branch website or blog:  
<http://www.ottawacomhaltas.com/instruments.php>  
<http://ottawacomhaltas.blogspot.ca/2013/01/instrument-loans-for-beginner-musicians.html>

Interested people should contact the Branch Vice-Chair via the CCÉ Ottawa Branch website.

### New Comhaltas Ottawa Blog

CCÉ Ottawa Branch now has a blog at:  
<http://ottawacomhaltas.blogspot.ca/>

What is a blog? A blog is a 'web log' (thus, 'blog') which logs, or captures the stories and news of the blog author, or its various contributors. Normally you just read the blog online just like any other website. The latest news is nearer the top of the blog, and the older news is towards the bottom. The new CCÉ blog can also be easily read on your mobile device, such as the many 'smart phones'

*For general information on Comhaltas and Ottawa Comhaltas, the various Ottawa Comhaltas events, links to other Comhaltas branches and more, check out our website at:*

<http://www.ottawacomhaltas.com>

Also, check out: <http://comhaltas.ie>

Check out the new blog for the Ottawa Branch:  
<http://ottawacomhaltas.blogspot.ca/>

Also, follow us on Facebook and Twitter:  
<http://www.facebook.com/groups/193752260177>  
<http://twitter.com/@OttawaCCE>

that now exist. You can also subscribe to the blog so you can receive the latest posts via email.

The purpose of the new blog is to post topics of interest to the CCÉ Ottawa Branch membership and greater community. For this we need your help. We strongly encourage your direct submissions on topics that you want us to post. Examples are: your favourite or heirloom Irish soda bread recipe, poems, short stories, reminiscences, or event news that are related to the CCÉ Ottawa Branch mission.

Direct submissions (you write the content, we post it for you) can be sent to the CCÉ Ottawa Branch webmaster at:  
[webmaster.ottawacomhaltas@gmail.com](mailto:webmaster.ottawacomhaltas@gmail.com),  
or you can submit your post at:  
[webmaster8617.comhaltas@blogger.com](mailto:webmaster8617.comhaltas@blogger.com)

## Other Irish Community Events

### Ottawa Celtic Choir

New members are welcome. If you are interested, contact the director, Ellen MacIsaac:  
613-552-3964 or [ellen@laughingbrook.ca](mailto:ellen@laughingbrook.ca)

**Rehearsals: Tuesdays, 7:00 – 9:00 pm**  
**Location: St. John the Evangelist Anglican Church, Somerset and Elgin**

## ANÚNA – Ireland's National Choir

Concert performed by ANÚNA, Ireland's National Choir. Part of the Music and Beyond Festival.

**Monday, July 8, at 8:00 pm**  
**St. Joseph's Parish, 151 Laurier Ave E**

Adults: \$20  
Student: \$10

All passes and tickets can be purchased online at:  
[www.musicandbeyond.ca](http://www.musicandbeyond.ca)

More information:  
[irishmusicottawa.blogspot.ca](http://irishmusicottawa.blogspot.ca)  
[www.musicandbeyond.ca](http://www.musicandbeyond.ca)

## Irish Session Workshop at the Ottawa Folklore Centre

**Saturday, July 13, 10 am – 12 pm**

Ottawa Folklore Centre  
1111 Bank Street, Ottawa  
613-730-2887

\$20 Ottawa Folklore Centre Members,  
\$25 non-members

Join fiddler Alexis MacIsaac and bodhrán player Ken Harper for an afternoon of live music, technique and conversation about playing traditional Irish music in a session setting.

All players and ability levels are welcome and make sure to bring along your instrument.

Ken and Alexis have over 3 decades of combined experience with traditional Irish and Scottish music.

More information:  
[www.ottawafolklore.com/2013/05/irish-session-workshop-with-ken-harper-alexis-macisaac-saturday-july-13/](http://www.ottawafolklore.com/2013/05/irish-session-workshop-with-ken-harper-alexis-macisaac-saturday-july-13/)  
[irishmusicottawa.blogspot.ca](http://irishmusicottawa.blogspot.ca)

*Celtic Cross is a new performance group made up of adult dancers from the disciplines of Irish, Highland, and Ottawa Valley step dance.*

*The group has a roster of over 20 dancers with decades of experience as teachers, choreographers, performers and competitors. They perform traditional dances, and original contemporary choreographies that blend all three dance styles. Celtic Cross is available for performances at concerts, festivals, parties, weddings and more.*

*Contact them if you'd like some lively dancing at your event!*

*For more information, e-mail:*  
[celticcrossottawa@gmail.com](mailto:celticcrossottawa@gmail.com)  
<http://celticcrossdancers.com/>



**THE GAELIC HOUR**  
Sunday 8:00am - 10:00am  
**cjll 97.9fm**



Streaming: [www.thegaelichour.ca](http://www.thegaelichour.ca) e-mail: [austin@thegaelichour.ca](mailto:austin@thegaelichour.ca)

## Irish Seniors Drop-in Centre

*Tuesdays, 11 am to 1:30 pm*  
*St. Margaret Mary's Church Hall, Fairbairn at Sunnyside.*

*Join the gang for pot-luck lunch, stories, music and great craic!*  
*Kay 613-829-8467 or Margo 613-837-4164*

*The Ottawa Celtic Choir is a community choir whose mandate is to sing the songs of the Celtic nations and the Celtic diaspora in English and in the six Celtic languages.*

*Ellen MacIsaac*  
*613-552-3964 or [ellen@laughingbrook.ca](mailto:ellen@laughingbrook.ca)*

*Blog: <http://ottawacelticchoir.blogspot.ca/>*

## Katharine Robinson School of Highland Dance and Celtic Cross Dance Troupe Pub Night

The Katharine Robinson School of Highland Dance and Celtic Cross Dance Troupe are going to Scotland! They have been invited by the Sons of Scotland Pipe band to perform at Balmoral Castle for the Queen!

This Pub Night is a fund-raising event for this journey across the pond!

**Saturday, 27 July, 7:30 pm**  
**Montgomery Legion, 330 Kent Street, Ottawa**

Tickets are \$15/person, which includes:  
- Entertainment by Celtic Cross Dance Troupe, Occasional Pudding, and Beth Bisailon!  
- A veritable feast of food provided by the dancers.  
- A chance to win some awesome door prizes!

To purchase a ticket please e-mail Erin McConnell at: [emconn2@gmail.com](mailto:emconn2@gmail.com)

More information:  
[irishmusicottawa.blogspot.ca](http://irishmusicottawa.blogspot.ca)

## Annual Fall Celtic Festival

**Sunday, September 8, 2013**  
**Noon to 6:00 pm**

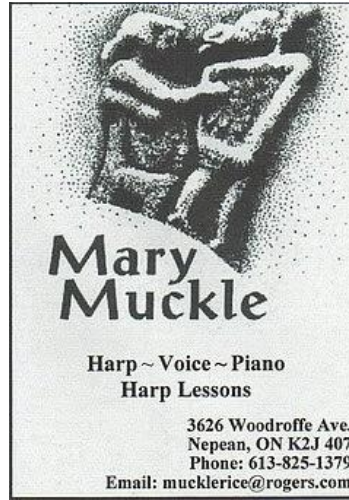
**Saint Brigid's Centre for the Arts**  
**310 St. Patrick St (entrance on Cumberland Street)**

**Free admission**

BBQ – Bar – Refreshments

Music for all ages, with a host of local musicians and dancers on stage, as well as activities for kids.

Information:  
613-244-7373, or  
<http://saintbrigidscentre.com/Events.htm>



**Mary Muckle**  
Harp ~ Voice ~ Piano  
Harp Lessons  
3626 Woodroffe Ave.  
Nepean, ON K2J 407  
Phone: 613-825-1379  
Email: [mucklerice@rogers.com](mailto:mucklerice@rogers.com)

Anyone interested in music classes, contact:  
Rita Walker  
[jantarborzoi@sympatico.ca](mailto:jantarborzoi@sympatico.ca)

Ottawa Valley Step Dancing Lessons:

Contact Dawn Dewar  
(613) 794-3296

*Sessions in Ottawa and the Valley!*  
Contact Charles Dunlap or Craig Hamm for information on music, workshops and concerts in your area!

Contact Charles Dunlap at [cdunlap@explornet.com](mailto:cdunlap@explornet.com) to get on the mailing list.

<http://www.irishmusicottawa.ca/>  
<http://irishmusicottawa.blogspot.com/>

### ATTENTION MUSICIANS!

Videos, sheet music and more at:  
<http://comhaltas.ie/music/>

Also, check out the ComhaltasLive Programme Listing:  
<http://comhaltas.ie/music/programmes>

Check out the Comhaltas Archive as well:  
<http://comhaltasarchive.ie/>



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