



# Comhaltas Ceoltóirí Éireann

## Nuachtlitr | Newsletter

Meitheamh 2016 June

Craobh OTTAWA Branch

### Ranganna Gaeilge | Irish-language Classes

Tosnóidh na ranganna i Mí Mheáin Fómhair | Classes resume in September

Oíche Dé Luain | Monday nights

Halla BLESSED SACRAMENT Hall  
(194 Ascaill FOURTH Avenue)

Bunrang le damhsa seit | Beginners' with set dance  
5:30–7:30 (i.n. | pm)

Bunrang | Beginners'  
6:00–7:00 (i.n. | pm)

Bunrang + | Advanced Beginners'  
6:00–7:00 (i.n. | pm)

Meánrang | Ardrang | Intermediate & Advanced  
7:00–8:30 (i.n. | pm)

Tuilleadh eolais, téacsleabhar, costas le fáil ar:

For more information, textbooks, prices:

[info.ottawacomhaltas@gmail.com](mailto:info.ottawacomhaltas@gmail.com)



### Oireachtas Gaeilge Cheanada

[OIREACHTAS.CA](http://OIREACHTAS.CA)

Beidh an ard-fhéile na Gaeilge Meiriceá Thuaidh ar siúl i nGaeltacht an Oileáin Úir (Tamworth, Ontario) ar 25-26ú Meitheamh. Ráta speisialta do lóistín agus pacáiste don fhéile iomlán le fáil. Tuilleadh eolais: agus clarú: Aralt ([h-kenny@rmc.ca](mailto:h-kenny@rmc.ca)).



The premier Irish-language festival in Canada takes place at the North American Gaeltacht (Tamworth, ON) this Canada Day weekend (25-26 June). Special rates for hotels; weekend packages available. Large range of competitions include song, dance, and literature. Information and registration: Aralt ([h-kenny@rmc.ca](mailto:h-kenny@rmc.ca)).

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| - Amhránaíocht          | - Singing               |
| - Damhsa   Rince        | - Dance                 |
| - Ceol                  | - Music                 |
| - Ceardlanna            | - Workshops             |
| - ...agus a thuilleadh! | - ... and so much more! |



## COMHALTAS

Comhaltas Ceoltóirí Éireann is an incorporated cultural non-profit organisation.

If you have an event or a piece you would like included in next month's newsletter, please send an email to Oscar at

[info.ottawacomhaltas@gmail.com](mailto:info.ottawacomhaltas@gmail.com).

Ottawa Comhaltas Blog:  
[ottawacomhaltas.blogspot.com](http://ottawacomhaltas.blogspot.com)

is now taking submissions in English  
and in Irish. Please email our webmaster at  
[webmaster.ottawacomhaltas@gmail.com](mailto:webmaster.ottawacomhaltas@gmail.com)

## Irish Seniors Drop-in Centre

Every Tuesday 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

St. George's Church Hall, 415 Piccadilly Avenue  
(near Island Park/Byron).

Join the gang for potluck lunch, stories, music, and great craic!

Kay 613-829-8467 or Margo 613-837-4164

## Seachtain Lán-Gaeilge Irish-language Immersion Week

[GAELIGE.CA](http://GAELIGE.CA)

Mí Lúnasa 2016 August

Gaeltacht an Oileáin Úir  
298 Sráid GILMORE Road  
Tamworth, ON

Tumchlár Gaeilge ina bhfuil tacaíocht le fáil agus cainteoirí ó gach áit i Meiriceá Thuaidh. Pubaill ar an láthair, íoc breis d'óstán agus lóistín. Bia san áireamh leis an phacáiste. Cláraigh go luath, más mian. Eolas agus clárú: Aralt ([h-kenny@rmc.ca](mailto:h-kenny@rmc.ca))

*The perfect opportunity to immerse yourself in the Irish language with supportive fellow learners from all over North America. Tents available on location, hotels and B&Bs pay extra. Meals included with week package. Please register early. Information and registration: Aralt ([h-kenny@rmc.ca](mailto:h-kenny@rmc.ca))*



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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)

## St. Patrick's Day in July

17 July 2016  
11:30am-1:30pm

The Irish Society of the National Capital Region would like you to celebrate your Irishness even though St. Patrick's season may be over. Bring the family for a BBQ, games, Irish music, and Irish dance. Festivities at RCGT Park (300 Coventry Road).

Adult tickets are \$30 with an \$8 donation back to the Irish Society. Children's tickets are \$15 with a \$4 donation back to the Irish Society. Info: 613-745-2255.

## Ottawa Fury FC Irish Heritage Day

5:00pm, 13 August  
Lansdowne Park (1015 Bank Street)

The Irish Society of the National Capital Region and CCÉ Ottawa jointly invite you to the Fury FC Irish celebration. Irish band playing in the Bud Zone. Demonstrations from the Ottawa Gaels football club and the Éire Óg hurling club. Cost: \$15. Info and tickets: Luke Denley 613-232-6767 or [info@ottawafuryfc.com](mailto:info@ottawafuryfc.com).

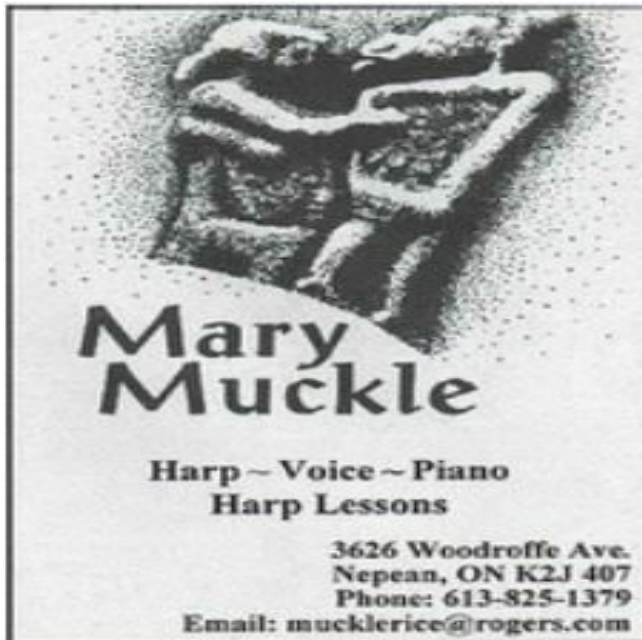
## Irish-Music Lessons

CCÉ has *instruments* available for loan.  
- 1 children's fiddle

Please check our website  
<http://www.ottawacomhaltas.com/music.php>  
for availabilities and applications!

## Ottawa-Valley Step Dancing

For lessons,  
Contact Dawn Dewar: 613-794-3296



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

## Dance Classes

Monday Evenings  
Blessed Sacrament Hall,  
194 Fourth Avenue

### Set/Céilí Dance Class:

6:30pm – 8:00pm

### Irish Solo Dance Class:

8:00pm – 9:30pm

For more information and cost for classes,  
please contact Caitlin Crockard:

[cscrockard@hotmail.com](mailto:cscrockard@hotmail.com)

**Celtic Cross** is a local performance group made up of adult dancers from the disciplines of Irish, Highland, and Ottawa Valley Step dance with a roster of over 20 dancers with decades of experience as teachers, choreographers, performers and competitors, the group performs 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!

Email: [celticcrossottawa@gmail.com](mailto:celticcrossottawa@gmail.com)

Website: <http://celticcrossdancers.com/>

## Sessions in Ottawa and the Valley

Contact Craig Hamm or Charles Dunlap ([cdunlap@xplornet.com](mailto:cdunlap@xplornet.com)) for information on music, workshops and concerts in your area! New blog posts to come.

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

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

## Events in the Region | Imeachtaí Sa Cheantar

### 25 May, 7:30pm, Caitlín & Ciarán Concert

An Irish trad exhibition of Caitlín Nic Gabhann (from Meath) on the **concertina and dance** with Ciarán Ó Maonaigh (from Donegal) on the **fiddle**. Tell all your friends, as at \$10, this is a great deal for a night of first-class Irish entertainment. You are also encouraged to stop by the newly opened adjacent pub under the same roof, Brigid's Well.



### Until 26 May, Sing Street

Set in 1980s Dublin, this **coming of age film** features the sounds of bands of that era, whose songs are earnestly covered by the lead character in his pursuit of love. Screenings at the ByTowne Cinema (325 Rideau Street)

### 28 May, 8am-4pm, Caint is Comhra Glebe Garage Sale

Following the success of last year, this year **Caint is Comhra** will be selling again at the popular community event. Location of stand is TBA. Help them out and arrange to have donations picked up or dropped off by contacting Kristina ([sparklegirl18@sympatico.ca](mailto:sparklegirl18@sympatico.ca)), Toni ([toni144@gmail.com](mailto:toni144@gmail.com)) or Bríd ([briguglich935@rogers.com](mailto:briguglich935@rogers.com)). Contact also to find out what donations are needed and to volunteer.

### 28 May, 7:30pm, Celtic Spring Concert

The final concert of the season for the Ottawa Celtic Choir, a no-audition community choir directed by Ellen Maclsaac. Doors open 7pm. This concert doubles as a **recording** for the choir's CD. Mill Road Community Space (8 Mill Road, Chelsea, QC). Information and tickets: 613-552-3964.



### 29 May, 3pm, MacGillivray Concert

A legend of Canadian songwriting, Cape Breton's Allister MacGillivray is featured in this concert by the choir **Atlantic Voices**. Centretown United Church (507 Bank Street). Advance tickets \$15 through 27 May at the Leading Note on Elgin, \$20 at the door. Pre-show by the **Fumblin Fingers** starts at 2:15pm. Refreshments and silent auction following the show.

## Events in the Region | Imeachtaí Sa Cheantar

### 2 June, 2nd Annual Awards Night Gala

The Irish Society of the National Capital Region is hosting its 2nd annual **awards** night gala at the Ottawa Police Association (200 - 141 Catherine Street). Time, price TBA. Information: [secretary@irishsocietyncr.com](mailto:secretary@irishsocietyncr.com) or 613-591-9194.



### 11 June, 12:30pm, Fundraising Golf Tournament

The Ottawa Gaels and the Irish Society of the NCR present a day of **golf** starting at 12:30pm. Mont Cascade Golf & Country Club (915 chemin du Mont-Cascade, Cantley, QC) **Roast beef dinner** starts at 6pm. Just dinner \$35, both golf and dinner \$125. Every month until July, the Gaels are also holding a **draw** (tickets \$20) with the top prize being \$1000. Information and registration: 613-304-5705.

### 11 June, 7pm, Ottawa Fury Pipe Band

The Sons of Scotland **pipe band** plays at the Ottawa Fury home game at TD Place (1015 Bank Street). See [SOSPB.com](http://SOSPB.com) for details.

### 12 June, 10am-noon, Pancake Breakfast

Serving monthly a buffet breakfast with live Irish music, St. Brigid's Centre for the Arts (310 St Patrick Street) has **pancakes**, ham, sausages, tea, juice, and more for \$6 adults, \$4 children. All welcome. Information: [Ann@SBCOttawa.ca](mailto:Ann@SBCOttawa.ca) or 613-225-1830.



### 18 June, 7:30pm, Harp Recital

A **harp recital** for Mary Muckle's students where everyone is invited to enjoy some great music. Everyone is welcome at the Ottawa Mennonite Church (1830 Kilborn Avenue). See more information on the website: <http://www.mucklemusic.com/news-events/events.html>.

### 29-30 June, The Lobster

*The Lobster* is a film about a **dystopic** future filmed in Ireland (!) where single people like Colin Farrell's character are forced to find a significant other lest they get released into the wild in a different manifestation. Returning to the Bytowne Cinema (325 Rideau Street) after its first run in the winter. Details: [ByTowne.ca](http://ByTowne.ca).

## Amharc Siar | A Look Back

Our final two events in May were our **May céilí** and the **May trivia night**. We saw many good friends old and new at these two events.

Back due to popular demand, the May trivia night took place at Patty Boland's on 19 May.



We had quite a few questions that did not have anything to do with Ireland this time. Nevertheless, the highest-scoring team from the February trivia night, Celtic Tigers, continued their reign.



Points or no points, we had a lot of fun with such innovative questions as picture rounds and music rounds. See you at the next trivia night in the fall!

## Amharc Siar | A Look Back

At our May céilí, we were glad to see so many **Ottawa Gaels** enjoying the music and dancing. We hope to see them again in September along with Sarah Griffin, the **Ottawa Rose of Tralee** candidate, who performed with two other dancers during intermission.

A special thank you to Scott Donnelly, who ran the door at the May céilí! Scott Donnelly runs the **trad sessions** every Tuesday at 7:00pm at the Cross on Elgin (360 Elgin Street)

Many thanks to the **Ottawa Céilí Band**, who provided us with fantastic live music all year at the céilís. Special thank yous to Elizabeth Scarlett and Alf Warnock for co-ordinating the band!

And a big thank you as well to the **dance and language instructors** at our weekly classes. They did a fantastic job throughout the year.

### **Notice from the Embassy: Passports**

"The Embassy regrets the longer than usual processing delays that passport applicants have been faced with over the past several months. The Embassy will no longer be in a position to accept any incorrectly or incompletely submitted passport applications.

"All applications are pre-screened upon receipt. All applications are pre-screened upon receipt. Going forward, any applications that are seen to be incorrect or incomplete will be sent back to the applicant by return post, indicating the error or omission and asking the applicant to resubmit the form correctly."

See the rest of this press release here: <https://www.dfa.ie/irish-embassy/canada/passports/how-to-apply-for-a-passport/>

*Mí an Mheithimh*