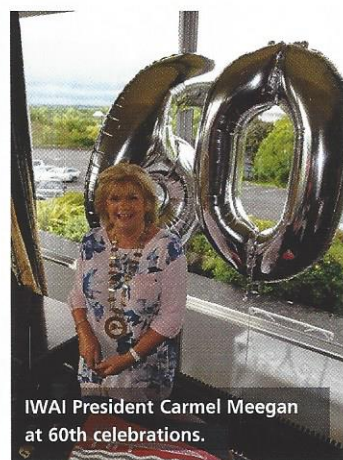


ABOUT ATHLONE

FROM SIOBHAN BIGLEY



At unveiling of 60th Anniversary Plaque



IWAI President Carmel Meegan at 60th celebrations.



(l-r) Alison Cooper (Levinge), Jennifer Corcoran (Waters), Michael Martin, Alan Furlong, Rosemary Furlong, Dara White and Declan White (seated)

Athlone IWAI has had a very successful social year celebrating 60 years of the association and had a great turn out for the annual cruises in company.

60TH CELEBRATIONS

To mark the 60th Year of the association and Athlone IWAI the branch organised an erection of a brass plaque in *Dunrovin* commemorating all the people who had the foresight to form

the association. The plaque was set in granite and was officially unveiled by IWAI President Carmel Meegan. The event was attended by members, family descendants of the original members and local politicians and supporters. Later that night the members gathered in the Athlone Golf Club for a party celebration of the association.

LECARROW CIC

Lecarrow Harbour was filled with boats in September for the annual Puddin' n' Porter and Cruise in Company. This particular event is a static cruise in company and year on year attracts more and more boaters. This year there was an organised tour of Pdraig Corcoran's Eco-Farm. The Corcorans lead the group to look at an array of wildlife including Linnet plots, waders, hedgerows, bird & bat boxes, badger setts, ponds and all the biodiversity that is Roscommon. Later that night all gathered on the quay wall for a veritable feast of black pudding and cheese and wine, organised by Commodores Brian and Jennifer Corcoran.

END OF SEASON CIC

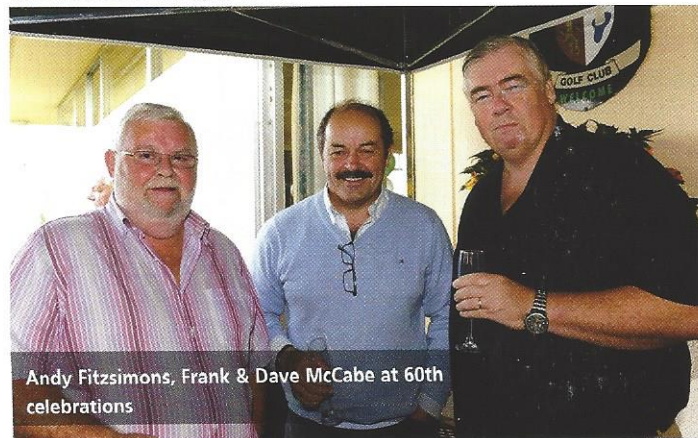
Able led by Commodores Rosemary and Peter Lee, the end of Season Cruise in Company in October ventured to Glasson. The weekend started in the Lough Ree Inn for a Whiskey and Wine Tasting from O'Briens Wines Athlone followed by a

very colorful Reeling In The Years music quiz. On Saturday the fleet went on a short cruise to Ballykeeran for Brunch in the Reeds followed by a RIB run to Carnakilla Point and to visit Carnakilla Point Self Catering Chalets built by Owen Egan. The Saturday evening Surf 'n Turf social event was held in Glasson Gold Hotel and was very well attended.

Photos: Joe Relihan



Rosemary Furlong reading the commemorative plaque at *Dunrovin*



Andy Fitzsimons, Frank & Dave McCabe at 60th celebrations



(l-r) Sarah Jane Macken, Maeve Kelly, Siobhan Cluskey, Jenny Fletcher, MaryCurley, Jennifer Corcoran at Athlone IWAI 60th Celebrations