

BARROW BULLETIN

FROM JOHN O'GORMAN

Three boats that didn't make it to Carrick!
Photo: John Dimond



BARROW AWARDS 2014

After a long hot summer of planting and preening, the participating communities along the banks of the Barrow attended a ceremony in the Seven Oaks Hotel Carlow to announce this year's winners. Leighlinbridge took top prize. Bagenalstown won the first ever Biodiversity award handed out as part of the awards. St Mullins

won best in county for Carlow with Goresbridge taking the Kilkenny title. The awards scheme is supported by the councils in Carlow, Kilkenny, Kildare & Laois. Barrow IWA continues to support the efforts of local communities along the navigation.

BAHANA WOOD BARBECUE

The Bahanna Wood Barbecue took place on the August Bank

Holiday weekend as planned. The fact that it turned out to be the wettest weekend of the summer didn't take from the festivities on the night. The event was attended by a contingent of boats from the Three Sisters Marina, New Ross and the entertainment lasted to the small hours. Many thanks to John and Billy O'Neill for their help in organising the event.

CIC CARRICK ON SUIR

The cruise in company to Carrick on Suir took place on Saturday 24 August with all crews enjoying a very pleasant evening in Carrick on Suir.

EXTENDED SEASON

The 'Indian Summer' meant for an extended boating season for

many along the navigation. Those on the water didn't have the seasonal problems with rising water levels and the dry mild weather meant many could avail of a later than usual trip up or down the river to savour the glorious Autumn colours. The river and its banks were busy with walkers, cyclists and the local coffee shops in St. Mullins and Graiguenamanagh were bustling with customers enjoying the late Autumn sunshine.

WINTER SCHEDULE

The branch AGM is on 25 November with regular meetings continuing in the new year. Watch the Barrow Branch website for details of our annual winter walk and Christmas gathering.

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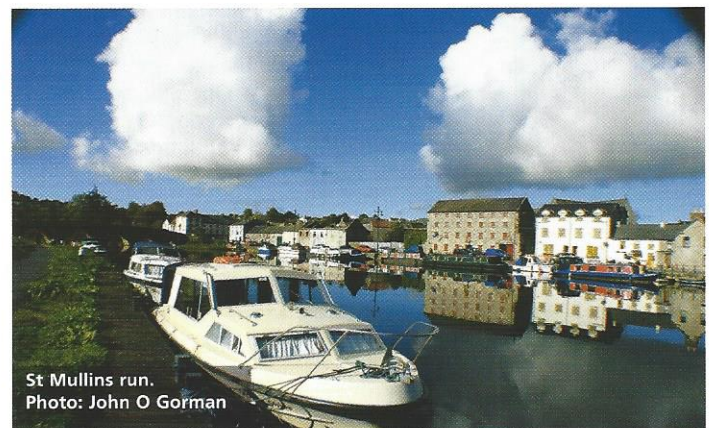
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St Mullins run.
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CIC to Carrick on Suir
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