

THE QUEST FOR ROLT'S LOST TREASURE

Mick Farrell passed away just as we were going to press with the last edition of IWN. A few weeks ago, John Denham from Clontarf Yacht and Boat Club contacted IWN to say that Mick had written a poem about the club's *Green and Silver* adventures in 2011 called *The Quest for Rolt's Lost Treasure* and had given him a copy. He thought that we might like to share it with IWN readers as a tribute to Mick. The photo, taken by Mick's daughter Holly, shows Mick wearing his 'driving jacket' at the helm of 31B.



*Come all you lads and lassies,
From Belturbet to Beleek,
From the Shannon's side to Clontarf's tide,
There's treasure for to seek,
There's Green and Silver to be won,
Across the Mucky Mer,
O'er Grand and Royal, you'll have to toil,
If you want to claim your share.*

*Some hardships you'll encounter,
No shore power to be had,
Your gin and tonic's full of weed,
And your wine and cheese gone bad,
But persevere as you push those gates,
As you sweat upon the rack,
At the end of the day, there'll be time for play,
And time to have some craic.*

*And as you slowly navigate,
Watching walker's moving faster,
You'll start to think that you were mad,
To embark on this disaster,
But moving slowly gives you time,
To ponder your surrounds,
The man made ditch, that nature switched,
Into a Holy Ground.*

*Now Long John Slevin weaves his web,
Upon the world wide thingy,
To lure you all out on this quest,
By boat or barge or dingy,
Then Popeye Kinahan will strike,
Beware of him he's shifty,
"A rally fee, you'll pay to me,
Or you won't pass th' M-50".*

*So you've finally travelled in Rolt's wake,
Now you can claim your prize,
As you look down at your wee small hoard,
You won't believe your eyes,
And you'll ask if it was worth it?
But if the truth be told,
It's the Green & Silver in your head,
That's worth its weight in gold.*

MARKS MYSTERY

Where was this photo taken ?

Some waterproof goodies from Aquapac for the first correct identification drawn from the bag.

Send entries to Mark Maguire, 24 Clonkil, Callan, Co. Kilkenny, or email rescuewatercraft@eircom.net

The winner of Winter 2014 was John Dimond who correctly identified the 'Diver' in Bagenalstown



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