



Rosslare

Community & Sports Centre

YEAR REVIEW

2023



Your kindness has made a difference



Rosslare Community & Sports Centre is managed by the Board of Rosslare Community Development Association Clg.
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Padel Courts

Rosslare Community Centre was delighted to build two new Padel Tennis Courts thanks to the generous contributions made by many families who are members of the Centre. One of the fastest growing sports in the world, work began to resurface the hard courts and install two state of the art courts supplied by PCI and their Spanish partners. A new booking app was enabled to manage the busy summer season. Our tennis coach Emil completed his Padel coaching qualification and was on hand to deliver training sessions for members and visitors to enjoy. A huge thanks to Bill Kelly for organising and sourcing the funding for this project. It has put Rosslare on the map as a Padel venue.



Bowling Green

The new Bowling Green was formally opened by the Chairperson of the Rosslare Municipal District, Councillor Lisa Mc Donald on 23rd June, 2023. The Project was a partnership between Rosslare Bowling Club, Rosslare Community & Sports Centre, Rosslare Development Association, Wexford County Council, Department of Transport, Tourism and Sport and Sole Sport Ltd. The Project cost €191,000 in total with the Green measuring 25 X 40 metres in size. The 4 lane Bowling Green has been built to World Bowling Standards.



LEADER Funding

In 2022 we were delighted to have been awarded funding for upgrades to the facility. This project has greatly improved the facilities at the Community Centre, it now has all certified fire doors throughout, upgrading our health and safety performance. We have A rated windows ensuring we can maintain and improve our energy efficiency, our security and improve the air ventilation in the warmer months. A new front door that is access for all which allows centre users to open the door automatically with the press of a button. It is more secure and more energy efficient. The previous door was heavy and very hard to open especially for children and the elderly. The installation of the new fencing has made a significant improvement to the courts at the centre along with the new gates that were installed at the courts and maintenance yard. We were able to utilise the old chain link fencing to secure areas near the pitch that were a problem of concern due to anti-social behaviour.



Keep Rosslare Beautiful

A new working group was established involving past tidy town members, Friends of Rosslare who care for the community centre garden, Board members of the community centre, sheds and people with an interest in keeping Rosslare beautiful. These community members are assisted by the maintenance team at the community centre, TUS and CE workers. This year the group started with refreshing areas of the main car park by painting the toilets, water sports centre, information hub and entrance to the steps. Planting was completed in the village beds and planters. The results from the Tidy Towns competition awarded the village 353 points, seven more than the previous year. In early 2024 a strategic meeting will take place amongst the working groups to schedule a list of tasks for 2024.



KEEP ROSSLARE BEAUTIFUL
Volunteers Needed

Register for notifications

Wednesdays @ 7pm
Thursdays @ 11am
Occasional Saturdays @ 10am

- Planting
- Painting
- Woodwork
- Wildlife
- Litter Collection

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New Lawn Mower

This year we were delighted to purchase a new drive-on lawn mower for the village. Money was raised from fundraising from our Summer Raffle in 2022 and funds from the sales of the Charity Shop. The addition of a new mower allows our maintenance team to complete work around the public areas of the village more productively.



Innovative Community Engagement (ICE) Project

The Community Centre completed works under the ICE project to make the existing play areas more accessible and inclusive for all. This included the replacement and installation of a new wider weld mesh gate, clear signage for toilets, hand rail extension on the stairs, larger signage at the Crazy Golf, fencing railing at the playground entrance, colour contrast strips to barriers and steps around the facility and a curved lip installed on emergency door frame. Wexford County Council had already completed footpath works to improve access to the playground.



Quick Overview from Jan – Dec

- Pobal Return Submitted for December 22
- Additional lighting installed at the front of the centre.
- New fencing and gates installed around tennis courts, and maintenance yard.
- €500.00 funding received from William Grant & Son.
- Funding received from Ireland Funds for Rosslare Schoolboys & girls, Friends of Rosslare and Rosslare Boxing Club.
- Innovative Community Engagement (ICE) Programme completed which included a new gate for crazy golf, additional signage, fencing at entrance to playground.
- Post protectors installed on the track lighting poles – this initiative was supported by Scoil Mhuire Rosslare.
- New windows installed in the Sports Hall, toilets, attic and changing rooms.
- New footpath installed at entrance to crazy golf and tennis courts by Wexford County Council
- Alarm monitoring system installed at the centre, tea room and charity shop.
- New door and windows installed at the Tea Room.
- Metal Recycling Collection Drive operated during Easter break.
- New ride on mower purchased to maintain the centre and public areas.
- Two new Padel tennis courts installed at the Community Centre.
- Hard Court redesigned and repainted adding a practice wall for players.
- Bowling Green is officially opened by Cathaoirleach of Rosslare Municipal District Lisa Mc Donald.
- Establishment of Keep Rosslare Beautiful. An amalgamation of a variety of community groups coming together for the betterment of the community.
- Tidy Towns application submitted for adjudication.
- Awarded €800 for Little Steps Group supported by County Wexford Childcare Committee.
- Fire Doors installed in the sports hall, toilets, changing rooms, boxing club and treatment room.
- 2022 Financial Statement submitted.
- Access for All Front Door installed to centre.
- Summer schedule launched with tennis, dancing, science, drama and so much more.
- Main fundraising begins with Family Bingo, at Coast
- Sports Capital Application submitted for Track and All Weather Pitch resurface.
- Golf Classic raising over €7300.00.
- Teddy Bears Picnic cancelled due to bad weather.
- Rosslare SummerFEST.
- Annual Summer Draw kindly sponsored by Kelly's Resort Hotel.
- Dip in the Nip.
- Summer Staff Party.
- Insurance for the Community Centre Renewed at a cost of over €11500.00
- Purchased surface sweeper from Rosslare Bowling Club to use for courts, all weather pitch and track.
- Winner of the Best Community Biodiversity Project at the County Wexford Environment Awards.
- Additional CCTV cameras installed at the community centre.
- 2022 AGM held.
- Christmas Trees erected in the main car park and the community centre.
- Christmas Garden at Access for All Garden.
- Christmas Market
- Awarded €130625 towards renovating the maintenance sheds under the Community Centre Investment Fund.
- Centre Volunteer Christmas Party.
- New storage benches installed in the Fort Room
- Received 353 points from Tidy Towns competition – 7 points up on 2022.
- Rosslare Christmas Market
- Christmas Party for Centre volunteers.