

Friel's Pub add stripper poles to spice up sessions



In a move that is sure to change sessions forever, Friel's Pub has made another new addition to their ever expanding premises: stripper poles.

After completing recent renovations, musicians expected that to be that however the addition of stripper poles is sure to raise some eyebrows. Johnny Wilson says that the poles are especially for the music sessions and has told us that they are already spicing up sessions. "Just last week Jackie Daly was doing his regular session and took off up the pole. It was spectacular stuff. He was doing all of these

fancy moves while still playing the accordion. Incredible!" The pub is a mainstay of the Willie Clancy Week and business is set to sky-rocket with many musicians wanting to try out the poles. It is reported that the first 'Pole-Dance Off' occurred last night between Cormac and Eoin Begley with Cormac winning well.



"Ye goin' to Coore?" asks drunk musician at 4 in the morning

A drunk musician annoyed everyone last night when he asked anyone within earshot if they were going to Coore.

Heading out to McCarthy's of Coore after the pubs in Miltown close is a regular occurrence during the Willie Week however one musician just wouldn't shut up about it despite it being 4 o'clock in the morning.

After leaving Friel's the man walked up to strangers shouting 'YE GOIN' TO COORE?!' at the top of his voice. One traumatised woman told us her experience.

"I was just minding my own business talking with my group at PJs chip van when all of a sudden this man shouted right in my ear something about Coore. I was so frightened I didn't bother going myself for fear he'd be there!"

The man was eventually caught by authorities and locked in the festival office for the night where he was found the next morning passed out in a pile of leaflets



Summer school teachers in vicious fight over meal tickets

Controversy engulfed the first day of the Willie Clancy Summer School as the teachers became involved in a vicious fight over complimentary meal tickets.

Meal tickets are usually handed out to the Summer School teachers to help with expenses during the week and are seen as a precious commodity.

However teachers collecting their meal tickets from the festival office became involved in a huge fight after one of them accused the other of having more tickets than them. One witness explains.

"I was walking past office and all of a sudden a large gang of people just fell out of the doorway. They were rolling all over the floor, beating the

crap out of each other"

"I could hear one of them yelling 'YOU HAVE 7 MEAL TICKETS WHEN YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO HAVE 6!' They sounded pretty mad."

Festival organiser Harry Hughes said that he has never seen the likes of it and has threatened to get rid of all meal tickets saying that if this continues then the teachers will have to eat from the cr pe van all week.

The meal tickets are said to have the same effect on musicians as a red flag to a bull. In the run up to the Willie Clancy Week, fake meal tickets can be bought online with musicians speculating as to their design this year.

This has caused Garda i to monitor the black-market as musicians are renowned for trying to blag free meals.

The Drone Horoscopes

<p>CAPRICORN 22 Dec-20 Jan</p> <p>This week holds nothing but pain and suffering at the hands of bodhr�n playing hippies. Enjoy your last Willie Clancy week.</p>	<p>AQUARIUS 21 Jan-19 Feb</p> <p>As a water sign that's probably all you'll be drinking this week. You're absolutely no craic. You are declared the designated driver.</p>	<p>PISCES 20 Feb-20 Mar</p> <p>Another water sign but really this is just an indication of your type of bodhr�n playing. It's all dribbly style and no real taste.</p>	<p>ARIES 21 Mar-19 Apr</p> <p>You're energetic which means your friends will be pissed off with you by Friday when they have hangovers and you don't!</p>
<p>TAURUS 20 Apr-20 May</p> <p>Apparently the most attractive of all the signs which means you'll definitely pull this week. Fair play. Don't let it go to your head though.</p>	<p>GEMINI 21 May-21 Jun</p> <p>You decide to attend the set-dancing classes but then realise it's full of really old people. What's worse is that they're fitter than you!</p>	<p>CANCER 22 Jun-23 Jul</p> <p>Oh you're so sensitive. You play the fiddle so sensitively no-one can hear you. This is good because you're very, very bad.</p>	<p>LEO 24 Jul-23 Aug</p> <p>This is the week you realised you should have learned the pipes. No-one likes your hammer dulcimer playing!</p>
<p>VIRGO 24 Aug-22 Sept</p> <p>Unfortunately you will attend the banjo and harp recital and be forced to stay for the entire thing. You poor thing.</p>	<p>LIBRA 23 Sept-22 Oct</p> <p>Libras are so lazy that you probably won't play a tune all week and if you do you'll most likely fall asleep during it. Lazy ass.</p>	<p>SCORPIO 23 Oct-22 Nov</p> <p>This week will see you hang around the Radio na Gaeltachta van trying to get a gig on the radio for your big break. Just go home.</p>	<p>SAGITTARIUS 23 Nov-20 Dec</p> <p>You'll go to Spanish Point and unfortunately get sun burn on your arse and not be able to sit still in any sessions all week.</p>

"I've made a huge mistake coming here", says adult musician in the Belbridge Hotel

An adult musician in his 30s has immediately regretted his decision to investigate sessions at The Belbridge Hotel.



After leaving Miltown Malbay due to crowd problems he decided to drop into the hotel, only to find himself surrounded by teenagers, tweens and really annoying families.

The man had not realised that the hotel has in recent years

become a haven for little shits running around being really annoying.

"I only came here looking for a decent tune but all I found were kids hanging out every where I look playing syncopated music and awful dribbly bodhrán."

Staff were then forced to call an ambulance when the man lost the will to live.

Woman attending summer school thinks she can just go to a different teacher every day

A woman attending the Summer School fiddle classes has shocked fellow students by going to a different fiddle teacher every day this week.

The woman, who is said to be attending the school for the first time, is reported to be brazenly moving from one teacher to the next without informing any of them.

The classes which are being held in St. Joseph's School in Spanish Point, often have the highest number of attendees so space is limited. However this has not deterred the woman from thinking she can do what she likes.

Fiddler and organiser of the fiddle classes John Kelly spoke

of his anger at the situation. "Ridiculous stuff. It's a hard enough of job of putting people into the right class then you have this numpty moving around the place. Would someone tell her she won't learn anything if she doesn't stay put?!"

Other students have said the woman was placed in a beginners class on the first day, then was seen entering James Kelly's class, then Martin Hayes's the next day, then Liam O'Connor and then Ciarán O'Maonaigh.

It is unknown which class she will enter next however Bernadette McCarthy told us she "bloody well better stay outta my class anyway!"

Sightings of Miltown cockroach spark fears of infestation



Summer School organisers have issued warnings after a 200% increase in sightings of the notorious Miltown Cockroach.

The Cockroach, which is a native to Miltown Malbay, especially during the Willie Clancy Week, is known for attacking campers and American tourists.

Miltown Cockroach expert Con 'Fada' O'Drisceoil has however tried to calm fears.

"Look. All the cockroach wants is to have a bit of craic so if you buy it a pint it should be all right. But they can be notoriously bitter about it if you don't so just be careful."

Police sketch of Miltown Malbay's 'The Phantom Fiddler' released

Gardaí in Miltown Malbay have released a sketch of the infamous 'Phantom Fiddler'.

The enigmatic fiddle player is seen every Willie Clancy week frequenting local sessions with his inimitable style of miming.

He was Christened 'The Phantom Fiddler' due to his appearance of playing when in fact his bow does not even touch the strings. Local Gardaí explain:

"This is a case we have been dealing with for years. We had our first reports of his presence in the 1990s and he has been seen sporadically since but only during the Willie Clancy week."

'The Phantom Fiddler' can be seen floating from session to session, often slipping in unnoticed. He then appears to join in the music, bow arm moving furiously. However this is an illusion. If listened to solo setting, no music is heard.



Regular musicians to Miltown has proven otherwise. Gardaí have pleaded with people to be on the lookout for this mysterious figure with many people not believing this man but not to approach him as he may be musically dangerous.

PJ's Chip Van voted best drunken post-session meeting point by musicians



In an official poll by festival organisers, musicians voted PJs Chip Van the best

drunken, post-session PJs was voted the best due to the banter had outside, the fast food vans during the Willie Week.

The van, usually located outside Friel's Pub on the Spanish Point road is ideally situated for musician stumbling out of the various pubs during the week, looking for food to soak up the alcohol eating away the lining of their stomachs.

Musicians were unanimous in their decision and plan to present PJ with an award shaped like a half eaten snack box. PJ was reached for comment but we couldn't understand a word he said.