

A meeting of Longford Branch of the Retired Teachers' Association was held in The Courtyard Café, Longford on Wednesday, March 22nd, 2014. There were 20 members present.

Chairperson, Leo Donlon, presided. He apologised for missing the December Mass and Lunch.

Votes of sympathy were passed to members of the family of Cathal McWeeney. Cathal was a member of Longford RTA and died on February 18th, RIP. Votes of sympathy were also passed to RTA members, Gus Hanley and Maureen Hughes, on their recent sad bereavements.

The Secretary reported back from the RTA Annual Convention, which she had attended on March 11th. She urged members to ask those looking for votes in up-coming elections to lobby for the withdrawal of the FEMPI (Financial Emergency Measure in the Public Interest) legislation.

She also reported that the Annual grant had been received from RTA. This was given to Treasurer, Kieran.

A list of Activities was drawn up for current/future exploration

Trip				
Place	Activity	Cost	Travel for 29 persons	Accommodation
Dublin	War Horse (Grand Canal)	€19 - €40	€300	
Belfast	Titanic	€14.73	€400	
Belfast (overnight)			€650	€60 (Room for 2) Travelodge

It was agreed to organise a trip to War Horse on April 23rd.

Suggested Activities					
Activity	Day	Time	Venue	Activity	Cost
Keep Fit	Every Wednesday	10	Mall, Longford	Walking and easy keep fit exercises/Aqua aerobics from time to time	€3.00
Active Retirement	Every second Wednesday	2	McGoey Hall, Longford	Talks and Trips organised	€20 to join/€3 per session
Cycling	Daily (by appoint)		Leitrim Village	Electric Bike Hire and cycle - 5 cycle routes in Leitrim Village	€20
Bridge Lessons			Longford	Contact Pat Finnerty	
Golf Lessons			Longford	Contact Noeleen	

It was agreed to hold the next Longford RTA Meeting on Thursday, June 12th, 2014. Denis Desmond, General Secretary, RTA, will attend.

This concluded the business of the meeting

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Leo Donlon, Chairperson, Longford RTA

Apologies:

Mae Moore

Rita McEvoy

Emer Murphy

Pat O'Sullivan

Kieran McEntee (Injury)

Mary Cassells

Patsy O'Beirne (Procedure)

Kitty Hughes (Hip)

Carmel Fallon

Reena Kennedy

Christine Treacy

John Fay

Patsy Fitzmaurice (Wedding)

Teresa Greene

Correspondence

- Letter re Cathal McWeeney
- Handbook
- Senior Citizens Guidebook

- Cycle path on Canal - opening June 27
- Cycling in Leitrim Village Friday next, June 20th
- Thanks to Mary Donlon and Kieran for helping organise War Horse
- Day for Meetings (Thurs ??)