

# September Newsletter

*Welcome to our monthly newsletter, with a snapshot of the latest volunteering opportunities available.*

## Barnardos

National Fundraising Day - Friday 15<sup>th</sup> September

Barnardos is Ireland's leading children's charity. Their National Collection Day takes place on Friday 15th September 2017.

They urgently need volunteers to help with organised bag packs and on-street collections in the areas of Ennis, Kilrush & Shannon

They are looking for volunteers for the following:

**Ennis:** Bag Packing – Tesco 10am, 12noon and 4pm (2 hour shifts)  
Street Collectors – Dunnes Stores, Ennis & Ennis Town (2 hour shifts)

**Shannon:** Bag Packing – Dunnes Stores 10am, 12noon, 2pm & 4pm (2 hour shifts)

**Kilrush:** Street Collectors – Tesco at 4pm (2 hours). If you would like to find out more contact Dolores on 065 68 66 800

## Clare Motor Rally Rally Stewards

The Clare Stages Rally is a very popular event and has been running since 1988. It has attracted competitors from all over Ireland and the UK.

They are looking for volunteer stewards to assist at the various stages, directing spectators where to stand to view the rally.

The rally has 3 stages Stage with 3 different meeting points.

Stage 1 Toonagh - meeting up point is Donnellan Centra Lahinch Rd Ennis at 7.30am

Stage 2 in Ruan meeting up point is Hogan's Renault Garage Gort Rd at 8.00am

Stage 3 in Ballinruan meeting up point is Clarks Filling station Crusheen at 9.00am

Stewards will be picked up from the various meeting points and brought to different locations along the rally route. Vouchers will be provided to all volunteers for refreshments. To find out more, contact Dolores at [info@volunteerclare.ie](mailto:info@volunteerclare.ie) or 065 68 66 800

## Samaritans – Information Event Phoneline Support

The Samaritans offer 24 hour support, 365 days a year to people who

need someone to talk to. The service is confidential and non-judgemental and relies on volunteers to be a listening ear to those in need.

The Samaritans in Ennis are looking for volunteers to join their team. You would be asked to give up to three hours a week in our Centre in Ennis to provide support to our callers. Full training, mentoring and support will be provided locally for all volunteers.

If you would like to find out more about what is involved and how you can make a real difference we are holding two information evenings on **Tuesday 12th September** and **Thursday 14th September** in Ennis. To register your interest please contact Dolores at [info@volunteerclare.ie](mailto:info@volunteerclare.ie) or 065 68 66 800

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## Homework Club Ennis & Ennistymon

**Ennis:** The Clarecare CISC Homework Club, Ennis is looking for volunteers to help support teenagers to complete French homework and French Orals .

They are looking for a French speaker – one afternoon per week. The day and time can be agreed between the volunteer and the homework co-ordinator.

Must have the ability to work comfortably one to one and with group of students.

**Ennistymon:** The Clarecare Primary School Homework Club is looking for volunteers to help with supporting children to complete homework and participate in social activities.

The homework club takes place on a Monday afternoon from 3pm to 6pm

The children are aged between 7 - 11 years of age and the Homework Club is based in the Ennistymon Family Resource Centre.

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## Clarecare Administration Volunteer

Clarecare offers many support services throughout the county and they are currently looking for an Administration volunteer for one of their projects.

This role will include the following tasks:

- Creation of databases, contact lists, record sheets and report sheets.
- Creation of brochures, templates of forms and letters.
- Paper files also to be created, organised and filed.
- Log books and tracking systems to be put in place.
- On going - sending out invites, notices, training material and general correspondence when new groups are set up or organising workshops.
- Knowledge of social media

The volunteer will work as part of a team and will have full support. The volunteer must have an understanding and appreciation of Data Protection and confidentiality is essential.

If you have knowledge of Word, Excel & Outlook and can give either a morning or an afternoon for this organisation please contact Dolores

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## Clarecare Thrift Shop - Ennis

Clarecare are currently looking for volunteers for the Ennis Shop. The shop is open Tuesday to Friday from 9.30am – 1.00pm, and open all day Tuesday & Thursday from 9.30am – 4.00pm.

The tasks would be as follows:-

Accepting and assisting with receipt of donations (clothes, furniture & books)

- \* Sorting donations and ensuring all items are suitable for sale
- \* Separating un-saleable items for recycling.
- \* Pricing and using the tagging gun to attach tags to clothes.
- \* Ensuring stock is displayed correctly on shelves, rails and display areas.
- \* Providing excellent customer service in a friendly and welcoming manner.
- \* Using sales till and handling money
- \* Ensuring stock room is kept clean and tidy in line with Health & Safety standards.

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## Cuan an Chláir

The Clarecare Day-care centre in Cuan an Chlair Ennis is looking for volunteers to help with social engagement and inclusion of older people.

**Arts and Crafts Volunteer:** The Clarecare Day-care centre in Cuan an Chlair Ennis is looking for a volunteer with a love of arts and crafts to work with a group of 20/30 senior citizens. Preferably someone with an art background that can offer engaging arts and craft sessions. The project will run for 6 weeks initially, and the volunteer shall be supported by the Day-care centre staff.

**Social Activities Volunteer:** Interacting on a one on one basis and sometimes in groups to encourage the older person/s to participate in scheduled events, activities, to help improve their dexterity, mind and daily social interaction.

Must have the ability to work comfortably within a group of approx. 30/40 older persons.

**Bus Driver:** To collect the older people from their homes/designated meeting point to Cuan an Chláir and ensure that the passengers get on and off the bus in a safe manner, Must have a clean driving licence, with Mini Bus category D1.

**Music Volunteer:** The Clarecare Day-care centre in Cuan an Chlair Ennis is looking for a volunteer with a love of music and singing to work with a group of approx. 30 senior citizens. Preferably a guitar player or a piano player with a selection of different types of music suitable for this particular generation.

The project will run for 6 weeks initially, and the volunteer shall be supported by the Day-care centre staff.

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## Breakfast Club Volunteer Scoil Chríost Rí

The Board of Management at Scoil Chríost Rí in Cloughleigh along with The Lions Club have set up a breakfast club for children attending the school.

The aim of the club is to provide a breakfast for children before attending school. This facility is set up to support up to 20 children.

The Breakfast club will be run at the Junction Community Building in Cloughleigh from Monday - Friday mornings between 8.15am - 9.15am from the 2nd October 2017

They are looking for volunteers who will work in pairs and be on a roster basis to carry out the following duties:-

Set up breakfasts which will include (cereal, glass of milk, slice of toast ),  
Serve the breakfast to children in a seated area.

Assist in the clean up

School starts at 9am and a teacher will arrive at 08.55am to collect pupils and walk them to the school.

This club will run until June 2018.If you are available between 8am - 09.30am one morning a week please contact Dolores.

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## Bowling Assistant Special Olympics

The Ennis Eagles 10 pin bowling club is affiliated to Special Olympics Ireland. We provide a fun and supportive environment for people with special needs to enjoy the sport of bowling in Ennis every Tuesday evening.

We are looking for volunteers who have an interest in bowling or an interest in being part of the team to support a group of athletes every Tuesday evening from 7.15pm to 8.45pm at Ennis Leisure World. If you can volunteer once a week, once a fortnight, once a month – we would love to hear from you.

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Contact Sharon or Dolores: 065 68 66 800

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