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ELECTION 2016: ONE DAY TO GO

ENDA GETS IT IN THE EAR



FACE TO FACE
Martin Stone
tackles Enda
in Co Meath
yesterday

BY BLANAID MURPHY

ANGRY voters queued up to give Enda Kenny a tongue-lashing yesterday - as bookies predicted a Fianna Fail/Fine Gael coalition.

With the public ready to go to the polls tomorrow, the Taoiseach was tackled over the housing crisis and austerity cuts on a walkabout in Trim, Co Meath.

Homeless charity worker Ashling Lowe shouted: "You should be ashamed of yourself. What have you sacrificed?"

And concerned dad Martin Stone confronted him over his son waiting three years for an operation.

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..and wait until the rest of the 'whingers' have their say tomorrow

TRUMP: I LOVE THE POORLY EDUCATED

Nevada win puts The Donald on course for White House battle

THUMB CHANCE
Donald Trump after good news yesterday

BY MIRROR REPORTER

DONALD Trump took a step closer to being the Republican choice of president yesterday after his victory in Nevada and praised the "poorly educated" for helping him.

The controversial billionaire swept away challenges by Marco Rubio and Ted Cruz, marking a third straight victory in the state contests.

Florida senator Rubio captured second place with fewer than 2,000 more votes than Texas senator Cruz.

Jubilant Trump told supporters at his Las Vegas victory party: "We won the evangelicals."

"We won with young. We won with old. We won with highly educated."

"We won with poorly educated. I love the poorly educated. We're the smartest people, we're the most loyal people."

Paddy Power cut his odds to be the Republican candidate to 4/9 to get the nod. He was once a 200/1 rank outsider.

The New York businessman can now claim victories in the west, the south and north east – a testament to his broad appeal among voters. His rivals are running out of time to stop him.

Trump declared: "We're winning, winning, winning the country. Soon, the country is going to start winning, winning, winning."

A candidate must have 1,237 state delegates to win the Republican nomination at the National Convention this summer. Trump has 81 delegates so far and Mr Cruz and Mr Rubio have 17 each.

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“We won with young and old. We're winning, winning, winning, winning”
DONALD TRUMP NEVADA YESTERDAY

Moore is star attraction

IRELAND'S best-known astronomer David Moore is set to host a lecture on The Universe tonight.

The founder and chairman of Astronomy Ireland will discuss how the universe has impacted every aspect of our daily lives at the Riverbanks Arts Centre in Newbridge, Co Kildare.

He will also focus on the "Irish angle" to the explanation of the cosmos – that we invented astronomy.

For more information on the event and to book tickets visit www.riverbank.ie.

Ryanair plea over EU vote

RYANAIR yesterday called for British citizens to vote for their country to remain in Europe.

Chief Michael O'Leary said: "As the UK's largest airline, Ryanair is absolutely clear the UK economy and its future growth prospects are stronger as a member of the European Union than they are outside of the EU."

"We hope the vast majority of our customers will all work together over the coming months to help deliver a resounding Yes vote on June 23."

Labour helps military union

PDFORRA welcomed Labour's commitment to help the group join the Irish Congress Of Trade Unions.

The military group's general secretary Gerry Rooney wants other parties to make the same promise.

He said: "PDFORRA has long sought membership of Irish Congress of Trade Unions without success."

"This position places PDFORRA and its members at a disadvantage during national pay negotiations."

"Any measure which redresses the imbalance is most welcome."

BOI: 35% rise in car loans

THE volume of personal loans for cars increased by 32% in 2015, figures revealed yesterday.

Bank of Ireland noted 43% of customers applied for a vehicle loan worth less than €5,000, while one in three asked for €5,000 to €10,000.

Spokeswoman Aoife Kennedy said: "This year looks set to be a strong year for the Irish motor sector."

"With more people back in the workforce and consumer confidence on the rise, we expect demand to remain strong through the year."

Cranberries star Dolores in clear over air rage incident

Singer will pay €6,000 to charity but escapes a criminal conviction



RELIEF Dolores O'Riordan at Ennis District Court yesterday

PICTURE: NIALL CARSON/PA WIRE

BY ED CARTY

DOLORES O'Riordan has said she will use music, dancing and performing to improve her mental health after avoiding a criminal conviction for an air-rage assault.

The Cranberries singer was asked to pay €6,000 to charity for head-butting, kicking, hitting and spitting at police officers after her 2014 meltdown.

Last December O'Riordan admitted three assaults and obstructing a garda after being taken off an Aer Lingus flight from New York on November 10, 2014.

As she was being arrested at Shannon Airport, the singer told officers she was an "icon" and the Queen of Limerick.

Medical reports produced for the trial at Ennis District Court in Clare revealed O'Riordan had been suffering from mania, mental illness and severely impaired judgment at the time of the incident and she remembers nothing about it.

Leaving the courthouse with her mother Eileen, her brother and her solicitor Bill O'Donnell, the singer urged other people suffering mental illness to "reach out for help".

O'Riordan said: "I don't really have much to say, just that I'm glad it's over. I want to thank the doctors who helped me to get back to my health mentally."

"I'm very good today, very positive about this coming year. I have a couple of albums coming out and I'm going to go back to work."

The 44-year-old added she had one collection planned with the Irish Chamber Orchestra and that she would use "music, dancing, performing" to help her recover



POSITIVE With mum Eileen and lawyer

from the episode of mental illness. Judge Patrick Durcan examined four medical reports – two of which he detailed to the court – and said it would be unfair to impose a criminal conviction.

He added: "I'm satisfied the actions occurred when the defendant was suffering from a very severe medical illness which completely inhibited her judgment."

The judge said O'Riordan had an unblemished character up until this incident and asked for the money to be paid to a charity which helps prisoners ahead of their release from jail.

He added he was taking into account O'Riordan's early plea, that she had accepted the evidence and had written apologies to the three officers she attacked.

Judge Durcan said: "Let me be clear the defendant is not being treated differently than anyone else."

"The defendant accepted serious wrong had been done and approached the righting of that wrong in a very responsible, fulsome and wholesome manner."

"I'm of the view that it would be unfair and would not be just to criminalise the defendant in this case."

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Irish and UK peace praised

MARY McAleese has hailed the transformation in relations between the UK and Ireland in the 100 years since the Easter Rising.

In a speech at Westminster, the former president discussed how once-fraught diplomatic links were now positive.

She said: "Things that were deemed strong and invincible a century ago have disappeared into the footnotes of history."

"Things that seemed weak and set for failure have grown strong and enduring."

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JEN'S FUN AND GAMES WITH COMEDIAN



DATES Jennifer Lawrence

HOLLYWOOD superstar Jennifer Lawrence has reportedly been dating comedian Aziz Ansari since the start of the year.

The Oscar-winning actress, 25, is said to have been introduced to the 32-year-old by their mutual friend Chris Pratt.

The pair allegedly enjoyed a romantic evening together on Valentine's Day at Brooklyn's The Commodore restaurant with onlookers saying they weren't hiding their romance. An insider told

Heat Magazine: "They were showing each other stuff on their iPhones while chatting and laughing. There's a real attraction between Jen and Aziz."

"There's no way she'd have flown across the country to spend Valentine's with a guy she doesn't have feelings for. He makes her laugh. She adores him."

In October 2015, Jen was seen giving Ansari a piggyback ride following the Saturday Night Live after-party.

And Valentine's Day wasn't the only significant date they spent together as

the pair rang in 2016 with another dinner date in New York.

Another source added: "They're dating and right now they're just seeing how it goes."

"Jen and Aziz have been friends for a while, but recently they've moved it on. They're both attracted to one another."

"She adores his goofy side and loves how cool he is. Aziz likes her a lot, but he won't rush into anything – Jen's too important to him."



HAPPY Aziz Ansari