

# Male Matters

## June 2007 Edition

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### ~ Hot Topics ~

- ❖ Men's Health Week
- ❖ Father's Day

### ~ Events ~

#### Talking Balls

Cancer Choices is running an event on Friday 1st June 2007 (evening) in the Craic Theatre, Coalisland. It will begin with a short play entitled "Talking Balls" which addresses the issue of testicular cancer. After the play, there will be a table quiz. Please email Oliver Molloy at: [office@cancerchoices.org.uk](mailto:office@cancerchoices.org.uk) for further details.

#### Men's Health Week 2007

National Men's Health Week will take place from Monday 11<sup>th</sup> - Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> June. The theme for this year is "Men dealing with long-term and chronic illness and disease". If you are doing anything to mark this event, please email the details to: [trisha@mensproject.org](mailto:trisha@mensproject.org) and we will advertise it on the Men's Health Forum in Ireland's website ([www.mhfi.org](http://www.mhfi.org)). If you haven't anything planned, then at least sign-up to the European Men's Health Forum's (EMHF) Vienna Declaration. This Declaration provides a focus for changes to the way we approach the health of men and boys in Europe. You can endorse this declaration online at: [http://www.emhf.org/index.cfm/item\\_id/313](http://www.emhf.org/index.cfm/item_id/313)

#### Father's Day Events

This year, Father's Day falls on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> June. To mark this occasion, nineteen organisations (that have been taking part in the Kick Start Fathers' Work Project coordinated by Parents Advice Centre) will be organising a range of events across Northern Ireland. Keep your eyes open, as you may find articles about them in your local press. Better still, you might want to join in with what is happening!

#### The Men's Development Network - John O'Rourke Summer School

This Summer School will take place in Castlebar, Co. Mayo, from Wednesday 13th June to Friday 15th June 2007. It will be hosted by The Journeymen Westport. The Summer School will offer the opportunity to find support for yourself and to offer it to other men. Participants will explore honestly, and in safety, the events that shape their lives and find the space to look towards the future. For further details email: [men@mens-network.net](mailto:men@mens-network.net) or telephone 00353 51 844260.

#### Parenting Apart Workshop

This half day workshop is aimed at parents who have separated, are separating, divorced, or thinking about divorce. It will provide practical advice and guidance on what children need to know, and what parents can do to meet their needs. The workshop takes place in the Library, Market Street, Dungannon on Thursday 21st June from 10.00am - 1.00pm and costs £15 (all participants will receive a Parenting Apart Handbook). For further information, please contact Andrea on 02890 310891 or [andrea@pachelp.org](mailto:andrea@pachelp.org)

### Managing Children's Challenging Behaviour Workshop

This workshop gives parents the opportunity to learn new ways of managing children's challenging behaviour and communicating with children in a supported group setting. The workshop is suitable for anyone who is in a parenting role with children of any age. The workshop takes place in the Library, Market Street, Dungannon on Tuesday 12th June from 10.00am - 1.00pm and costs £15 (all participants will receive a Managing Children's Challenging Behaviour Workbook). For further information, please contact Andrea on 02890 310891 or [andrea@pachelp.org](mailto:andrea@pachelp.org)

### ~ News ~

#### The Northern Ireland Anti-Bullying Forum

Does your organisation facilitate or support a parent/carers group or children/young people's group? The Northern Ireland Anti-Bullying Forum wants to hear from you to explore how your members can have an input into actions the Forum is planning to undertake. For more information, please email: [niabf@savethechildren.org.uk](mailto:niabf@savethechildren.org.uk) with your group's name and contact details.

### ~ Website of the Month ~

[http://www.menshealthforum.org.uk/userpage1.cfm?item\\_id=1078](http://www.menshealthforum.org.uk/userpage1.cfm?item_id=1078)

### ~ On the Web ~

#### [Men controlling Mouse](#)

(takes a while to load, but worth the wait)

#### [Everyman Male Cancer Awareness Month](#)

[Man claims new sleepless record](#)

[Sunny holidays 'hit sperm count'](#)

[Residents spot strange UFO lights](#)

[Japanese 'oldest man on Everest'](#)

**HEY! What are you up to in July/August?  
Let me know about it to be included in the next edition!  
Email: [trisha@mensproject.org](mailto:trisha@mensproject.org)**

**The Men's Project:** We are currently updating our online directory of organisations which offer support or services to men. If you would like to update your existing entry, or would like to be registered on it, please click here for details:

<http://www.mensproject.org/mendir/index.html>

#### Note to readers:

If you know of anyone who is interested in joining our mailing list, or you wish to be removed, or you have any news you want included, please email me at:

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