

Director: John O'Hora  
Stage Management: Cormac Flynn  
MC: Dermot O'Boyle  
Sound & Lighting: Seamus Barrett, Seán Doherty, Seán O'Hora  
Stage Crew: Padraic Traynor, Chris Flynn, Josephine Gillespie,  
Pauline Timmons, Lucy Butler.  
Front of House: Noel McAndrew, Dolores O'Boyle, Seamus Flynn,  
Gerry McAndrew, Mary Martyn, Brendan Rutledge,.  
Costumes & Make up: Joan Rutledge  
Poster: Office Pro, Bernard Guthrie, Tel: 087 7669476

Previous productions by Ardagh Community Players

- 2004 - Sharon's Grave – John B. Keane
- 2005 – Professor Tim – George Shiels
- 2006 – Wigs on the Green – Noel Marian
- 2007 – Moll – John B. Keane
- 2008 – Swan Song – Noel Marian
- 2009 – The Country Boy – John Murphy
- 2010 – Big Maggie - John B. Keane
- 2011 – Cripple of Inishmaan - Martin Mc Donagh
- 2012 – Cafflin' Johnny - Louis D'Alton
- 2013 – A Damsel From Dublin - Thomas King-Moylan
- 2014 – Cobweb's Glory – Bryan Michael O'Connor
- 2015 – Bless Me Father – T. A. Powell
- 2016 - Cupid Wore Skirts – Sam Cree
- 2017 – Sive – John B. Keane

Thanks to everyone who helped in any way with this production and especially Peter McAndrew for the bike.

Thank you to you our patrons for your continued support.

Sit back, relax and enjoy our production of “The New Gossoon”.

# ARDAGH COMMUNITY PLAYERS

PRESENT

## “The New Gossoon”

A light comedy in 3 Acts

By George Shiels



ARDAGH COMMUNITY CENTRE

Fri 15th, Sat 16th, & Sun 17th March 2019

Ardagh Community Players are pleased to present our second George Shiels play, The New Gossoon. Our first was Professor Tim in 2005 with Padraic Traynor in the lead role.

The New Gossoon was described by Shiels as his “best loved comedy”. It deals with the discoveries of youth like engines, cinema, and radio and of course romance.

All three acts take place on the one day in the kitchen of the Cary household.

### Meet the cast:



Mags Keogh is played by Joan Rutledge. The servant in the Cary house, not known to stay in the same place for too long but could be persuaded if the offer was right.

Joan is no stranger to the stage and has also directed.

Rabit Hamil is played by Padraic Traynor.



The local trapper/poacher who has an eye for making a few pound from any opportunity. A widower with a daughter to look after.

A regular with the group from the start.



Ellen Cary is played by Cathy Flynn. A widow who tries to do her best for her son whom she always puts first. Getting to grips with all his new interests but on the lookout for herself.

Cathy returns to the stage this year.

Niall Gillespie takes on the lead role as “The New Gossoon” Luke Cary.

Likes all things new, engines, cinema, radio with the innocence of youth which could all get in the way of love and the inheritance of his late fathers farm. Returns for his fifth role with the group.



Sally Hamil is played by newcomer to the group, Patricia D’Vatz.

Rabit Hamils daughter and romantically linked to Luke. Wants to get on with her life but she is going at a different pace to Luke. Also captivated by new modern discoveries.

Alan Moran returns to take on the role of Ned Shea. The male servant in the Cary house, A man of few words but he might yet have the last laugh.

Survivor from stage debut in Professor Tim.



When in doubt call the uncle. Tommy Kilroy returns to play the role of Lukes Uncle Peter.

Ellen enlists his help as her world begins to fall apart. Will he save the day?

A regular since debut with The Country Boy.

The Mad Henly is played by Seán Doherty.

When word reaches him that his daughter Bidy is galavanting on motorbikes its time to investigate and bring the root of her trouble down a knotch or two.

Everpresent from day one.

Emma Jackson is our second newcomer this year. She plays the role of Bidy Henly, Mad Henly’s daughter.



A teenager fascinated by the chance of a spin on the motorbike but little thought for the consequences.

