



Dr Colette Moloney with John Boss Murphy's original fiddle now on display in the Booney House in Churchtown. John obtained the fiddle from his wife's family who were from Monmore in County Clare. Margaret Cullinan came to Churchtown with her first husband William O'Keeffe and they owned a pub on George's St West in the village. The name O'Keeffe is now back over the door though the pub is long closed. Some years after William died Margaret married John Murphy. The fiddle is inscribed with the name M J Cullinan and several interesting political slogans from the era.

Alan Finn visited the John Boss Murphy homestead in Churchtown in advance of tonight's Shandrum Ceili Band concert. It was in this house that John Boss Murphy (1875-1955) compiled 284 airs from the traditional music popular



in North County Cork which is now known as *The Boss Murphy Musical Legacy*. Pictured left to right – Gerry Murphy, Pat Murphy, Alan Finn (holding the original John Boss Murphy fiddle) and Michael Murphy. The Murphy brothers are grandchildren of John Boss Murphy.



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CONCERT PROGRAMME

Shandrum Céilí Band
presents



The Boss Murphy
Musical Legacy

8.00pm, 24th August 2019



St Nicholas' Church
Churchtown, Co Cork

ADMISSION
FREE

The Shandrum Concert

Churchtown welcomes the three times All Ireland-winning Shandrum Céilí Band to the parish launch of their new CD entitled *The Boss Murphy Musical Legacy*. Our concert is also part of the 150th anniversary celebrations for St Nicholas' Church and is timed to coincide with National Heritage Week..

The concert is especially significant for Churchtown as the album is based on the traditional music of North County Cork as collated by John Boss Murphy from Leap, Churchtown in 1933-1935. The collection was compiled and published in 2003 as "The Boss Murphy Musical Legacy; Irish Music from the Churchtown Area of North Cork" by Churchtown Heritage Society. The book was collated and edited by Dr Colette Moloney from Charleville. The original 184 page book published 16 years ago is now available free to download at www.churchtown.net

The new Shandrum CD includes 15 tracks and a selection of over 30 tunes assembled into Reels, Quadrilles, Marches, Single Jigs, Jigs, Waltzes, Scottisches and Flings. Two tracks included in the CD that will undoubtedly become the definitive versions are The Walls of Liscarroll and The Rakes of Dromina.



Shandrum Céilí Band is led by Alan Finn from Buttevant and the multi talented band members include: Mairéad Fitzgibbon (Buttevant), Mikie O'Gorman (Boherbue), Eddie Kiely (Boherbue), Brian and Keith O'Loughlin (Corofin), Timmy Collins (Kiskeam), Tadgh O'Sullivan (Millstreet), Aileen O'Callaghan (Mallow) and Ger Naughton (Newtownshandrum).

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Introduction by Fr Robin Morrissey PP

Music by Shandrum Céilí Band

Remarks by Alan Finn / Introducing the Band

Music by Shandrum Céilí Band

Dr Colette Moloney: The Boss Murphy Musical Legacy

Music by Shandrum Céilí Band

Guest Vocalist: Carmel Breen

Music by Shandrum Céilí Band

Sean Nós Dancer: Cian Broderick

Music by Shandrum Céilí Band

**Short Address by Gerry Murphy
Churchtown Heritage Society**

Presentations

**Concluding remarks by
Fr Robin Morrissey**

**Encore by
Shandrum Céilí Band**



John Boss Murphy
(1875-1955)

*Meet and Greet the Band and
Complimentary Refreshments served in
Community Centre afterwards*