

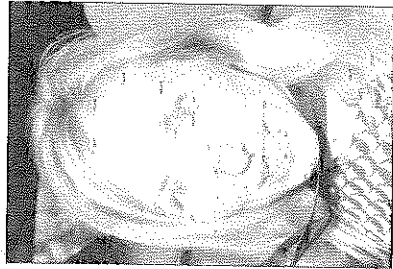
World medalist for charity race

Loughrea race walker Olive Loughnane is to participate in the Dublin Women's Mini Marathon this June to raise funds for Cancer Care West.

World silver medalist Loughnane will join 40,000 other women in the race, which takes place in Dublin on Monday 7 June.

Richard Flaherty, CEO of Cancer Care West, said he was delighted that Olive had come on board and urged many more to follow her lead.

"Olive is a wonderful athlete and we are thrilled that she has decided to support Cancer Care West. We are urging all of



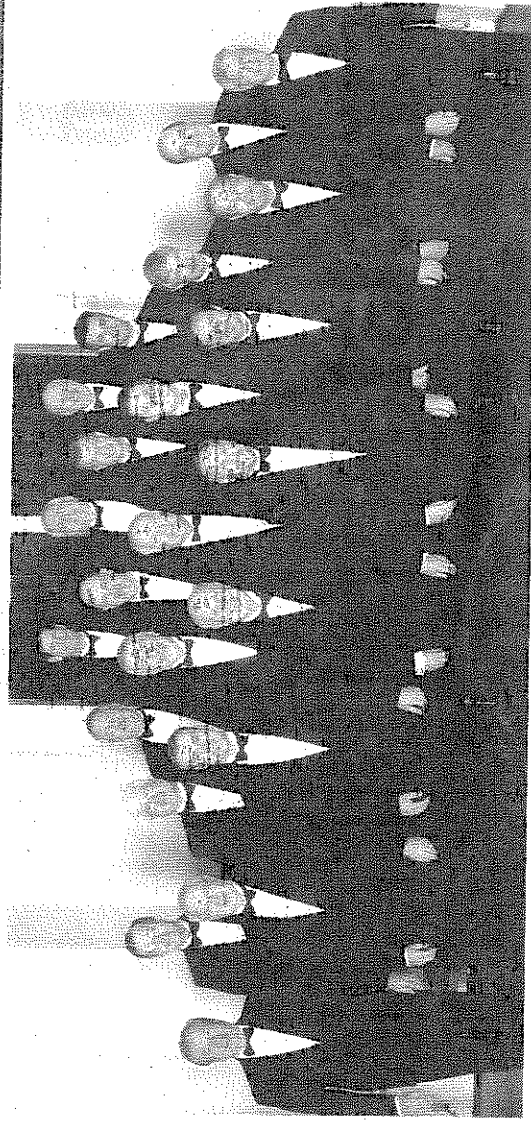
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the ladies out there to take part in the Women's Mini Marathon on behalf of Cancer Care West. Olive is going to lead the Cancer Care West team and

we are extremely proud of that. We are continually working to support cancer patients and their families in the West of Ireland and every effort in helping this cause is very much appreciated."

Cancer Care West are providing full sponsorship packs to participants in the Women's Mini Marathon and they are also providing a bus from Galway to Dublin transporting people to and from the event.

The closing date for applications is Tuesday 27 April. For more information, contact Sharon Fitzpatrick on 087-9120853 or sharon@cancercarewest.ie.



The Singing Men of Arkansas

Singing Men for Galway Hospice gig

The Singing Men of Arkansas will sing at St Nicholas' Church in Galway City at 8pm on Friday 30 April, with all proceeds going to Galway Hospice.

The Singing Men of Arkansas aim to inspire and entertain audiences through dynamic choral performances. They sing a

wide range of both secular and sacred music.

The men will be travelling throughout Ireland and will perform a number of charitable concerts. All

proceeds from the Galway concert will go towards the funding of the Galway Hospice Home Care and Day Care services, which

depend totally on voluntary contributions.

Last year the Galway Hospice Home Care team made almost 5,000 'Hospice at Home' visits to patients and their families throughout Galway including the Aran Islands. There were 1,492 attendances by patients to the Day Care centre, who availed of a

blend of clinical, therapeutic and recreational supports, which also served as a link between inpatient and community-based

services.

"We're delighted that the Singing Men of Arkansas have chosen the Galway Hospice as beneficiary from this concert. The wide range in the repertoire makes it sound like a real treat for those interested in a night of excellent choral singing," said Michael Craig of Galway Hospice.

Tickets for the concert are on sale at the Galway Hospice in Reunure or from Zhivago Records on Shop Street.

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