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Republican Dead to be remembered in Strabane on Saturday

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The Annual West Tyrone Volunteers Commemoration will be held in Strabane on Saturday 27th September and organisers have called for local people to turn out in large numbers to pay fitting tribute to all local republicans who have laid down their lives in the cause of Irish Freedom.

Sinn Fein councillor and Chairperson of Strabane District Council Jarlath McNulty said,

"The memory of local republicans on the West Tyrone Roll of Honour and Roll of Remembrance is deeply cherished within the local community and the Annual West Tyrone Volunteers Commemoration provides and opportunity for people to show that their sacrifice has not, and will not, be forgotten.

"I would therefore call for a large turn out at next Saturday's Commemorative events so as to pay fitting tribute to the memory of all local republicans who have laid down their lives in the cause of Irish Freedom."

Echoing this call and outlining details of the Commemoration events, Jay McCauley, Chairperson of Strabane National Graves, said

"The people of this area have continually demonstrated their support and respect for our fallen republican dead and I would once again call on people to the take the out and come along and remember with pride the republican dead from this area.

"This year's annual commemoration parade sets off from Ballycolman shops at 5pm on Saturday 27th September, a wreath will be laid at the Hunger Strike Memorial before continuing to the Republican Plot at Strabane Cemetery. The commemoration will be addressed by guest speaker Donegal Sinn Fein Cllr Pádraig McLochlainn.

"Following on from proceedings at the Republican Plot there will be a special screening of 'The Gibraltar/ Milltown Martyrs, a 20th Anniversary Commemorative Documentary.

"Many local people where at the funerals of Mairead Farrell, Dan McCann and Sean Savage on the 16 March 1998 when it was attacked British State

Sinn Féin: Republican Dead to be remembered in Strabane on Saturday sponsored killer Michael Stone, an attack which resulted in the deaths of Volunteer Caoimhín Mac Brádaigh, John Murray and Thomas McErlean. This powerful documentary is guaranteed to evoke many sad memories of this time and so I would also encourage as many people as possible to also attend this commemoration event." ENDS Return to Top © Copyright 2008 webmaster@sinnfein.ie Privacy Policy