SNEEM DRAMSOC PRESENTS



THE TINKER'S WEDDING

AND

THE SHADOW OF THE GLEN

By John Millington Synge

PROGRAMME PRICE: €1.00

THE WICKLOW PLAYS:

2009 is the Synge centennial year and Dramsoc is reprising its staging of the Wicklow plays, THE TINKER'S WEDDING and THE SHADOW OF THE GLEN which we last presented here in 1986. The first of these is a farce in which a young, impulsive, violent tinkerwoman seeks to have her marriage-vow solemnised by a money-grabbing priest; the second is a more sophisticated psychological drama, a comedy with a tragic ending, where Nora, a young woman in an enforced marriage to an old dotard, contemplates her prospects for escape, limited as they are by the harsh landscape of the Wicklow hills which has already resulted in the madness and death of her former lover.

The tinker's precious freedom can only be threatened by conformity; for Nora Burke, freedom is well nigh unattainable.

THE TINKER'S WEDDING
Scene 1: A village roadside after nightfall.
(3 minute pause)
Scene 2: The same; early morning.

Refreshments will be served, and a raffle will take place, during a 20 minutes interval.

THE SHADOW OF THE GLEN
Scene: The last cottage at the head of a long glen in Co. Wicklow.

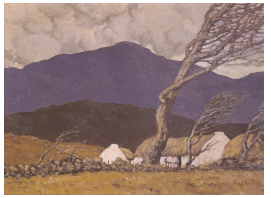
The Tinker's Wedding



The Cast

Michael Byrne, a tinker	Ian Burke
Mary Byrne, an old woman, his mother	Mary O'Sullivan
Sarah Casey, a young tinkerwoman	Shirley O'Sullivan
A Priest	George Drummond

The Shadow Of The Glen



The Cast

Dan Burke, farmer and herd	Vinnie O'Leary
Nora Burke, his wife	Yvonne Ryan
Michael Dara, a young herd	Darren Breen
A Tramp	Don Keogh

Director: Patrick Malone

STAGE MANAGER	John F O'Sullivan
MAKE-UP AND COSTUMES	Randi Stokes
FRONT OF HOUSE	Betty Breen
	Eileen Burns