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# Press Release

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## **Wades Capture the Window on Time.**

**Gorey's Past Comes Alive.**

**Entry Standard extremely High over the Weekend.**

Gorey's past came alive on the August Bank Holiday Weekend with the staging of the first Gorey Market House Festival. Based on the Main St, the Town was returned to the past with traditional markets, livestock displays, music and historical tours.

Gorey Chamber sponsored the first staging of their "Window on Time", window display competition. This competition attempted to capture the history of Gorey, its traders over the years and the current usage of all business on the streets of Gorey.

With an extremely high entry standard, the window displays judging panel, chaired by Gorey School of Art Director, Eamonn Carter, had a very difficult task in selecting the overall winner.

Speaking on behalf of the judging panel, Chamber Executive Dick White explained, "We had to try to take into account artistic merit, innovation, use of historic records and artefacts in addition to capturing the essence of the display idea, but I can safely say that a magnificent effort was made by everyone"

The overall winner was announced over the weekend, with Michael Wade from Wades Pharmacy on Main St being presented with the perpetual prize for the winner. Capturing an historic perspective of its current usage in addition to placing the building within the streetscape at the turn of twentieth century Gorey its display was outstanding.

The winner was followed very closely by entries deserving merit awards, Ivorys of Main St and Millin Knitwear on Main St with others deserving mention for their displays



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being Warren Estates, Myles Doyles, Halfords, La Crème, Mc Auleys, Chapter One, Joannes and Sally West.

Concluding, Dick White noted, “We were pleased with the response, particularly the high standard achieved by everyone who participated and we hope to make this an annual event into the future to coincide with future festivals.”

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