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"The Stig" Unmasked

Ice Man

Concerns are being raised within St Clarets over the latest business venture of defender Richard Daly.

The Galway native, known for his Del Boy instincts, has launched an ambitious venture along with close friend Kevin O'Connor, which is aimed at reducing the housing crisis in London.

The plan, which has already been presented to the Mayor of London's office as the duo seek funding, involves building houses out of ice, so that the "homeless of London will at least have a roof over their heads and a place to call home."

Daly, insists that the plan makes perfect sense and provides "an environmentally friendly solution to what is an extremely serious socio-economic problem that is of grave concern to all Londoners."



Daly and O'Connor working at one of their London sites

When quizzed on the ice melt issue, Daly in typical bombastic fashion said: "It's a self-sustaining industry. They'll always be homeless and they'll always be ice. Where's the problem?"

The Claretian Echo can this week reveal the truth behind the identity of Top Gear's secret racing sensation "The Stig"

For over a decade viewers of the top rated BBC show have been teased by Jeremy Clarkson over the identity of the mysterious driver, with names as prestigious as Michael Schumacher being associated with the role.

However, last week, just outside of McHale Park in Castlebar, long-time Claretian member Marjory Lynott finally revealed herself to be "The Stig".

In a moment of pure theatre, which left her husband Kevin spellbound, Marje pulled up alongside her husband on a three-wheeler chopper, adorned



Marjory "The Stig" Lynott



"Hop on, hold on and scream hallelujah": Marje picks up Kevin.

in her Stig weekend wear, before demanding that Kevin: "Hop on, hold on and scream hallelujah."

Kevin who had been attending the Mayo-Leitrim Connacht semi-final was left speechless as he realised that Marje was serious. After jumping on, he said he was "treated to more excitement in five minutes than in the previous hour and ten minutes of football".

When approached by *The Echo* about her mystery identity, Marje merely said: "Those four sons of

mine have been driving me around the bend and up the walls for years and I've done that for free. The BBC were prepared to pay me to go around the bends, so I took the job."

The Echo understand that in light of these revelations, Jeremy Clarkson has already filmed the intro to next week's Stig segment in which he says: "Some say she invented daylight, and that if you insult one of her boys, she'll cut you in two using lazer from her eyeballs.... but we just know her as a hardworking housewife from Denham.... it's The Stig"

Wham Bam I Am The Man

Dashing Claretian forward Stephen O'Rourke this week moved quickly to deny rumours that he was set to link-up with ex-Wham frontman George Michael.



That "soft" look Stephen O'Rourke

The tabloids have been awash with gossip claiming that 80's group Wham would reunite for a special 30th anniversary concert.

However, one stumbling block to the project is the reluctance of the reclusive Andrew Ridgeley to become involved, so sources claim O'Rourke has been earmarked as the ideal deputy for the bands heart throb guitarist.

"He's perfect" one source close to Wham told *The Echo*. "He's got that 'soft' look to him, just like Andrew and he's just as

talented. After all, Andrew couldn't sing, dance or play an instrument and neither can Stephen.

"We just hope he looks as good when he squeezes into those Club Tropicana trunks!"



Ridgeley (front) in Wham's heyday.