

Rosanna sparkles in our sun after her Ibiza wedding

By Eamon Donoghue

ROSANNA Davison was in sparkling form in the sunshine yesterday as she showed off her wedding ring for the first time.

Rosanna wed Wesley Quirke at Ibiza's five-star Agroturismo Atzaró Hotel and Spa on Sunday.

And yesterday the bride was back home and at the Taste of Dublin festival in Iveagh Gardens where as many as 25,000 visitors are expected over the weekend food and drink spectacular.

And if it could get any better than the weather is going to be hotter here than in Paris, the home of fine cuisine. Temperatures this weekend are forecast exceed 20C.

Met Eireann forecast 'sunny spells on Saturday with temperatures of 18C to 21C'.

A spokesman said: 'Sunday will be a dry day, good sunshine and again 17C and 18C up to 22C in places. There'll be very little change then on Monday. A north-easterly breeze will cool things down.'

And there's no shortage of sport on the calendar this weekend either as the Special Olympics Ireland Games continues place in Limerick and the World Cup in Brazil continues to dazzle sports fans.

Tomorrow there's a re-run of last September's All-Ireland hurling final as Cork and Clare battle it out in the Munster championship.

And the sunshine seems to have got festival-goers into the mood early as one day of August's Electric Picnic is already sold out, although whole weekend tickets remain available. A spokeswoman for

THE FUTURE'S BRIGHT



TODAY
Mostly dry, apart from showers in Leinster and Ulster. Cloudy at first but brighter spells later in the day. **Low: 11 High: 21**



TOMORROW
Dry and sunny with light northerly winds. Cloudier and cooler along the northwest coast. **Low: 9 High: 21**



MONDAY
Dry and sunny with temperatures rising further as the winds become northeast to east in direction. **Low: 12 High: 18**



TUESDAY
Temperatures in the low to mid 20s. Light easterly breezes and cooler along eastern coasts. **Low: 10 High: 20**

the festival said tickets only went on sale in March 'so that will give you an idea of the demand for tickets'.

She said: 'Last year we completely sold out so people don't want to miss out.'

'Last year a lot of people couldn't get tickets, even some avid fans, so people are being a lot more practical this year and

'Lives at risk in hot weather'

a lot smarter. Still though there's tickets for people, just not [day tickets for] Sunday, but they can still go the other days and even the Sunday. They'll just have to go the whole weekend.'

Portishead, Outkast and Beck are the headline acts for the Co. Laois festival from August 29 to August 31.

Yesterday Irish Water Safety warned the public to take care

in the warm weather. The campaign group said: 'Hot weather often lulls people into a false sense of security that will place lives at risk this weekend at beaches, rivers and lakes.'

'Stronger than normal rip currents [are] expected over the weekend. To escape a rip current never swim against this narrow current of water flowing away from a beach. Instead, swim parallel to shore, out of the narrow current, then swim back to shore at an angle.'

Campaigners also urge parents to supervise children more. Walkers are warned of the dangers of being stranded by a fast incoming tide.

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Magician Rosanna yesterday and, inset, her sparkler

Serious attack on pensioner is linked to money row

By Conor Kane

AN argument over money is believed to have been at the centre of a serious assault which has left a 66-year-old man fighting for his life in hospital.

Gardaí believe PJ Kelly, who lived at Kilcaroon outside Ballyporeen in south Tipperary, was struck with a domestic implement during an altercation that broke out at about 3.40pm on Thursday.

Gardaí investigating the assault confirmed that Mr Kelly suffered 'serious head injuries' in the incident and was in a critical condition yesterday in hospital. The house is located about 2km from the centre of Ballyporeen, along the main Clogheen road.

It's understood the injured party and the alleged attacker are believed to have been arguing about money before the assault took place.

An 18-year-old man was arrested later in the afternoon in Cahir and has been questioned by gardaí in the local station under section 4 of the Criminal Justice Act.

It's understood the man being questioned is from the Clonmel area and went to the Garda station in Cahir with his parents on Thursday night.

After the incident, Mr Kelly was taken by ambulance to South Tipperary General Hospital in Clonmel and was transferred to Cork University Hospital later on Thursday.

The alarm was raised by a third party. He has since been interviewed by gardaí.

Reports that drink was involved in the incident have been ruled out by investigators.

The injured party is a separated father of two, originally from Galway, who lived for some time in England but moved to Ballyporeen about five years ago.

The house was sealed off and was examined by members of the Garda Technical Bureau.

Anyone with information on the incident has been urged to contact Cahir Garda Station on 052 744 5630 or any garda station.

Crosbie takes on NAMA as row deepens over 'debt'

By Helen Bruce

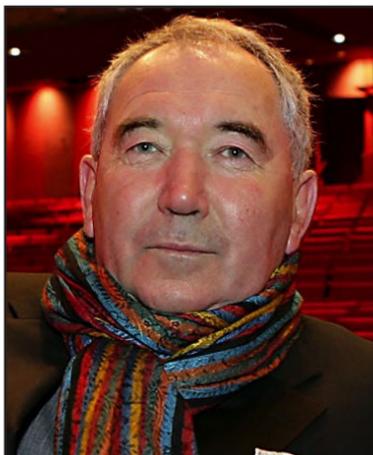
DEVELOPER Harry Crosbie has taken High Court legal action demanding NAMA to stop chasing him for any outstanding alleged debt.

Mr Crosbie also wants the State debt agency to remove its receiver from Dublin's Bord Gáis Energy Theatre.

He also wants to be compensated for alleged leaks made by the National Assets Management Agency 'of personal information regarding his financial affairs', according to a statement on his behalf.

The agency has already taken its own legal action against the developer, seeking summary judgment for an alleged personal debt of €77million. In total, Mr Crosbie and his companies are said to owe a total of €431million to NAMA.

Yesterday, it was announced High Court proceedings had been issued by William Fry Solicitors on behalf of Harry Crosbie against NAMA. The



Battle: Developer Harry Crosbie

statement indicated that a disputed August 2012 agreement was at the heart of Mr Crosbie's case.

It said: 'The proceedings claim that NAMA is in breach of a solemn agreement it entered into with Harry Crosbie and which was committed

into writing by McCann Fitzgerald on behalf of NAMA and William Fry on behalf of Harry Crosbie in August 2012.

'The proceedings demand that NAMA cease pursuit of any outstanding debt against Mr Crosbie.'

The former minister for justice and attorney general, Michael McDowell SC, will continue to represent Harry Crosbie, it added.

NAMA told the Commercial Court last month that Mr Crosbie had funnelled cash payments worth hundreds of thousands of euro to his wife Rita, which should have been paid to NAMA.

The court was told Mr Crosbie had filed an inaccurate statement of affairs to NAMA, and had failed to make full disclosure.

It was said this included failing to tell NAMA about 'significant cash gifts' to his children, and that he had 'misappropriated' and 'diverted' more than €2million due to the taxpayer.

In his defence, Mr Crosbie had claimed that the agreement reached between himself and NAMA in August 2012 prevented the agency

from pursuing any of his personal liabilities. He claimed this was wholly inconsistent with NAMA reserving the right to sue him and make him bankrupt.

NAMA, though, said Mr Crosbie had merely agreed to take certain steps in order to assist the agency in realising certain assets.

In the course of this, NAMA said it had agreed to release its hold over Mr Crosbie's home in Hanover Quay,

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Dublin, his son Simon's Blackrock home and his wife's business.

It said the agreement did not represent a real defence to NAMA's application for summary judgment.

Following a Commercial Court hearing in May, Mr Crosbie gave a media interview in which he accused NAMA of seeking to discredit him through 'a deeply damaging' public portrayal of him.

He said had been warned that

'criticising NAMA in public was dangerous' and so he had tried not to criticise the agency during the four years he had dealt with them.

He said: 'Whatever about the effects of the extraordinary economic crash that struck this country and the immense social impact, nobody can doubt my enormous contribution to the city over my lifetime. This is no way for a State body to behave.'

He added: 'The letter in which these accusations [of a lack of full disclosure] were made is two years old. After that letter, I came to a written agreement with NAMA. Since then, NAMA has had full knowledge of all of my affairs.'

Mr Crosbie also reportedly said: 'The generalised fear generated by NAMA is difficult to challenge. They hold all the cards and limitless funds and they don't care how they play them.'

'NAMA is trying very hard to divert attention from their failure to honour the deal they did with me.'

A spokesman for NAMA declined to comment last night to the Mail.

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