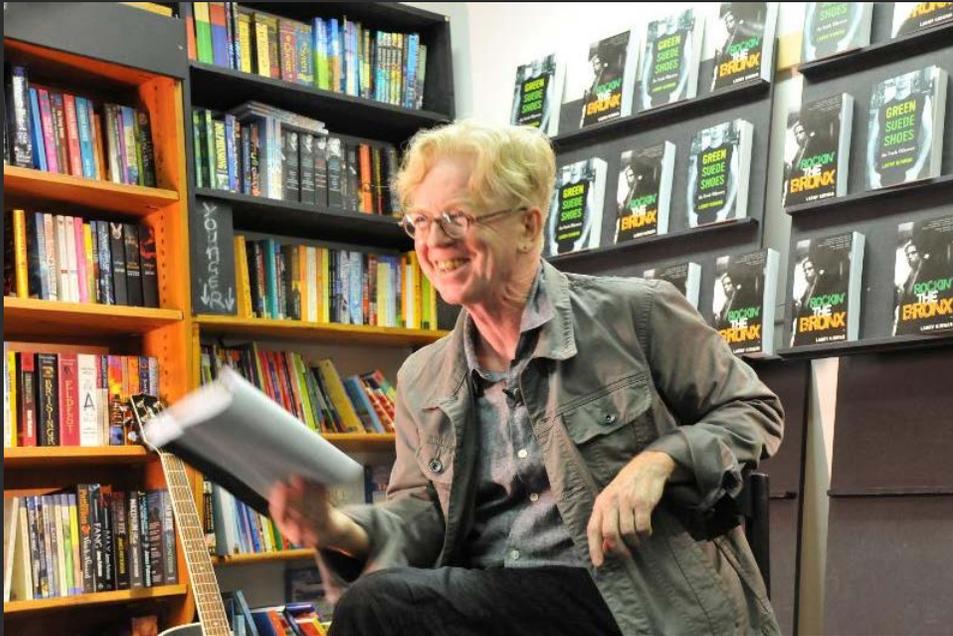


# CELTIC CRUSH Newsletter

July 2014

better a lucky day than an early start



Hi Crushers, Crushaholics, Ladies with nicely turned ankles, Gentlemen in raised kilts:

I'll be with Black 47 at the Cleveland Irish Festival tonight, Saturday and Sunday July 18/19/20. I'll also be giving two talks on Saturday and Sunday at 4:30pm. I'm hoping to do interviews with some of the performers and include them on the July 26th CC show.

Thanks to everyone who's been coming out to see Black 47 over the last month. It's great to put faces to email addresses, so make sure you say hello. New gigs being added every week so visit [www.black47.com](http://www.black47.com) for a full schedule.

For those who would like to join me on my annual trip to Ireland, the next one will begin on Nov. 18th. For playlists from the last couple of Celtic Crush shows, and lists of recommended books & movies, scroll down.

All the best, talk to you Saturday!

Larry Kirwan

Celtic Crush - SiriusXM The Spectrum, Ch. 28, Saturdays 7-10amET, Tuesdays 11pmET & ON DEMAND

LAST CALL, Black 47's final album is available on all digital platforms (iTunes, Amazon, etc.) You may also *buy the CD* or download the 13 tracks at [www.black47.com](http://www.black47.com)

On "Last Call," Black 47 saves the best for last,

using roots, rock, and reggae to bring the final curtain down on the most influential Irish American band in history."  
Mike Farragher/Irish Voice



*All Black 47 CDs/DVDs/T-Shirts/Hoodies/and Larry Kirwan Books/CDs available at [Black 47 Online Shop](#)*

## A MESSAGE TO YOU RUDY - Larry Kirwan Blog

It was a crazy time back in late 1989. Black 47 had just been formed and was making waves. Chris Byrne and I were political and there was much to be political about.

The four main Irish causes were the wrongful convictions of The Guildford Four, The Maguire Seven, and The Birmingham Six in the UK, and the attempt to deport Joe Doherty from the US.

There were many benefits and demonstrations and we helped supply the music - often while on the way to a paying gig...

To read more go to <http://black47theband.blogspot.com>

LAST CONNOLLY'S Gig  
Sept. 27, 2014 10pm  
BLACK 47  
CONNOLLY'S, 121 W. 45th St., NYC

Tickets \$20 now on sale at Connolly's and at  
<http://black47.tix.musictoday.com/calendar.aspx>



FOR A FULL LIST OF BLACK 47 GIGS [www.black47.com](http://www.black47.com)



### Upcoming BLACK 47 Shows

JULY 18/19/20  
Cleveland, OH  
CLEVELAND IRISH CULTURAL FESTIVAL

JULY 25  
Westport, CT  
Levitt Pavilion for Performing Arts

JULY 31  
Port Chester, NY  
GARCIA'S at the CAPITOL

AUGUST 1  
Queens, NYC  
CITIFIELD for THE METS

AUGUST 2/3  
Dublin, OH  
DUBLIN IRISH FESTIVAL

AUGUST 9  
Pearl River, NY  
THE BREW HOUSE

AUGUST 15  
Chicago, IL  
BEVERLY ARTS CENTER

For full details of all Black 47 gigs  
[www.black47.com](http://www.black47.com)

LARRY KIRWAN'S TRIP TO IRELAND 2014  
Nov. 18-23, Galway, Donegal, Derry, Belfast, Wexford Dublin  
For a brochure call Hammond Tours 866-486-8772 or email  
[jwassetbach@hammondtrips.com](mailto:jwassetbach@hammondtrips.com)

**BLACK 47**  
**FINAL SHOW**  
**THE LAST JIG**  
BB KING's, 42nd Street/Times Square  
Nov. 15th 8pm  
Tickets on sale now at the club or  
<http://www.bbkingblues.com/bio.php?id=3984%C2%A0>

#### BOOKS & MOVIES

I'm including many recommendations. If you would like to just get started and get an overview of Ireland and its history, why not try any of the first books. They will get you going and you may never stop.

Irish History for Dummies

Ten Men Dead - The Story of the 1981 Hunger Strike - David Beresford. This is

essential reading for anyone who wishes to understand modern Irish history.

The Commitments, The Van or pretty much any book by Roddy Doyle. Easy to read, lots of fun but will also introduce you to the complexities of modern Ireland.

Michael Collins : a biography by Tim Pat Coogan, 1990. ISBN 0-09-968580-9.

The Yellow Birds - Kevin Powers

Transatlantic - Colum McCann

The Testament of Mary or Brooklyn by Colm Toibin

Country Girl - Edna O'Brien

Whitey's Payback - TJ English

Changó's Beads and Two-Tone Shoes - William Kennedy

Ancient Light - John Banville

Astray - Emma Donoghue

A Second Life - Dermot Bolger

The Bogman - Walter Macken

The Last of the High Kings - Ferdia Mac Anna

On Canaan's Side - Sebastian Barry

Solace - Belinda McKeon

Paradise Alley - Kevin Baker

The Outside Boy - Jeanine Cummins

Where Have You Been - Joseph O'Connor

City of Bohane - Kevin Barry

Saints and Sinners - Edna O'Brien

The Great Hunger - Cecil Woodham-Smith is a dispassionate but striking book on the Potato Famine of 1845-47 that caused so many Irish to emigrate to the US.

The Orange and the Green - GA Henty. A novel written around 1900 about the events surrounding the Battle of the Boyne and the Siege of Limerick. Originally for young adult audience this reads very well for adults.

The Man Who Never Returned - Peter Quinn

Tabloid City - Pete Hamill

Against The Tide (an autobiography) - Dr. Noel Browne

Lost Boys of the Bronx, The Oral History of the Ducky Boys Gang - James Hannon

Troubles, JG Farrell

South Lawn Plot - Ray O'Hanlon

Thy Tears Might Cease - Michael Farrell

Country Girls Trilogy - Edna O'Brien. Three wonderful books written by a great writer and a rebel in the soul. Ms. O'Brien is as readable as she is profound.

Borstal Boy - Brendan Behan

Alistair MacLeod's novel, "No Great Mischiefs" about the Clan MacDonald who came to Canada in 1779.

Donnelly Trilogy of plays, by James Reaney concerning the Irish-Canadian experience.

Tarry Flynn or The Green Fool - Patrick Kavanagh He is better known as a poet - do check out his poetry. But these two small books contain a wealth of information of what it was like to grow up in rural Ireland of the last century.

The Savage City by TJ English - if you'd like to know about crime and passion in NYC in the 60's and 70's this is the book for you. Powerful!

The Collected Stories by William Trevor - perhaps the greatest living short story writer

This is Your Brain on Shamrocks by Mike Farragher (by the Irish Voice music editor - want to plumb the depths of your Irish psyche? Mike's your man!)

Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man or Dubliners - James Joyce. These are two excellent and slim books to get a feel for Sunny Jim's work before you make the life decision to tackle Ulysses. The Dead from Dubliners is perhaps the greatest novella/short story ever written. Don't despair if you find yourself bogged down in Ulysses; it's happened to us all. Just have a drink, pop open any page and begin to read aloud. But whatever you do, don't miss Molly Bloom's closing soliloquy. It's one of the wonders of literature - and more than that - in a way that words fail to do justice.

Eamonn DeValera: a biography by Tim Pat Coogan

The IRA or The Troubles by Tim Pat Coogan

The Secret Scripture or any novel or play by Sebastian Barry. A very modern writer who delves into the past. Barry is true poet who uses beautiful language and creates unforgettable characters that leave a mark on you.

Astrakhan Cloak - Nuala Ni Dhomhnaill or any collection of her poetry. An earthy, yet spiritual, look into the soul of a powerful Irish woman.

Collected Stories - Frank O'Connor. A very readable writer with a remarkable insight into the Irish soul. Also try his biography of Michael Collins, The Big Fella, should Coogan's be unavailable or too bloody dauntingly long.

Five Points - Tyler Anbinder. This wonderful book will give you a history of the Irish and other immigrants when they arrived in 19th Century New York City.

The Captains and the Kings - Jennifer Johnston

Station Island or any collection of poems by Seamus Heaney

Horse Latitudes or any collection of poems by Paul Muldoon

Good Behaviour and Time After Time by Molly Keane

Fools of Fortune and any collection of his short stories by William Trevor

Amongst Women or The Dark - John McGahern

Year of the French - Thomas Flanagan

Star of the Sea - Joseph O'Connor or any of Joe's hilarious travel books.

At Swim Two Birds or The Poor Mouth or The Poor Mouth - Flann O'Brien

Strumpet City - James Plunkett

How Many Miles to Babylon - Jennifer Johnston

The Book of Evidence - John Banville

Collared - Mike Farragher

Banished Children of Eve - Peter Quinn

The Gathering - Anne Enright

The Year of the French - Thomas Flanagan

To Hell or Barbados - Sean O'Callaghan

A Drinking Life - Pete Hamill

Let The Great World Spin - Colum McCann

A Traitor's Kiss: The Life of Richard Brinsley Sheridan - Fintan O'Toole

Poetry My Arse - Brendan Kennelly

All Souls: A Family Story From Southie and Easter Rising - Michael Patrick MacDonald

Ironweed, Legs (Diamond) or any book by William Kennedy - a Joycean narrative of the great city of Albany, NY

The Westies or Paddy Whacked by T.J. English

Green Suede Shoes - Larry Kirwan Will give you a sense of Wexford, a special town that you may choose to visit, in the first chapters, along with with a relatively dry-eyed look at a life in the music business of the last 30 or more years.

## MOVIES

Adam & Paul  
A Man of No Importance  
Angel  
Grabbers  
Hunger  
The Guard  
The Boys From County Clare  
Breakfast on Pluto  
The Magdalene Sisters  
Veronica Guerin  
In America  
The General  
Once  
The Crying Game  
Into The West  
Ryan's Daughter  
Some Mother's Son  
In Bruges  
My Left Foot  
The Butcher Boy  
Bloody Sunday  
Hear My Song  
The Quiet Man  
In The Name of the Father  
Michael Collins  
Odd Man Out  
An Everlasting Piece  
The Field  
The Commitments  
The Van  
The Snapper  
Man of Aran  
The Informer  
Shake Hands with the Devil  
Trojan Eddie  
The Wind That Shakes The Barley  
Waking Ned Devine  
This is the Sea  
Omagh  
Odd Man Out

## CELTIC CRUSH PLAYLISTS 7-12-14 and 7-5-14

### CELTIC CRUSH 7-12-14

Black 47
Mo Bhron (Intro)
blackberry way
Strawberry Fields
Apples
I Used To Love Her
Live At Matt Molloy's
The Move
The Beatles
Delhi To Dublin
The Saw Doctors
The Chieftains

Song of the Wandering Aengus The Waterboys

Salsa O'Keefe Black 47

Brown Eyed Girl Van Morrison

Here Comes The Night Them

Purple Heather Rod Stewart

Bjorks Chauffeur Shooglenifty

Loch Lomond Runrig

Captain Kelly's Kitchen Dropkick Murphys

Merry Sisters Lunasa

Irish Rover Blaggards

The Old Orange Flute Tommy Makem

Only Our Rivers Run Free The Davitts

Fanatic Heart Black 47

Alternative Ulster Stiff Little Fingers

Minstrel Boy Joe Strummer & Mescaleros

My Lagan Love Van Morrison & The Chieftains

You and I in the One Bed Lie Cathie Ryan

El Agua De La Vida Salsa Celtica

Punjab Paddy Gaelic Storm

You Belong To Me Kate Rusby

Torsa Lau

Love Will Tear Us Aaprt Oysterband

Ceili Mor The Indulgents

Siesta Set Dervish

What A Shame The Strypes

Ode To Billie Joe Sarah McQuaid

Old Folks At Home Hard Times Cast

Kilkelly Moloney Keane & O'Connell

Wacko King Hacko Peatbog Faeries

Sleepy Maggie Ashley MacIsaacs

Oro Oro Finbar Furey

Streams of Whiskey The Pogues

People Who Died Jim Carroll

You're So Beautiful	Pat McGuire
Spanish Point	Donal Lunny * Corofin

**CELTIC CRUSH 7-5-14**

Mo Bhron (Intro)	Black 47
July 4th (Sandy)	Bruce Springsteen
Long Hot Summer	Black 47
Oro Se Do Bheatha Bhaile	Sinead O'Connor

One Glimpse of You	Brigid Boden
A Message to you Rudy	The Specials
I Can See Clearly Now	Hothouse Flowers

Drunken Lullabies	Flogging Molly
PJ's Reels	Tulla Ceili Band
Nothing Arrived	Villagers

Will You Go Lassie Go	The Clancy Brothers/Tommy Makem
Neidin	Tommy O'Sullivan
When You Become Stardust Too	Shay Healy

Dear Prudence	Lau
Give Ireland Back to the Irish	Paul McCartney/Wings
I Am The Walrus	The Beatles

Carolina Rua	The Chieftains/Imelda May
On The Way	Beoga
Pretty Little Girl	Chieftains/Carolina Chocolate Drops

White Birds	The Waterboys
Benedictus	The Strawbs
Blood on the Bone	Shaz Oye

Whirl-Y-Reel	Afro-Celt
Tupelo Honey	Van Morrison

Linger	The Cranberries
The Wedding Reel	Lunasa
Courtin' in the Kitchen	Dessie O'Halloran

The Gloaming - Interview

Sally McLennane  
Sullivan's Lake  
Izzy's Irish Rose

The Pogues  
Garahan's Ghost  
Black 47

The Minstrel Boy

The West Ocean String Quartet

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