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Pictured at a Hurley-making demonstration at his workshop in Tiernaboul, James Murphy, a seasoned player with the Dr Crokes Senior Hurlers shows his skills to the Dr Crokes Juvenile Hurlers and their mentor Gene O'Doherty. Included are James Murphy, Eoin O'Doherty, Cian O'Donoghue, Lucas Uchytil, Gene O'Doherty, James Whelan

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# A Note from the DITOR



As we welcome February with open arms, we have a jam packed magazine for you this week.

The young hurlers from Dr. Crokes enjoyed a trip to see a craftsman at work, the two Liams will perform at St. Brendan's College in a much anticipated concert and a Killarney man is in the running for a Grammy Award.

There was a great buzz at the Fossa Climate Action Community Sustainable Fair on Sunday, Awards Night was celebrated at Kilcummin GAA Club and Killarney Community College are in the top three in Ireland in the Think Languages Competition.

Kerry FC are hosting a charity game tonight for a very special young boy, plans are being put in place for this year's Wander Wild Festival and Ireland's Newest 5 Mile Road Race has been launched.

Kerry Ladies win two out of two, it was a tough start for the men in the start of the National League and there was disappointment for the Sem in the Corn Uí Mhuirí semi final.

With a Bank Holiday Weekend to look forward to, I hope you enjoy this week's Killarney Outlook!

Aisling Crosbie



A Beautiful photo of the lakes in Killarney taken by Marcus Gunther



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One of the top names in Irish Soccer will join globally-renowned accordion maestro Liam O'Connor at the annual Liam O'Connor Show at St Brendan's College Killarney, alongside the St. Brendan's College Choir and the dynamic St. Brendan's College Music Group, which will feature solo sensations. Announcing that the special guest speaker in 2024 will be the man described as Ireland's top soccer export, Liam Brady.

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The 2024 Liam O'Connor Show will take place on Thursday, April 18th at 8 pm at St Brendan's College, Killarney. Tickets are already available for purchase from www.ticketstop.ie

As Liam himself explained, "As you can imagine, Liam Brady has enormous demands on his time, so I am absolutely delighted to announce his appearance as we celebrate 10 years of the Liam O'Connor Show at St Brendan's College in Killarney." Past guests on Liam's popular annual shows have included guest speakers including the voice of the GAA Micheál Ó Muircheartaigh, president of UCC Dr. Michael Murphy, renowned rugby coach Joe Schmidt, legendary Hurling manager Brian Cody alongside RTE GAA commentator Marty Morrissey, rugby players Mick Galway and Tony Buckley, Kerry footballer Kieran Donaghy and Galway hurler Joe Canning. As well as, guest singers including Irish Tenor Dominic McGorian, Brian Kennedy, Christy Dignam, Danny O'Reilly, Moya Brennan and Paddy Casey.

Also appearing on what promises to be another momentous night for Irish music will be O'Connor's own family band featuring Saoirse on vocals, concertina and keyboards, Oisín, who plays guitars, keyboards and percussion, and Cillian on drums, as well as the St Brendan's College Choir and Music Group.

St Brendan's College has a fine reputation on the music front, not least because of the skills of two remarkably dedicated music teachers in Niamh O'Connell and Mish O'Donoghue. O'Connor himself lends his musical dexterity to the college on a regular basis.

## SEM DATE FOR IRISH SOCCER HERO LIAM BRADY AT ANNUAL LIAM O CONNOR SHOW



Guest speaker Liam Brady played 72 times for Ireland and his illustrious career included trophy-winning spells with Arsenal in England and Juventus in Italy. He followed that with his key role as an astute soccer pundit on RTE alongside Johnny Giles and Eamon Dunphy. His recentlypublished autobiography also reveals his broad musical tastes, including Bob Dylan, Rolling Stones and Pavarotti!

Liam O'Connor's career has been as rewarding as Brady's, and includes a celebrated collaboration with Boy George and performing with the Celtic Tenors at the rugby clash between Munster and South Africa at Páirc Uí Chaoimh, Cork. He and Oisin made history in 2022 when they became the



first father and son pair to play both football and music at Croke Park, the hallowed home of the GAA.

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## **GRAMMY NOMINATION** FOR TALENTED KILLARNEY MUSIC ENGINEER



A Killarney man has been nominated for a Grammy Award for his work on Album of the Year nominee Lana Del Rae's Album, Do You Know That There's A Tunnell Under Ocean Blvd.

Ruairi O'Flaherty is currently working with the biggest artists in the world including Taylor Swift.

Taking to social media, Ruairi's Brother Tony who owns and runs Sonas Recording Studio in Killarney said "I am incredibly proud of my younger brother nominated for a Grammy Album of the year award for his work with Lana Del Rey. It's been a long road for him and he's getting the recognition he deserves. He's currently working with the biggest artists in the world including Taylor Swift and it all started out in a little studio in Killarney The 66th Grammy night takes place tomorrow, Saturday February 3rd.

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### **JAMES SHARES HIS CRAFT WITH YOUNG HURLERS**

he juvenile members of Dr. Crokes GAA club experienced a fascinating Hurley-making demonstration with James Murphy, brother of current Kilkenny and All-Star Goalkeeper Eoin Murphy who shared his expertise of Hurley making with the young hurlers. James, a seasoned player with the Dr Crokes Senior Hurlers, demonstrated his trade at his workshop in Tiernaboul.

James originally from Glenmore in Co. Kilkenny and Hurley maker of choice for numerous high-profile Hurlers including several of the current Kilkenny team, shared his unique perspective on the ancient craft. His brother Eoin's remarkable save in last year's All-Ireland Semi-Final is widely regarded as the greatest save ever made. The Television images showed that Eoin's Hurley had a double band and James explained that this has led to a rise in the popularity of double bands among juvenile players in the immediate aftermath. James added a word of caution to the youngsters that bands can sometimes weaken a Hurley and add significantly to the weight. Food for thought for the young Hurlers!

During the workshop, James highlighted the significance of sourcing quality ash for Hurleys, both locally and from Eastern Europe. He emphasized the bespoke nature of each Hurley, meticulously crafted to match specific weights and shapes. Regular customers would have a template Hurley left in the workshop that James would replicate down to the last gram.

The demonstration also touched upon the evolution of Hurley shapes over the years, with the boss of the Hurley increasing significantly in size. Each county has its style with the Cork shape noticeably differing from the Kilkenny shape. Shorter Hurleys are now more common, as the skill level in the game is so high that extra length is not required to achieve longer striking distances. It is all down to the wristwork of the user. A 35"

Hurley used to be the standard, but James said they are now a rarity, with 32"/33" being preferred for adults.

After the demonstration the coaches presented each of the young Hurlers with their own Hurley and Sliotar as a thank you for all of their hard work during the year. As they sipped on hot chocolate and enjoyed treats, they left the workshop with a deeper appreciation for the ancient game and craft that creates the tools of the sport they love.

James Murphy also generously devotes some of his time to coaching Dr Crokes' underage teams and is currently doing an eight-week coaching spell in the local schools in



Juvenile members of Dr. Crokes Hurling team pictured at James Murphy's workshop in Tiernaboul.



James Murphy demonstrating his craft to the juveniles members of Dr. Crokes Hurling Club.

Killarney to introduce the world's fastest field game to budding Hurlers. Dr Crokes Juvenile Hurlers will be commencing Astro Hurling on the 11th of Feb at Fossa National School where it is hoped the school's coaching will entice some new members from the Killarney area to try out our National Sport. The training will run for 4 weeks catering for under 8's and Under 9's from 5 PM to 6 PM and Under 11's to Under 13's from 6 PM to 7 PM. New members are welcome of all abilities and from any GAA club in Killarney and the surrounding area. All equipment will be provided by Dr Crokes. Contact Patrick for further details on 087 2046896.



# MUSICAL PROMISES TO BE ONE OF THE BEST

Killarney Musical Society have been working very hard in the Killarney Heights Hotel for our upcoming show Michael Collins, a musical drama. It will be staged in the INEC Arena on the 5th. 6th and 7th March. What a wonderful way to pass away these cold dreary nights. On Monday night Stella and Jack put us through our paces on the dance floor. We had great fun with our newspapers. It's amazing what can be done with props. On Tuesday night Sorcha had us all singing our hearts out. She had great praise for the work everyone had put in. On Wednesday Oliver told us we were all stars and Michael Collins, a musical drama was going to be amazing. He has such a wonderful way of getting the best out of everyone.

Sunday was a full day for Michael Young our musical director. He had the full cast together for some of the numbers. We are so lucky to have him in Killarney Musical Society. Whether you are a principal or member of the chorus he will go over lines until they are perfect.

We are looking forward to next week and more of the same. A few of our members have been sick and we wish them a speedy recovery.

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GREAT BUZZ at the Fossa Fair

Despite the inclement weather, the Fossa Climate Action Community Sustainable Fair on Sunday last was a resounding success.

Exhibitors from all walks of life kept the hundreds who attended throughout the afternoon, informed about all things sustainable.

Among those exhibiting on the day were Killarney National Park Education Centre, KWD Recycling, Transition Kerry, Tralee Bay Wetlands, Kerry County Council, Killarney Men's Shed, Milltown Health Food Shop, Beaufort Bee Club, Fossa National School, Organic Farmer, Bio Ferma Cleaning Products, Killarney Coffee Cup Project, Wild Weeds, M.D. O' Shea & Sons, JM Energy, Killarney Credit Union, My Carbon Buddy and Killarney Mountain meitheal.

The Climate Action Group was established in October 2023 after concerned citizens were inspired to action by a movie called 'The Letter'. 'The Letter - a message to our earth' and organisers asked volunteers to join them in finding a way to take action locally amid the global climate and biodiversity crisis.



Louise Byrne and Ciara Tracy from The Killarney Coffee Cup Project at the Fair



Jospehine Cronin pictured at the MD O'Shea's stand with Suzanne, Anthony and Jimmy Dennehy



Siobhan McAllister and Tara Bradley pictured at the Killarney National Park Education centre Stand.



Representatives from the Killarney Mens Shed at the Fossa Climate Action Community Sustainable Fair on Sunday







Keira Geaney and Abbie O'Sullivan with their app My Carbon Buddy

Karena McCarthy representing Noreen Tobin, Wild Weeds at the Fair Killarney Credit Union at the fair



Beaufort Beekeepers from left: Ulrich Schraewer, Teddy Clifford, Bernie O'Shea, Niall Keogh, Denis O'Sullivan, Kathleen Dennehy



Diarmaid Griffin at the Transition Kerry Stand with Mary Kiernan.



Emma Phillips and Mike Murphy at the Killarney Meitheal Stand Fossa Climate Action Community Sustainable Fair on Sunday



Tadgh Healy, KWD pictured with Mike Murphy at the Fossa Climate Action Community Sustainable Fair on Sunday



Pictured at the KSEC stand are Adrian Williams, Helieszka Maj and Sylvia Thompson.





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Preparations at an advanced stage for the

## ALEX FITZGERALD FUND CHARITY LEGENDS GAME

Plans are now at an advanced stage for the Kerry FC hosted charity game which takes place this coming Friday night, February 2nd. In a novel idea by the club, a Kerry Soccer Legends XI will take on a Kerry GAA Legends XI in a game which will raise vital funds for the care of Alex Fitzgerald from Tralee.

Son of John and Siobhan Fitzgerald of Tralee, Alex, who is 4 years of age was diagnosed with Childhood cancer last August. As the family was sent to Crumlin Hospital, doctors discovered a tumour on Alex's Adrenal Gland which led to Alex being diagnosed with Metastatic Neuroblastoma cancer. Alex has been making regular trips to the Dublin hospital since and has received 10 rounds of chemotherapy. Doctors are currently in the process of harvesting Alex's stem cells as he will need a bone-marrow transplant in the future.

The aim of the Charity game being held by Kerry FC is to help fund the families regular trips to Dublin to care for Alex. With fuel costs on the rise and regular accommodation needed for both John and Siobhan while in Dublin, every cent raised by Kerry FC in the build-up to next Friday's novel encounter will be donated to the Fitzgerald family to allow them to continue their long road to Alex's recovery.

The game itself will be a unique chance for fans of soccer and gaelic games in the county to come together for a good cause. With many Kerry based legends of both soccer and GAA signed up to tog off for the game, it is sure to be an unmissable night in Mounthawk Park, with kick off scheduled for 7pm.

The Kerry soccer stars will be led by two members who have helped guide Kerry into the League of Ireland. Billy Dennehy, Kerry FC Sporting Director, who played his trade in Sunderland in the UK along with representing the county at European level with Shamrock Rovers is dusting off his boots as will Chief Operations Officer Steven Conway, who also played his trade at League of Ireland level. Former Kerry FC footballer Shane Guthrie will also play having played in both the Premier Division and First Division over the last 2 decades and Tralee man Sean Kelly, who was also on the books at Arsenal, will dig out a pair of boots for the game. Current Kerry FC First Team Coach James Sugrue will also be among those togging off

In Kerry we are stacked with GAA legends so narrowing it down to an 11 to play is quite the task! The side will be led by Darran O'Sullivan,



4 time All Ireland winner and former Kerry captain who carries an impressive CV. Plenty of names are to be confirmed before the kick off on Friday night

Kerry FC Sporting Director and former professional footballer Billy Dennehy said "Going back when Kerry FC was formed, Steven has mentioned about running a legends game at some point. Then over the last few months meeting with Alex and his family, being a neighbour of theirs, I could see first-hand what they are going through and thinking of ways we could help. This game was then the perfect opportunity for the game to have a proper purpose. Everyone has been brilliant with their engagement and we've received huge support from both the players and the community"

If you wish to attend the game, tickets are on sale now on www.kerryfc.com/tickets Adults are priced at  $\in$ 10 and it's  $\in$ 5 for kids. If you can't attend but would like to donate, you can find our GoFundMe page across our social media @kerryfc. A full video interview with Alex's parents Johnand Siobhan Fitzgerald can be viewed on the Kerry FC Youtube Channel.

#### CONFIRMED KERRY FC SOCCER LEGENDS PLAYERS

1. David Hennessy (Kerry U-21, Waterford, Cobh)

2. Derek O Shea (Kerry U-21, Tralee Dynamos

3. Timmy lynch (Kerry U-21, Limerick FC, Classic)

 Kieran O Sullivan (Kerry U-21, Listowel Celtic)
 Maurice O Rahilly (Kerry U-21, Tralee Dynamos)

6. Brian Fitzgerald (Kerry U-21, Cobh Ramblers, Tralee Dynamos)

7. Mark Fitzgerald (Kerry U-21, Tralee Dynamos) 8. David Conway (Kerry U-21, Limerick FC, Park, Tralee Dynamos)

9. Steven Conway (Kerry U21, Limerick FC, Lisselton, Tralee Dynamos, Fairview Rangers, Boston Bolts USL)

10. Billy Dennehy (Kerry U21, Shelbourne, Sunderland, Derry City, Shamrock Rovers, Cork

City, Limerick City)

11. Brian O Reilly (Kerry U-21, Killarney Athletic) 12. Shane Doolan (Kerry U-21, Killarney Athletic) 12. Shane Guthrie (Kerry U-21, Cork City, Shamrock Rovers, Cobh Ramblers, Limerick FC, Kerry FC)

14. Steven O Mahony (Kerry U-21, Limerick FC, Tralee Dynamos)

15. Sean Kelly (Kerry U-21, Arsenal, Cork City, Galway Utd, Limerick FC, Lansdowne Boys)

16. Tommy Keane (Kerry U-21, Listowel Celtic)

17. John McDonagh (Kerry U21, Killarney Celtic)

18. Gary Keane (Kerry U21, Killarney Celtic)

19. Brian Spillane (Kerry U-21, Killarney Celtic)

20. James Sugrue (Kerry U-21, Limerick FC, Tralee Dynamos)

21. Jonathan Burrows (Kerry Oscar Traynor, Tralee Dynamos)

22. Chris Kerins (Kerry U-21, St Patrick's Athletic, Limerick FC, Lisselton)

23. Con Barrett (Kerry U-21, Park FC)

24. Eoin O Mahony (Kerry U-21, Lisselton)

25. Paul Russell (Kerry U21, Killorglin AFC)

26. Peter McCarthy (Kerry U-21, Limerick FC, Killarney Celtic)

27. Ger Lovett (Kerry U-21, Lisselton)

28. Dustin" Driscoll (Kerry Oscar Traynor, Camp Utd)

29. Joe Sheehy (Kerry U21, Dingle Bay Rovers, Lisselton)

30. Luke Burgess (Kerry U21, Dingle Bay Rovers)

### KERRY GAA LEGENDS CONFIRMED TO DATE

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# Its the talk of the town...

With Anne Lucey

Anne Lucey looks at the positive news happening in the town of Killarney

### No 800 euro a month rent relief for landlords of Irish workers

We have had calls in Killarney for the same rent tax incentives of 800 euro a month to landlords of Ukrainians here on 'temporary' protection', to be extended to others.

The Government paid 800 a month scheme was introduced in July 2022 and many feel that if it is working for one group, then it surely should be available to all.

A beneficiary of temporary protection can be working full time and still be able to approach a landlord or householder offering the 800 tax free entitlement.

Let's be clear, no-one is asking for the privilege to be removed - simply that it be made available to our own Irish, Polish and other groups. 21,000 young Irish, many from Kerry, left for Australia last year. They are still leaving. The cost of rent and the lack of housing or kind of break is a big factor.

Maura Healy-Rae had a motion in Killarney a fortnight ago. She requested the 'same rent tax incentives provided to homeowners when housing refugees be afforded to homeowners when renting to other people. ' The Accommodation Recognition Payment (ARP) is tax free, she pointed out.

'The same incentive isn't there for everyone and it should be made available across the board,' Maura said.

Social media locally is full of ARP offers including from professionals who say they are working full time. Everyone understands the plight of large groups leaving their country. The 1980s and 1950s saw many of us leaving. But two full years on, the terms 'temporary', even protection itself, are surely at this stage redundant especially if the beneficiaries have entered the jobs market. I put the query to the various Departments.

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There are no plans to change payment other than to extend it to 2025. It remains restricted to Ukrainian beneficiaries of temporary protection and those working or not working will still be able to avail of it, the Departments told me.

### The Irish Bridget - a female force to be reckoned with

Now that we are celebrating St Bridget with a bank holiday, it might be time to ask what we understand about her.

Bridget to the Irish has elements of Síle to the Ozzies, surely. But 'The Sheilas' as a way of referring to women, has gone off colour Down Under. It had become a bit derogatory. We have swung the other way. There is even the element of the goddess about Bridget these days.

As usual, for my first port of call in these matters, I went to the Annals of Inisfallen. A thousand years ago Bridget was much associated with the weather.

In 1047, there was a great snow, 'sneachta mór'. "This was from the feast of Brigit until the Feast of Patrick. And the like of it was never heard of before or after".

Mind you, two centuries later, in 1280, the weather was bad again. The snow was so severe it killed numerous cattle.

Again in 1282 the many violent storms were such, they cracked the church in Aghadoe. (Was there climate change back then?)

It may be no coincidence Bridget is associated with wind. The best Irish-English dictionary is still that by Patrick S. Dineen from Rathmore. He records the root word 'brígh' as energy or force in the very middle of his entries on 'Brídeog' and 'Brighid'.

As often with Dineen, you must read between the lines - and around the lines too - to get



the full meaning. You suspect this Jesuit and scholar from the foothills of the Paps of Danú is trying to stress to us how Bridget, saint or not, is really about energy.

I wonder if it is also about the huge energy of young girls in particular? Many of our late mothers, my own included, regularly likened us to gusts of wind.

Bridget is now being looked at as an ancient goddess, no less. I think this is waffle. An embodiment of what is meant by the female, yes, but goddess? The ancient Irish had too much common sense for that nonsense.

The fact is Bridget was mischievous as well as undoubtedly clever and industrious. She was no Holy Mary. She was also a bit of a Biddy. But she was probably no Sheila either. One thing is certain - she was very grounded. And February is still heralded by gusts of wind.

# The RSA out of safety vests in January,

### Dingle councillor uncovers.

There was a rare light moment amid serious road safety matters at a meeting in the Killarney Anam Centre of the Joint Policing Committee last Friday.

The RSA had run out of high-visibility vests, a councillor discovered while going onto their website during the meeting!

With concern about road collisions and fatalities in 2023, the meeting had a special focus on road safety.

The keynote address was from Assistant Commissioner Paula Hilman. Three officers from the Road Safety Authority gave detailed presentations on research, communications and education.

'High-Vis vests' could be ordered free from their website, officers said assuring the meeting the vests were free and the RSA was 'very approachable' and eager to hand out the material.

However, Corca Dhuibhne councillor Breandán Fitzgerald, on line from Dingle, said while waiting his turn to speak he went onto the RSA website for the jackets.



'And they're all out of stock!' he told the meeting.

Every size was out.

There was some amusement in the meeting chamber. RSA Officers said the jackets ran low at the end of the month. They were trying to manage matters effectively.

Breandán urged them to replenish in time for canvassing for the local elections. 'Lots of councilors will be looking for them over the next few months!' the Fianna Fail councillor, eager to get on the road,

warned. Afterwards he said it was not good enough to run out of the safety vests at any stage but especially in January with the New Year resolutions.

At the very least, there should be a provision to leave one's name and email address and be contacted when the vests were back in stock, he said.

A notice has now been placed on the site saying the vests are out of stock.

Among the 300 annual events in Kerry, the May bank holiday Killarney Rally of the Lakes was 'very significant' each year for the Kerry Policing Division, the meeting heard.

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## AWARDS NIGHT CELEBRATED AT KILCUMMIN GAA CLUB

Kilcummin GAA club awards night was held in the clubhouse last weekend to a packed audience. Former club and county player Mike McCarthy presented our victorious minor team with their East Kerry championship medals. Paul O Shea picked up the "Club player of the year ", Philip O Leary "Young Player of the year "and Oisin O Leary "Junior Player of the year ". Marie Lehane and Carmel O Riordan were presented with awards in appreciation of their contributions and long service to the club. The Pat Joe Teahan cup for "Club person of the year " went to Liam Fleming in recognition of his outstanding volunteerism and huge contributions over many years. Well done to all.

A special thanks to Tom Tobin of Killarney Medals and Trophies for sponsoring the Young Player of the Year trophy.



Oisín O'Leary, junior player of the year is presented with his award by James Foley



Mark O'Shea. accepting player of the year award on behalf of his brother Paul is presented with his award by James Foley



Philip O'Leary, young player of the year is presented with his award by James Foley



*Liam Fleming, club person of the year being presented with the Pat Joe Teahan Memorial Cup* 



*Carmel Riordan being recognised for long service with Kilcummin from Nessa McCarthy* 



Minor team and mentors being presented with their East Kerry Championship winners medals from former County star Mike McCarthy

# RIVERDANCE AUDITIONS IN KILLARNEY

The Brehon Hotel will be the location for Open Auditions for Riverdance who are looking for Championship Level Irish Dancers age 17+.

The dates for your diary, should you wish to attend are Thursday 15th and Friday 16th February from 9am- 5pm. Applications close: Sunday, 11th February. APPLY NOW:

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# WANDER WILD FESTIVAL

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Sunrise Dip...Hardyswimmerstakingpartin(theWander Wild Festival Sunrise Dip in Dundag, lastyear Photo: Valerie O'Sullivan

his Valentine's Day, show that someone special just how wild you are about them with a truly unique and unforgettable experience at the Wander Wild Festival in Killarney this March (22-24th). A celebration of love and adventure, this unique adventure and wellness festival set in the 25,000-acre UNESCO Killarney National Park, offers the perfect opportunity to embrace the spirit of exploration and connection with your partner. Get their heart beating with excitement with a gift that goes beyond the ordinary!

Wander Wild Festival provides an ideal setting for couples to embark on a romantic journey together. From guided hikes to outdoor workshops and adrenaline-pumping activities, there are a range of activities designed for couples to connect and create shared adventures.

Reach new heights with your partner by climbing Carrauntoohil - Ireland's highest mountain.

Lovebirds can enjoy a refreshing hike and a wild swim in the breathtaking hidden Horses Glen - a captivating V-shaped valley with enchanting lakes.

Be paddle partners with some Stand-up Paddleboarding (SUP) on the Lakes of Killarney or a Kayak tour to Inisfallen Island or Ross Castle.

Dazzle them with stars on the Dark Sky Night Hike.

Date night with a difference with a Night Walk in the National Park, led by a knowledgeable Park Ranger.

Get the heart-rate up with some Rock Climbing.

If things get too hot, cool down with a Wim Hof Method workshop in the lake, or a Cold Water Talk.

Take your partner's breath away with a sunrise dip at Dundag, followed by a glorious sauna experience overlooking Muckross Lake and the mountains.

Relax and connect with some yoga, breathwork or an enchanting forest bathing walk.

Unplug and unwind with a Yin Yoga - Deep Rest session with Daniella Moyles.

Bring some romantic charm to date night with live performances from local and national performers.

Feast on local produce on the Wander Wild Food Trail.

Tickets can be purchased for individual activities so you can create the ultimate Valentine's package for your adventurous loved one. Killarney has accommodation for every taste for your romantic getaway from hostels, self-catering and couples only glamping, to four- and five-star hotels.

Most events are ticketed, with some free activities also available. Many events sold out last year so book early on wanderwildfestival.com. to



The Gap boat coming up to the Old Weir Bridge at the Meeting of The Waters, with O'Donoghue's Boat Tours Gap Trip, Killarney National Park.Photo:Valerie O'Sullivan



2022 Wander Wild Festival participants enjoying a range of activities in Killarney National Park. Photo credit: Adrian McCarthy, Grandview Media.

#### avoid disappointment!

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# **TOP THREE IN IRELAND** FOR KILLARNEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE STUDENTS

Students from Killarney Community College were congratulatied this week by the Minister for Education Norma Foley TD on their performance in the #ThinkLanguages competition.

#ThinkLanguages is an annual event for Transition Year (TY) students, celebrating languages inside and outside of the classroom and thinking about how languages can enhance life's opportunities.

Around 15,000 TY students in 180 different schools entered the competition, which took place during #ThinkLanguages week (27th November -1st December 2023).

Students from three schools were shortlisted for the final -Killarney Community College, Our Lady of Mercy in Waterford and Our Lady's Bower, Athlone. Minister Foley congratulated all the three schools for making the final shortlist at the awards ceremony in the Clock Tower building in the Department of Education this week.

Minister Foley said: "To make PPLI includit here into the last three out videos, preof 15,000 TY students and Ceremony

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180 schools is a phenomenal achievement. You should reflect on that and say: 'Wow, we're pretty good."

Our Lady's Bower, Athlone, were announced as winners of the competition for a trip to Brussels.

The competition is a joint collaboration between Post Primary Languages Ireland (PPLI) and the Department of Foreign Affairs under Languages Connect and the Career for EU strategy.

180 schools and over 15,000 TY students participated in the event this year, by holding a languages event in their school celebrating the personal, social and career benefits of foreign language learning.

Schools are encouraged to welcome local speakers, involving school staff and students, engaging with local businesses and organisations for a wide variety of language filled activities, talks, games and workshops. Supports and resources are provided by PPLI including instructional videos, pre-recorded Opening Ceremony and language



Students of Killarney Community College being presented with their #ThinkLanguages award by Minister for Education Norma Foley TD at the Department of Education. Image L-R: Zoe McDonald, Áine MacSweeney, Kieran Moloney, Minister for Education Norma Foley TD, Wiktoria Gluza, Mia Moynihan, Fionn Lynch

workshops, resources and event kits. Schools submitted the line up for their event in order to be chosen for entry into the competition and a panel of field judges visited the selected schools during #ThinkLanguages week to meet the teams and see their activities.

Three schools were shortlisted:

- Our Lady's Bower in Athlone

- Our Lady of Mercy, Waterford.

The winning team from Athlone and two teachers will get the opportunity to visit Brussels and the various EU institutions and sites as well as a visit to the Permanent Representation of Ireland to the EU, Ireland's largest diplomatic mission abroad.

# IRELAND'S NEWEST 5 MILE ROAD RACE ANNOUNCED BY KILLARNEY VALLEY AC

PROGRESSIVE ATHLETIC CLUB, KILLARNEY VALLEY AC ARE DELIGHTED TO ANNOUNCE, THE LAUNCH OF IRELAND'S NEWEST 5 MILE ROAD RACE!

The race for which is being termed as the race for all, has been launched and is to take place on Good Friday on March 29th at 6.30pm!

Athletes, runners, joggers, Paralympic and fun runners are set to descend on Killarney. The "streets of Killarney 5 mile" hosted by the very successful Killarney valley ac (athletic club) and which will be run on a flat fast route with tourists, families, friends supporting the participants from the foot paths.

The great news for the town is that the proceeds of the race and of it's participants, is for the viability of the Killarney valley ac athletics track

located in the centre of the school area of the town.

3,000 school students in the locality avail of the facility which is operated and managed by Killarney valley ac. There is a wonderful bespoke T-shirt for every participant with super prizes and refreshments. The list of sponsors will be published as soon as it is finalised. The great team of volunteers from Killarney valley ac in advance of this wonderful event would like to thank Kerry county council and the Gardaí with a full list of support to follow. Entries are open, are online and welcome all levels of participation! So if you would like to enter or if you have family at home or away or have friends away, then tell them about the "streets of Killarney 5 mile" and why it's a great event right in the middle of the most beautiful town in the world.





Safety Road he Authority (RSA) and the County and City Management Association (CCMA) are calling on land-owners to cut their hedgerows before the March 1 ensure deadline. to they are not causing a potentially serious road safety hazard.

Properly maintained hedges protect vulnerable road users who are not forced onto the road by overgrown hedges. It additionally affords motorists a clear view of what is in front of them or around the a bend, especially on local rural roads in the case of sightlines at junctions or obstructions to road signs. Overgrown hedgerows and roadside verges can result in road fatalities and serious injury collisions.

accordance In with the Wildlife Act, it is an offence to cut, grub, burn or otherwise destroy any vegetation growing on any land not then cultivated or growing in any hedge or ditch, between 1st March and 31st August. There are some exceptions to this including if there are grounds to act for road safety reasons. Local authorities can and do either take direct action themselves or serve a notice on the landowner to do something in such instances.

RSA AND LOCAL AUTHORITIES CALL ON LANDOWNERS TO CUT HEDGEROWS TO PREVENT POTENTIAL ROAD SAFETY HAZARDS

# Hop On Hop Off

Kerry County Council advise that they are engaging with the National Transport Authority (NTA) in relation to the provision of enhanced Bus Stops on the Ring of Kerry route, to facilitate the introduction of an improved service there. Fianna Fáil Councillor Michael Cahill had called on Kerry County Council to write to the National Transport Authority, Bus Eireann and TFI Local Link Ireland to ensure the delivery of a full, twoway, Hop on-Hop off Bus service for the entire Ring of Kerry route, for the coming season and going forward.

"I acknowledge that improvements have been made to the Ring of Kerry Bus service, with the recent addition of new routes and anecdotal

### HOP ON HOP OFF BUS SERVICE

reports suggest that there has been a much increased uptake of seats. I am calling on the National Transport Authority to follow through on their promise to provide a full, two-way, Hop On Hop Off Bus service for the entire Ring of Kerry in time for the 2024 Tourist Season. Proper Bus stops with covered waiting areas at recognised pull in areas are a must to ensure that potential users have a comfortable experience on their journey" stated the Rossbeigh based Councillor.

"This can be a fantastic service for all those travelling on the Ring of Kerry, both local and visitor alike and will be much kinder to the environment and a more relaxed way of seeing the beauty of our county. I am convinced that it will be a huge success especially with the South Kerry Greenway coming on stream" said Councillor Cahill.

The Fianna Fáil Councillor first called for a full on Hop On Hop Off Bus service for the Ring of Kerry 3 years ago.

## Chance to UNLOCK YOUR UNIQUE VOICE with Grace

A Killarney singer is embarking on a teaching course for those who would like to "Unlock Your Unique Voice with Grace Foley"

Grace will conduct intensive classes for Leaving Cert Music Exam prep; classes for beginners and those adding extra sparkle to their performance and classes for those who want to learn basic music theory with expert guidance.

Grace earned her Singing Teacher diploma from the Royal Irish Academy in 2011, marking the beginning of her teaching journey at the Killarney School of Music. It was here that she not only cultivated her teaching skills but also orchestrated student concerts, guided individuals through grade and performance exams, and co-founded a choir with the talented pianist Jayme Linehan.

The pivotal moment in Grace's teaching career occurred with the passing of her beloved singing mentor, Aine Nic Ghabhann. Tasked with continuing Aine's legacy, Grace embraced the challenge. Collaborating with The Kingdom Academy of Music and the Killarney School of Music, Grace gained great teaching experience, before embarking on her independent teaching venture. Beyond the spotlight of charity events and notable achievements, Grace's true passion lies in witnessing her students' growth. Whether they aspire to record an album or simply gain the confidence to perform at a family gathering, Grace's priority is creating a nurturing space where students feel secure, knowing she cares deeply for both their musical journey and personal well-being.



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Donor organ recipient, Billy Ryle made a gift from the proceeds of his book, "Donor Organ Transplants or Blind for the football," to Vision Ireland, former National Council for the Blind of Ireland (NCBI) at its Kerry office in Tralee on Wednesday, 24th January, 2024. The Book tells the story of Billy's journey to save his eyesight. The financial donation was a small thank you from Billy to Vision Ireland for its excellent work with blind and visually impaired people in Kerry and nationwide.

In 2020, Billy was diagnosed with Fuchs Dystrophy, a disease which causes fluid to build up in the clear layer (cornea) on the front of the eye, causing the cornea to swell and thicken. This leads to glare, blurred or cloudy vision, and eye discomfort. Fuchs Dystrophy usually affects both eyes, causing the vision to gradually worsen leading to blindness. Billy underwent two separate corneal transplant operations of donated organs, the first in April 2022 and the second in November 2022, which saved his sight. He is very grateful to the two deceased donors and their families for making the organs available to restore his vision.

Billy added that there is an acute need for organ donations to save lives or considerably improve the quality of life for organ recipients like himself. Organ donors save lives. Making the decision to donate your organs is the most important gift one person can give to another. Rather than having transplantable organs interred or cremated after death, why not leave a lasting legacy by giving the posthumous gift of your organs to those in need?

# BILLY'S GIFT TO



lasting legacy by giving the posthumous gift of your organs to those in need? *Pictured are Lisa Brown (Community Resource Worker, Vision Ireland) and Mairéad O Mahony (Technology Trainer, Vision Ireland) accepting a financial gift to Vision Ireland from Billy Ryle* 

## FIRST POP UP GAELTACHT OF 2024 PLANNED

Friday the 9th of February at 7:30pm at Courtney's Bar of Plunkett street is a date for your diary for the first 'Pop-Up' Gaeltacht of 2024.

The establishment of the Pop Up Gaeltacht over the past year has brought together Killarney's Irish speaking community and we are hoping to see plenty of new and old faces on the night.

As was the case for our final event of 2023, beer pong and lively traditional music will go hand in hand with brilliant conversation between people of all ages! Upstairs in Courtney's bar on Plunkett Street will be a fantastic start to 2024 for Gaeilgeoirí in Killarney! Come along, bring a friend and have some fun. All levels of Irish are very welcome!

We would be delighted if you could share details of this free event with your audience and help us to grow the Irish-speaking community in Killarney!



Participants enjoying the Pop Up Gaeltacht last year.





February 2nd, each year, marks the anniversary of the signing of the Ramsar Convention, an international agreement for the preservation and wise use of global wetlands. Wetlands are an extremely important habitat for biodiversity and are increasingly threatened. 35% of the world's wetlands have disappeared in the last 50 years. World Wetlands Day, is a celebration of one of our world's most vulnerable and yet most valuable natural habitats; it marks the adoption of the Ramsar Accord, a global treaty signed by over 150 countries that provides the framework for national action and international cooperation

### IT'S **WORLD** WETLANDS DAY TODAY

for the conservation and wise use of our fastvanishing wetlands. In keeping with this year's 2024 Ramsar theme, 'wetlands and human wellbeing' Tralee Bay Wetlands will be running a series of guided nature walks on our own patch of urban wetlands. Additionally there are a series of guided nature walks available and part funded by Kerry Co Council for the month of February. Tralee Bay Wetlands Centre will also be running a series of events & guided nature walks More information please visit www. traleebaywetInds.org

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# The 'Mocks' are a useful trial run but the exam that counts takes place in June



By Billy Ryle

#### **MOCK EXAMS**

The 'Mocks' or 'Practice Exams' are usually held in schools during February. They have nothing to do with the State Examinations Commission (SEC) and the exam papers are provided and corrected by independent educational groups. It's worth doing the 'Mocks' for the experience but don't let them distract you from the State Exams in June. Don't burn yourself out at this early stage by overestimating the 'Mocks.'

#### **TRIAL RUN**

The 'Mocks' provide an opportunity to work on your presentation, timing, answering techniques and current knowledge. They are usually marked externally so they provide you with an impartial assessment of your readiness for the State Exams. It's an opportunity to see if you can deliver the required information within the time allowed on a neatly presented script.

#### LOGISTICS

Avail of the 'Mocks' to become familiar with the logistics and technicalities of each exam paper. The quality of your answering is the core of any exam so learn from the 'Mocks' how to approach each paper. Keep the content of your answer relevant to the question asked. Read each question carefully before deciding which ones to answer. Be concise, accurate and relevant. Be familiar with the format of each paper well before each exam session. Know how the paper is presented. What topics are examined? How many questions must be answered? What styles of question can you expect on the exam paper? Be familiar with the choices available on the paper. Is one or more questions compulsory? Be particularly careful about a paper, which is subdivided into subsections. Without prior knowledge of such a paper you could easily fail to address the relevant number of questions.

#### **TIME TRIAL**

Use the 'Mocks' to test your allocation of time. The 'Mocks' are a great time trial. Go into the 'Mocks' determined to attempt the required number of questions. Work out in advance the approximate time you have for each question. The allocation of time to each question should be proportionate to the marks available for that question. Let me emphasise that if you attempt the required number of questions, you will maximise your grade in that subject.

#### INSTRUCTIONS

When your 'Mock' exam paper is handed to you read the instructions carefully. Spend a few minutes reading the entire paper. Keep to your pre-prepared answering plan and once you have made your choice of questions, start with a question you can answer well. When you have finished each question, reread it to ensure that you haven't omitted any part. Allow a few minutes at the end of the exam to read back over your answers and to check your numbering and presentation. Stay in the exam hall until the time is up even if you are finished early as some extra information may come to you. Every mark counts so don't leave any after you!

#### PERFECT PRACTICE

When your marked 'Mock' papers are returned, go over them to identify your strengths and weaknesses as outlined above. The old maxim of making your mistakes in the 'Mocks' and getting things right in the State Exams next June is as true as ever. As the saying goes, practice makes perfect and the 'Mocks' are the perfect practice!

#### CHECKLIST

The 'Mocks' are a useful trial run for the State Exams

The 'Mocks' are usually marked externally The 'Mocks' tell you how much you currently

know for the State Exams

The 'Mocks' tell you how much you still need to do for the State Exams

Learn from the 'Mocks' how best to approach each paper

Use the 'Mocks' to test your allocation of time Go over your marked 'Mock' papers to identify your strengths and weaknesses

Make your mistakes in the 'Mocks' and get things right in the State Exams

6th February: online facility to amend course open at 12noon (€10 fee)

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### **STUDENTS ATTEND ACCOUNTANCY TALK**

On Tuesday, 23 January Mr. Ian Houlihan (Killarney Area Manager, FDC Accounting) together with Ms. Lisa Murphy and Ms. Laura O'Driscoll (Trainee Accountants), attended our school to speak to students from Transition Year, Fifth Year and Sixth Year at St. Brigid's Presentation Secondary School.

The FDC Accounting personnel presented to our students on their various educational backgrounds from second level to University studies to Accounting qualification examinations. The students also heard about the wide-ranging career paths that Accountants can take, the organisations that Accountants work in and the perks and benefits of being an Accountant.

The main message provided to our students was that while Accounting as a career requires strong work ethic and very good numerical and organisational skills, it is also a career that effectively enables students to work in virtually any vicinity in the world given the wide ranging nature of the role and the global nature of an accounting qualification.

Thank you to FDC Accounting for giving up their time to speak to our students and for Mr. Kelly for facilitating the discussion.



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## **KERRY COLLEGE** Celebrates its 2023 Graduates

Kerry College of Further Education and Training proudly hosted its graduation ceremony at the Brandon Hotel on Thursday 25th January 2024. Graduates along with their families and friends were invited to celebrate the hard work, dedication, and success of their journeys with Kerry College. The ceremony reflected not only academic achievements but also the personal growth and development that each learner conquered during their time at Kerry College.

The conferring hall was filled with over 500 proud graduates from Kerry College's various campuses, including Clash Road, Denny Street, Killorglin, Listowel, and Monavalley.

The event marked the first graduation to include our Pathway learners from, Killarney, Killorglin, Listowel, and Tralee. Pathways graduate Méabh Rohan spoke about the growth in her independence since undertaking her course with Kerry College. We were thrilled to hear that the confidence she gained encouraged her to continue on her education journey.

The ceremony featured the presentation of certificates to graduates across a diverse range of fields and delivery methods, including parttime, online and full-time programmes.

The event featured guest speaker and former learner, Ian O'Connell, who currently works as a podcaster and radio presenter at Radio Kerry. His inspirational speech resonated with attendees, leaving them feeling optimistic by imparting a message centered on positivity, resilience, and gratitude. Ian emphasised, "the only disability is a bad attitude," encapsulating the power of a positive mindset.

Cllr. Jim Finucane, Chairman of Kerry ETB, extended best wishes to the graduates in their future endeavours, expressing the privilege of facilitating them on their lifelong learning journey. He strongly urged anyone considering Further Education and Training to visit the Kerry College Admissions Offices in either Tralee or Killarney.

Addressing the graduates, Mr. Owen O'Donnell, Director of Further Education and Training at Kerry ETB, expressed his delight at marking this pivotal milestone in their journey. He congratulated the graduates, recognising their unwavering determination and diligence, and praised the dedication of Kerry College staff for their commitment in supporting learners throughout their educational pursuits. He acknowledged, in particular, the role of the graduates support system and was happy to see so many friends, families, and graduate guests in attendance.

As our Kerry College graduates prepare to step into the next chapter, they carry with them the invaluable lessons learned, the friendships forged, and the skills acquired during their





College of Further Education and Training graduation in Tralee, Co Kerry. Photo By : Domnick Walsh © Eye Focus LTD .





Co Kerry who graduated at the Kerry College of Further Education and Training graduation in Tralee, Co Kerry. Photo By: Domnick Walsh © Eye Focus LTD .

#### learning journey.

Kerry College remains committed in supporting the lifelong learning journeys of our graduates; we hope they will continue to build their futures alongside us in the years to come.





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### Tom Davis: Underdog at the Gleneagle INEC Club

Comedy genius Tom Davis makes his Gleneagle INEC Club debut with his new show 'Underdog' on February 18th.

Sweet, sweet soul Tom Davis is best known for hit shows King Gary, The Curse, Murder In Successville, Live At The Apollo and his hugely popular podcast Wolf and Owl with Romesh Ranganathan.

Embarking on his biggest tour to date with his brand-new show, 'Underdog', Tom will be exploring life as the longshot. From leaving school with no qualifications to years working on building sites, all the way to the difficult road to fatherhood, acting in blockbuster films and

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yet still being told he's punching by a waiter.

Big Tom Davis's return to stand up should not be missed. Tickets from €28.00 including booking fee plus service charge are available from www.inec.ie



Remembering Patrick....



The friends of popular Killarney man Patrick Culloty who passed away last year will remember him on a walk on Sunday 25th of February. Patrick's friends at Jimmy Brien's bar are organising the event which

takes place at 10am from the Cathedral Car Park. Everyone is welcome and there will be refreshments afterwards in Jimmy's where people can make donations to the Kerry Cancer Support Group.

# AnamCara

## BEREAVED PARENTS offered several options of support

For many, the new year can bring mixed emotions, especially for those bereaved. To date in 2024, Aman Cara, the organisation supporting bereaved parents nationwide, has noted an increase to those attending their monthly meetings. Whilst it brings much heartbreak that their services even have to exist, these monthly meetings are crucial to give bereaved parents a space to talk, listen and engage with their peers. This support is a lifeline to many.

Along with their monthly meetings across the country, Anam Cara hold bereavement information evenings, both in person and online, Remembrance Events, provide information packs, along with many

other resources. All of their support services are available free of charge. On Tuesday 13th February, Anam Cara will hold their monthly Kerry meeting in The Meadowlands Hotel, Tralee @ 7:15pm. They want to reach out any bereaved parent, regardless of the age of the child or circumstances of death, to attend the meeting.

Registration is not required, just arrive on the evening. Anam Cara would welcome any bereaved parent in the Kerry area and surrounds to attend. Anam Cara can be contacted on 085 2888888 or by email info@ anamcara.ie

## Iryna Lets Her LIGHTHOUSE SHINE

There was strong competition among the entries in Killarney Camera Club's latest open Black and White competition. In total, 21 members participated.

Congratulations to Iryna on winning both the Unrestricted and Novice categories, again, with a fantastic photo of Fanad Head Lighthouse in Donegal. We asked Iryna to tell us about the photo. She said "While I usually travel by myself when taking photographs, I heard that Rodney O'Callaghan, a great photographer from Cork, was leading a photography workshop to distant Donegal. So, without any hesitation I joined his workshop. Donegal was an absolutely amazing place for landscape photography. Landscape photography is new for me, as in Ukraine I was interested in fashion photography only. Now I cannot imagine my life without landscape photography and Ireland is the best place for doing it." She added that "The photo was taken on a cloudy morning. I used a relatively slow shutter speed to give a silky look to the water and this also gives a sense of movement in the clouds"

### Here are the top three in the Unrestricted category.

#### Unrestricted category:

1st Place: Iryna Halaieva, Fanad Head Lighthouse

2nd Place: Keith Johnson, Sciurus Vulgaris

3rd Place: Julia Deady, A misty morning in Dolomites

Anyone interested in joining the Camera Club can email secretary@ killarneycameraclub.ie for further details.





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# TOWN TWINNING ASSOCIATION taking part in this years St. Patrick's Festival

There will be a large contingent from the Town Twinning Association in this year's St Patrick's Day celebration in Killarney.

"This year The Pleinfeld Hummells Group will return to participate. On last visit the Hummells were a big hit with three participates taking part", Sean Counihan told Killarney Outlook.

"This is just one of the groups attending this year through the Killarney Town Twinning Assocation", Sean added.

"We will have The Majorettes of Casperia along with Mayor's and delegations from Kendal in the UK, Mayor of Casperia, Levercussin Irish Clan, Mayor of Stafenstorp along with a Pleinfeld delegation of 42 people including former Mayor and chairman of their twining club", Sean said.

Things are looking up for a great occasion for the Town Twinning Association and St Patrick's Day Festival in Killarney.

The Pleinfeld Hummells Group will take part in this year's St. Patrick's Festival in Killarney.





## **Gym Fundraiser** Raises Money for Kerry Stars

A gruelling 24 hour fundraiser at a Activate Fitness Gym has resulted in a whopping donation of  ${\in}1044.16$  to Kerry Stars Special Olympics Sports Club

"We are very grateful to Tommy Flaherty, his team and members at the gym who raised this aamazing amount for us", Claire Doherty PRO for the club told Killarney Outlook.

The Kerry Stars Special Olympics Sports Club Athletes joined them in Activate Fitness for one hour out of the 24. Lots of fun and laughter was had by all as they played games and tried out all of the equipment.

Kerry Stars Special Olympics Sports Club has Athletics on Mondays, The Athlete Leadership Program every other Tuesday, Basketball on Wednesdays, Soccer on Thursdays and swimming on Fridays for anyone with Special Needs..

"If anyone is looking to Engage, Motivate and Socialize, could you assist and support for one hour a week or one hour a month? We are looking for volunteers, mentors and coaches. Please contact us for more information on kerrystars63@gmail.com", Claire added

### PRODUCTION OF **THE FIELD** SET TO BENEFIT BRU COLUMBANUS

The fantastic facility of Bru Columbanus will benefit from the upcoming production of "The Field" by John B. Keane, presented by the Sliabh Luachra Drama Group. The performances will take place at the Heritage Centre Scartaglin on February 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 10th, and 11th. Ticket Prices:  $\in 10$  for adults,  $\in 8$  for students/senior citizens.

By attending this performance, the

community not only gets to enjoy a remarkable play but also contributes to the crucial work of Bru Columbanus. The funds raised will directly support our mission of providing a home-away-from-home for families that have loved ones in Cork Hospitals.

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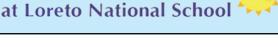
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Teacher Paul Barden making St Brigid's Crosses with pupils Diarmuid O'Sullivan, Keith O'Rourke and Srabvan Alam at St Brendan's College Killarney on Wednesday. The St Brigid's Crosses will be sold for local charities. Photo by Michelle Cooper Galvin



St Brendan's College students Cian Maher and Luke O'Shea gather the St Brigid's Crosses which some pupils made at St Brendan's College Killarney on Wednesday. The St Brigid's Crosses will be sold for local charities. Photo by Michelle Cooper Galvin

# Kindhearted Students Make Donation to the Muckross Church



The kindhearted students at Scoil Bhríde Loreto pupils, made their First Penance this week. On hearing about the recent burglary in Muckross Church, they decided to make a donation to Fr. Kieran O'Brien on Tuesday for the upkeep of the church.



The deposit and return scheme is up and running from yesterday, February 1st 2024. Pictured at one of the Recycle Centres is Diarmaid Griffin, Green Party Representative. "Along with the successful Killarney Coffee Cup Project, this initiative paves the way for cleaner streets, parks, and waterways. This scheme is a game changer for recycling and is set to reduce the number of plastic bottles and aluminum cans that go to landfill, and into our natural environment", Diarmaid told Killarney Outlook.

### ICONIC KILLARNEY PROPERTY FOR SALE

Aghadoe House, the former An Oige Hostel has come on the market for €2.5 million.

The property which has various outbuildings sits on a site compromising of approximately 24.31 Hectares (60.06 acres).

The property, benefits from spectacular views over Killarney Town, Lakes of Killarney and the Macgillycuddy's Reeks and comprises a range of buildings including Aghadoe House, The Lodge (residential building) and Gate lodge dating from 1828 which were designed by the Pian Brothers - English architects based in Limerick and Cork.

The selling agent for the Property is Brendan Cronin from Avison Young. Brendan, a Killarney man, is the son of the Myra and the late Brendan Cronin from Muckross.





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# KILLARNEY PLAZA HOTEL launches spa partnership with Skin Formulas

The Spa at Killarney Plaza Hotel has launched an exciting new offering for 2024, unveiling a brand-new partnership with the award-winning Irish beauty brand Skin Formulas.

Located on the doorstep of Killarney National Park, The Spa at the Killarney Plaza Hotel draws inspiration from its surrounding diverse and natural landscape. Featuring six treatment rooms, a hydrotherapy pool, serail mud chamber, relaxation garden, sauna and steamroom, the spa offers a comprehensive range of amenities, designed to provide guests with an immersive and rejuvenating spa experience.

Recently crowned Best Irish Beauty Brand at the 2023 Hi Style Awards, Skin Formulas uses the finest essential oils, prebiotics and active ingredients to deliver a truly luxurious experience with proven visible results. Through the newly formed partnership, The Spa at Killarney Plaza Hotel will enhance its bespoke offering through blissful treatments experiences and simple yet luxurious products that can be used from home.

Gemma Ring, Managing Director of the O'Donoghue Ring Collection and Killarney Plaza Hotel & Spa said: "In line with our Spa's ethos, we are excited to collaborate with Irish and female-lead brand Skin Formulas, who share our passion for sustainability and who hold the customer at the forefront of their formulations. More than ever, our clients are looking for thorough results and quality, through innovative treatment experiences and everyday use products. Skin Formulas draws on cutting-edge research from Korea, applying their knowledge on emerging skincare technologies and rare ingredients; many of which are yet to be discovered in the Western World. With a focus



on all skin types, this exciting new partnership promises results for our clients through simple yet luxurious products and bespoke new treatment offerings.

Skin Formulas is leading the way for Irish skincare brands with its innovative use of active ingredients to treat common skin concerns. Hero products from the portfolio that are now available to purchase in the Spa at Killarney Plaza include: Oil & Milk Cleanser that glides onto the skin for easy daily cleansing; the lightweight Moisturising Day Cream (SPF 50) infused with pure lavender essential oil to achieve a satin-like finish; and the Vit C Prevent Serum, a powerful antioxidant serum that helps to protect and prevent the visible signs of aging and environmental damage.

## KILLARNEY SWIMMING CLUB EXCEL AT GALA

13 members of the Killarney Swimming Club entered the Gerry Ryan Gala at University of Limerick last weekend. This was the first Long Course (50m) Gala this season.

Cathal Mackay broke the 1 minute mark on the 100M free, being the second Killarney swimmer to achieve this. He finished at 59.41.

All swimmers came away with personal bests and had excellent swims.

Club swimmers were: Emily Brosnan, Ella Cremin, Aoife Daly, Kate Daly, Ayla Keogh, Lara O'Brien Leahy, Katie Riordan, Sarah Quirke, Cathal Larkin, Cathal Mackey, Dara Sheehan, Shane Tomlinson, and Antoni Waberski.



The Gerry Ryan Gala at University of Limerick last weekend.



Members of Killarney Swimming Club at the Gala





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## PASSING OF JOHNNY TEAHAN CAUSES SADNESS

Another guardian of the Kerry Way and much loved Sneem Man, John Teahan of Derry East, Sneem, Co Kerry, has passed away. John was a devoted family man, gentle, kind and always a delight to meet. Both John and his beautiful Wife Mary ran the very popular Derry East Farmhouse Bed and Breakfast on the Ring of Kerry Road, always very popular with hikers, visitors were drawn to the hospitality, engaging conversations and advice given freely by John and Mary.

Norman Reidy Acting Chairman of the Kerry Way Management Committee, added,

"On behalf of the Kerry Way Management Committee we are truly saddened to learn of Johnny Teahan's recent passing. Representing his beloved Sneem and its wonderful environs Johnny was a regular attendee on committee and a valued member of the Kerry Way team for many years. He was such a kind and wonderful gentleman, we will sadly miss his invaluable contributions, his company and his expertly articulated views. We would like to express our very deepest sympathy to his wife Mary, his sons and daughters Gerard, Máire, Suzanne, John, Karina and Brendan and his extended family members and his many friends. Our thoughts are with you all for your great loss at this sad time. May Johnny rest in eternal peace.

Ar dheis Dé go raibh a anam."

### Pres and Pat's Unite for ENERGETIC JIVING WORKSHOP IN CASTLEISLAND

In a vibrant collaboration, Presentation Secondary School Castleisland and St. Patrick's Secondary School recently joined forces for an exhilarating jiving workshop. Held on January 22nd and 29th, the workshop was coordinated by dance instructor Norella Molyneaux, transforming the shared space into a lively dance floor. Tracey Dooley, Transition Year Coordinator at Presentation Castleisland, expressed her excitement for this collaborative initiative, stating, "The jiving workshop provided a unique opportunity for our students to not only learn a cultural dance form but also foster connections with peers from St. Patrick's. It's more than just dance; it's about unity, teamwork, and creating memories that extend beyond the classroom."

Under Norella's expert guidance, the workshop went beyond teaching classic footwork; it emphasised the significance of communication, trust, and synchronisation between dance partners which served as a catalyst for laughter, shared experiences, and enduring connections among the students. The workshop, spanning two consecutive Mondays, vividly showcased the transformative power of dance in fostering camaraderie, leaving an indelible mark on the memories of the students from both schools.

Reflecting on the experience, Caitlyn Swanser, commented, "Participating in the jiving workshop was great fun. Norella's teaching style made the dance steps easy to pick up and sharing the dance floor with students from St. Pat's created a lively and welcoming atmosphere'. Sean McConologue added 'It was a fantastic way to bridge the gap between our schools and form new friendships."



JIVERS....Adam Roche, Anna Franch, Sean McConologue, Norella Molyneaux (dance instructor), Caitlyn Swanser, Finja Spielmann and Thomas Keane

The collaborative jiving workshop has not only added rhythm to the students' lives but also provided a platform for cultural exchange, harmony, and the establishing of connections that extend far beyond the dance floor.

### APPLICATIONS INVITED FOR FESTIVAL GRANT PROGRAMME FOR 2024

Kerry County Council has announced the Festival and Participative Events Programme for Kerry for 2024. The announcement comes after Fáilte Ireland recently approved an allocation of €75,250 to Kerry County Council under the Festival and Participative Events Programme for this year.

The Programme aims to support festivals and participate events that will drive domestic tourism and help to improve the visitor experience in Kerry.

To be considered for funding under this programme:

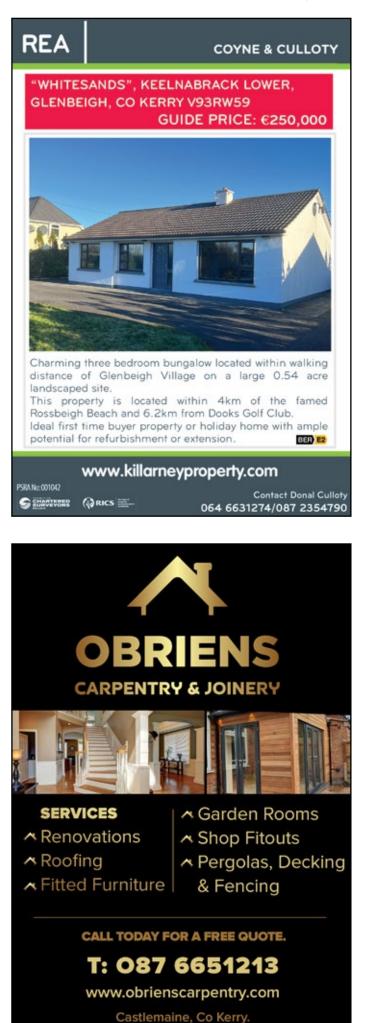
Festivals must generate a minimum of 500 bed nights for visitors or tourists in paid accommodation.

Participative events must generate a minimum of 800 bed nights for visitors or tourists in paid accommodation.

Festivals and participative events must have a minimum project expenditure of  $\in 10,000$ .

The Cathaoirleach of Kerry County Council, Cllr Jim Finucane, encouraged festivals in Kerry to apply for the funding describing the programme as an important revenue stream for such events which are an integral part of the Kerry tourism offering each year.

The application forms as well as the guidelines for the programme are now available on the Kerry County Council website. Applications must be received on or before 16 February 2024.



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### NEWS

### Peer teaching in Pres Castleisland to save lives!

EVERY YEAR IN IRELAND THOUSANDS DIE FROM CARDIAC ARRESTS – 70 PER CENT OF THESE HAPPENED IN THE HOME.

On Friday, January 19th, Transition Year students in Presentation Castleisland ran a very successful initiative aimed at providing young people with the skills to implement basic CPR in an emergency situation. Transition Year students were taught the skills of CPR by the team of qualified teachers in the school (Ms. Daly, Ms. O'Shea, Ms. Finnegan on this occasion). The group then engaged in peer teaching, with students from all year groups across the school attending the TY led initiative. Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR) is a simple skill that can help save a life. CPR involves;

1. Recognising that someone is having a cardiac arrest.

Contacting the emergency services on 112 or 999.
 Pushing hard and fast on the chest.

CPR is a vital step in the chain of survival after a cardiac arrest. If you have been taught CPR, you are 10 times more likely to respond appropriately in an emergency.

Presentation Castleisland is equipped with an AED and now has a full school community trained in CPR. These are one set of skills learned in school that we hope will never need to be used!



L-R: Finja Speilmann, Féile O'Sullivan, Ellie Van Dee Mark, Anna Franch Ramos, Wiktoria Brzozka, Malin Bischoff, Charlotte Meier, Irene Fraj, Gabriela Socha, Laeticia Schannor, Sofia Perez, Sarah McGee, Caitlin Swanswer, Sarah O'Rourke, Amy Rose O'Sullivan, Blaithín McElligott, Lauren Coffey, Lucy McKenna, Oliwia Gruszka, Áine Walsh, Deirdre Moynihan, Erin O'Connor, Gráinne O'Shea, Fiona McSweeney, Amelie Kerin.



Front L-R Nikola Wroblewska, Tabarak Ramadan, Amaia Torres, Éabha Harkin, Sorcha Healy, Grace Kelly, Natalia Kedziora, Back L-R Julia Donegan, Amy Grifin, Maria Jones, Molly Moran, Millie Hughes, Brídín Hickey, Sarah Collis, Gracie Mills.



### CHURCHTOWN BURIAL GROUND HITS STUMBLING BLOCK IN PURCHASE OF NEW LAND

Local Fianna Fáil Councillor, Michael Cahill believes that the people of Beaufort are extremely worried by the news that negotiations to purchase land adjoining Churchtown Burial Ground to provide more grave spaces, had hit a stumbling block, when everybody thought that a deal had been agreed.

"The land in question is the perfect fit for what is required in this case and everybody had been confident that the major problem of no more local spaces available for burials in Beaufort, had been solved. Somehow, a hiccup has appeared and I am now making a special plea to all sides to sit around the table and iron out any difficulties or misunderstanding that may have presented themselves. I will offer to act as Chairman for such a meeting, if required, as I did previously" stated Councillor Cahill.

Speaking at a recent meeting of Kerry County Council where he raised the matter, Councillor Cahill said "This is the single biggest issue in the Parish and families are extremely concerned that loved ones will have to be buried in a different Burial Ground outside the Parish. It is also my understanding that there are only 1 or 2 plots left and this needs to be resolved at the earliest possible date".

"I have had many representations from residents of Beaufort on this most sensitive of issues, as well as from Beaufort Community Council and Tidy Towns and of course the Churchtown Burial Ground Committee, all of whom are extremely worried by the lack of grave spaces in their own Parish. It has been reported that the remaining spaces are allocated on an internal pathway, in a section that was previously prone to flooding. This is absolutely not good enough and we must sort the land purchase out urgently" said Councillor Cahill.

"I am known to both parties and they know my Bona Fides on the issue and I will facilitate further negotiations in any way possible" stated the Rossbeigh based Councillor.

"I am pleading with both parties to sign the dotted line and put to rest, the fears of the local community" added the Fianna Fáil man.





### **MONEY MATTERS.**

By Dermot Cronin, Financial Advisor



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If you require any further information on the above or any other matter you can contact Dermot Cronin at dermotcroninifa@gmail.com or 0646622775 or 0872893649.



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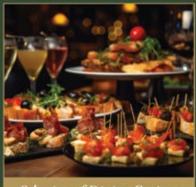
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>SYMPATHIES to Bridie Brosnan, Betty Walsh, Sheila O'Connor & Patrick Murphy & families on the death of their sister Eileen Moroney USA & Stagmount. To the O'Connor family Pat, Niall, Joan (O'Mahony), Mary (House), Sheila (Buckley), Kathleen (Dennehy), Valerie (Doyle), Anna-Marie (Looney) & families on the death of their brother John (Corney) O'Connor Knocknagree. Johns' funeral took place on Friday 19th January in Knocknagree. May Eileen & John rest in peace

>MARIAN PLAYERS RATHMORE PANTO 2024 present Puss In Boots in Rathmore Community Centre continues this Saturday 3rd February night shows at 7.30pm & Matinées on Sunday February 4th at 3pm. Proceeds to Kerry Parents & Friends Association. Booking Office 085 2031730, next door to Christy's Take -Away. Open 2pm-6pm every day. Thanks you for your continued support

#### >RATHMORE GAA CLUB LOTTO

22nd Jan: No's drawn: 1.4.20.29. Jackpot Winner –Congratulations Elaine & Mary O'Mahony, Shrone, Rathmore.



Pictured at the cheque presentation following a fundraiser held in The Bridge Bar in Rathmore in aid of local Night Nurses with the Irish Cancer Society are Emma Buckley, Eileen Horgan Laura Reagan, Kate Murphy, JJ McGillycuddy, Marian O'Keeffe along with Sheila McCarthy, Nancy Dineen and Carina Kelliher who accepted the cheque on behalf of the Night Nurses. In front Amy Horgan, Fia O'Callaghan and Katie Mai Buckley.

### >NOTES

>LOTTO

If you would like to add to the notes please email Michael O'Mahony (momahony14@gmail.com) or ring or text 087-6676817 before Sunday 6pm.

If any members are interested in taking part in either Scór na bPaistí or Scór

Spa lotto 29/01/24 Results. Numbers drawn: 9, 12, 15, 24. No jackpot

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Sinsir, please contact Scór Officer Michael Aherne on 0871877091.

is on Monday 5 Feb for a jackpot of €7,000

#### Written by: Leanne Cronin

### >ANNUAL AWARDS NIGHT ON IN HILLIARDS

Sat 10th Feb. Food: Buffet. Music by Dave Moul. Tickets €30 & available from Anne Holland, Mathilda McMarthy, Triona Mangan, Andrew Garnett, Adrian O'Sullivan, Ivor Flynn. Tickets also on sale in clubhouse Weds 31st Jan, 7.30-8.30pm

### >SCOR NA BPAISTI KERRY CO FINAL TAKES PLACE ON MARCH 23RD

Any club member in Primary school is eligible to participate. Disciplines are set, figure, Seán nós, and solo dancing, solo and instrumental music,

#### Written by: Colette Leslie

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### >LOTTO

LOTTO numbers drawn 7, 14, 17, 25. €100 Mike Griffin c/o Murphy's bar, Keel. €50 Roman Gallagher, Rockfield. €50 Holly O Meara. €25 Jerome Kennedy, Kilbonane. €25 Gary Buchanan, Faha glen. Jackpot next week €9,750

### >LISTRY SENIOR TEAM

Best of luck to our New Management in the Senior team. Mike Tangney

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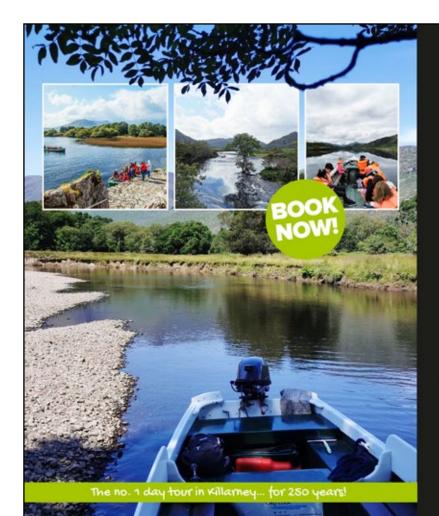
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#### Written by: Helen Moynihan

### KILCUMMIN

### >KILCUMMIN RURAL DEVELOPMENT AGM

Kilcummin Rural Development A.G.M. will hold their board meeting in the Rural Dev. Office on Tuesday 6th Feb. @ 8pm. New members welcome. >KILCUMMIN CCE RAMBLING HOUSE

Kilcummin CCÉ will host a Rambling House on Saturday 10th February in Kilcummin Recreational Hall at 8.30pm. Everyone is welcome to come along and join in on the evening. Tea and brack will be provided. Donations at the door. Join us for a great night of music, song, dance & story.

### **>TROCAIRE PARISH VOLUNTEERS**

As we begin a new year, why not consider becoming a Trócaire Parish Volunteer and help make a difference in some of our world's most vulnerable communities. If you care about social and global justice, this could be for you. Activities include supporting the annual Lenten Campaign as well as taking part in a wide range of events to help Trócaire spread the word about the vital work they do. For more information, call Fr Joe Begley on 086-2498967 or Janet Twomey on 021-4275622 or email volunteering@trocaire.org.

#### **COUNTY COMMUNITY GAMES**

County Community Games Annual Church Gate collection will take place on Saturday 3rd & Sunday 4th February.

### >KILCUMMIN GAA

### GAA AWARDS NIGHT

Held in the club rooms on Saturday night a very large attendance saw former club and county player Mike Mc McCarthy present the minor team with their East Kerry Championship winners medals. "Senior player of the Year" accolade went to Paul O'Shea."Young player of the Year" went to Philip O'Leary while Oisin O' Leary was awarded " Junior player of the Year". Carmel O Riordan was recognised for her 14 years as Chairperson of a very active ladies committee while Marie Lehane was also honoured for her work selling club merchandise for many years. The Pat Joe Teahan perpetual trophy for "Club person of the Year" went to Liam Fleming for his extraordinary commitment to all club activities whether as a steward, field worker or Lotto seller. "The Dermot Brady Moynihan Memorial 31 Card Tournament in aid of Comfort for Chemo takes place this Sunday February 4th @ 4pm.

#### **GAELIC MOTHERS AND OTHERS**

Football, fun, fitness and craic. Non-competitive, no experience required for women aged 25 and over. Meeting 9th February at 7.30pm in the Kilcummin GAA Hall. New members welcome.

### THE IRELAND LIGHTS UP

"The Ireland Lights Up" initiative continues at Kilcummin GAA Walking



Track. @ 7pm in partnership with @rteoperationtransformation and @ get\_ireland\_walking. The aim is to make exercise more accessible on the dark winter nights and to offer anyone in our local community an opportunity to get together and socialise in a healthy way. This is open to everyone, Club Membership is not required but each participant must register each night for insurance purposes and adhere to Health and Safety Guidelines issued at registration.

#### >MASTERGEEHA FC U12 GIRLS NATIONAL CUP

Mastergeeha U12 girls who were victorious over Freebooters of Kilkenny on Saturday. The game ended 0-0 after extra time. The girls sealed the victory 4-3 on penalties. The girls now move into the last 16 of the national competition.

#### LOTTO

There was no winner on 26th January 2024 of the Jackpot for €8,000. Numbers drawn were 11,20,21,25. Consolation prizes of €50 went to Shauna Looney, Mastergeeha; John & Margaret Lenihan; Thomas Coleman O/L; Vicki Carroll O/L. The next draw will be Friday 2nd February for Jackpot of 8,200.

### GLENFLESK

### **≻LOTTO**

There was no winner of Glenflesk Lotto which took place on 23/ 1/ 2024 in Glenflesk Hall. Jackpot  $\in$ 7,200. The numbers drawn were: 7, 8, 20, 26.Consolation Prizes of  $\in$ 50. 1. Helen Moynihan, Rathanane, Kilcummin (On Line Ticket) 2. Micheál O' Donoghue, Dromcarbin 3. O'Donoghue's Shop, Barradubh.(Sellers' Prize). 4. Colin O'Leary, Shinagh, Rathmore. Next draw will take placein Glenflesk Hall on Tuesday 6th February 2024. Lotto tickets including annual tickets can be bought from our ticket sellers, in local pubs and shops or online before 6pm on the date of the draw at: https://play.clubforce.com/play\_newa.aspll\_id=2534#Anchor.

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#### >EAST KERRY SUPER LEAGUE

Division 1B Round 1 Sunday 4th February 12 Noon, Glenflesk V Spa in Glenflesk.

#### >THE BOARD OF MANAGEMENT OF GLENFLESK NS

The board of management of Glenflesk N.S. is seeking to appoint a part time secretary. The position will involve general secretarial and administrative duties consistent with the role of School Secretary. For additional information on duties, roles and responsibilities email glenfleskns@gmail.com.

### >MARIAN PLAYERS RATHMORE PANTO 2024

Marian Players Rathmore Panto Present "Puss In Boots" in Rathmore Community Centre starting Saturday January 27th , Wednesday

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### BEAUFORT

#### >LOTTO

The next draw for a jackpot of €2,200 will be on Sunday, 4th February in Galvin's Bar. Tickets are available from usual sellers, shops, and public houses and online at www.beaufortgaa.com. Please note that the online lotto closes at 7pm on the night of the draw and tickets sold after 7pm are entered into the following draw. Thank you to everybody who support our lotto. It is greatly appreciated.

#### **>SPORTS PREDICTION QUIZ**

It is not too late to enter our Sports Prediction quiz. Predict the outcome of thirty sports events of 2024. Top prize of €1,000 and other cash prizes. Quiz sheets available from usual sellers, shops, public houses and online at www.beaufortgaa.com.

### >IRELAND LIGHTS UP AND EVERY STEP COUNTS CHALLENGE

Beaufort G.A.A. Club is taking part on both of above. The walking track is open for Ireland Lights up from Monday to Friday from 6.30pm to 8.30pm.

#### >EXERCISE CLASSES

Spring classes are being held in Beaufort G.A.A Clubrooms, week nights



Padraig O'Sullivan, Treasurer, left, and Maurice Foley, Chairperson, right, presenting Beaufort G.A.A. Club lotto jackpot winning cheque to Dot West, Killorglin with members of her family.

Monday to Friday. Classes at present are Yoga and Pilates.

Pilates with Colleen include Ladies, Men's and Active retired classes. Please contact Colleen at 086 1731469 for times and details.

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### ≻GAA CLUB AGM

Beaufort G.A.A. Club A.G.M was held on 20th January. Officers for 2024 are: President: Jack McGrath. Vice-President: Jerome O'Shea. Chairperson: Maurice Foley. Secretary: Bridget Hartnett. Treasurer: Seán O'Rourke. Registrar: Patie Hartnett. Ladies: Sue Barrett. PRO. Amy Foley. Juvenile Secretary/Children's Officer: Mary Cronin. Cultural Officers: Anita and Ger Culhane. Co Committee Delegate: Ken O'Sullivan. Mid Kerry: Ian Joy, Cormac Joy, Gerald Foley. ASAP: Tony Crockett. Ladies Football Chairperson and Secretary: Gillian Breen and Tara Kearins. Schools Officer: Eamonn Kissane. Coaching Officers: Tim Coffey and Micheál Foley. Players Reps: Jason Foley, Fay O'Donoghue. Committee: Frank Coffey, Carl O'Sullivan, Pádraig O'Sullivan, Neil Doherty, Mikey O'Sullivan, Fergal Spillane, Ger. Healy, Kieran Tangney.



Maurice Foley presenting Beaufort lotto sellers prize to Danny Doona.

### THE LEAVING OF LIVERPOOL

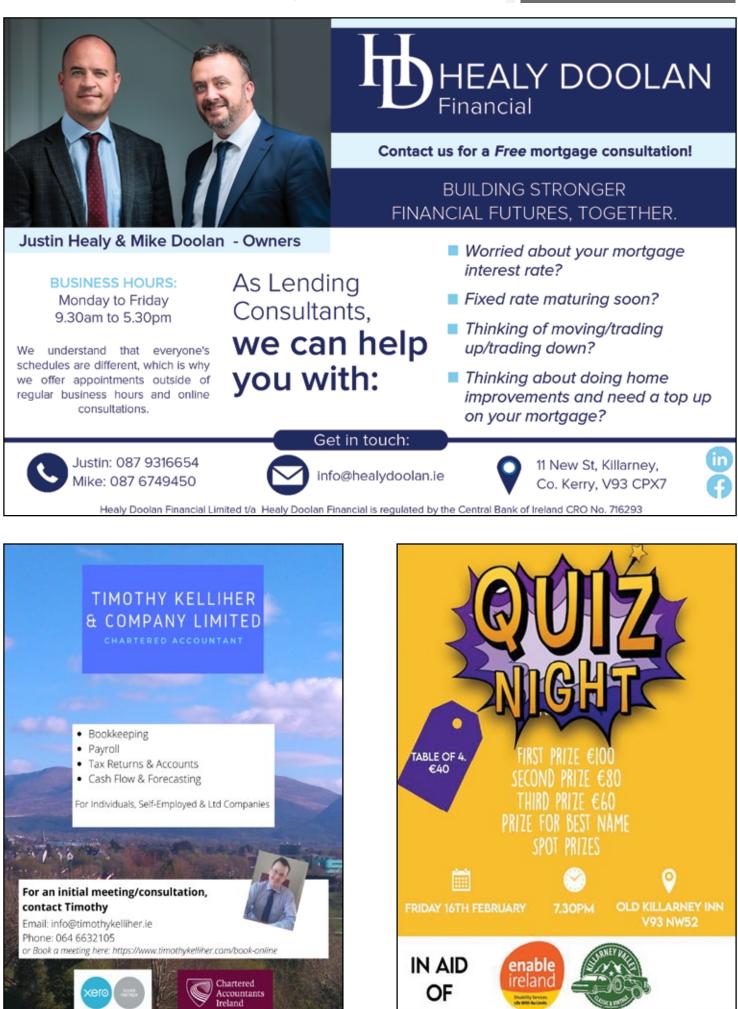
By Nicky Barry

There are moments in history, which everyone remembers, Where they were exactly, when they first heard the rumours, Like when JFK was shot, or the night Elvis died, Or when the Twin Towers, were blasted in the sky. These were tragic moments, which none of us forget, But the news that broke last week, is the saddest yet. There I was in the kitchen, when I heard the news, That Jurgen Klopp is leaving, Anfield and Liverpool. I knew someday it would happen, but not at this time, When Liverpool are flying, with four trophies on the line. It can't be true I told myself, this really cannot happen, For Jurgen just loves Liverpool, with an awesome passion. But there it was, and it fell, on the Mersey like a bomb, And Kop folk went into mourning, for it all was going wrong. He'd been there for nine seasons, of unprecedented glory, And now this was the epilogue, of the Jurgen story. His charisma will resonate, long after he is gone, For he'll never walk alone, just like in the song. He walked through that tempest, with his head held high, And the memories he gave us, in time will never die.



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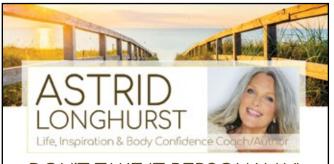
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It is easy to take things that others say personally, especially if we care about what that other person thinks or feels about us. However, it is so important to recognise that what anyone else thinks or feels about you is simply their opinion and it doesn't make it true.

I ask my coaching clients the following questions to help them to realise that what someone else says or thinks belongs to them.

• Whose mouth did the comment come out of? (Was it yours or the other person's?)

• Whose mind created the belief or opinion of you? (Was it yours or the other person's?)

· So, who does the comment or opinion belong to? (Is it yours or the other person's?)

Next time you feel upset by what someone else has said or thinks, try asking yourself these three questions.

I hope this helps.

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### Can sleep lines cause wrinkles?

Sleeping on your back can prevent 'pillow face' in the morning and helps reduce puffiness around the eyes.

When you sleep on your side or stomach your face stretches against your pillow causing the skin to fold and crease. These disappear quickly on young skin. Over time this stretching break collagen and elastin fibres in the skin causing lines that become permanent wrinkles. Some models and actors sleep on their back to maintain there looks.

If you find it difficult to sleep on your back do not sacrifice a good nights sleep as this will be more damaging to your skin. Explore positions different sleeping and invest in a silk pillowcase



to allow your skin slide instead of stretching against the pillow. There are special pillows and masks to support your face while you sleep.

Try to massage your face when you wake up and exercise to increase blood flow to your face and body. Apply a cold compress or tea bags to the eyes to stimulate and plump your skin.

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### HEALTHY TIPS FOR A HFAI THIFR I IFF

Only consume foods and drinks that you tolerate, if certain foods or drinks don't suit you don't drink them, aim for sunlight in the morning obviously in this Country that's not always the case but some fresh air and brightness is hugely beneficial.

Be Boring, eat at the same time, exercise at the same time, sleep at the same time, get up and the same time, simple things work.

Not exercising robs your future self of a healthier tomorrow. When you stop moving it signals your brain and body to shut down. When life gets hard, focus on fitness. Lift weights, walk outside, go for a run. Fitness gives you something to focus on other then your problems. Exercise is more for your mental health then for your physical health.

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### **GLAUCOMA**

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### WHAT IS GLAUCOMA?

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Glaucoma may not have symptoms and this is why it is very important to have regular sight tests.

### **Risk factors**

Age is the biggest risk factor for glaucoma. However, your risk also increases if you have family members with glaucoma

The danger with open-angle or chronic glaucoma (slow onset) is that, in the early stages, your eyesight may seem perfectly normal. There is no pain, but your peripheral vision (side vision) is being damaged. Eventually your central vision can be affected. This can be described as tunnel vision because it feels like looking down a long tube. It's important to have regular sight tests as open-angle glaucoma often does not have symptoms.

### TREATMENT

glaucoma Open-angle is usually treated with eye drops which reduce the pressure in the eye. You will need to use these daily. Occasionally people with open-angle glaucoma need surgery to control the pressure.

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Fossa National School pupil Ryan O'Shea with his grandparents John and Joan O'Shea enjoying Grandparents Day at Fossa National School, Killarney on Wednesday.



Fossa National School pupil Holly Ingle with her grandmother Gale Roe enjoying Grandparents Day at Fossa National School, Killarney on Wednesday.



Fossa National School pupil John Canty with his school friends James O'Connor, Patricik Bleakley, Ben Cronin, his parents Daniel and Louise, grandmother Kathleen Canty and auntie Fiona Hallissey enjoying Grandparents Day at Fossa National School.



Fossa National School pupil Alexa Manning with her parents Catherine and Leon, grandparents Dan and Maud Dwyer and John and Margaret Manning enjoying Grandparents Day at Fossa National School, Killarney on Wednesday.



Fossa National School pupil Ava O'Shea with her grandfather Murty and Dad David O'Shea enjoying Grandparents Day at Fossa National School, Killarney on Wednesday.



Fossa National School pupil Dominic Roche with his Dad Keith, grandparents Bridie and Damien Roche and Tina Cunningham enjoying Grandparents Day at Fossa National School, Killarney on Wednesday.



Fossa National School pupil Ben Cronin with grandparents Michael and Mary Cronin enjoying Grandparents Day at Fossa National School, Killarney on Wednesday.



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# TYRE SAFETY

### How do tyres contribute to safe driving?

The tyres on your vehicle are the only part of your vehicle in contact with the road.

Therefore, they play a key role in vehicle safety. Between the years 2007 – 2012, An Garda

Síochána reported tyre defects as a factor in 172 collisions. Some of these collisions were fatal, others resulted in serious and minor injuries.

### Why is tyre safety so important?

Your safety, along with the safety of your passengers and other road users, could depend

directly on the condition of your vehicle's tyres.

Tyres must:

be the right kind and size for your vehicle be properly inflated

be free from defects and

have a tread depth of at least 1.6mm

### What are the legal requirements for tyres in Ireland?

By law, it is a driver's responsibility to make sure that their vehicle meets legal

requirements and is in a roadworthy condition at all times. The Road Traffic (Construction and Use of Vehicles) Regulations 2003 sets out requirements for tyre condition and tyre tread depth for vehicles which are used on a public road.

If you drive with damaged or worn tyres, you are putting your own life and the life of others at risk. You also risk prosecution. If you are convicted of the offence of driving with dangerous tyres, you could be fined up to E2,500, or receive a 3-month prison sentence, or both. You will also have five penalty points on your licence on conviction.

### What kind of tyres should I buy? Types of Tyres

### There are three distinct categories of tyres:

1. Winter tyres have tread patterns that are specially

designed to bite into snow and ice. They're made from

softer rubber than normal tyres and they stay more

flexible in cold weather. This means the tyre can grip the

road better in snow or icy conditions. Winter tyres are

labelled 'MS' or 'M&S' (Mud and Snow) with the alpine

symbol as shown in Figure 1.

2. Summer tyres are most commonly used in Ireland. This does not mean that they

are for use during the summer only—it's merely the term used to separate them

from winter tyres in countries where there is a practical need and sometimes a legal requirement to fit winter tyres.

3. All-season tyres are a cross between summer and winter tyres and are designed to

cope with all sorts of conditions, including dry roads and rain. They are not specially designed for any one kind of weather condition. All-season tyres carry the marking MS

or M&S (Mud and Snow) but without the alpine symbol.

### Buying second-hand (part worn) tyres

Second-hand or part-worn tyres are tyres which have been used on another vehicle. If you

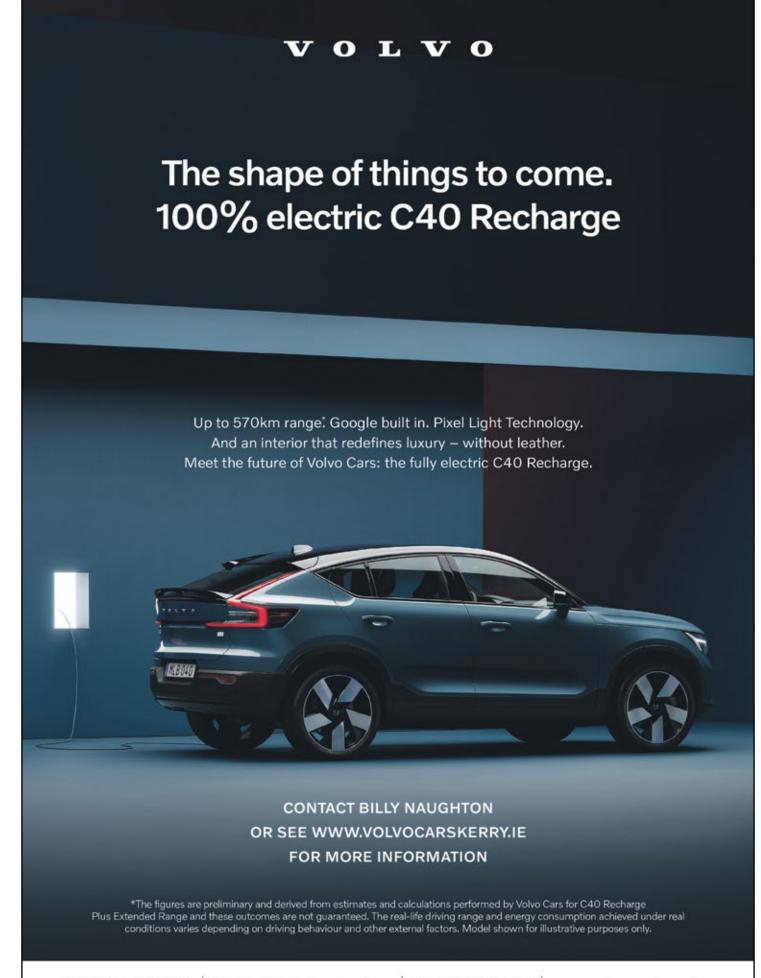
are thinking about buying a part worn tyre, you must ensure the tyre is safe and meets the minimum legal requirements. You should also think about whether or not you're getting real value for money.

The following are some important points to look out for before buying a part-worn tyre: 1. Check for an E-Mark on the tyre (Figure 2). Your tyres will need to carry an E-mark for the NCT.

2. Check that there is a minimum tread depth of 1.6mm on the tyre. Anything less is illegal for use on a public road. A tyre's tread depth can be measured by using the handy pop-out tyre tread depth gauge attached to this leaflet (Figure 5). Always measure in the middle of the tyre surface, and not at the edges.

4. Ask the seller if the tyre has undergone a condition check (including when it is inflated) to make sure it meets the minimum legal requirements and is free from defects both internally and externally. Common defects include tears, lumps and bulges. A tyre that is not roadworthy will result in a car failing its NCT as well as reducing your safety on the road. Examples of particular tyre defects are shown below.





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### New generation Škoda Kodiaq prices revealed

Widely praised as the model that made Škoda a true global player, the Kodiaq has been one of the Czech brands most successful models with more than 850,000 sales worldwide.

Škoda unveiled their second generation Kodiaq, in Berlin last October. The new model promises to pick up where the original left off, with a powerful new look, innovative features and even more practicality. Physically, the new Kodiaq is even bigger and more imposing. It has grown by 61mm in length and now stretches to 4,758mm. Boot volume has increased by up to 75 litres over its predecessor. Meanwhile, the Kodiaq's aerodynamics have also been improved, with a new drag coefficient of just 0.282.

From the outside, the new generation Kodiaq demonstrates its new Modern Solid design language with a protruding grille that can be ordered with 14 light elements forming a striking light strip between the LED headlamps. A revised Škoda logo sits atop the reshaped bonnet while, shiny chrome makes way for Unique Dark Chrome matt surrounds. LED Matrix headlights and rear LED dynamic indicators will feature as standard on the majority of models.

Inside, a new 13" infotainment display takes centre stage and provides the driver with essential information, navigation and infotainment. Škoda Smart Dials feature for the first time in a Škoda. These three, intuitive multifunctional controls are positioned below the infotainment display for ease of access and feature small colour screen displays. Measuring 32mm in diameter, Smart Dials are functional and physical, providing the driver with instant access to essential functions such as climate control without having to delve into multiple menus on a touchscreen.

In addition, the automatic transmission gear selector has been repositioned to the steering column, creating more space in the centre console. All the practicalities of the seven seat configurations have been retained from the outgoing model.

Concerning powertrains; the second-generation Kodiaq showcases a versatile range of modern and highly efficient engines, including petrol, diesel and hybrid options. For the first time, the Kodiaq is available with hybrid technology. The plug-in hybrid powertrain for the Kodiaq iV offers a system output of 150 kW (204 hp) and an allelectric range of more than 100 kilometres on the WLTP cycle. Meanwhile, mild-hybrid technology comes in the entry-level 1.5 TSI with 110 kW (150 hp). Today, diesel engines account for 96% of Irish Kodiaq sales and this trend is likely to continue. The new Kodiaq is available with two 2.0 TDI diesels, with 110 kW (150 hp) and 142 kW (193 hp), the

later mated to a 4x4 all-wheel-drive transmission. Diesel versions of the Kodiaq are HVO (Hydrated Vegetable Oil) ready. Used in combination with diesel fuel or exclusively, HVO fuel has the ability to reduce CO2 emissions by up to 90%.

Commenting, John Donegan, Brand Director, Škoda Ireland: "The Kodiaq first went on sale in Ireland in 2017 and became an instant success, finding 11,500 happy homes over a six-year sales period. It received a light cosmetic facelift in 2021 and even outsold the Octavia model the following year. The Kodiaq has always remained in high demand and, even with the new model on the horizon, there are very few unallocated current generation Kodiaqs available for immediate purchase. Therefore, I would advise interested customers to discuss the next generation Kodiaq with their local dealer at their earliest convenience."

The new Škoda Kodiaq is available to order from 29th January with delivery expected in June at the earliest. Prices start from  $\leq$ 53,670 for the 2.0 TDI, 110 kW (150 hp). The Kodiaq is offered exclusively with 7-seats, with the exception of the Kodiaq Plug-In-Hybrid 5-seat arrangement, priced from  $\leq$ 57,590. Finance is available courtesy of Volkswagen Financial Services (VWFS) with personal contract plan (PCP) rates starting from 4.9% APR.

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### **CRONIN RETURNS TO IRISH RALLYING FOR** TARMAC TITLE TILT

Former Irish Tarmac Rally Champion, Keith Cronin, will return to the series this year in a bid to reclaim the crown he previously won in 2016. The West Cork driver, who has concentrated on the British Rally Championship in recent seasons, is seeded at No. 3 for this weekend's Galway International Rally, the opening round of the 2024 Tarmac series, and he will drive a Ford Fiesta Rally 2 throughout the campaign. Cronin will be guided is his quest by co-driver, Mikie Galvin, who was also alongside for the championship victory eight years ago.

The Galway opener boasts a very strong field, with six Tarmac titles recorded among the top ten seeds, and Cronin is quick to acknowledge how competitive it will be. "The pace last year was extremely hot, the likes of Callum Devine and Josh Moffett moved to a new level and drove each other on throughout the season", he noted. "They did a lot of rallying, they were out on many of the National rounds as well". Devine will be equipped with the same Volkswagen Polo which brought him to victory in the 2023 ITRC, while Moffett has entered his familiar Hyundai i20 R5 but is expected to be seen in a newly acquired Citroën C3 Rally 2.

Cronin too is making a switch, moving on from the Polo he used on British Championship events over the past couple of years in favour of the



latest-spec Fiesta from M-Sport, Ford's official rally partner. He is confident that it is the right decision: "On the two British rounds we did last year where Adrian Fourmaux was out in the Fiesta, even taking into account that's he's a professional, World-class driver, it was plain to see the progress that M-Sport had made with the car, and there were further upgrades later in the year, plus they did a test in Ireland after that to pin down the set up for our roads. While the Polo is still a very good car, and was from the outset, there is no longer any ongoing development of it, and there hasn't been for some years. I think the difference will show". Cronin's Fiesta will be run by Tom Gahan Motorsport, which is a continuation of the arrangement that was in place with the Polo.

As regards predicting the outcome in Galway, a rally he won in 2013, Cronin is circumspect: "I wouldn't be making any promises about our result, I haven't been out on an event since May, many of the other lads were in action all year". He also identifies three-time British champion, Matt Edwards, who is undertaking his first full ITRC campaign, as a particular threat. "He has had some great results in Ireland in recent years, he was second on the Donegal International last June, and he won the Ulster Rally a few years ago. He may not have done many events in 2023, but

he's in and out of cars constantly with his set-up and tutoring work, he'll be on the pace straight away and I expect he'll certainly challenge for the win".

Cronin's return to the ITRC may have been somewhat unexpected, as it was widely believed that he would take another tilt at a fifth British title, but he must balance his sport with commitments to the family business, as he explained: "The Tarmac Championship suits me this year from a work point of view, three of the rounds are within about an hour and a quarter of home, the West Cork Rally obviously, and the Killarney Rally of the Lakes and the Cork '20', so that reduces the time I have to be away from the business overall during the year. I'm certainly looking forward to the challenge, I haven't done the full Tarmac Championship since 2016, the year we won it. That was the first time the World Rally Cars couldn't score points, but they were still winning the events, so even though we had maximum scores there was no outright win, so it would be nice to take one or two this year. We did win out the Ulster Rally in 2017 when the Tarmac and British Championships overlapped, but we weren't actually registered for Tarmac points that season".

The Galway International Rally gets underway on Friday evening (February 2nd), with a Ceremonial Start in front of the fans at Eyre Square in the city centre. There will be eight stages on Saturday in the Headford area, while on Sunday the action moves to the locality around Monivea, where there will be six further tests. The Service Park will be based at Galway Airport throughout the weekend, and the Finish Ramp will be located at the Connacht Hotel on the Dublin Road.

Keith Cronin and Mikie Galvin's Irish Tarmac Rally Championship campaign is to be supported by Lyons Motor Group, Shane Casey Electrical Services, M O'Brien Group of Companies, Pirelli Tyres, Keohane Seafoods, Cremin Coach & Mini Bus Hire, Cronin's Homevalue Hardware, Cronin's Centra (Ballylickey, Leap, Union Hall, Millstreet and Dundrum), Westlink Service Station, EARS Motorsport Ireland, M-Sport and Würth Ireland.

### ALL-NEW ELECTRIC OPEL SUV WILL BE NAMED FRONTERA

Opel has announced the return of the Frontera nameplate in 2024. The name will make its comeback on an all-new SUV model. The new Frontera, which will be presented later this year, will be a fun car with clever functional features. It will also display a new rugged interpretation of Opel's bold and pure design philosophy and be the first production car from the German brand to bear the new Opel Blitz emblem. The new Frontera will be available as a battery-electric vehicle from the very start. Opel CEO, Florian Huettl, said: "The name Frontera is ideally suited to our new, exciting SUV model. It will have a confident character and be positioned right in the core of the market."

The new Opel Frontera will come with a high level of space and versatility and thus appeal to customers with an active lifestyle and families alike. The newcomer will also continue Opel's long-standing tradition of bringing affordable mobility to a wide range of customers by being offered at an attractive price.

The arrival of the battery-electric variant of the new Frontera, along with the launch of the all-electric version of the next-generation Grandland, also scheduled for this year, will mark an important milestone in the Rüsselsheim brand's transition to becoming a fully electric brand. Opel will then offer at least one battery-electric variant in each carline.

The wide range of battery-electric Opel models today already extends from the Rocks Electric quadricycle, the Corsa Electric, the Mokka Electric, the Astra Electric, and the Astra Sports Tourer Electric, to the new Combo



Electric and Zafira Electric people carriers. In addition, battery-electric versions of the entire commercial vehicle portfolio are already available today - including the new Combo Electric, the new Vivaro Electric, and the new Movano Electric.

Opel will reveal the first images of the new Frontera along with more detailed information on the newcomer in the upcoming weeks.

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### **KILLARNEY RFC NEWS**

### U18 GIRLS IN MUNSTER FINAL THIS SATURDAY

Best of luck to our U18 girls who are contesting the U18 Munster league Final this Saturday against Ennis RFC in Cork. The girls aim to create history and bring the league title home for the first time ever to Killarney, creating history and taking part in the biggest female match in our clubs history! Kick off at Musgrave Park is at 2pm and all support is very welcome and appreciated. Best of luck to all the girls, coaches Diarmuid O'Malley and Josh Whelan and team manager Elaine Clifford.

#### **U18 BOYS IMPRESS**

An absolutely cracking display by our U18's boys against Midleton at Aghadoe last Saturday afternoon in blustery condition, where our lads ran out winners (29 - 5) with tries by Brian Walsh (2), Mark Kennelly, Shane O'Sullivan and Gearoid Sugrue and 2 conversions by Brian Walsh. The second try by Walsh deserves special mention, you would see the likes of it at Thomond Park or the Aviva Stadium. Starting with an excellent turnouver in our 22, some deft passing and then Walsh comes into his own. A kick, chase, kick, and chase again, ball pops up and a cracker of a try in the corner. Then he nails the conversion. It's easy to say it but what a try! Very well done to the players and coaches. Thanks again to all who helped with the hospitality. Also we would like to send our best wishes to Alex O'Leary and wish him a very speedy recovery.

#### RESULTS

Munster U14 Plate: Young Munster 21 - 5 Killarney

U16 Girls Friendly: Ballincollig 0 - 30 Killarney Munster U16 Cup: Killarney 18 - 5 Midleton Munster U18 Cup: Killarney 29 - 5 Midleton Seniors: Bruff 38 - 15 Killarney

### FIXTURES

U18 Boys: Bandon V KIllarney, Away, Sat @ 12pm

U16 Boys: Skibbereen V Killarney, Away, Sat @ 12pm

U14 Boys: Killarney V Thurles, Home, Sat @ 12pm

Seniors: Killarney V Waterford City, Home, Sun @ 2:30pm

### **KILLARNEY JUDO CLUB**

Over the last two weekends, Killarney Judo Club have travelled to two prestigious events the Scottish Open and the West of Ireland Open.

At the Scottish Open, four of our players including our Children's Coach competed at the event which welcomed visitors from around the world. Congratulations to Alan Horgan, our Children's Coach, who earned a Silver while the rest of our players did very well but just missed out on medals.

At the West of Ireland, 11 of our players competed on the day winning 3 Silvers and 4 Bronzes during the day. A special thank you to all the parents who travelled up for the event.

### MUCKROSS ROWING CLUB

### AGM 2024

Thanks to everyone who attended our AGM on Wednesday night. A full round up can be found on our Facebook page.

### **RACE NIGHT FUNDRAISER**

The club's Race Night will take place on Saturday 17th February at Colgan's Bar in the Muckross Park Hotel. First race at 8.30pm sharp, entry is free and all are welcome. There are a number of ways to support the fundraiser. If you are a business and wish to sponsor a race, please contact a committee member. Race sponsors will have their business advertised in our Race Night programme with advert spots also available. Club members are also selling race horses which can be purchased up to Tuesday next, February 6th for €20 each. Winning race horses will win a minimum cash prize of €100! On the night, there will also be a real live tote if you fancy a flutter. An evening of great entertainment is in store, don't miss it! All support greatly appreciated.

### **SHANDON HOR**

Well done to all our crews who competed in the Shandon Head Of the River time trial event, held at the Cork city marina on Saturday last. A highlight of the day was the top performances of our two Mens Masters Quad crews who finished first and second in their category. The club was also second in the Womens J16 Quad, Mens J15 Octuple and Mens J14 Quad and third in the Mens J15 Quad and Womens J14 Octuple.



Killarney Judo Club member Alan Horgan, who earned a Silver at the Scottish Open



Killarney Judo Club membersZara Tomlinson and Carolina Kelly who both won bronze.

### **KILLARNEY ATHLETIC CLUB**

Killarney Valley AC had a big weekend of Track & Field Athletics on the International and National Circuit. Jordan Lee competed in the High Jump in the AAI International Games in Dublin kicking off his Paris 2024 qualification period and he aced it with a massive indoor



The victorious U18's boys from Killarney Rugby Club.



Killarney Rugby Club.U18 girls as promised ahead of their big match next weekend - the Munster Final V Ennis in Cork with coaches Diarmuid O'Malley, and Josh Whelan with co captains Fia Whelan and Lily Morris.

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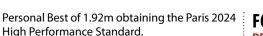


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Jordan Lee competed in the High Jump in the AAI International Games in Dublin kicking off his Paris 2024 qualification period and he aced it with a massive indoor Personal Best of 1.92m obtaining the Paris 2024 High Performance Standard.



Sarah Leahy competed in the 60m in the International De Catalunya Meet in Sabadell Barcelona. Sarah won her heat and came 2nd place in the final with another fast 7.41secs.

Oisin O'Regan competed in the U20 Heptatlon which includes 7 events over 2 days. Oisin did fantastic, gaining a National Bronze Medal along with 6 personal bests. He ran 7.63sec PB for 60m, jumped 5.31m for Long Jump, he threw 9.57mPB for Shot Put, High Jumped 1.69m PB, vaulted 2.90 PB the Pole Vault and ran 1K in 2m58s PB (3727pts PB).

Sign up today to our 5 mile road race on Good Friday (March 29th) and kick-start your Easter weekend with a fantastic road race in the beautiful town of Killarney. The proceeds of which go back to the Killarney Valley Athletics Club Track which benefits over 3000 students and the KVAC community. The link is on our website www.killarneyvalleyac.ie.

### **DEERPARK PITCH & PUTT CLUB**

### SUNDAY DRAW RESULTS

Fourball Betterball- First Nett: Sean O'Brien & Eileen McCarthy 36, Gross: Gearoid Cronin & Robbie O'Brien Snr 45 and Second Nett: Aidan O'Keeffe & Dan Kiely 41 (B6). As it is a Bank Holiday Weekend this weekend there will be draws on both Sunday and Monday weather permitting.

### **2024 RATES**

At our Club AGM on January 15th last it was agreed to change both our membership and green rates as follows.

Membership: Single Adult- €150, OAP- €100, Juvenile- €80 Family- €300 and Associate €133. These rates apply from March 1st when membership is due.

**Green Fees:** Adult  $\in$ 10 and Juvenile  $\in$ 7. Family Rate remains at  $\in$ 25.

### **DEEPEST SYMPATHIES**

To John Curtin, his wife Imelda and family on the death of Imelda's mother Margaret recently. May she Rest in Peace.

### **FOSSA BRIDGE CLUB**

RESULTS

North/South 1st: Anne Looney and Maura G Moynihan 2nd: Ger Foley and Finola Spillane East/West 1st: Anne Wrenn and Breda Counihan

2nd: Mai and Tim Corcoran

### **KILLARNEY BADMINTON CLUB**

Another super weekend for killarney badminton club as the Div/Div3 and Div 5 singles championship was held in Tralee Sports and Leisure Complex.

Congratulations to Adele O Brien Div. 3 Singles Champion; Alvin, Div. 3 men's singles runnerup; Evan Lemass Div. 5 Singles Champion; Biprojit Ghosh, Div. 5 runner-up.

Congratulations to Sinead Galvin and partner Mirim Rohan who got silver in the Ulster masters at weekend in Lisburn Belfast Good luck to mixed league teams playing this

week : Killarney Matches this week:

Monday 29th

Div 3: Listowel v Killarney @ 8.15pm Wednesday 31st

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Div 5: Annascaul v Killarney @ 8.15pm Div 4: Kingdom v Killarney @ 9pm...

Next up is Div2 and Div 4 singles championship Friday feb 2nd in Tralee.

Good luck to Killarney players that are playing for Kerry on inter county team this weekend -Niamh Hickey, Samira Hayes and Sinead Galvin. KERRY DIVISION 1, 3 & 5 SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP

The first Kerry County Championship competition took place on Friday last in Tralee Sports and Leisure Centre. It was the divisions 1,3&5 County championships. It was great to see such a good entry and such interest in the competition. There was a great entry in each of the separate divisions and it was a special night in Division 1 as Tom Bourke won his 14th division 1 title while Edel Kenny won her 12th. Amazing accolades to have!

The Division 5 mens final was an all Killarney affair in which Evan Lemass beat Biprojit Ghosh in a very tightly contested game which ended



Sarah Leahy competed in the 60m in the International De Catalunya Meet in Sabadell Barcelona. Sarah won her heat and came 2nd place in the final with another fast 7.41secs.



Oisin O'Regan of Killarney Valley AC with Bronze National Medal for U20 Heptatlon.

21.19, 21.19 in Evans favour. Lots of younger players playing here and it was great to see them all enjoy their badminton and play some brilliant games at the same time.

In the Division 5 ladies, Sinead McElligott beat her club mate Maggie Li in another good game after some very close games in the run up to the final.

The Division 3 mens competition was very competitive on the night with several of the games going down to tight margins and 3 sets. Oscar McElligott of Listowel came out on top after very close games in both the semi final against Paudie Curtain which went to 3 sets after Paudie took the second one. On the other side, Alvin Rahman from Killarney made it to the final after dispatching of several competitors in closely contested encounters. Oscar took the final in a very high quality game on a scoreline of 21.17,21.10.

In the Division 3 ladies competition, Bridget McCarthy was going for her 3rd title in a row.





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Another closely contested competition where Bridget made it to the final after 2 very good games in the run up. On the other side of the draw, Adele O'Brien (Killarney) made her way to the final after a tough semifinal against Jessica O'Loughlin (Kingdom). The final was a repeat of last year where Adele and Bridget faced off once again. In the end, Adele ran out winner on a scoreline of 21.14, 21.9.

On the night, the big celebrations were in the division 1 title races. As Tom Bourke went on the hunt for his 14th division 1 singles title and Edel Kenny went looking for her 12th and both were successful in their search. In the mens

final, Fergal Hannon pushed Tom Bourke all the way with the second and deciding set finishing 23.21. In the ladies final, Deina Vesko made Edel work hard for her title with a very close second set which Edel won out 21.18 in the end.

Next weekend is the turn of the Division 2 and 4 singles on Friday night February 2nd once again in Tralee Sports and Leisure Centre. Best of luck to all players on the night and don't forget to come out and support your fellow badminton players!

### Final Results:

#### **Division 5:**

Men: Winner: Evan Lemass (Killarney). R-Up:

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Biprojit Ghosh (Killarney)

Ladies: Winner: Sinead McElligot (Listowel). R-Up: Maggie Li (Listowel)

#### **Division 3:**

Men: Winner: Oscar McElligot (Listowel). R-Up: Alvin Rahman (Killarney)

Ladies: Winner: Adele O'Brien (Killarney). R-Up: Bridget McCarthy (Moyvane)

### **Division 1:**

Men: Winner: Tom Bourke. R-Up: Fergal Hannon Ladies: Winner: Edel Kenny. R-Up: Deina Vesko



Congratulations to Adele O Brien (Killarney Badminton Club) Div. 3 Singles Champion



Congratulations to Sinead Galvin and partner Mirim Rohan who got silver in the Ulster masters at weekend in Lisburn, Belfast

### JUNIOR TEAM WIN FIRST PLACE IN KERRY CROSS COUNTRY EVENT

St. Brigid's are thrilled to share the exciting news from the Kerry Cross Country Running event on Friday last, January 26th, at Knockreer Pitch.

Our junior team clinched first place, the minor team secured a commendable third place, and the senior team achieved an impressive second position. Special congratulations to Kirsten Kenny in second year for winning the junior race. Hats off to all our dedicated athletes for their outstanding performances and sportsmanship!



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### UTILITY TRUST ST PAULS VS SETU CARLOW MATCH REPORT

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### Full time UTILITY TRUST ST PAULS 94 SETU CARLOW 66

Report by Enda Walshe

Utility Trust St Pauls have nine fingers on the Southern Conference Title following a routine win over SETU Carlow in the Killarney Sports and Leisure Centre on Sunday afternoon. That win, coupled with the surprise defeat of National Cup Champions Limerick Celtics, means James Fleming side need only one more win from their last four outings to seal the deal. Their next opponents ironically are the Celtics next Saturday in Crescent College and they need to beat St Pauls, win their remaining fixtures and hope St Pauls lose all theirs. On current form that seems an unlikely series of events but St Pauls will know that everything is within their control and only a collapse of colossal proportion will deny them at this stage.

On this occasion SETU Carlow had no answer to Sofia Paska who put in a gargantuan performance pulling down 19 rebounds and chipping in 35 points.

Paska paid tribute to Aidan O Mahony, the former Kerry GAA star, who oversees the team's fitness work. " Aidan put up through our paces during the week and it certainly helped when we upped the intensity in the second half". Paska is also eyeing redemption after last year's disappointment and this year's early exit from the cup. " We are eager to drive on and show all the teams in the league that we are a better team than we showed in the cup".

Khairica Rasheed had another productive afternoon netting 27 points while Rheanne O Shea announced her return with 18 points of her own. To be fair to Carlow they travelled with an understrength side but Jahnae Gyles and Miah Ryan and to a lesser extent Emma O Carroll , did their utmost to make it competitive but they had no answer when the game intensity went up a notch. Rasheed hit the game's opening salvo from beyond the arc and further points from Meabh Barry and Rheanne O'Shea made it a perfect start. Miah Ryan and Jahnae Gyles got Carlow off the mark before Rasheed hit another three and Paska made her mark. Denise Dunlea nailed another three and just

when it looked like the visitors were under

pressure Gyles almost single handedly

pulled them back from the brink, another

Rasheed three bookending the quarter. Gyles found a good backup in Miah Ryan and between them they drew Carlow level with a 11-6 scoring run. That only served to poke the bear as St Pauls sprung into action with Paska rampant , hitting 17 points in the quarter. Meabh Barry was a handful too for the Carlow defence and with Rasheed probing away the lead was stretched to fourteen at half time. 47-33.

The trend continued in the third quarter as the home side went for the jugular, Rasheed, Rheanne O'Shea and Paska hitting 11 points in under three minutes. The latter took an incisive pass from Leah McMahon and in the blink of an eye it was 58-35. Gyles had a rare four point play for the visitors but St Pauls would go on to hit fourteen more points without reply, courtesy of Barry, O Shea and Paska. Token replies from Joanne Ryan and Emma Carroll were immediately cancelled out by Rasheed and Paska and the game was done at 76-44.

To their credit Carlow put in their best ten minutes in the final guarter but St Pauls kept the engine ticking over with Mary Kate Smith, Aisling Counihan and Liadh Tobin all seeing court time. Paska and Rasheed added to their own tallies while Smith chipped in with a neat basket. Rheanne O'Shea brought her total upto 18 while Leah McMahon put the cherry on the top of her nights work with a nice finish. Gyles, Carroll and Ryan all played to the final buzzer but it was academic as St Pauls eased out 94-66 winners. Without the Kerry football contingent of Lorraine Scanlon, Niamh Ni Chonchuir, Siobhan Burns, the long term absence of Siofra O Shea and the recuperating Lynn Jones it was as comfortable a day as you could wish for. Sofia Paska was MVP with 35 points, Khiarica Rasheed shot 27, Rheanne O'Shea 18, Meabh Barry 7, Denise Dunlea 3, Leah McMahon 2, Mary Kate Smith 2, Aisling Counihan, Liadh Tobin.

For SETU Carlow Jahnae Gyles worked tirelessly for her 30 points, Miah Ryan hit 18, Emma Carroll 9 and Emer Dunne 4.

Like their male counterparts St Paul's head for the Crescent College Gym this Saturday with a 4.45 tip off. A win would secure the Southern Conference title but there's no doubt the Celtics will be smarting from their surprise defeat to the Marble City Hawks. It will also be their first home game since capturing the National Cup so there is bound to be a spring in their step. The locals have a formidable American duo in Samantha Coleman and Mikayla Brandon as well as impressive homegrown talent in Sabhbh Edwards Murphy and Lucy Devoy. Provided they have shaken off their cup hangover , they will be obdurate opponents.



Sofia Paska receives her MVP award from Jim Delaney, Chairperson St Pauls Ladies

### SCOTTS LAKERS VS KILLARNEY COUGARS MATCH REPORT

InsureMyVan.ie Mens Basketball League Saturday January 28th Presentation Gym

### KILLARNEY COUGARS 93 SCOTTS LAKERS 101

### Report by Enda Walshe

The bragging rights will sit with Scotts Lakers following a 101-93 win over town rivals Killarney Cougars in an extremely entertaining game played at the Presentation Gym. The venue has a long and storied history of epic games and this one certainly didn't lack for excitement as all four American players scored heavily. But it was fitting in a local derby that it was one of the natives who will probably remember the game with the most fondness. Mark Sheehan has had an injury disrupted season so far but he seemed to revel in the white hot atmosphere of the packed gym and he led the scoring charts for the locals with fifteen points. He started the game with his eye firmly in and will hope that this contribution will kickstart a strong conclusion to the season for him.

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Braden Bell and Leondre Washington looked to have spent the past two weeks building up a strong rapport and they needed to as the Cougars duo of Marty Hill and Darius Hopkins combined to great effect . Washington, signed as a replacement for the injured Terion Moss, top scored with 39 points, including some mesmeric three pointers while Bell notched up his consistent 28 points. One of the factors behind their recent defeat in Portlaoise was a poor return

### OUTLOOK BASKETBALL

from the free throw line . That was certainly corrected on this occasion as they had 88% conversion rate, a vital statistic in the overall context of the game.

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Mark Sheehan was handed a starting berth and he didn't take too much time justifying his coach's faith. He hit twice from beyond the arc and helped open up an early 9-1 lead, Bell with the other three. Oleg Drahanchuk got the Cougars rolling before Washington and Hopkins exchanged threes. Bell added to the Lakers total before Marty Hill intercepted to stuff the ball home. That coincided with the Cougars best spell in the quarter as Jack Lynch, Hill and Darius Hopkins pushed them clear. Rui Saravia, who brought a defensive edge to the Lakers, opened his account as did Andrew Fitzgerald for the home side. Further points from Bell and Jamie O Sullivan threatened to steal a march but veteran Frank Rahilly hit a three to reel them in. But further threes from Washington and Sheehan opened the gap to leave it 32-26 at the end of the first.

The Cougars made a forceful start to the second quarter with Hill and Hopkins making it 34 each within three minutes. Chris Healy and Oisin Spring were given their spurs in this quarter as Captain Paul Clarke was struggling with an elbow injury, and after a lacklustre couple of minutes Washington settled the Lakers again . Saravia hit a three to follow up a Bell basket and despite the best efforts of Hill and Fitzgerald , the Lakers maintained their stranglehold on the game , thanks to the accuracy of Washington and Sheehan. The half ended with the Lakers 52-45 clear as the Cougars looked to increase the intensity.

Bell was first out of the traps in the third period, closely followed by Eoin Carroll and Washington and in the blink of an eye the gap was now 13, 60-47. Hopkins and Hill were pushing hard though and they managed to whittle it to 4, 64-60 with 2.03 left in the quarter. The gym had held witness to the score of the game at the juncture as Bell got his fingerprints on the rim, spectacularly finishing from a Washington alley-oop . After calling a timeout Coach Brian Clarke adjusted the dials and the Lakers plotted a new course with Washington and Bell making it an eight point game again.

The same duo extended the advantage taking advantage of an unsportsmanlike foul and the Cougars would find themselves in team foul trouble very early in the fourth. Some stout defending from Eoin Carroll in particular drew two crucial calls for offensive fouls. The home side battled away and paired the lead down to six again, 82-76, thanks to Andrew Fitzgerald, Hopkins and Hill. But Bell, Washington and Saravia still had



Mark Sheehan who shot 15 points in the win over Killarney Cougars.

enough gunpowder in their barrels to hold off any fightback with Drahanchuk toiling hard. Mark Sheehan with two lovely finishes and Bell replied in kind to Hill's efforts and with the clock running down the Cougars were five in arrears and in possession. But a defensive turnover saw Jamie O Sullivan race clear to finish supremely while fouled. He added the extra to help the Lakers break the 100 point barrier but more importantly secure the win for his side. With an important run of games in the coming weeks this derby win will help reinject some confidence into Brian Clarkes side and keep them in the running for the Southern Conference.

Leondre Washington led the scoring with 39 points, Braden Bell mined 28, Mark Sheehan shot 15, Rui Saravia hit an important 11, Jamie O Sullivan(5), Eoin Carroll(3), Paul Clarke, Chris Healy, Oisin Spring, Cian Forde. For the Cougars Marty Hill had 34, Darius Hopkins 27, Andrew Fitzgerald 12 while Oleg Drahanchuk had 10.

This win puts the Lakers right back into the Southern Conference title conversation, bringing them within touching distance of the sides above them, namely the Limerick Celtics and SETU Carlow. Crescent College

is next on the sat nav as they visit the Celtics this Saturday February 3rd with a 7.15pm tip off. Back in mid November the Lakers got the better of the Limerick side thanks to an MVP performance from Braden Bell and 21 points



Braden Bell hit 28 points in the win.

from Jack O Sullivan. Following that the Lakers have two home games, against the Waterford Vikings on Saturday February 10th and Team NorthWest on February 17th

### **ST PAUL'S UNDER 14**

St Paul's under 14 Div 3 boys opened their Division crossover campaign with a ten point win over Gneevegulla having the better of the final two quarters to secure a first home win Aura for the team.

Seven points in the opening quarter by Daniel Fennelly saw the home side ahead 13-7 after the opening quarter but it was the terrific work of the second five in the second quarter that kept the sides level at the first half break

Some fantastic shooting by James Sheehan with 3 baskets saw St Paul's edge ahead once again in the third quarter.

With it all to play for in the final quarter Fennelly, Cian Maher and Benjamin Riordan found the baskets needed to secure the win St Paul's are back in action again next Tuesday with Kenmare the visitors

Many thanks to the referee Sharon Roche who stepped in at the last minute and to the table.



St. Pauls U14 Div 3 Team

### **MEK GALAXY NOTES**

### SAVE THE DATE!

The Annual MEK Galaxy Quiz takes place on Friday February 9th at 8pm in the Golden Nugget Bar and Restaurant, Fossa. Great prizes and Great fun to be had! Please come and support. Teams of 4 are €40. Contact Pa on 087 7943220 for further information

### GIRLS

### U14 National Cup last 32 MEK Galaxy 2 - Ballingarry 0

This was a game of 2 halves for the girls today, Ballingarry team was tall strong and physical team who pressed the girls for the first half and held 85% possession in our half of the field!! But with all that possession failed to break the MEK girls down, second half was MEKs time to press and send in some high balls and press Ballingarry, after about 15 minutes Izzy Lyons scored the first from a free kick from Ava Harty, and that's when all the MEK Galaxy girls starting to turn the game around and press and press until a great team effort to play the ball to Izzy who again scored minutes before the final whistle hard earned by all the team and everyone played there part from backs to forwards. POM Izzy Lyons, Goals Izzy Lyon 2

### BOYS

### MEK U15 Division 2: Park FC 2 v MEK Galaxy 4 (Half-time 2-2)

A competitive game in Tralee with goals from Cade Jameson and Sean Clifford in the first-half after MEK leaked two goals in two minutes late in the half. Park started the second-half stronger but MEK dug deep and Cade Jameson was on target with two more goals in the second-half to collect his hat-trick. MOTM: Cade Jameson. Special mention goes to keeper Ben Kavanagh for some super saves in the second-half and Harry O'Mahony who assisted with two of the goals

### **OTHER RESULTS**

Boys U12 Cup: Killarney Athletic B 0 v MEK Galaxy A 2

Boys U17 Cup: Iveragh 1 v MEK Galaxy 0. Tough conditions in Caherciveen, thumbing wind and rain, not easy or pretty, but just couldn't beat the conditions!

The MEK Galaxy Under 14 Girls who defeated Ballingarry in the Last 32 of the National Cup

### **KILLARNEY ATHLETIC AFC**

**U12C SHIELD MATCH RESULT** 

### Killarney Athletic 1 Killarney Celtic 0

The lads travelled to Celtic for a keenly contested cup game. In windy conditions some great football was played and having created a number of chances and eventually taking the lead, man of the match Derry Sheahan made some fantastic saves to allow us to see out the game. Thanks to Celtic for hosting us and for a very sporty and competitive game.

### **BALLYHAR DYNAMOS FC**

### TEAMS

The club u9s hosted Ferry Rangers FC u9s in mini blitz on Saturday last. Well done to both clubs, mentors & parents.

The u12 girls travelled to Inter Kenmare in league action where the home team took the points in a closely fought 2-0 victory with Aoibhinn Daly, Anna Fitxgerald, Lucy Wynne, Anna Kate Daly,J oanne Cronin, Faye O Brien & Ballyhars player of the match Kate O'Connor all playing well.

The U12 boys hosted Premier side Killorglin in the u12 cup. The Ballyhar squad acquitted themselves well despite losing out 1-3.Josh Nelligan heading to the Killorglin net following a great corner from Brian McMahon. Ruben O Leary Griffin & Jack Duggan were prominent during the game.

Our u13 premier outfit found the going tough at home v St Brendans Park. Better days ahead with Patrick O Connor, Killian O Sullivan, Daithi Allen, Fionn Clifford & Noah Browne giving it their all.

The U15s Premier squad played Fenit Samphires on the Ardfert Astro with Fenit taking the win on a 2-1 scoreline. Conor Edwards was on the scoresheet in a close encounter with Conor Foley, Sean Brosnan, Dara Cornally & Jack O Shea putting in great performances.

The seniors welcomed QPR on sunday to Murt Scott Park in Premier B of the league with the visitors taking the points on a 0-3 win. Dan O Shea had a first half goal disallowed on a tight off side call, with QPR taking a 0-1 lead in at the break when scoring late in the half. Ballyhar to their credit dominated possession in the second half with Mike Daly & Patrick O Connor going close but it was the visitors who scored twice on the break to take the points. Squad: Brosnan, Power, O Shea, Cronin, Fitzgerald, Donohoe, O Connor, Brosnan, Donohoe, Daly, O Connor & Henderson.

#### **TEAM OF THE WEEK**

Adam Fleming of the club U14s was included on the KSB league team of the week. Well Done Adam.

### **SYMPATHY**

The Club offers its sympathy to the Dineen Family, Firies & the Ahern Family, Farranfore on their recent Family Bereavements.

### **KERRY SCHOOL BOY/GIRL SOCCER**

RESULTS SATURDAY JANUARY 27TH AND PREVIOUS WEEK

### U12 Girls Premier (North)

Listowel Celtic 0 -1 Castleisland AFC U12 Girls Premier (South) Iveragh UTD 3 - 0 MEK Galaxy Killarney Celtic 3 - 0 MEK Galaxy Killorglin AFC 2 - 4 Killarney Athletic Inter Kenmare 2 0 Ballyhar Dynamos U14 Girls Premier Camp Juniors 0 -1 Listowel Celtic Dingle Bay Juniors 8 -2 Castleisland AFC

U15 Premier Girls Castleisland AFC 2 - 8 St Brendans Park

U16 Girl's Premier

Killarney Celtic 5 -1 Inter Kenmare Iveragh UTD 3 - 0 Mastergeeha AFC Camp Juniors 0 -6 Listowel Celtic

### LAST 32 NATIONAL CUP GIRLS

U12 Subway Girl's Cup Mastergeeha FC 4 - 3 Freebooters U14 Subway Girl's Cup MEK Galaxy 2 - 0 Ballingarry Fc 0 U12 Subway Girl's Trophy Rock Celtic 3 v St. Brendan's Park 8 Castleknock Celtic 5 v Killarney Celtic 0 U14 Subway Girl's Trophy Keaudue Rovers 3 v Inter Kenmare 0 U12 Kerry Boy's 3 -1 Cork Athletic U13 Kerry 1 -3 Waterford U14 Kerry 2 -3 Midlands U16 Sligo/Leitrim 2 -1 Kerry **U15 SUBWAY BOY'S TROPHY LAST 32** Mullingar Athletic 0 - 6 St. Brendan's Park U16 SUBWAY BOY'S CUP LAST 32 Listowel Celtic 1 -3 Lusk United U12 Boy's John Murphy Sheild / Plate (Winners Progress to Sheild/Losers Plate) Killarney Athletic C 1 -0 Killarney Celtic C U12 Boy's John Murphy Cup /Sheild (Winners Progress to Cup/Losers Sheild) Ballyhar Dynamos 1 -3 Killorglin AFC Killarney Athletic B 0 - 2 MEK Galaxy



Ballyhar Dynamos FC u12 boys who exited the u12 Cup to Killorglin FC at Murt Scott Park on Saturday last.



Ballyhar Dynamos FC u12 girls following their 2-0 defeat away to Inter Kenmare FC on Saturday last.



### SOCCER FOCUS

Tralee Dynamos 6 - 0 Listowel Celtic B U13 Boys Premier

Listowel Celtic 3 - 0 Ballyhar Dynamos Ballyhar Dynamos 0 - 6 St Brendans Park **U13 Boy's Division 1** 

LB Rovers A 1 -1 Mastergeeha FC Tralee Dynamos 1 - 3 Killarney Celtic St Brendans Park B 8 -2 Killarney Athletic B Castleisland AFC B 1 -1 Listowel Celtic B

U13 Boy's Division 2 North Castleisland AFC C1-4 LB Rovers B

Fenit Samphires B 1 - 0 Dingle Bay Rovers U13 Boy's Division 2 South

TOP: Inter Kenmare 9 - 3 Killorglin AFC B BOTTOM: Killarney Athletic C 2 - 4 Killarney Celtic B

### **U15 Boys Premier**

Killarney Celtic 1 - 0 Tralee Dynamos Killarney Celtic 3 - 0 Inter Kenmare Tralee Dynamos 5 - 2 Killorglin AFC Fenit Samphires 2 - 1 Ballyhar Dynamos **U15 Boy's Division 1** 

Listowel Celtic 3 - 2 Camp Juniors Killarney Athletic 2 - 1 LB Rovers

### U15 Boy's Division 2

St Brendans Park C 2 - 4 MEK Galaxy B Inter Kenmare B 0 - 2 Killarney Celtic B Dingle Bay Rovers 3 - 2 Killarney Athletic B Iveragh UTD B 0 - 4 Mastergeeha FC B U 14 ALL IRELAND QUARTER FINAL SHIELD

### KERRY 3-2 MIDLANDS LEAGUE

The KSBGL U14 Boys' participation in the SFAI Inter-League All Ireland Shield came to a disappointing conclusion after a 3-2 home defeat to Midlands Red yesterday. Kerry made a disjointed and timid start, playing into blustery winds in Killarney. Conceding twice to an opposition that looked likely to put the contest to bed well before halftime, the Kerry starting eleven dug deep to stay in the game and then to shift the momentum. Improvements in composure, movement without the ball and control of possession were noticeable as the half wore on. Adam Griffin (Castleisland) and Jimmy McGann (Inter Kenmare) were prominent in Kerry's revival. Donnacha Vaughan (Killarney Celtic) halved the deficit before halftime and Lúc MacGearilt (Dingle Bay Rovers) brought Kerry level immediately after the break.

The contrast in how Kerry went about their business at the start of each half was very



stark. With a completely different intensity and urgency, the unchanged home starting eleven were now forcing their opponents towards their own goal and playing almost entirely in the Midlands half. Like the weather, the game settled, Kerry dominating possession and territory looking to carve out chances in the final third and Midlands sitting deep looking to attack space behind them. Kerry had a warning midway through the second period when a lack of cover in midfield allowed a 1 v1 counterattack from Midlands that they were fortunate not to concede from. Their luck ran out with ten minutes remaining when Midlands again took advantage of Kerry's over eager positioning and punished the home side with a superb finish. Kerry regrouped, continued to play well and fashioned a superb chance of their own that went agonisingly wide in the final minutes. Despite plenty of positives across the entirety of the game, the Kerry squad and coaches are left to work on making sure mentality and attitude is consistent from first to final whistle in each game until the end of a hugely important season. **U12 B CUP** 

#### Killarney Athletic B 0 MEK 2

After an even opening quarter MEK took the lead through a well taken goal. The remainder of the opening half was a tight affair with both keepers making some good saves. Half Time: 1-0.

Much the same in the second half with MEK again making to most of chances going 2-0 up.

Our lads gave it their all and can be proud of the performance. FT 2-0.

### KILLARNEY CELTIC

Numbers drawn 5,6,13,17. No jackpot winner. Match 3 winners received  $\in$ 30. Next jackpot  $\in$ 5,200 on Monday Feb 5th. Tickets available from The Dungeon Bookshop, club members and online through clubzap.

### CHARLEVILLE CHEESE PREMIER A Killarney Celtic 1-0 Classic FC

#### Terry Sparling

Celtic grabbed a win at home to Classic FC to move top of the Premier A. 0-0 at halftime. Celtic hit the front shortly after half time when Terry Sparling found the net. Next up is the Munster Junior Cup game away to Castleview this Saturday at 2pm.Venue is in Churchfield, Cork and the eircode is T23 NY32.

#### CHARLEVILLE PREMIER B Ballyheigue Ath 0-2 Killarney Celtic Mikey Moynihan, Eoghan Crowley

Celtic B continued their good form with a win over Ballyheigue to put Celtic B well in the mix for a league final spot. Mikey Moynihan opened the scoring with a free kick from long range that gave Celtic the lead at the break. Celtic secured the points when Nattagun Ryan found Eoghan Crowley who flicked the ball over the keeper's head into the net. Ballyheigue pressed hard but the Celtic defence held firm to record another



The MEK Galaxy Under 14 Girls who defeated Ballingarry in the Last 32 of the National Cup



Killarney Under 12 Boys who defeated Killarney Celtic in the Under 12 C Shield

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### SOCCER FOCUS



Killarney Athletic B U12 Team who were defeated by MEK



Killarney Celtic U15A squad vs Inter Kenmare

#### fine victory.

#### JIMMY FALVEY MEMORIAL YOUTHS CUP Killarney Celtic 0-3 Killarney Athletic

Celtic went out of the Jimmy Falvey Cup after defeat to local rivals Athletic. Despite missing several players Celtic took the game to Athletic forcing numerous saves from the Athletic keeper. 0-0 at halftime. Celtic opened the 2nd half in the same vein but failed to make the breakthrough and it was Athletic who grabbed the vital opening goal. Athletic scored twice more to go forward to the next round.

#### U15 PREMIER

### Killarney Celtic 3-0 Inter Kenmare

Samuel Scroope 2, Mark Looney Celtic hit the front when a James Murphy corner was headed by Mark Looney. Following good work by Luke O'Shea, Samuel Scroope put Celtic further ahead and Samuel Scroope put Celtic clear with a good finish before Kenmare responded with some pressure but keeper Ryan Lucey was equal to the task. Celtic went close on a number of occasions in the 2nd half but were unable to add to their tally.

#### **U15 DIV 2**

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#### Inter Kenmare B 0-2 Killarney Celtic B Andrew Sheeha 2

Celtic led 1-0 at half time after Andrew Sheehan found the net and it was Andrew Sheehan again who wrapped up the win in the 2nd half. U13 DIV 1

### **Tralee Dynamos 1-3 Killarney Celtic**

Sean Doyle, Cillian Scannell, Jack Kissane

Celtic gained a vital win in Tralee against the league leaders as they came from behind to record the win. Dynamos went in front after Celtic left some early chances behind them. However Celtic responded with a Sean Doyle goal. Celtic hit the front when Cormac O'Sullivan found Cillian Scannell, who rounded the keeper and slotted home. Celtic wrapped up the game when a Cillian Scannell free kick placed Cormac O'Sullivan, who squared for Jack Kissane to finish from close range.

### U13 DIV 2

### Killarney Athletic 2-4 Killarney Celtic B

David Cronin 2, David Ajibare, Josh O'Donoghue Celtic led twice but were pegged back by Athletic before 2 quick goals in the 2nd half secured the points.

#### **U12 JOHN MURPHY SHIELD**

Killarney Celtic Gold 0-1 Killarney Athletic C Despite a very game and spirited effort, the Gold squad went down to a defeat.

#### GIRLS U16 PREMIER

#### **Killarney Celtic 7-0 St Brendans Park**

Emma Daly 4, Hannah Casey, Lily O'Shaughnessy, Ali Bowler

Celtic picked up their 2nd big win inside a week with a fine performance at home against St Brendans Park. Always in control the team took the win to push themselves back into contention in the league standings.

### SFAI U12 NATIONAL TROPHY

#### Castleknock Celtic 5-0 Killarney Celtic

The National Trophy campaign came to an end in Dublin last weekend after defeat to a strong Castleknock team,

**CONGRATS** to Mark Looney U15 who made the KSBGL Team of the Week and to Emma Daly U16 who made the Girls Roll of Honour.

### Ferdia O'Brien signs for Kerry Football Club

Kerry FC are delighted to announce the signing of Tralee man Ferdia O'Brien ahead of the 2024 SSE Airtricity Men's First Division campaign.

O'Brien is well known in the GAA circles in the town, but did play plenty of minutes in the school boys soccer leagues. Playing with Kingdom Boys from under 14 level, Ferdia moved to St Brendan's Park playing from 14s to 16s, winning 3 Kerry Leagues and Cups while also playing in the National Final at Under 16.

The now 25 year old concentrated on GAA with Austin Stacks and quickly got drafted into the Kerry minor setup where he won 2 Munster and 2 All Ireland finals under Jack O'Connor. Following success at minor level,

O'Brien went on to play senior football with Austin Stacks GAA club for 7 years, winning a couple of championships and leagues within the county in his time at Connolly Park

Following the arrival of Kerry FC to the county, O'Brien made the



decision to go back to the game and has now signed for the club ahead of the 2024 season. Ferdia is a versatile player who can play both centre midfield and centre back. Speaking following his signing for Kerry FC, Ferdia O'Brien said "I'm absolutely delighted to have signed with Kerry FC. Having played GAA for so many years, giving soccer another go was something that I always wanted to do. It's great that they got Kerry FC up and running in the county. It's given opportunities to so many young talents in Kerry to play the game at the highest level which is great to see. It's also given me a chance to play again and I feel coming from a different background to everyone else I can be an asset to the

team using my experiences from the GAA. I can't wait now to get up and running properly and playing in front of a packed out Mounthawk Park in a few weeks' time"



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### **KERRY SEAL VICTORY WITH A SIX POINT WIN**

### Kerry 2-11 Waterford 2-5

### **By DAN KEARNEY**

Louise Ní Mhuircheartaigh scored 1-4 off the bench to inspire Kerry to a six points victory over a dogged Waterford outfit at Fitzgerald Stadium in the second round of the Lidl National Football League Division 1.

Ní Mhuircheartaigh entered proceedings in the 47th minute when Kerry were a point ahead but the Footballer of the Year then took with a fine performance that included a beautiful lobbed goal in the 64th minute.

Waterford, playing into the wind and rain in the opening half, got off to a whirlwind start after 45 seconds when Kellyann Hogan scored a fortuitous goal as her tame shot slipped through the hands of an unsighted Kerry netminder Mary Ellen Bolger.

Bríd McMaugh followed with a point on five minutes and as Waterford continued to boss the opening exchanges a free from Hogan fell short for Mairead O'Brien to punch to the net. That put Waterford 2-1 to 0-0 after 10 minutes before Kerry finally got moving.

Their comeback started when Niamh Carmody pointed her first of four frees in the half following a foul on Jadyn Lucey, and Lucey hit the back of the net soccer style in the 14th minute after being put through by Carmody. Carmody added another free and then Emma Dineen put over when she might have goaled and suddenly Kerry were just a single point behind, 1-3 to 2-1, with eight minutes left in

the first half. Waterford needed a lifeline of their own and they got it when Aine O'Neill drove through for a good score but two Niamh Carmody frees saw the sides go in level at half time, 1-5 to 2-2. Half time substitute Danielle O'Leary gave Kerry the lead for the first time in the game four minutes into the second half and followed up three minutes later with another beautiful score.

Alannah McNulty got one back for the visitors and the Kerry goal was living dangerously but Mairead O'Brien's effort was ruled out for a throw ball.

Ní Mhuircheartaigh then entered the game and popped over a free and by the 59th minute the sides were level at 1-11 to 2-5 apiece.

Then came Ní Mhuircheartaigh's goal after she was fed by Danielle O'Leary and Kerry were able to see out the remainder of the game.

Scorers – Kerry: L Ní Mhuircheartaigh 1-4 (0-3f), J Lucey 1-0, Niamh Carmody 0-4 (4f), D O'Leary (0-2), E Dineen 0-1.

Waterford: M O'Brien 1-1, K A Hogan 1-0, B McMaugh 0-1, Aine O'Neill 0-1, A McNulty 0-1, K Murray 0-1(f),

KERRY: M E Bolger; C O'Brien, D Kearney, A Dillane; E O'Connor, K Cronin, C Murphy; A Harrington, L Scanlon; K.A. Hanrahan, N Ní Chonchúir, N Carmody (capt.); K Brosnan, E Dineen, J Lucey. Subs: A Galvin for K A Hanrahan, H O'Donoghue for N Ní Chonchúir (both 24), A O'Connell for E O'Connor, D O'Leary for K Brosnan (both H/T), C lynch for A Harrington (40), L Ní Mhuircheartaigh for J Lucey, E Lynch for A Dillane (both 47), C McCarthy for C Murphy (47,) K O'Sullivan for E Dineen (63). J Gill for N Carmody (65).

WATERFORD: E O'Brien; H Power, E Power, A



Murray; O Kennedy, A McNulty, A O'Neill; E Murray, K Hogan (capt.); K McGrath, C Carroll, M O'Brien; B McMaugh, K Murray, L McGregor. Subs:A Brazil for C Carroll (44),L O'Shea for KA Hogan (50), N Power for L McGregor (65).

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### TOUGH START FOR KERRY IN NATIONAL LEAGUE NATIONAL LEAGUE: Derry 0-15 Kerry 2-8

Twelve months ago Kerry opened their National League campaign away to Donegal with a one point defeat after a bad game of football. Donegal were very much in disarray on a number of fronts and no other team lost to them subsequently in the league. It meant that Kerry were effectively running just to keep with the pack for the rest of the campaign and had to bring back players into action sooner than they had hoped.

A year later, you could argue that a one point defeat to Derry leaves us in much the same situation. Arguably even worse – we were missing a good few players last Saturday night, but we were missing more last year at this stage. And that first half.....I'm sorry now, and I know it's early enough in the year to be complaining, but that was absolute muck football.

Derry retreated into a complete defensive shell right from the throw-in. And I do mean complete. Shane McGuigan was their lone player up top for most of the last two years. On this occasion even McGuigan was back in defence. Kerry had possession and Derry had no problem letting them have possession. And eventually a Kerry player sent the ball in, only for it to be turned over and Derry emerge at pace. They do that really well, carrying the ball straight down the field. I thought Conor Doherty in particular did a pile of damage in that regard. Kerry were slow enough to send the ball into attack, waiting for a high percentage opening. Derry had already carried the ball into our defence, most often down their left flank, before even considering those options.

Conor Glass kicked the opening point. Glass has been absolutely majestic in Watty Graham the Glen's All Ireland triumph and he was at his best here again. He tormented us, and fair enough, he simply is that good.

We won that particular kick-out but Derry soon turned us over again and attacked once more,

with Shane Ryan emerging to fist a dangerous ball clear. Kerry played heads up football and a very quick and accurate long pass by Dara Moynihan saw Seán O'Shea neatly split the posts for an equaliser. Dylan Geaney did well to block a Shane McGuigan effort and Connor Glass hit a harmless enough effort. Joe O'Connor, working hard as always, won a free for Seán O'Shea to put Kerry in front. They weren't the better team though, certainly not at this stage.

Doherty hurt us again with another burst of pace and there's Chrissy McKaigue, nominally full back, to slot over. Kerry's kick-outs were becoming a real problem now, with Shane Ryan looking for options. Derry were simply cleaning up around the middle third and our bilges were already taking on water. McGuigan put his team in front from a Kerry kick-out and Conor Doherty doubled the advantage. McGuigan is fouled and calmly slotted the free. He added another after good work by Gareth McKinless. We were definitely floundering.

Jason Foley was unlucky as he slipped before he can gather safely and his hand connected with the ball on the ground. Unlucky, but it does count as a foul on the ball and McGuigan slotted the resultant free. A few boos and grumbles from the Kerry supporters that don't like the decision...arrah, will ye give over? The rulebook is clear. 0-7 to 0-2. There were a lot of people on the field giving us fierce problems; Joe McQuillan most definitely was not one of them.

Seán O'Shea fouled and he slotted the free. We needed that one. Micheál Burns laid off to Dara Moynihan and he put it over. Moynihan had a great game here, one of the few comfortable with getting into the trenches with Derry. This is better overall by Kerry. The sight of big Barry Dan O'Sullivan coming into midfield is a welcome one as well, we desperately needed a toehold in that sector and Barry Dan invariably steadies choppy waters. Kerry did look much more organised by the end of the half, even though Brendan Rogers did pilfer another wellcrafted Derry score.

### Half-time Derry 0-8 Kerry 0-4

Frankly, I didn't think that a four point margin was any fair reflection of Derry's dominance in that first half. Kerry had more possession but that was Derry's choice and they were much more dangerous in terms of scoring. We were sending in hopeful punts whereas they were operating to a precise game-plan. They showed that straight away on the restart as well. Good work by Gareth McKinless saw Shane McGuigan win and slot another free and McKinless added another himself from play after good work by Pádraig McGrogan. 0-10 to 0-4.

Conor Geaney smoothly slipped his man but just couldn't quite convert. Dylan opened up a chance and raised a flag. Kerry may have been on the ropes, but they weren't out of it yet. There were more experienced campaigners coming off the bench in Stephen O'Brien and Diarmuid O'Connor. Moreover, Derry's Ciarán McFaul is temporarily off after a pull-down on Gavin White. Seán O'Shea with a free to trim the gap. Just a goal between them now and maybe the tide was turning. Maybe....

Great move by Kerry. The substitutions were working, particularly Diarmuid O'Connor, and Jason Foley is win with a great goal chance. Good save by Odhran Lynch, but maybe the shot could have been taken a little earlier before he had time to close it down. Very fine margins. You won't get too many of those chances during a game. Instead of level pegging, Shane McGuigan's free takes the gap back to four points.

Kerry are definitely getting on top now. Are Derry maybe retreating a bit to try and hold the lead? I don't know – in fairness, how could you tell? But Kerry are definitely on the hunt.

Conor Geaney with a goal chance. He just couldn't quite get it on target. Derry are definitely looking rattled, but they have room to spare on the scoreboard.

Until they don't. Both goalkeepers had taken the opportunities to come out and essentially act as basketball point guards in terms of possession. It's the modern thing and of course stretching those opposing lines is a key part

### ALL THINGS...SPORT

of strategic thinking but personally, I have always felt that the risk is not worth the reward. Especially when teams really only go a full press on opposing kick-outs. On this occasion Odhran Lynch strayed too far and was a bit too late in giving it off, allowing Joe O'Connor to force a turnover – there are subsequent claims that it was a push in the back, I disagree. A quick pass to Conor Geaney (I won't lie, I was sure it was Dylan at the time) and he looked up towards the empty net and simply pulled the trigger. There was a lot of skill in that execution. One point game and momentum with Kerry.

Credit to Derry for their calm and measured response. Once again their direct speed hurt us as Declan Cassidy got far too much space and time and picked off a neat point. Niall Toner took another one and there was three between the sides again.

Kerry recycled another attack. Tom O'Sullivan sent a lovely ball into Graham O'Sullivan near the endline. Graham, who was having the proverbial stormer, laid off neatly to Dylan Casey and the net bulged again. Level pegging, 2-7 to 0-13.

Ciarán McFaul nudged Derry back in front. Kerry had another chance of a goal. Maybe Stephen O'Brien should have taken his own shot – isn't hindsight easy? - instead of fisting across to Seán O'Shea, who couldn't direct it downwards under pressure. He slipped kicking the '45 and Kerry came away with nothing.

Graham O'Sullivan with a fine mark. Kerry with possession in the dying minutes but Shane Ryan sent in a high and hopeful punt. That was a time for being a bit cuter. No need to riush. Take the certain draw, kill those seconds, and have a go when Derry don't have time to come down for a winner.

Instead, with possession turned over, that's exactly what the visitors did, young Cormac Murphy winning a simple free for Shane McGuigan, and that was that. Derry with the win.

I wouldn't be too worried. Derry went hard in the McKenna Cup and came at full strength here. Jaysus, lads, it's January. I know that a Tyrone legend taking the helm of one of their biggest rivals means that Mickey Harte is under internal pressure from the get-go, but bringing in Glass, McFaul, and Doherty one week after winning a hard club All Ireland? Absolutely hammer Kerry in the first half and still only scrape over the line in the finish? Not create a single goal chance worthy of the name, while Kerry left three good such chances behind them and scored two? Minus Tadhg Morley, Paul Geaney, and the Clifford brothers? Tony Brosnan and Adrian Spillane out of action? Diarmuid O'Connor starting on the bench (to be fair, we needed his introduction)? It's early to be drawing conclusions, but I'll not fear Derry later on. That first half, our own kick-outs especially and the damage Derry's direct pace did (you need to stop those in your half back line and turn runners backwards or sideways) are problems for us but there's time to work on it. More worryingly, apart from the Geaneys, I still have a lot of question marks over the new players. It's a huge step up. Joe O'Connor is being touted as the answer in midfield after

impressing in the McGrath Cup. He has fantastic heart and he does give it absolutely everything, but for me, the jury is still very much out. Ian Maguire achieved as much or more than he did in the McGrath Cup Final with the accuracy of his kicking and Glass was pure diamond here. That's the level we need.

Disappointing result, but not a bad showing. I'm old school. I'm not bothered about a league title, regardless of Jack O'Connor's past record of winning both, but I don't want us battling to retain our Division One status. There's a long road to travel yet.

Kerry: Shane Ryan, Graham O'Sullivan (0-1, 1m), Jason Foley, Dylan Casey (1-0), Brian Ó Beaglaoich, Tom O'Sullivan, Gavin White, Joe O'Connor, Seán O'Brien (0-5, 4f), Dara Moynihan (0-1), Dylan Geaney (0-1), Cillian Burke, Killian Spillane, Seán O'Shea, Micheál Burns. Subs: Barry Dan O'Sullivan (for Stephen O'Brien, 28 mins), Paul Murphy (for Brian Ó Beaglaoich, half-time), Conor Geaney 1-0 (for Micheal Burns, half-time), Stephen O'Brien (for Cillian Burke, 45 mins), Diarmuid O'Connor (for Killian Spillane, 49 mins).

Derry: Odhran Lynch, Conor McCluskey, Chrissy McKaigue (0-1), Diarmuid Baker, Padraig McGrogan, Gareth McKinless (0-1), Conor Doherty (0-1), Conor Glass (0-1), Brendan Rogers (0-1), Ethan Doherty, Declan Cassidy (0-1), Ciaran McFaul (0-1), Niall Loughlin, Shane McGuigan (0-7, 6f), Paul Cassidy. Subs: Niall Toner 0-1 (for Paul Cassidy, 47 mins), Cormac Murphy (for Niall Loughlin, 60 mins). Referee: Joe McQuillan (Cavan)

### KERRY LADIES RESPOND TO TOUGH START NATIONAL LEAGUE: Kerry 2-11 Waterford 2-5

The big take-away from this one for me is the display of our new players – I include Emma Dineen and Jadyn Lucey in that, despite previous experience, this is effectively a new set-up for them. In retrospect, that awful start was no harm at all in the long run. Here it is; let's see what ye are made of under the cosh. Mind you, I stress the 'retrospective' part; I certainly wasn't thinking that the time.

Because it was an awful start. First ball in, a good punt by an impressive Kellyann Hogan, and it looked harmless enough. Then the conditions came into play. It was a treacherously swirling wind that posed problems for both sides all day, and the wet ground saw the ball suddenly skid forward on contact with the grass, giving a hapless Mary Ellen Bolger no chance. Bríd Maugh, who was a nominal corner forward in the same way as Paudie Clifford plays the role, slotted a point. Kellyann Hogan sent in another long effort, and Mairead O'Brien, another to impress, got a good fist to it. Eight minutes gone and Kerry were seven points down.

Niamh Carmody is one of those players who has been impressing me hugely for a long time. Scorers make headlines but Carmody, Ní Chonchúir, and Galvin don't get anything like enough credit for their part in the creation of those scores. I'm not surprised that she has been entrusted with the captaincy. She has looked like a real leader on the Kerry team for a long time to me, and she is always good for two to three scores herself. Two All Star awards in the past two years means that I'm not alone in that opinion. A foul on Jadyn Lucey saw her open Kerry's account from a free and her lay-off to Lucey returned the favour, with the Na Gaeil girl finishing neatly. A second free by Carmody and one from play by Emma Dineen – there was a chance of a goal, but for me a certain point is better than a goal possibility in that time and circumstance. Kerry were right back in the reckoning, just a point in it now.

Áine O'Neill with a good point for Waterford. Kerry had Anna Galvin and Hannah O'Donoghue in off the bench now, with both strengthening Kerry's hand considerably.

Kerry had the upper hand now and Niamh Carmody slotted two more frees to level matters at the break, 1-5 to 2-2. Kerry may have had a disastrous start, but they had outscored the visitors by 1-5 to 0-1 subsequently.

Ashling O'Connell and Danielle O'Leary were on the field for the second half. Hannah O'Donoghue opened the scoring with two points to put Kerry in front for the first time. Alannah McNulty pulled one back but the response to that was Cáit Lynch coming off the substitutes bench and things were beginning to look bleak for Waterford. They are battlers, though, with Katie Murray from a free levelling matters again. I kind of liked Waterford's stubbornness. There was absolutely no give in them and I admire that in any team. In fact Mairead O'Brien put them a point ahead. For that matter, Kayleigh Cronin was one of Kerry's best performers in the last quarter and absolutely had to be as Waterford put on the pressure.

Louise Ní Muircheartaigh onto the field of play. Could she make a difference? Ah, stop, sure we all know the answer to that question. Even so, I wasn't expecting this. The Footballer of the Year was absolutely imperious. She came on with twelve minutes of normal time remaining and promptly dropped 1-4.

Consider that it had taken a good Waterford side fifty minutes to kick 0-4 (although Kerry had brought their big guns to the fray) and it gives a bit of perspective.

Two games played, two big scalps taken, and a number of new players demonstrating that they are well able for this level. There's a long way to go but this has to be as good a start as Darragh Long and Declan Quill could have imagined.

Kerry: Mary Ellen Bolger, Ciara O'Brien, Deirdre Kearney, Aoife Dillane, Eilís O'Connor, Kayleigh Cronin, Ciara Murphy, Amy Harrington, Lorraine Scanlon, Keri Ann Hanrahan, Niamh Ní Chonchúir, Niamh Carmody (0-4, 4f), Katie Brosnan, Emma Dineen (0-1), Jadyn Lucey (1-0). Subs: Anna Galvin (for Keri Ann Hanrahan, 24 mins), Hannah O'Donoghue (for Niamh Ní Chonchúir, 24 mins), Ashling O'Connell (for Eilís O'Connor, half-time), Danielle O'Leary 0-2 (for Katie Brosnan, half-time), Cáit lynch (for Amy Harrington, 40 mins), Louise Ní Mhuircheartaigh 1-4, 3f (for Jadyn Lucey, 48 mins), Eilís Lynch (for Aoife Dillane, 48 mins), Ciara McCarthy (for Ciara Murphy, 48 mins,) Kate O'Sullivan (for Emma Dineen, 63 mins), Jess Gill (for Niamh Carmody, 65 mins).

Waterford: Evelyn O'Brien, Hannah Power, Eva Power, Aoife Murray, Orla Kennedy, Alannah McNulty (0-1), Áine O'Neill (0-1), Emma Murray, Kellyann Hogan (1-0), Katie McGrath, Clodagh Carroll, Mairead O'Brien (1-1), Bríd McMaugh (0-1), Katie Murray (0-1, 1f), Lauren McGregor. Subs: Aoife Brazil (for Clodagh Carroll, 44 mins),Lucie O'Shea (for Orla Kennedy, 50 mins), Niamh Power (for Lauren McGregor, 65 mins). Referee: Shane Curley (Galway).

### **ATHLETICS**

These have been great times for Killarney Valley A/C, which has been on an upward curve for quite a while now and don't look as if they have any intentions of slowing down any time soon. Oisín O'Regan became a U20 Heptathlon National Bronze Medalist, competed in seven events over two days with no less than six personal bests. His 7.63s finish for the 60m was a personal best, likewise 9.66s in the 60m hurdles, 9.57m in the shot putt, 1.69 in the high jump, pole vault 2.9, and 1000m in 2m58s. He also completed the long jump in 5.31m. That gave him a points total of 3727, another personal best, to give him the bronze medal Sarah Leahy, who has really started the year in flying form, won silver in the 60m final in International De Catalunya Meet in Sabadell Barcelona. Sarah won her heat and then took

the silver by repeating her 7.41s time. Perhaps the best news of all, and it's all good news, is the return from injury of the talented Jordan Lee, who jumped a superb personal best of 1.92m to reach Paris 2024 High Performance Standard in the AAI Games in Dublin.

Congratulations also to An Ríocht's Shona Heaslip, who won the 40th running of the Raheny Five Miler, coming in with a final time of 26.11m, way out on her own. To be fair, the fact that she had only just returned from high altitude training in Kenya was probably a boost to her, but that si a really phenomenal time. Her mentor Niamh O'Sullivan, one of the most iconic figures in Kerry athletics, won the O60 in 32.28.

### RUGBY

### SIX NATIONS CHAMPIONSHIP

This is the one for me. I suppose I'm a bit odd in rugby terms. I enjoy watching the Lions, but I don't particularly feel any bond or identify with them as representatives of me or mine. I know that they feel it themselves, and fair enough, but it feels like a relic of a bygone amateur era that was already rapidly crumbling by the late seventies. Tests, while of course necessary, don't appear to be indicative of a team's form afterwards and again, I'll watch and enjoy but my blood won't be stirring.

The World Cup is the pinnacle of the modern game, and I was as hopeful and as apprehensive as anyone for Ireland's chances. But – and I am not for one second denying that there were a lot of absolutely gripping games – I really felt that it was dragged out far too long. The early seeding was a fault that has since been corrected but realistically, there is simply too much of a gulf between the top teams and some of the others. Italy are barely keeping their heads above water in the Six Nations, and a good few of these countries could not take Italy. It's a great long-term sign for the game globally that so many countries are putting in teams, but it's a bit too fast, too soon in terms of a balanced World Cup.

The Six Nations is the one that I watch devotedly. I think I was a certain age when it became what has since been dubbed 'water-cooler conversation'. You went to school, and this was the topic of discussion and you wanted to be part of it. My school didn't actually have a rugby team at that time, but that didn't matter. We didn't have a soccer team either, but pretty much everybody followed an English team.

The Six Nations (Five Nations back then, of course) was the Holy Grail. There was a sort of a doggedly rural romanticism about the Welsh team of the seventies that gave it credibility. Moss Keane was a farmers' son out of Currow and quite possibly the coolest Kerryman who ever lived. Mike Galway had played senior for Kerry, like his uncle before him, of course he's be world class at the rugby. The likes of Mikey Sheehy and Pat Spillane were no mere men, of course – they were gods. My God, but they would have been mortified at us.

Ireland had won a Grand Slam once. We didn't know who, when, why, or arguably even what it was, but we all knew the names of Jack Kyle, Mike Gibson, and of course, Willie John McBride. Willie John never crossed Muhammad Ali's path, and to be honest with you it's a good thing for Muhammad Ali.

South Africa was a political discussion rather than a sporting one, and we were too young to grasp it. Australia was grand enough; we all knew people with relatives in Australia and we had heard good things about the place. New Zealand had a mythology of its own and were, of course, simply unbeatable, but that was grand. Munster had beaten them once (no, of course none of us had been at it, though we tried the bluff once or twice) but 1978 made more shockwaves in later years than it actually did at the time. Go back and check the newspapers of the day; it simply wasn't the sensation that people think now. We envied the All Blacks; we never disliked them.

England. The 800 years of history was a jumbled narrative for most of us, intertwined with the fact that we all had family and friends in England. For me, there were two separate English identities. A historical one who were truly awful tyrants, and the modern one, who were absolutely sound. But they were still the big guns in the Five Nations and they were the one team that we were always anxious to beat. Strange enough, we have a way better record against them than I remember in my head. What we all knew about Wales was that they loved a sing-song (our kind of people, except they actually sang instead of bellowing) and they loved rugby. Scottish people basically were Irish, except for living in a different country (and Irish people living in a different country was standard behaviour as far as we were concerned). France....they were a bit confusing. We never really thought of France as a rugby country and we never knew what to make of them. Unparalleled grace mixed with unbelievable ferocity. You never knew which France would turn up; I don't think they were ever sure of that themselves. Serge Blanco was Brian O'Driscoll before Brian O'Driscoll arrived on the scene (with a hat-trick against France, of course).

The professional era means that the sense of random possibility that the likes of France always brought isn't there anymore. More cameras and analysts of more games there are no unknown players at this level anymore. A good thing in some ways, a bad thing in another, but it was an inevitable change regardless.

Ireland v France. The Six Nations game between them was my favourite game last year (like I said, the World Cup was too much peaks and troughs for me). Essentially, the World Cup Final that never happened. France are on home ground and looking good. They are missing Dupont (he has opted for sevens this year) but the strength of their domestic league means they can close ranks around such a loss guickly. Ireland are missing Johnny Sexton and I still feel that Jack Crowley should have gotten more crunch game-time last year. He looks good, but a game like this one can be a career-definer. I'm also not thrilled at Peter O'Mahony being captain. One of our greatest servants and an inspiration to any young player, and in rugby more than other sporst the captain plays a crucial role, but your captain might not actually get a central contract? That's a potential tailspin to me

England had a good World Cup, a great one actually, but I genuinely feel that they came through the very soft side of the draw. England's domestic league is struggling and there's been a sense of brittle over-confidence about them for the past while. Owen Farrell is a big loss and I do think some of the media attention on him was unfair (England's media are a massive burden for any English team in any code to bear) but he is responsible for generating some turmoil when his team needed stability. An advantage for England siu that they play the big two (Ireland and France) in their last two games so have a chance to assemble and tinker to maximise themselves for those games. I definitely think that we will be cheering for them in their final game.

I suspect that we will be very hard pushed against France and having to travel to England will be a tough one as well. Remember the battle that they gave us last year? It certainly won't get any easier in Twickenham.

Beat France, and we run the table. Lose to France – and I make them slight favourites – and we'll have to work hard to stay with the chasing pack and hope that they slip up.





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### **KILLARNEY LEGION**

### EAST KERRY ALL STARS

Eventhough the O Donoghue Cup campaign ended in huge disappointment, with a narrow to Dr Crokes in the decider, eight players have been nominated for East Kerry All Stars. Brian Kelly, Cian Gammell, Peter O Sullivan, Darragh O Doherty, Jamie Alade, Darragh Lyne and Ryan Grady are all in the running for recognition. The event takes place this Friday, February 2nd in the GlenEagle Hotel.

### **MOTHERS AND OTHERS**

One of the big success stories in the club in recent years has been our Mothers and Others group. Not only do they coach within the club but they have set up Social walking groups, gym nights for Ladies and are known to play a little football too. To that end they have represented the club on a Munster and a National stage but now they are going international, to Paris. They have been invited to an International competition which takes place in April. The Club will be backing them as they go and a number of fundraising events will also be held in the coming weeks, in which we urge the club members and supporters to get behind. More details anon.

### **FIXTURES CALENDAR**

The calendar for the year ahead is starting to take shape. The Senior County League commences on the weekend of March 23/24th with a more condensed time frame, the final round being on the weekend of June 22nd /23rd. The Club Championships are slated for late July/early August, all dependent of course on Kerrys progress in trying to capture Sam Maguire. **KERRY LADIES** 

Another win for the Kerry Ladies in the National League this time over Waterford in the Fitzgerald Stadium. Once again Keri-Ann Hanrahan was selected from the start and is no doubt gaining valuable experience at the highest level. Not for the first time the team would be thankful to Louise Ni Mhuircheartaigh who climbed off the bench to apply the finishing touch.

### LOTTO

Results Monday January 22nd. Numbers were 4. 5. 10. 13. Bonus 20. No Jackpot winner. Match 3s / Lucky Dips: 1. John Cullinane 2. Shannon O Shea 3. John Bowler 4. Colm O Shea 5. Maria O Connor.

### **EAST KERRY GAA**

### EAST KERRY SUPERLEAGUE

The East Kerry Superleague is set to get underway this weekend. Keep an eye out in future notes for week by week fixtures.

Round 1 Sunday 4th February 12 Noon.

Legion V Fossa, Rathmore V Dr. Crokes, Gneeveguillia a Bye

Round 2 11/2/2024

Rathmore v Legion, Gneeveguillia V Dr. Crokes, Fossa a Bye

Round 3 18/2/2024 Fossa V Rathmore, Legion V Gneeveguillia, Dr. Crokes a bye Round 4 25/2/2024



The proceeds of a bucket collection from the Dave Geaney memorial match between Fossa and Brosna being presented to Kerry Hospice. Left to right Derry O'Sullivan (Fossa), Eilish Moynihan (Brosna), John Sheehan (Brosna), Evelyn Doody (Kerry Hospice), Eddie Myers (Fossa) and Helen Geaney (Fossa)

Dr.Crokes V Fossa, Gneeveguillia V Rathmore, Legion a Bye

#### Round 5 3/3/2024

Fossa V Gneveguillia, Dr. Crokes V Legion, Rathmore a Bye

### EAST KERRY SENIOR LEAGUES 2024

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### **Division 1A**

Rathmore, Legion, Gneeveguillia, Dr. Crokes and Fossa

Round 1 Sunday 4th February 12 Noon. Legion V Fossa, Rathmore V Dr. Crokes, Gneevequillia a Bye

### Division 1B

Glenflesk, Spa, Kenmare, Firies, Kilcummin Round 1 Sunday 4th February 12 Noon

Glenflesk V Spa, Kenmare V Firies, Kilcummin Bye Division 2

Listry, Kilgarvan, Currow, Cordal, Scartaglin Round 1 Sunday 4th February 12 Noon Scartaglin V Currow, Cordal V Kilgarvan, Listry Bye

### LADIES NATIONAL LEAGUE

Well done to the Kerry Ladies, who had a great win over Waterford in the National League Round 2 Sunday

### CONDOLENCES

Sympathies to the families of Jack Farrell Green St and Doonshean, Dingle, Kerry, and Denis O'Dowd, Dowd's Cross, Baile an Lochaigh, Ballydavid, Kerry on their recent deaths.

### **FOSSA NOTES**

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The numbers drawn were 18, 22, 27, 28 for a jackpot of 9,450 euro. There was no winner and the consolation prizes of 40 euro went to Ailish McDonagh, Karen Smith, Fr Geaney, Fossa, Rose Foran, Allam's Tce, Paul and Deirdre McEnteggert.

#### AGMS

It was a weekend of AGM's and the following officers were elected; Board na nOg Chairperson; Siobhan Kissane Secretary; Maria Vaughan. Ladies Board Chairman; Peter O'Shaughnessy Secretary; Karen McGlynn. Senior Board Chairman; Pat Sheehan Vice Chairman; Dermot Clifford Secretary; Merry Talbot Treasurer; Donald O'Sullivan Assistant Treasurer; Peter Kelliher Registrar; Amy Moriarty Pro; John O'Neill Field Committee; Michael O'Shea. Dermot Griffin was elected vice president of the

club. Dermot was raised in Barleymount and played underage with Spa, winning U-16 East Kerry C'ship with them in 1969. He returned to play with Fossa's first minor team in 1970 and captained the minor team in '71 and two years later he played with our 1st senior team that won Div 4 of the county league.

He was secretary of Fossa in 1976 and again in 1978 and 1979 while still playing and was chairman in 1983/84. He was chairman again in 1995 /96 which was a significant period for our club as preparation work was being done for our grounds in Gortroe. Dermot had formally proposed that we purchase the 11 acres from the Health Board in 1993 and fittingly was on hand to sign off on it in 1995. He was our East Kerry delegate from 1976 through 1980 and again in 1994 and became Chairman of East Kerry in 2008 until 2012. In that time he developed the East Kerry All Stars which is still hugely popular in the district. Dermot is now back as an important part of our executive, always giving sound advice.

**Mick Spillane** was given the honour of being elected President of Fossa GAA Club. Raised in Lackabane, with no football in Fossa at the time, Mick joined Dr Crokes at 16 and won two minor titles. He then went on to play senior with them, winning nine O'Donoghue Cup medals including six in a row from 1957/62 and two more in 1964/65 and his last in 1968. He played in various positions during this time; at corner back, corner forward, full back and even in goals! Mick worked and lived in Mallow in 1966/67 where he played with Mallow and the divisional side, Avondhu who reached the Cork County Championship semifinal in 1966. Incidentally, Dr Crokes failed to win the O'Donoghue cup while he was away! An all round athlete, Mick was also very active in athletics and has a County Hurling C'ship medal with in Killarney in 1969.

With the seeds sown for the formation of our club it was Mick and Gene Moriarty who went to Fr Browne to call the first meeting, on the 11th January 1970. It was Mick who rang the County Board Chairman, Gerald McKenna for direction and advice on the formation of the club. Mick went on to play full back on the first senior Fossa team in 1973.

Mick was elected as a Vice President of the club in 2005 as a tribute to his great football ability, his involvement in the formative years, his support of the many fundraisers done over the years but most of all, for his unwavering support and positive attitude for all the club has strived to achieve since it began.

### **KILLARNEY CAMOGIE CLUB**

### UNDER 8 & UNDER 10

Training commences indoors on Monday 5th February from 6-7pm in Spa GAA Hall. Age 5+. Hurleys & helmets provided. Please come along and try out a few sessions. Only need to bring runners and water. Contact Secretary Eimear Flynn for more information 087-6481736 **MINOR** 

Training commences Sunday 11th February. New players welcome. Contact Paul for more details 086-8416839

### SENIOR TEAM RECRUITMENT

Following on from several years of great work at underage level, Killarney Camogie Club are hoping to field a team at senior level for the first time. Fielding an adult team would be a massive step for the club. We are based in Spa but draw players from all over East Kerry.

Our coaches have done a lot of work over the past 10 years or so and we now have over 100 underage players on our books. It's pretty vibrant at the moment. We have coaches and committee members from all over the country – Limerick, Cork, Tipperary, Clare, Westmeath, Dublin – which is great to see.

The club currently have 7 players on the Kerry minor panel and last year 7 Killarney players played with the county when they won their All-Ireland. These intercounty players are likely to form the backbone of the proposed senior team, but the club are actively seeking more players to join their ranks. We are hoping that there are some adult players in the Killarney or East Kerry area who might like to get involved. Any prospective players who are interested in joining the club as we aim to make history are encouraged to contact Eimear on 087-6481736



Glenflesk Kilgarvan U15 County League and East Kerry league medal presentation last Saturday in Healy Raes Bar. Photo: Seamus Healy.



Glenflesk Kilgarvan Minors who recieved their East Kerry League Final medals in Healy Raes Bar last Saturday. Photo Seamus Healy.

or Caroline on 086-8452197. The Senior team manager will be Paul O'Brien and his contact number is 086-8416839. The first training session is due to take place on 11th February (location tbc)

### **COUNTY PANELS**

Congratulations to the following Killarney Camogie Club players who have been selected to play for Kerry in the 2024 season -

Under 14: Bríde Breen, Caoimhe Dineen and Sinéad Murphy

Under 16: Ava Moore and Shannon Murphy Minor: Orla Cronin. Tiarna Dineen, Megan Gillespie, Yasmin O'Brien, Martha O'Sullivan, Hannah Ryan and Kathryn Ryan

Wishing them and their teammates the very best of luck for the season ahead.

### DR CROKES GAA

**DR. CROKES CUBS** continues on Saturday 3rd February from 9:30-10:30 in the Sem. This is an introduction to gaelic football and hurling for boys and girls aged 3-6 years.

#### SCÓR 2024

Anyone interested in taking part in Scór ns nÓg or Scór Sinsir contact Cultural Officer Rachel Foley on 087 9231091.

**FR. PADDYS CARD'S** continue every Wednesday at 8pm in the clubhouse. There is lots of money to be won. All you need is €5 and a partner. All are Welcome.

**PILATES WITH JOLA** continues on Thursdays from 6:10pm to 7pm in the clubhouse.

**GENTLE MOVEMENT CLASSES** with Kathleen continue on Tuesday mornings at 11am in the clubhouse. You do not need to be a member to join these free classes. All are welcome.

**OLD CLOTHES BANK** is located at the rear of the clubhouse. All clothes should be deposited in bags. Donations will help to provide vaulable funding to our club.

**LOTTO** took place January 29th.Numbers drawn were 7, 8, 9, 17 Jackpot of  $\epsilon$ 6,200 was NOT WON. 10 patrons matched 3 numbers and received  $\epsilon$ 40 each. Jackpot for draw on February 5th will be  $\epsilon$ 6,500. Play online by following the link below and follow instructions attached https://play.clubforce.com/play\_newa.asp?ll\_id=734#Anchor

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#### BINGO

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**BEST OF LUCK TO SCÓR NA NÓG COMPETITORS**, Figure Dancers Bethany, Nataila, Riain, Dearbhla, Bláthnaid, Anna and teachers Cliona King and Orla Clifford. Solo Singer Aoife and Etaoin in the Recitation. Scór na nÓg takes place on Friday 2nd February in Miltown Hall.

### NOTES

If anyone has anything they want to add to our club notes please email pro.drcrokes.kerry@gaa. ie.

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### MILLTOWN/CASTLEMAINE CLUB

LOTTO

Sponsored by Almas Takeaway, Milltown The most recent fortnightly club lotto draw took place on Monday, January 22nd at the club grounds. There was no jackpot or match 3 winner on this occasion. The numbers drawn were 9, 10, 25 and the bonus ball was 11. Lucky Dip Winners were as follows:  $\in$ 50: Mary B Lenihan, Castlemaine.  $\in$ 50: John Hegarty, Castlemaine.  $\in$ 25: Pa Daly T.D.  $\in$ 25: Breeda Pierce, Ballyfinnane.  $\in$ 25: Elorena Lesha, Beaufort.  $\notin$ 25: Susan Sheehan, Castlemaine

Our next club lotto draw is scheduled to take place on Monday, February 5th at 19:30pm in the Clubhouse where the jackpot will be  $\in$  13,000.

CELEBRATION DINNER AND MEDAL PRESENTATION NIGHT

Milltown/Castlemaine GAA club had a very successful year in 2023. To mark this, we are having a celebration night in the Ballygarry Estate, Hotel and Spa, Tralee on the 10th

February 2024 at 7:00pm. This will be a night to acknowledge our Intermediate Club Champions, Mid Kerry Minor Champions and McElligott Shield Winners from last season. The night will consist of a sit-down 3 course meal plus tea/ coffee followed by medal presentations, a band and DJ. Tickets are priced at  $\leq$ 50 for adults and  $\in$ 40 for minor players. Anyone interested in attending, please contact Club Secretary Susan on 087-9426553 or Club Treasurer Ann on 087-9801450 to order your tickets.

Alternatively tickets can be purchased online at the following link: https://milltowncastlestore. sumupstore.com/product/celebration-dinnerand-medal-presentation?fbclid=lwAR3hiQMa6 KSIfCr19KIfOSt5ErBRyLEwnvZikAV2Ks8Qi6DlstT gBGZMxe4

Please note that all tickets must be ordered by Sunday, 4th February and the 2023 minor panel must be accompanied by a parent/guardian on the night

CELEBRATION DINNER AND MEDAL PRESENTATION NIGHT: BUS INTEREST

#### SURVEY

Milltown/Castlemaine GAA are also gathering interest for a bus to and from the celebration and medal presentation night at the Ballygarry Estate, Hotel and Spa, Tralee on Saturday, February 10th (bus is subject to sufficient numbers expressing interest), so if you are intent on availing of such a service, we would ask you to fill in the following survey by this weekend. Survey link:

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#### MID KERRY SENIOR FOOTBALL LEAGUE: ROUND 1 FIXTURE

Milltown/Castlemaine's Senior side will get their 2024 season underway on Saturday, February 10th at 2:30pm (Provisional Time) when they welcome Laune Rangers to the Paddy Burke Memorial Park in Milltown.

### **Corn Uí Mhuirí Semi-Finals**

# SEM CRASH OUT OF CORN UÍ MHUIRÍ

Mercy Mounthawk 2-14 St. Brendans 0-7



The Sem's reign as Corn Uí Mhuirí champions came to a juddering halt last Wednesday evening in Austin Stack Park, as Mercy Mounthawk repeated their O'Sullivan Cup victory over the Killarney outfit in an even more convincing fashion.

Mounthawk adapted to the challenging weather conditions better and the game was all but over at half-time.

The Sem actually got the opening score from Jimmy Kelliher but Mounthawk, with Odhran Ferris, Daniel Kirby, and especially sharpshooter Paddy Lane in top form, quickly opened up a big lead. The Sem were unlucky with a goal chance by Pádraig O'Donoghue, but Mounthawk were clinical with theirs, Odhran Ferris hitting the net in the 57th minute in response to the Sem's second score, well taken by Oisín Fleming. Lane had 0-6, 4f to his name by half-time and with a 1-11 to 0-2 cushion in hand by then, Mounthawk were never too likely to fear a comeback even against that strong wind.

Any doubts were quickly settled as Shay O'Meara was forced into a fine save from an Oisín McGibney effort. Alex Hennigan slotted a free – he was to be the Sem's only second half scorer – but in fairness Mounthawk were always in full control and ran out comfortable winners to book their first ever Corn Uí Mhuirí Final.

**St. Brendans:** Shay O'Meara, Luke Daly, Dara Stack, Maidhcí Lynch, Luke O'Neill, Keelan O'Shea, Adam Byrne, Jamie Moynihan, Oran O'Neill, Jimmy Kelleher 0-1, Callum Cronin, Oisín Fleming 0-1, Padraig O'Donoghue, Alex Hennigan 0-5 (4f), Robbie Harnett. Subs: Joey McCarthy (for Luke Daly, half-time), Aidan Cronin (for Pádraig O'Donoghue, 43 mins), Josh Bowler (for Harnett, 43 mins), Brian O'Connor (for Oran O'Neill, 47 mins), Ted O'Gorman (for Jimmy Kelleher, 53 mins)

**Tralee CBS 2-12 Patrician Academy Mallow 0-7** Facing them in that final will be their neighbours Tralee CBS, who were almost as comfortable in seeing off Patrician Academy Mallow, who will rue a number of good goal chances not taken on the day. The Green, managed by Marc Ó Sé, always looked more dangerous in front of the posts and led by 1-7 to 0-4 at half-time, Máirtín McKivergen fisting home the goal. Tralee did stutter a bit during the third quarter after Luke Rochford opened the scoring, eighteen minutes elapsing before they again troubled an umpire. Mallow couldn't press their advantage, though, and a Darragh Cunnane goal in the fiftieth minute effectively sealed the win.

Tralee CBS have played in 28 Corn Uí Mhuirí finals, winning 16. Mercy Mounthawk are in their very first and it's the first Tralee derby at this stage. It should be an intriguing affair, to say the least, on Saturday week in Austin Stack Park, but unfortunately one with no Killarney involvement for the first time in five years.

### NEWS

### Applications invited for INDUSTRIAL COATING APPRENTICESHIP



Current surface protection apprentice, Cian Casey

Liebherr Container Cranes Ltd. is pleased to announce the continuation of its highly acclaimed Industrial Coating Apprenticeship Programme for 2024. This three- year programme provides aspiring industrial coating technicians with the comprehensive training and hands-on experience they need to excel in this rewarding field.

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The apprenticeship covers essential aspects such as surface preparation for coating adhesion, various coating methods (shot blasting, priming, painting), material selection, and quality control inspection and testing. The goal is to provide apprentices with a solid skill set and qualifications that meet or exceed industry standards.

Expanding horizons with Apprentice Exchange Programme

Beyond the classroom and workshops, the apprenticeship programme offers a unique opportunity to broaden horizons through an international apprentice exchange. In the third year of the apprenticeship, participants will have the chance to immerse themselves in the world of industrial coating at Liebherr's sister companies in Austria and Germany. This invaluable experience will provide apprentices with exposure to diverse working environments and enhance their cultural understanding.

#### **Testimonial from a Previous Apprentice**

One of the current surface protection apprentices, Cian Casey, is ideally placed to give his insight on the programme.

"I love it. It was tough at the start, but I'm more comfortable now. Everyone has been very helpful, and I work with a great team." Embracing the challenges, Cian finds joy in the changing nature of his work. "I like the challenge; every day is different. I like making progress and looking back at what I've achieved." When asked if he would recommend this groundbreaking apprenticeship, Cian responds with enthusiasm: "Absolutely, it's an excellent opportunity for young people. A first of its kind in Ireland. The opportunity to work at Liebherr's factories in Austria and Germany is great. It's a brilliant opportunity to build a career."

#### How to apply

To apply, applicants should send an up-todate CV and a cover letter specifying why they are interested in this apprenticeship to apprenticerecruit.lcc@liebherr.com.

Further documents such as academic results, training certificates, references, project details and awards etc. should also be included. The closing date for receipt of completed applications is the 1st of March 2024. Applicants should ideally have Junior Certificate English and maths (or equivalent) and must be at least 17 years of age on 01.01.2024.

### **TJ'S DANCES RAISES FUNDS FOR MOTOR NEURONE**

Kerry Friends of Motor Neurone were delighted to receive a fundraising cheque on Wednesday 17th January 2024 at the Height's Hotel Killarney.

Christy Lehane Chairman of Kerry Friends of Motor Neurone accepted thecheque from Elizabeth and Peggy Kelleher on behalf of T J Nelligan the Castleisland man who enjoys his Set Dancing Ceili's. During the various Ceili's TJ raised a handsome sum of €780 for his chosen charity "Kerry Friends of Motor Neurone".

The money raised will go to funding the provision of Specialist Medical Equipment for our Motor Neurone sufferers enabling them to spend as much time as possible in the comfort of their own homes.

"Many thanks again to T J Nelligan for selecting Kerry Friends of Motor Neurone to be his beneficiary now that covid is behind us.

I wish T J and all his dancing colleagues many nights of dancing success"



Christy Lehane pictured with Elizabeth and Peggy Kelleher on behalf of T J Nelligan

# Figures show highest annual number of new homes in Kerry in well over a decade

The number of new homes delivered in Kerry last year was the highest annual total since the CSO data series began in 2011.

Figures released by the CSO show that in total, 623 new homes were built in Kerry in 2023.

The upward trend in Kerry is reflected nationally with the number of new



### CLLR CALLS FOR CARS TO BE CHECKED

At the Joint Policing Committee meeting on Friday last Cllr. Martin Grady raised a Question regarding concerns he has with the influx of Ukrainian vehicles into the county over the past 2 years, Kerry has the most with 12% of the overall take of Ukrainian refugees into the country, many of them having brought their vehicles with them. Can the Gardai insure the public that these vehicles are roadworthy and insured on our roads.

They are not obliged to pay VRT on the vehicles therefore no NCT, National Car Test is required, we have no guarantee these vehicles are roadworthy for their own safety and the safety of other road users.

Regarding insurance, following research I found not all Ukraine insurance policies provide cover in the EU, there is a list available from the Insurance Bureau of Ukraine what Insurnace companies provide this and those that don't. Frontier Green Card cover can be purchased when entering the EU, however this is only

available for a maximum of 1 year, many of these vehicles are here longer than a year at this stage, the Assistant Commissioner attended the meeting she announced National No Insurance Day is coming up, I asked they would take my concerns on board regarding Insurnace and the roadworthiness of these vehicles.



O'GRADY WELCOMES REDUCED PAYMENTS FOR REFUGEES

Cllr Martin Grady has welcomed the new reduced payments for Ukrainian Refugees which came into effect yesterday, February 1st. "Its certainly not before time", Cllr. Grady said. "The Cabinet approved new measures at the end of last year setting out that Ukrainian refugees arriving into Ireland will only be provided with accommodation by the State for 90 days.

While in State accommodation they will receive a reduced rate of social welfare equivalent to the amount paid to other asylum seekers housed by the State, which stands at €38.80 per week. However, the 100,000 Ukrainian refugees already here will not be affected by the new measures. This was far too appealing to landlords and refuggees, there was cases where refugees relocated from other EU countries to Ireland to reap the benefits have had to offer, this will disincentivise and I believe will reduce numbers flocking in", he added.

homes delivered last year the highest since 2008, with 32,695 new homes completed in 2023, 10% higher than in 2022 and exceeding Housing for All's 2023 target of 29,000 by almost 13%.

These figures also show that the Government has exceeded its Housing for All targets in the two full years since the Plan was launched. The pipeline is also strong with 32,800 new homes commencing construction in 2023, and permission granted for over 37,600 homes across the country.

Commenting on the figures, the Minister for Housing, Heritage and Local Government, Darragh O'Brien, said:

"The Government wants everyone to have a secure home and to have the opportunity to become a homeowner.

So, we are now really stepping up home building each year, with a pipeline of well-built private, social, affordable and cost rental homes. We can see it on the ground, with new homes and apartments being built in Kerry and throughout the country.

All the key housing indicators – commencements, completions and planning permissions – are trending upwards which bodes well for future supply."

### Minister Foley welcomes new special needs base for Scoil Phobail Sliabh Luachra in Rathmore

Minister for Education and Kerry T.D Norma Foley has welcomed the approval of a new special needs base for Scoil Phobail Sliabh Luachra in Rathmore.

The school, which has around 400 students, will be getting a new modular building for two special needs classes under the Additional School Accommodation Scheme. It is part of the expansion of special classes, which have increased to around 3,000 over the past three years.

Minister Foley said: "I welcome





the opportunity to provide a new special needs base for Scoil Phobail Sliabh Luachra. This is about children and young people growing up and learning together to the greatest possible extent. Having an education system that is a broad reflection of Irish society is important to me as Minister."

"We've invested very significantly in special education with a package of €2.7 billion for 2024, which is 26 per cent of the Department's budget. We now have almost 3,000 special classes, including around 1,800 which have been added in the past three years, and we will open another 600 in the next two years. This level of expenditure and resourcing is now providing almost 40,000 additional teachers and SNAs in schools."

Scoil Phobail Sliabh Luachra is a modern co-educational secondary school established in 1998 with the amalgamation of St Mary's Presentation Convent Secondary School and Rathmore Vocational School.



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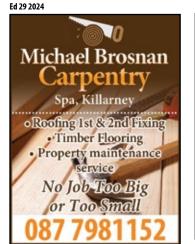
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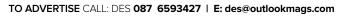


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One of the best known shrubs is the Camellia and these popular shrubs are starting to flower in most places at the moment.

The Camellia is a very valuable shrub in the garden as it can give a focal point to any shrubbery all year round with its glossy green leaves and showy blooms from early spring. A lot of people think that Camellias are a difficult shrub to grow,

but in fact they are no more difficult than Rhododendrons or azaleas, and most varieties on sale now are hardy. When choosing the spot to plant your Camellia, make sure it is sheltered from cold winds as they can damage the flowering buds as can frost. When planting your Camellia make sure to mix plenty of moss peat with the earth, rather than on its own around the plant, as it will tend to root out quicker. Camellias are also ideal for growing in containers. Remember if you are planting your Camellia in the ground, that it might be small initially but most will grow to the size of a small tree, so allow plenty of room around it. There is very little maintenance with Camellias only to prune out old dead wood, clean up the old blooms that fall to the ground, and to mulch around the base of the plants every spring with some moss peat.

There are a lot of other good spring flowering shrubs, here is a list of just a few: Forsythia, Cythisus, Corylus, Berberis, Darwunnii, Ribes and Skimmia.

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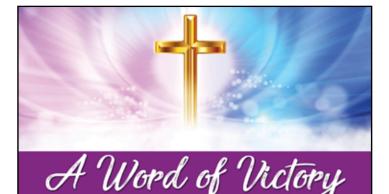
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Life is short – the Bible says it's like a vapour – gone in sixty seconds! But Eternity is forever. (James 4:14; Psalm 144:4) Both millionaires and poor alike may come to the end of life with nothing stored in their heavenly tank (Matthew 6:19-21). What an awful thing to discover too late. Many have been wrongfully taught that money is evil, but it's the LOVE of money that is the root of all evil (1 Timothy 6:10). Greed and fear drives people to hoard. Both lust and lack trick people into thinking a lavish lifestyle is the ultimate way to live. Folks can prepare for the future in practical ways but may never consider that in Heaven there's no cash required! No gold toilets or designer handbags – none of that impresses God. His footpaths are made from gold so pure it's transparent (Revelation 21:21). What preparation does God require? The currency we bring to Heaven is faith – simple childlike trust in God for Salvation. This requires us to humble ourselves and acknowledge – '1 am a sinner, 1 cannot save myself, I need a Saviour, and I thank You Father for sending Your Son the Lord Jesus to deliver me' (John 3:16; John 17:3; Romans 10:9-13). Humility, not self-sufficiency, with no payment necessary!

Jesus explained that the true meaning of life is not measured by what you own or achieve. He told of a 'self-made man' who prepared for his future the wrong way in God's eyes. To the world he looked like a tremendous success – however the Lord called him a fool (that's a huge insult from God by the way). "...God said to Him 'you fool! You will die this very night then, who will get everything you worked for?" Yes a person is a fool to store up earthly wealth but not have a rich relationship with God." (Luke 12:13-21 NLT). The Lord wants to guide and instruct us continuously, and if we let Him, He will bring us His peace in every area, resulting in us having no fear of death because we know we're going to meet Him (Psalm 32; Hebrews 2:14-15). Lord Jesus, please keep us from preparing for the wrong things in Your Name we pray, amen.

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**MUSIC WORKSHOP FOR LENT AND EASTER 2024:** The Diocese will host two music workshops for Lent and Easter 2024. The purpose of the workshop will be to introduce new music for both liturgical seasons. On Wednesday, 7th February, the workshop will take place in the John Paul II Pastoral Centre, Killarney at 7:30pm. On Thursday, 8th Feb. the workshop will be repeated in St John's Parish Centre, Tralee, also at 7:30pm. All choir directors, choir members, musicians, cantors and all involved in music ministry are welcome to attend. Please contact Tomás Kenny on 086 3683778 or email Tomás at tomaskenny@dioceseofkerry.ie if you'd like to attend.

**TRÓCAIRE VOLUNTEER REQUEST:** As we begin a new year, why not consider becoming a Trócaire Parish Volunteer and help make a difference in some of our world's most vulnerable communities. Activities include supporting the annual Lenten Campaign as well as taking part in a wide range of events to help Trócaire spread the word about the vital work they do. For more information, call Fr Joe Begley on 086-2498967 or Janet Twomey on 021-4275622 or email volunteering@trocaire.org

KILLARNEY AREA BRANCH OF THE PIONEER TOTAL ABSTINENCE ASSOCIATION: We invite any person intending to become a Pioneer or requiring a Pioneer Pin, Silver or Gold Pin to contact Jerry 086 3344565 or John 0868504881 or the Parish Office 064 6631014 SECOND COLLECTION: Red Envelope this weekend

**NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF LOURDES:** Our Parish Novena to Our Lady of Lourdes begins next Saturday 3rd & concludes on Sunday 11th February (Feast of our Lady of Lourdes). The Novena prayer will be prayed in St Mary's Cathedral 10.30am, 6.15pm vigil Masses and Sunday 8.00am, 10.30am & 12noon. A sacred space devoted to Our Lady of Lourdes is erected in St Mary's Cathedral during the Novena with specially commissioned Novena candles available throughout the nine days. There will be a Novena leaflet available in the Cathedral for the Novena, so please join us.

**BLESSING OF THE THROATS: Through the intercession of St.** Blaise, the blessing of throats will take place at all Masses on Saturday 3rd Feb.

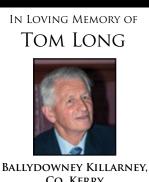
**THE COMMUNAL FIRST SATURDAY** devotions will be held on Sat the 3rd Feb commencing at 8.45 am in the Church of the Resurrection, followed by the Rosary at 9am. Mass at 9.30. All Welcome

### **Catholic Schools Week**

St Brigid's embraced the theme of 'Communities of Service' during Catholic Schools' Week recently. Among some of the activities that took place were displays of reflection flowers for Grandparents Day, Faith Timelines created by 1st years, and a talk with Fr Mark Moriarty about service to the faith community. May we all continue to be happy to serve in the various communities in our lives.



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CO. KERRY Who died on the 13th February 2023

While we fondly remember Tom on his first anniversary, we, his family, would like to express our sincere gratitude to those who helped and supported us through our sad loss. He is sadly missed by his wife Bríd, sons Ronán, Colm, Cian, Cormac and Eoin and also by his daughters Neasa and Caitríona. A special word of thanks to everyone who called to our home, attended the rosary, removal, requiem Mass and graveyard, as well as those who travelled long distances to be with us, not forgetting those who joined the Mass online.

Thanks also to those who sent Mass cards, perpetual enrolments, letters of sympathy, phone calls, text messages, floral tributes and online condolences. To the Fossa GAA club, Dr. Crokes club and The Gaeltacht who formed guards of honour-we were so touched by your presence and support.

A special word of thanks to Frs. Geaney, Ahern, O'Donoghue, Looney and Begley. Thanks also to Fr. McGuckin who made such an effort to be with us and to Fr. John who delivered such a special and meaningful sermon. Thank you to Dr. Ken Keohane who looked after Tom for many years. Special thanks also to the Home-Care team who looked after him so well. Tom held you all in such high regard and your care contributed greatly to the quality of his life. Thanks also to the staff of Tralee General Hospital who looked after him while he was a patient there.

Our sincere gratitude to Mary and Michael O'Shea and the staff of O'Shea's funeral home for their help in arranging the funeral proceedings in a most professional manner. Tom touched the hearts of so many with his love and kindness. He is sadly missed today and every day and is forever in our hearts. To all mentioned and to many more not possible to thank personally, please accept this acknowledgement as a token of our deep gratitude. Mass will be offered for all your special intentions. "Go dtreoraí na h-aingil isteach sna flaithis thú, go bhfáiltí na mairtírigh romhat agus go ndéana siad thú a thionlacan go cathair Naofa larúsailéim."

Tom's First Anniversary Mass will be celebrated on Sunday February 11th at 10am in Fossa Church.

Rest in peace Tom.

### 6TH ANNIVERSARY

In Loving Memory of

### JAMES Ferguson



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*'Love knows not its own depth until the hour of separation'* 

Always remembered by your aunts Breeda, Mary, Annette, Rosarie and all your cousins.

### NOVENA TO SAINT THÉRÈSE

O Little Therese of the Child Jesus Please pick for me a rose from the heavenly garden and send it to me as a message of love.

O Little Flower of Jesus, ask God to grant the favors I now place with confidence in you hands (mention your special prayer request here)

St. Therese, help me to always believe as you did, in God's great love for me, so that I may imitate your "Little Way" each day.

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IN LOVING MEMORY OF MARGARET (PEG) O'MAHONEY



GULLANE, GNEEVEGUILLA. Whose anniversary occurs on February 5th

We sat beside your bedside, Our hearts were crushed and sore; We did our duty to the end, Till we could do no more. In tears we watched you sinking, We watched you fade away; And though our hearts were breaking, We knew you could not stay. You left behind some aching hearts, That loved you most sincere; We never shall and never will, Forget you, mother dear.

From your Husband John, Son Michael and daughter-in law Siobhan and kids Oisin, Ciara and Ryan Gerard. Daughter June and her Husband Daniel. Daughter Oriana and her Husband Conan and sons Bruce , Max, Benjamin and Conan Jr.

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### 6TH & 4TH Anniversaries

In Loving Memory Of



JOHN KELLY, Coolcuslough, Killarney (passed away on the 5th February 2018) JOAN (Kelly), Adam D, Adam J. And Mikey Huber, Reno, Nevada (passed away on the 4th March 2020)

> We remember with love John, Joan and her family You are forever in our thoughts, Rest in Peace Dear Loved Ones

Lovingly remembered by Sheila, Patrick, Kathryn, Denis, Bernie, Patsy, Grace and Marie

Anniversary Mass will take place on Saturday 10th February 2024 in St. Mary's Cathedral, Killarney at 6.15pm.

### NOVENA TO THE SACRED HEART

Dear Heart of Jesus in the past I have asked many favours. This time I ask you this special one, (mention favour). Take it dear heart of Jesus and place it within your heart where your Father sees it. Then in his merciful eyes it will become your favour not mine. Amen. Say this prayer three times for three days and your favour will be granted. **M.E.** 







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