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Aisling Crosbie.

FROM THE EDITOR

There was widespread support this week for the Clifford Family following the untimely passing of their wife and mother Ellen. Family and friends of Ellen along with the GAA community rowed in behind the family to comfort them in their grief.

Voices for the Hospice has raised €4,290, Cllr Grady has been praised for always having "Killarney in his heart" and Minister for Health, Stephen Donnelly was in town to visit St. Columbanus Hospital.

Four charities are set to benefit from this years Killarney Valley Classic & Vintage Club restoration, Legion teed off for their golf classic and 'they're off' at Killarney Races with the May Festival starting on Sunday. There were celebrations in East Kerry as both Glenflesk and Spa won All Ireland glory in Scor na nOg, First Holy Communion season continues and thousands walked from Darkness Into Late in memory of those who lost their lives to suicide.

With all the action from the pitches, courts and fairways, along with some fantastic advertising offers, I hope you all enjoy this week's Killarney Outlook.

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SADNESS AT THE PASSING OF ELLEN CLIFFORD

Tributes have poured in from all over the country following the untimely passing of popular Fossa woman, Ellen Clifford.

Ellen, the mother of Paudie, David and Shelly and wife to Dermot, lost her courageous five year battle with cancer on Saturday last.

Originally from Ballymacelligott, Ellen was an avid GAA supporter and was the Number One Supporter of her boys Paudie and David as they excelled at the sport they loved.

The brave brothers took the decision to play the Munster Final on Sunday in their mother's honour, knowing that is what Ellen would have wanted. Speaking after the match where a minutes silence was observed in Ellen's honour, Kerry Manager, Jack O'Connor said it was a family decision that the boys would play.

Speaking on RTE's The Sunday Game, he said "I spoke with the boys and I spoke with Dermot and they were adamant that they wanted to play the game, that's what their mother would have wanted", he said.

Colm Cooper also paid tribute to Mrs. Clifford before the game started. "It's very sad for Paudie, for David, for Shelly, and of course her husband Dermot. Ellen was a fantastic Ballymacelligott lady, the whole family is steeped in GAA.

"It has been a tough couple of months for them. Only a couple of months ago, she was above watching Fossa winning the junior All-Ireland title with the family. They are wonderful moments. "There is huge sadness around. It's going to be tough for the boys, because you've only got one mother. It'll be a tough day for everyone in Kerry, but especially those two boys and the family.

Following what was one of the biggest removals seen in Killarney on Monday evening, Requiem Mass for Ellen Clifford took place at The Prince of Peace Church in Fossa at 2pm on Tuesday.

The Mass, which was concelebrated by seven priests heard of Ellen's faith and her love of her family.

Following her daughter Shelly's reflection, in his eulogy, her son Paudie said that Ellen was like all GAA moms all over the country and always said



The Clifford Family: Ellen, Paudie, Shelly, David and Dermot.

before every match "no fighting and stay on the field", something Paudie said " didn't always go to plan".

"She did everything for the three of us, we're not good at cooking and emptying the gear bags, we will have to do that ourselves now".

Ellen adored the GAA life and in recent weeks attended a game in Renard, even though the boys weren't playing.

"I can't imagine playing for Fossa and not having her there", Paudie said. Adding that himself, David and Shelly were so happy that Ellen was their mom. "I can't believe we won't ever see your smile again. Thank you Mom.

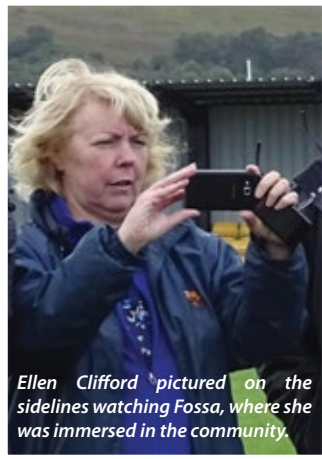
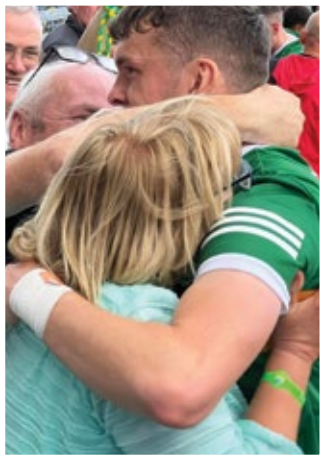
Ellen's husband Dermot thanked everyone for their massive support during Ellen's illness, saying that it was the prayers of the community that ensured that Ellen spent the last six weeks of her life at home.

He also addressed Paudie and David saying "I've never said this before and I'm only saying it the once – we were just so proud of what you did on Sunday, the way you went and the way you played.

Symbols from Ellen's life were brought to the altar including a presentation from the Irish Blood Bank which she received after donating blood 100 times in her life, GAA jerseys to mark her love of the game, Holy water from Tubrid Well to represent her faith and a family photos. Following the Requiem Mass, Ellen was laid to rest in Aghadoe Lawn Cemetery.

She will be hugely missed by her family, husband Dermot, Sons Paudie and David, daughter Shelly, her adored grandson Ógie, the boys partners, Orlaith and Shauna, along with her heartbroken family, father Pat, sisters Mary (Reidy), Margaret (Fitzgerald), Joan (Wharton), Anne (Black) and Teresa (Gilroy), brothers Michael, Tom, Con, Pat and Dominic, brothers-in-law, sisters-in-law, aunt, nephews, nieces, relatives, neighbours, work colleagues in the Department of Justice and her many friends including from the GAA community.

"May Her Gentle Soul Rest in Peace".



A fitting final tribute

By Nicky Barry

*No doubt there are those out there, with personal opinions,
About the Clifford brothers, and their football decision,
To play in the Munster Final, when their mother had just died,
For they just don't understand, they played for her with pride.*

*The Clifford Fossa family, is immersed in their club,
And it always has been, ever since the boys were young.
They grew up wearing red and black, out on the Fossa field,
And became local heroes, which every little village needs.
When the Kerry call came, they donned the green and gold,
And to see them both in Croker, was a sight to behold.*

*They put Galway to the sword, and brought home Sam Maguire,
With their skill and artistry, and awesome Fossa fire.
Mum Ellen was their greatest fan, and so proud of her boys,
And to see them winning All-Stars, brought her so much joy.
She had been unwell for quite a while, and last week passed away,
Just before the Munster Final, but her wish was that they'd play.
It can't have been easy, but the lads played for their Mum,
And between them scored three goals, as two grieving sons.
All Irish sportsmen and women, felt for these bereaved brothers,
With their final fitting tribute, to a much loved mother.*



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The "Over the Rainbow - Voices for Hospice" concert RAISES €4,290 FOR KERRY HOSPICE

A gala concert of popular songs and music was presented by the Kerry Concert Choir, accompanied by Kerry Scotia Ensemble at the Church of the Resurrection, Park Road, Killarney on Sunday, 23rd April. The large attendance was entertained by the choir which was directed by Dr Sharon Lyons, Soprano. Sharon, who is a Dublin native now residing in Kerry, founded the choir in 2022. We are lucky to have her in our midst. The Kerry Scotia Ensemble, founded a few years ago, is the only professional orchestra in Kerry.

"We were delighted with the outcome and we are most grateful to Bishop Ray Browne and the Killarney Parish clergy for allowing us to stage the event at the lovely Park Road church location which proved to be an ideal

setting for the concert" said Cathal Walshe, PRO of Killarney Branch, Kerry Hospice Fundraising Committee.

The committee would especially like to thank Dr Sharon, choir and orchestra for a lovely evening of music and song which was much appreciated by the large audience. The generosity of all who donated raffle prizes and members of the public who came along to support the show is very much appreciated.

The proceeds of the show will go towards the provision of care for patients, which includes nursing support, specialist services and equipment. Kerry hospice needs to raise in excess of €10,000 weekly to support these services.



Pictured at the presentation of a cheque for €4290 to Kerry Hospice were members of the Kerry Choir, Dr. Sharon Lynons Soprano, Lucy Tanner, Kerry Scotia Ensemble, Maria O'Connor, Kerry Scotia Ensemble and members of the Killarney Branch of the Kerry Hospice Committee, Phyllis O'Sullivan, Tess Flynn Pat Doolan, Angela Curran, Dermot O'Reilly and Cathal Walshe at the Men's Shed on Monday night.

Chamber thanks Donal Grady for years of service

Killarney Chamber of Tourism and Commerce has expressed gratitude to Cllr Donal Grady for his commitment and contribution over many years of faithful service during a long and distinguished career in local politics.

The Chamber has wished him a very happy and healthy retirement and stressed that he can take life a little easier, secure in the knowledge that he has helped to make Killarney a better place.

"Cllr Grady's decision to step down from frontline politics, after close on

a quarter of a century of service, marks a real end of an era," Chamber joint presidents Johnny McGuire and Pádraig Treacy said in a statement. Paying tribute to the role he has played in so many facets of Killarney life, they said his commitment to many community causes was admirable and he leaves a real legacy of public service of which he and his family and supporters can be immensely proud.

"Cllr Donal Grady always put the welfare and the wellbeing of his town and its people first and his was a strong and influential independent voice for the people that voted for him, with such consistency and enthusiasm, in all of the elections he contested since 1999," the statement read.

"He was approachable, courteous, willing to listen and always willing offer help and that's the hallmark of a very effective local politician.

"When he wasn't kept busy in the town hall in Killarney or in county buildings in Tralee, Cllr Grady was a familiar sight on the streets of his home town, meeting and greeting the people and keeping a close eye on the town he loved representing," the Chamber statement added.

"Donal can reflect on a job very well done when he looks back on his contribution to his town and his county. He worked hard and he left his mark".

The Chamber said it is appropriate that Cllr Grady's final municipal district meeting coincided with the turning of the sod for the new Killarney skate park which has always been a project very close to his heart.

The Chamber said Donal's family has been a political force in Killarney for many decades with his late father, John, and his brother Sean also serving on the local council and that great tradition will now be carried on by the next generation.

Killarney Chamber of Tourism and Commerce wished Cllr Grady a wonderful and adventure-filled retirement.



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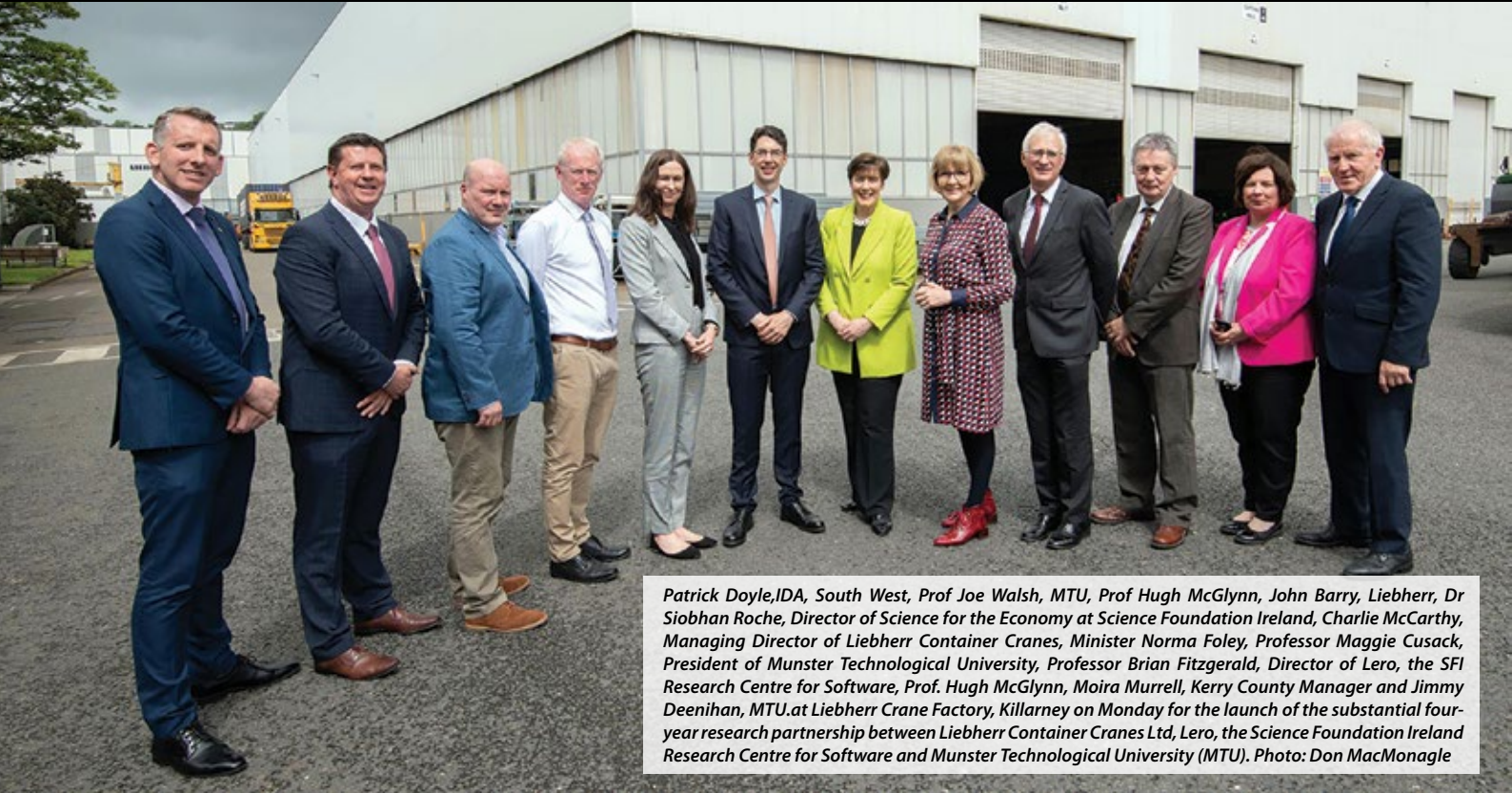
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NEW PARTNERSHIP ANNOUNCED BETWEEN LIEBHERR AND LERO

Minister for Education launches four-year research partnership between Lero, MTU and Liebherr



Patrick Doyle, IDA, South West, Prof Joe Walsh, MTU, Prof Hugh McGlynn, John Barry, Liebherr, Dr Siobhan Roche, Director of Science for the Economy at Science Foundation Ireland, Charlie McCarthy, Managing Director of Liebherr Container Cranes, Minister Norma Foley, Professor Maggie Cusack, President of Munster Technological University, Professor Brian Fitzgerald, Director of Lero, the SFI Research Centre for Software, Prof. Hugh McGlynn, Moira Murrell, Kerry County Manager and Jimmy Deenihan, MTU at Liebherr Crane Factory, Killarney on Monday for the launch of the substantial four-year research partnership between Liebherr Container Cranes Ltd, Lero, the Science Foundation Ireland Research Centre for Software and Munster Technological University (MTU). Photo: Don MacMonagle

Minister for Education, Norma Foley TD, has launched a substantial four-year research partnership between Liebherr Container Cranes Ltd, Lero, the Science Foundation Ireland Research Centre for Software and Munster Technological University (MTU). The project will develop and expand Liebherr's existing systems for 'smart cranes' which help to safely and efficiently move millions of shipping containers around the world every day.

Speaking at the launch, Minister Foley said: "This research project brings together two leaders in the field of research and development and shows the importance and the value of industry-academic collaborations. Since its formation in 2005, Lero has established itself as a world leader in software research and continues to underpin Ireland's outstanding software research reputation. This partnership represents a continuation of the decades' long commitment to R&D that Liebherr Container Cranes has shown which, coupled with its apprenticeship and scholarship programmes, set an example for others to follow."

Liebherr's managing director, Mr Charlie McCarthy, said the partnership would help strengthen Liebherr's market position and will allow Liebherr to remain at the forefront of container crane development.

"Liebherr is an industry leader in the manufacture of container cranes, and we enjoy an enviable reputation for providing cranes of exceptionally high quality. Our ongoing relationship with Lero and the team at MTU enables us to compete on quality and technological innovation building on substantial investment in research and development to help ensure the future success of the company and our customers," he added.

Mr McCarthy said that innovation and development continue to be the company's lifeblood, with teams of structural, electrical, software, automation, mechanical and quality engineers developing new products, systems and software that ensure that Liebherr stays at the cutting edge when it comes to technology and product innovation.

Lero researcher, Professor Joseph Walsh, based at the Munster Technological University's Kerry campus, is leading the partnership with

Killarney-headquartered Liebherr Container Cranes Ltd and said that six full-time researchers would work in close partnership with Liebherr engineers on the project: "Smart Systems for Next Generation Container Cranes (SmartCrane)."

"President of Munster Technological University Professor Maggie Cusack said the longstanding and fruitful partnership between Liebherr, MTU and Lero gives her great confidence that MTU will further enhance its relationship with manufacturing companies who want to get ahead.

Liebherr is one of the leading manufacturers of container cranes globally, many of which are equipped with extensive automation systems and remote-operation capabilities. The Killarney-based company is a key employer in the South-West with over 800 employees and a long-time collaborator with universities through their research, engineering and IT scholarships, and apprenticeship programmes.



Minister for Education, Norma Foley TD with Mr Charlie McCarthy, Managing Director of Liebherr Container Cranes, left and Prof Joe Walsh, MTU at the launch of the substantial four-year research partnership between Liebherr Container Cranes Ltd, Lero, the Science Foundation Ireland Research Centre for Software and Munster Technological University (MTU) at Liebherr Crane Factory, Killarney on Monday. Photo: Don MacMonagle

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MINISTER DONNELLY VISITS COMMUNITY HEALTHCARE PROJECTS IN KILLARNEY



Minister for Health Stephen Donnelly and Minister Norma Foley pictured during a visit to view the construction site for the new Killarney Community Nursing Unit off the Killarney Bypass, on Friday with Breda Delves, Director of Nursing and Geraldine O'Neill, St. Columbanus's Hospital.

Photo: Don MacMonagle

Minister for Health Stephen Donnelly reviewed progress on two key projects for community healthcare in Kerry – the construction of a new 130-bed Community Nursing Unit (CNU) in Killarney and Castleisland Primary Care Centre. He also paid a courtesy visit to Columbanus Community Hospital.

Minister Donnelly met with contractors and HSE staff involved with the Killarney CNU site (located off the bypass) before travelling to Columbanus Community Hospital, where he met a number of residents in two wards. Residents from Columbanus Community Hospital will move to the new CNU once it is completed, in approximately two years' time.

Minister Donnelly said: "The developments in Killarney and Castleisland are both important advances in the provision of healthcare for, and within, the Kerry community.

"Primary Care Centres like Castleisland and the Enhanced Community Care Programme will deliver more and more services closer to where people live, by enhancing and increasing community health services. Co-locating services in a centre like Castleisland Primary Care helps to co-ordinate and integrate services, and support collaborative working.

"The new Killarney Community Nursing Unit is a very significant project

for Killarney and the surrounding areas and represents a significant capital investment. It will give future residents a very high standard of comfortable, single-room accommodation, matching the high standard of care provided by staff."

Director of Nursing at Columbanus Community Hospital, Breda Delves, said that residents and staff are excited about the development of the new unit, which is being developed through a public private partnership. Construction began last December.

"This project is significant, as regards the HSE plans to replace outdated community hospital buildings across both Kerry and Cork, but it's also an exciting one for the town of Killarney and for our residents.

"Staff are looking forward to the move to a modern new building but, for our residents, it is a move to a more comfortable, modern home which affords them the privacy and dignity that they deserve. All residents will have single ensuite rooms and we will also have a 30-bed dementia unit. This new development will allow us to continue to provide the highest quality of care for older people in the region," she said.

Minister Donnelly later visited Castleisland Primary Care Centre, where construction work is complete and plans are underway for the extensive internal fit-out needed for a wide range of HSE community services.



Minister for Health Stephen Donnelly chats and Minister Norma Foley pictured during a visit to residents at St. Columbanus Hospital in Killarney on Friday. Included are, in front, Julie Fitzpatrick, Eileen Lydon, Mary P O'Connor and Joan O'Donoghue. At back, are, Anne Boland, Mary Hartnett, Donal Cronin and standing are, Geraldine O'Neill, Siobhan Coffey, Breda Delves, Director of Nursing, Michelle Merritt, Eleanor McCarthy, Myra Walshe, John Cronin and Norita Earlie. The ministers also visited the site for the new Killarney Community Nursing Unit which is under construction off the Killarney Bypass. Photo: Don MacMonagle



Minister for Health Stephen Donnelly chats and Minister Norma Foley pictured during a visit to residents at St. Columbanus Hospital in Killarney on Friday. Included are, John O'Connor, Donie Bowler, James Sheehy and John Egan. The ministers also visited the site for the new Killarney Community Nursing Unit which is under construction off the Killarney Bypass. Photo: Don MacMonagle



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It's the talk of the town...

With Anne Lucey



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

"HE'S GOT KILLARNEY AT HEART"

Last Wednesday was a day of mixed emotions for Councillor Donal Grady as he stepped down after 24 years service, first as a Killarney town councillor and then as a county councillor.



The meeting took place appropriately in the Killarney Town Hall. Back in the day, the council chamber was upstairs and it was occupied by the town clerk who sat on the Main Street side of the huge polished table with documents and phone. I thought the symbolism of that elevated upstairs chamber perfect: before officialdom was the balancing reminder of the meeting table and then when they met, councillors were reminded they were in a hall of business and administration.

Donal will have many memories and indeed a storehouse of family memories. He sought reassurance that the mayoral chain of office with his own name, that of his brother Sean O'Grady and his late father John would be restored. The third generation will be Martin, Donal's son.

Donal is not the only one with memories: I covered his first election and in the run up noted how Donal was running as Donal Grady and how this put him ahead on the ballot paper of his brother who was an O'Grady. The then Kingdom ran a colourful piece of mine with the headline "O Brother", after a popular tv show. You could have lots of robust fun in journalism in those days and people would still talk to you!

The town council was tight race and it was always easier to get elected to the European parliament than to either Killarney Town Council or the Killarney ward of the County Council.

In 2009 Lynn Boylan who was living in Beaufort and she failed at the county council hurdle. Lynn later topped the poll in the Europeans in Dublin. Our own Sean Kelly also failed in a bid for a county council seat but glided into Brussels.

So it was an enormous achievement for Donal that two brothers got elected onto Killarney Town council in 1999. The Quota that election was 470.

Tributes flowed from fellow councillors to Donal not least from sometime rival Niall O'Callaghan who summed it all up.

Niall said that while Donal could be "abrasive"

at times in the heat of debate: "He's got Killarney at heart."

HOUSING FOR LOCALS

Speaking of Donal, his last contribution was a passionate appeal for housing and for something to be done for locals facing homelessness and eviction.

I was struck this week by the cabinet meeting urgently about a successful High Court case taken by an Afghan man left homeless when he arrived in the State. Is it not about time some local family took a case about not being able to find a home where their children attend school and where they work? Surely there is some solicitor in this town who would take on the challenge pro bono?

Pressure from accommodating tourists and refugees means the council in Killarney "cannot get their hands" on emergency accommodation for local families facing eviction, the meeting of Killarney MD heard. That means there is now no emergency accommodation locally.

The town has among the highest number of tourist beds in the country. But the traditional accommodation available to the council was simply no longer available to the council. Families facing homelessness were being told they would have to remove to Tralee.

Councillor Brendan Cronin had asked where families facing eviction in Killarney can be accommodated so their children can be close to schools and employment.

"In the case of Killarney specifically there is a difficulty with the availability of emergency accommodation," Brendan was told by way of written reply.

The overall accommodation has proved "extremely challenging". Senior Housing Officer Gerard O'Brien told the meeting "it's not for want of trying" but the council was competing with the pressure from the "tourism and the refugee perspective" in Killarney.

"We just cannot get our hands on emergency accommodation (in Killarney) at the moment," Ger O'Brien said.

But the headline should not go out people were on the streets, he added.

Donal said a lot of people in Killarney did not want to go to Tralee.

"We are not doing enough for our own people, for people born and raised here in this town," he said.

GAME OF THRONES

I watched some of the coronation while doing the ironing Saturday and I wondered at times if I were not watching the Game of Thrones. The event was spectacular but there was something not quite real about it. I wondered if the world has not passed

by this sort of pomp and circumstance in the 70 years since the last coronation and the first televised one. And has it not been undermined by television itself and period drama?

Even in the short few years since Harry and Meghan's wedding the whole thing struck me as bizarre and out of place in this post-Covid post-Brexit, post-Mexit world.

I am more open than most to royal watching and I enjoyed the few hours I spent shadowing Charles and Camilla in Muckross in 2018. I think they are fine people and curious people and have no airs and graces much and they went about their task professionally and politely and patiently which is all we are all asked to do in whatever way of life we walk.

But that coronation was bizarre! I couldn't take seriously how poor Camilla's head nearly fell off her with the weight of the crown and she was obviously uncomfortable and kept trying to put her hand up to save her head. I felt myself wondering about Queens who had been beheaded and if there was a fracture in her neck bone who would pay for it or who would find out. And what if she trips?

And then there was the mediocally named Penny Mordaunt who was straight out of a film studio in that theatrical costume keeping a straight face and going around with a heavy sword!

But while game of thrones was one side of things, the 4,000 military parade was the real and serious thing for Charles now as head of the armed forces. This was perfectly timed and this is really the essence of the Brits: military might. It is also their origin. They were Germanic tribes brought in by the Romans as paid mercenaries and native Celts were shoved to the most extreme edges and then the military minded Brits invaded us and everyone else.

But Long live King Charles and Queen Camilla and given their connections with Killarney it would be nice if they used their new influence to hand us back stuff like the Annals of Innisfallen.



The newly crowned King of England and Queen Camilla pictured at Muckross Traditional Farms during the Royal Visit in June 2018. Photo: Valerie O'Sullivan

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The Woodard Collection OPEN NEW GALLERY

Renowned photographers Evelyn Woodard & Keith Woodard have recently opened a new appointment only gallery.

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Just Breath....

YOGA IS FOR EVERYBODY

Elaine O'Neill from Santosha Yoga always knew Yoga was good for you but like many people she didn't know exactly how or why.

"It wasn't until I went to my first Yoga class many years ago that I realised it wasn't all just about deep breathing and a little stretch.", Elaine told

Killarney Outlook.

"I will admit I was way out of my depth as I joined an advanced class with students that had been practicing for years. Thankfully I stuck with it and was assured that everybody is different and to make the practice my own", she added.

It didn't take long for the benefits to take effect. Elaine was sleeping better, felt better both physically and mentally, she lost weight as practicing yoga enables you to bring a deep sense of relaxation to your body and your mind, helping her to de stress and allowing her to lose weight naturally.

"I became more present in my daily life spending time with family and friends was more enjoyable. I became more flexible and stronger, then I was hooked I was eager to progress my practice", she said.

"I began to notice that I was able to deal with life's problems when they arose (and they will) with calmness and ease. Being more present and aware in my daily life has also benefitted those around me.

Basically regular Yoga practice made me a nicer person to be around. Life is short why waste time sweating the small stuff, and it's all small stuff".

I realised to get all of the amazing benefits Yoga could bring into my life I knew I had to become a regular practitioner. I began going to more classes and then I started doing my own practice at home every day. I love Yoga so much I decided to take the leap and become a Yoga teacher. I teach in B Well Fitness Club and love to see new students coming in. Some people are nervous that they aren't flexible enough or that will look out of their depth trust me we all have to start somewhere and if you give it time you two will receive all the benefits Yoga has to offer.

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FOUR CHARITIES SET TO BENEFIT FROM 2023 RESTORATION PROJECT

Killarney Valley Classic and Vintage Club are proud to announce their four benefitting charities for 2023 restoration raffle. They are Saint Francis Special School, Killarney Rugby Club, Kerry Stars and the Paul Murphy Charity.

Paul was diagnosed with myopathy mitochondrial disease in October 2019. This has had a devastating effect on his family.

The disease has resulted in three members of his immediate family passing away from the same illness. Betty passed away in 2003, George passed away in 2012 and Matty passed away in 2016.

Paul has remained positive throughout this whole process with the help and support of his wife Linda, his mum, brothers and sisters in Wexford, friends, college friends, the staff of Kerry University Hospital, the staff of Bons Secours Hospital in Tralee as well as the many community HSE staff.

The couple have two young children, Harry who is thirteen and Sadie is nine. In 2022 a group of Paul's friends and college friends embarked on a project to make Paul's home more accessible for a person with such a diagnosis. The funding would allow Paul to get a personal assistant which in turn would get him out into the community on a regular basis.

"On Sunday May 7th we introduced these charities to the public before the main launch on May 12th", Tom Leslie told Killarney Outlook.

"We are very excited for this year's project as we are celebrating ten years of the club", he added.

Tickets go on sale from May 13th for €10 to be in with a chance of winning the 1979 Landrover, Honda 70 motorbike, Honda X8R motorbike and many more prizes from killarneyvalleycv.com



Members of Killarney Valley Classic & Vintage pictured at the announcement of their four charities to benefit from their 2023 restoration raffle.



Members of Kerry Stars pictured at the announcement.



Killarney Rugby Club pictured at the announcement.



Representatives from St. Francis Special School pictured at the announcement.



Representatives of Paul Murphy Charity pictured at the announcement.



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SUMMER HORSE RACING FESTIVALS at Killarney are back!

Killarney Racecourse is set to host the first of three Summer horse-racing festivals in May. From Sunday 14 to Tuesday 16 of May inclusive 'MayFest' will take place at Ireland's most scenic racecourse. Killarney Racecourse Ambassador, Bryan Cooper will be on hand to help steer punters on the right path and live music, family fun and delicious food and beverage offerings will also complement the best of summer racing at the popular track.

There are a number of tickets and packages to choose from, whether it is close to the action general admission tickets or silver service fine dining and a table for the day, there is something for everyone at Killarney Races. Adult admission tickets will give you access to all you need for a great day at the races; the viewing stands, public bars and restaurants, the bookies ring and parade ring viewing areas as well as access to live entertainment during and after racing all for just €20. OAPs and students enjoy a reduced rate admission of €15 per person with appropriate ID. Furthermore, it is good to note that all children under the age of 14 are free of charge to attend every race day at Killarney Races when accompanied by an adult. So why not bring along your very own 'junior jockeys' to Mayfest for a fun and inexpensive family day out.

Ideal for groups of friends and social clubs the Punters Package looks like a winner, offering the key ingredients for a good start to any race

day; admission, racecard, a drink and a bet. The punters package will get you suited and bootied for a proper day out with all the gang at Killarney Races. While those with a more discerning palate might opt for the Panoramic Restaurant package which includes four-course dining, a reserved table for the day, table service for food, beverages, and betting as well as a private balcony with stunning views overlooking the entire racecourse.

Chairman Billy O'Sullivan commented "Killarney Races is a boutique festival. It encompasses a wonderful mix of summer horse racing blended with live entertainment on the lawn and indoors, a wide variety of delicious food and beverage offerings, family fun and fashion. Here at Ireland's most scenic racecourse, our focus is on customer experience. We offer an unrivalled quality product where sport, entertainment and hospitality all combine to create a memorable day out. The stunning backdrop we race against is without question one of the finest in the world and we're just a stone's throw away from the town centre where there will be lots of après racing fun and frolics also. The team here simply can't wait to start the season and welcome racegoers back to the track, as it really is the people who attend that make this place come alive. Killarney Races is unique, things are a little more special and remarkable here than your typical day out so if you're new to racing come along and all visitors

and regular racegoers are valued and most welcome to join us."

Sunday is an all-jump racing card and the feature race is the exciting 'Tote Killarney National'. The first race will go to post at 13.55pm and gates will be open from 12 noon. Monday is an evening meeting, all jump racing again with a start time of 16.55pm and gates open from 3pm. The feature race the An Ríocht Chase looks set to attract plenty of entries from a number of the country's top stables.

Tuesday will close MayFest in style on the flat with an action-packed card featuring race The Irish Stallion Farms EBF Fillies Race. The first race goes to post at 17.00pm and gates open from 3pm.

Live music will be provided by Tom Cat's and Resolute in the lively Jim Culloty Bar. On Sunday there will be children's entertainment also, with the team from The Art House providing painting and an exciting bubble machine as well as face painting to ensure plenty of fun between races during Mayfest for all junior racegoers. Don't forget kids under 14 go free every day at Killarney Races making it a cost-effective family day out for all the gang!

The only question remaining is, have you booked your tickets yet? For further information or to book online visit www.killarneyraces.com.



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Call for young people to pray at the Shrine of Blessed Carlo Actuis

A new shrine has been erected in The Friary honouring Blessed Carlo Acutis.

Carlo Acutis was an English-born Italian Catholic youth and website designer, who is best known for documenting Eucharistic miracles around the world and cataloguing them onto a website which he created beBr Br. Pat Lynch OFM Guardian at the Friary is inviting everyone, especially young people, to come and pray at the new new banner (shrine) at the back of the Friary with the photo and prayer to Blessed Carlo Acutis.

Born in London, Carlo's Italian parents moved back to Italy, to Milan when he was a child. He was an amateur website designer, is best known for documenting Eucharistic miracles around the world and cataloguing them onto a website which he created before his death from leukemia on October 12th 2006.

"He had a great love for St Francis of Assisi and his tomb is in the church of Santa Maria Maggiore, Assisi. Blessed Carlo was beatified in Assisi on October 2020 on behalf of Pope Francis. He is the patron of youth and Computer Programmers. We pray that he will soon be canonized. Perhaps you might encourage young people to come pray and venerate his image", Br. Lynch told Killarney Outlook.

As a teenager, Carlo was diagnosed with leukemia. He offered his sufferings for Pope Benedict XVI and for the Church, saying "I offer all the suffering I will have to suffer for the Lord,

for the Pope, and the Church." He died on Oct. 12, 2006, and was buried in Assisi, at his request, because of his love for St. Francis of Assisi. His cause for canonization began in 2013. He was designated "Venerable" in 2018, and was designated "Blessed" October 10, 2020.

From a young age, Carlo seemed to have a special love for God, even though his parents weren't especially devout. His mom said that before Carlo, she went to Mass only for her First Communion, her confirmation, and her wedding. But as a young child, Carlo loved to pray the rosary. After he made his First Communion, he went to Mass as often as he could, and he made Holy Hours before or after Mass. He went to confession weekly. He asked his parents to take him on pilgrimages — to the places of the saints, and to the sites of Eucharistic miracles. His witness of faith led to a deep conversion in his mom, because, according to the priest promoting his cause for sainthood, he "managed to drag his relatives, his parents to Mass every day. It was not the other way around; it was not his parents bringing the little boy to Mass, but it was he who managed to get himself to Mass and to convince others to receive Communion daily."

He was known for defending kids at school who got picked on, especially disabled kids. When a friend's parents were getting a divorce, Carlo made a special effort to include his friend in the Acutis family life. He was also a programmer, and built a website cataloguing and promoting Eucharistic miracles. On the site, he told people that "the more often we receive

the Eucharist, the more we will become like Jesus, so that on this earth we will have a foretaste of heaven."

Carlo loved playing video games. His console of choice was a Playstation, or possibly a PS2, which was released in 2000, when Carlo was nine. We know he only allowed himself to play games for an hour a week, as a penance and a spiritual discipline, but he wanted to play much more.

Initially, there were reports that the body of Carlo Acutis was found to be incorrupt. A spokeswoman for Acutis' beatification told CNA that the entire body was present when it was exhumed, but "not incorrupt." He, however, lied in repose in a glass tomb where he was venerated by pilgrims until Oct. 17, 2020. He was displayed in jeans and a pair of Nikes, the casual clothes he preferred in life.

His heart, which can now be considered a relic, is displayed in a reliquary in the Basilica of St. Francis in Assisi. His mother said that his family had wanted to donate his organs when he died, but were unable to do so because of the leukemia.

Left to right:
Br Pat Lynch ofm (Guardian) and Fr Antony Jukes OFM



John Healy.

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ELECTRIC CARS – WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

JOHN HEALY FROM HEALY INSURANCE ON WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT ELECTRIC CARS

Electric vehicles are fast becoming the preferred choice for new car buyers. There are many types of EVs on the market today from battery electric vehicles (BEVs) to plug-in

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There are many benefits if you choose an electric vehicle.

- Better for the environment. This is one of the biggest advantages, pure electric vehicles have no tailpipe so they produce less harmful emissions than an internal combustion engine.
- Lower running costs. It is estimated that fuelling an EV can cost 80% less than fuelling a comparable petrol vehicle.
- Lower maintenance costs. Did you know there is less brake pad wear on an electric vehicle because the motor slows the vehicle before friction braking is needed. The energy goes back to the

battery, instead of wearing out your brake pads. In addition many EV drivers experience less tyre wear.

- Driving distance. Hybrids do not have any issue for overall driving range. However pure battery electric vehicles come with a variety of driving ranges. Typical EV ranges go from 100kms up to 500kms. According to the sustainable energy authority 80% of car journeys in Ireland cover distances of 20km or under.
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Developing Young Entrepreneurs of the Future at Presentation Castleisland



Modern Posture: Niamh O'Donnell, Grace McGovern, Aisha Pabon and Aoibhinn Walsh, with their teacher Mr. Clarke, winning the Kerry County title in the Intermediate Category and winning 'Best Display Stand' at the National Final in Croke Park.



Foldem Goals: Millie Hughes, Frankie Maguire and Molly Moran awarded Runner-Up in the Junior Category in the Kerry County Final.



Healthy Heat: Jasmine O'Sullivan, Colene O'Callaghan, Amber Foley and Blaithin McBride awarded Runner-Up in the Senior Category at the Kerry County Final (absent Emily Walsh).

The team of Modern Posture capped off another year of achievement for Presentation Castleisland in the Student Enterprise programme by winning a title at the National Final in Croke Park on 5 May. The Student Enterprise programme offers students the opportunity to take a business from idea stage all the way through to production, marketing and selling. Over 25,000 students across the country participated in this year's programme.

National Title – Modern Posture

Modern Posture, made up of Aisha Pabon, Grace McGovern, Niamh O'Donnell and Aoibhinn Walsh, team design and manufacture portable, sustainable and lightweight mobile phone stands, upcycling old wooden floorboards in the process. The aim of their enterprise is to prevent what has become known as 'tech neck', strain on the spine and neck from students leaning forward and slouching while using their electronic devices. The team won First Place in the Intermediate Category in the Kerry County Final in March and represented Kerry in the All-Ireland National Final in Croke Park. The students made excellent presentations to the judges on their business and deservedly won a title for Best Display Stand. Enterprise Teacher Mr. Clarke added "Congratulations to the students involved, they developed a business in pursuit of a solution to a real world problem. This makes it six years in a row where Presentation Castleisland has won a title at the National Final."

County Titles

The success in the All-Ireland in May followed on from the success by students in Presentation Castleisland in the County Final held in March in the MTU. The

First Year team of FoldemGoals, made up of Millie Hughes, Molly Moran and Frankie Maguire were awarded Runner-Up, for their design of foldable and portable GAA and soccer goal posts. The enterprise encourages more young people to practise sport. Healthy Heat, comprised of Colene O'Callaghan, Jasmine O'Sullivan, Amber Foley, Blaithin McBride and Emily Walsh, were awarded Runner-Up in the Senior Category for their innovative pet jacket providing heat therapy to animals. The focus of the team is to provide heat therapy to isolated areas of a dog or cat, for example, hips of a dog in the case of arthritis. The team upcycled old fabric materials for the jacket, and developed pouches of flaxseed which, after being heated in a microwave, can be inserted inside the jacket.

Pen Locket, made up of Nell Hartnett, Ella Greaney, Leah Griffin and Muireann Hickey, developed a business to make stationary armbands for the storage of pens, pencils and markers by teachers and students. The students won the award for Best Stand at the Kerry County Final, with their giant rubber, colouring pencils and overall display capturing the imagination of the judges.

Mr Clarke added "It was wonderful to work with enthusiastic and creative young students this year who applied their learning in Enterprise to develop real world mini businesses. This programme complements student learning in the classroom and gives students an opportunity to make pitches to business professionals. It was brilliant to see Modern Posture enjoy a day out in Croke Park, and we hope other teams from our school can follow in their footsteps in future years as well."

FUN FUNDRAISER AT FAHA NS

Faha NS held a fundraiser on Odd Socks Day for Down Syndrome Ireland recently and raised a whopping €350.

The school teamed up with Mike & Sean Horan and our own caretaker James Coffey of the Opel/Vauxhall 2023 Kerry Run who kindly brought some vintage cars to the school last week. The kids were delighted and there was great excitement as you can imagine!

Pictured are the student council with Jerry FitzGerald (principal) and James Coffey (caretaker)



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Legion Tee Off at Golf Classic

By: Enda Walshe



Dan Doona, Team Sean Daly Construction, collecting the winners prize from Shaun O Connor, Patrick O Donoghue and Sean Murphy.



Justin Healy, on behalf of his brother Ted, collecting second prize with Patrick O Donoghue and Sean Murphy.

When Sean Daly constructed his team for the Killarney Legion GAA Golf Classic he certainly put all the right tools in the bag as teammates Dan Doona and Johnny Brosnan made sure the trio dovetailed to perfection to carry the spoils. Their 95 point haul on a mild day in the famed O Mahony Point course made them clear winners over the Ted Healy inspired team consisting of Kieran Cremin and David Marmian. They were chased home all the way by Con Healy, James McCarthy and the irrepressible Patie Sugrue, representing the Legion legends of Johnny Culloty and Pat Healy. Declan Kelly's driver was in full working order as he creamed the longest drive down the 11th and in the process finished fourth alongside Adrian Brennan and Brian Hayles. Golfer supreme Seamie O Connor won nearest the pin with his excellent pitch to one of the world's trickiest Par 3s, the 18th.

Full Results

1st: Team Sean Daly Construction.. Sean Daly, Dan Doona, Johnny Brosnan 95 pts

2nd: Team Ted Healy.. Ted Healy, Kieran Cremin, David Marmion 91 pts

3rd: Team Johnny Culloty/ Pat Healy.. James McCarthy, Patie Sugrue, Con Healy 90 pts

4th: Team Victoria Hotel.. Declan Kelly, Adrian Brennan, Brian Hayles

Longest Drive: Declan Kelly

Nearest the Pin: Seamie O Connor.

The Club would like to thank most sincerely everyone who took part in the Golf Classic, sponsored a team or a tee box and bought tickets in the raffle. We are also very grateful to Patrick O'Donoghue and the GlenEagle Hotel group for their generous sponsorship of the Classic. Special thanks to Enda Murphy and his greenkeeping team who had the course in immaculate shape as per usual, with yesterday's rain giving it an extra pristine feel. Finally this event would not be the success it was, close to 50 teams took part, without the work of our guru Sean Murphy who cajoles and coordinates the Classic, working tirelessly, along with the help of the Finance Committee of Shaun O Connor, Dave Randles, Liam McGuire, John Bowler, Shaun O Connor, Justin Healy and John Foran.

The raffle was also well supported and Legion Hall of Famer Dan Moynihan bought the lucky ticket to win first prize with Tim Healy, Leo O Kane and Noel Fleming also in luck.



Con Healy and James McCarthy in centre, collecting third prize from Patrick O Donoghue and Sean Murphy



Declan Kelly representing the Victoria Hotel collecting 4th prize from Shaun O Connor, Patrick O Donoghue, sponsor, and Sean Murphy

CONCERT IN AID OF THE KERRY CANCER SUPPORT GROUP

The Castleisland Presentation Secondary School Choir and the Killorglin Men's Social Club Choir will perform together on Wednesday 17th of May at 7.30pm in St. John's Hall in the Presentation Secondary School Castleisland in aid of the Kerry Cancer Bus service. All donations will be greatly received at the door on the night. Please come along and support this wonderful cause on the night.



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Heroes Homecoming for All Ireland Scor Na nOg Champions

History was made in the INEC last Saturday when Glenflesk Ballad group won the All Ireland Scor Na nOg final. This was the first time a Kerry club won the final in the Ballad group discipline. The group consisting of Cliona Moynihan, Muireann Healy, Aoise O Donoghue, Abby Cronin and Patrick Mullane and super sub Sarah O Donoghue performed their two songs "The land of the Gael" and "Sailing off to the Yankee land" with grace and style and superb harmonies. Competition was of the highest level, but the group's teacher Rosie Healy had them so well prepared and tutored, making sure the title came to our proud club. Congratulations to Rosie and the group on this outstanding achievement.

A huge crowd turned out to greet and welcome them back to Glenflesk Club House on Monday evening. Excitement was definitely at fever pitch and a standing ovation was the order of the day as they gave another top class rendition of their two winning songs. Chairman Jerry Mullane made a presentation to their teacher Rosie Healy and also to the hard working Scor Officer Allison O Sullivan.



The All Ireland winning Ballad Group with Rosie Healy (teacher), Sarah O Donoghue, Cliona Moynihan, Muireann Healy, Patrick Mullane, Aoise O Donoghue and Abby Cronin. Photo Seamus Healy.



Ballad group teacher receiving her presentation from Glenflesk secretary Emma O Donoghue and chairman Jerry Mullane. Photo Seamus Healy.



Glenflesk Scor Officer with her presentation from Emma O Donoghue (Secretary) and Jerry Mullane (Chairman). Photo Seamus Healy.

The Dawning of the Day....

The dawning of the day....Dawn Chorus begins from Muckross Abbey, in Killarney National Park, presented by Conservation Rangers from National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS) Live music from Musicians, Derry and Rosie Healy and accordion player, Bryan O'Leary. Included was Bird Song from 6th Century monastic Islands of Skellig Michael and Innisfallen on Lough Lein. From left, Bryan O'Leary, Derry Healy, Rosie Healy, Nikki Wissell, Padruig (Brac) O'Sullivan, Trisha Beecher, Jess Burkitt, Mary Sheehan and Sam Bayley. Photo: Valerie O'Sullivan



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ALL IRELAND GLORY FOR GLENFLESK & SPA AT SCÓR NA NÓG

- Craobh Ceannais na hÉireann 2023 -

There were huge celebrations at the INEC on Saturday when Glenflesk and Spa won All Ireland glory on the double for the Kingdom as the curtain came down on Scor Na nOg activities.

GAA Counties from across the Country descended upon the INEC Arena, Killarney on Saturday last May 6th where the 2023 All Ireland Finals of Scor Na nOg took place and where over 19 Counties battled it out in the various categories hoping to bring All Ireland glory to their respective Clubs and County.

Now in its 50th year after being introduced in 1973, for GAA members to gather and celebrate all that is good in our, music, song, dance, novelty and storytelling traditions.

Over 1300 people were in attendance on the day and everyone enjoyed the marvellous talented performers on stage during what was a great days entertainment with new champions being crowned and overwhelmingly great enjoyment was had by all.

"There was great jubilation and celebrating as Kerry captured Ballad Group and Set Dancing All Ireland Titles", Jack Hennessy, PRO told Killarney Outlook.

The day began with a stirring rendition of Amhrán na bhFiann sang by Limerick man Micheal O Riain who all of 50 years ago secured the first All Ireland in Scor na nOg in Amhranaíocht Aonair. Both Caitriona Nic an tSaoir from the Chreagan in Antrim and our own Mairtin O Cathasaigh, from Lispole were excellent in their Fear agus Bean A Ti duties and kept everything running smoothly. Figure Dancing got the ball rolling and from there to the final discipline of the evening in Set Dancing we were treated to a fantastic five hours of evening's entertainment. Kerry were involved in three of the on stage disciplines and first up in the 4th category of the first half were Glenflesk in Ballad Group. Defeated in the

finals of 2020 and 2022 but after the disappointment of been so near the Adjudicators on this occasion gave them the nod to enter the winner's enclosure. Not alone was this the Clubs first Scor Na nOg title but it so happens to be Kerry's first at this level also. They sang Land of the Gael and Sailing off to the Yankee land; getting a great response from the audience; an audience which clapped along with the latter song. So the history makers were; Aoise O Donoghue, Muireann Healy, Abby Cronin, Cliona Moynihan and Sarah O Donoghue,

What can one say about the Set Dancers from the Spa Club who were going

for their 5th National title in Scor Na Nog; they would be known by the Dancing experts as one of the best and once again they didn't disappoint; Dancing 2 parts of the Lackyle Set in the final discipline of the evening and making it two- in-a-row they were simply unbeatable and were head and shoulders over their opponents on stage. The members of the victorious Set Dancers were;

Róisín O Sullivan, Isabel, Waters, Grace O Connor, Áine O Sullivan, Ciara O Donoghue, Dara Brosnan, Diarmuid O Donavan, Colm O Connor, Oisín O Sullivan.

Labhras Mac Carthaigh, Uachtaran Chumann Lúthchleas Gael was on hand to present all the winners with their medals amid delightful scenes.



Delight as Glenflesk are crowned All Ireland Champions. PHOTO: ANNE HOLLAND



Spa -Scór na nOg rince set winners on Saturday evening last in the INEC. PHOTO: ANNE HOLLAND



A delighted Rosie Healy who coached Glenflesk Ballad Group to All Ireland success.

ELLA'S BIG DAY: Ella O'Donoghue from Glenflesk National School celebrated her First Holy Communion on Saturday with her mom Gillian, dad Paul, sister Orla, brother Eoghan (pictured), and extended family members afterwards in the Plaza Hotel. Photo: Michelle Breen Crean Photography






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ACCORD Central Office is recruiting qualified, experienced counsellors for the Certificate in Counselling (Marriage and Relationship) training programme commencing in September 2023. Training will take place in Maynooth and the course is validated by the Pontifical University, Maynooth. Accord CLG pays the fees for the course and provides placement. For further information see the diocese of Kerry or the Accord websites. Applications close on the 19th of May.

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ANAM CARA KERRY; the organisation that supports bereaved parents, is holding it's monthly Parent Evening for bereaved parents on Tuesday 9th May at 7:15pm in the Meadowlands Hotel, Tralee Co. Kerry. This event is free and open to all bereaved parents regardless of the age your child died, the circumstances of their death, or whether their death was recent or not. We also offer an online support group and you can get further information on this by contacting us in info@anamcara.ie

Kerry 'meets' the Middle East

Six tourism companies from Ireland – including O'Donoghue Ring Collection – travelled to Dubai this week, to join Tourism Ireland at Arabian Travel Market (ATM), in a bid to grow tourist numbers from the Middle East in 2023 and beyond.

Tourism Ireland arranged meetings for the Irish tourism operators with key Middle Eastern travel professionals who are attending ATM.

ATM is the biggest travel trade event in the UAE, attracting more than 34,000 visitors – including leading tour operators, travel agents, business tourism buyers, airlines, travel media and bloggers – and not just from the UAE, but from all over the world.

Aisling McDermott, Tourism Ireland's Manager Asia and Middle East, said: "Tourism Ireland is delighted that

so many key travel professionals from the Middle East are taking the time to join us at Arabian Travel Market this week. It gives our tourism partners from Ireland an excellent platform to inform and influence the Middle Eastern travel professionals they meet about what Ireland has to offer and, importantly, to encourage them to include the destination in their future programmes."



Niamh O'Neill, O'Donoghue Ring Collection (third left); and Aisling McDermott, Tourism Ireland (right), with tourism operators from Ireland and Middle Eastern travel professionals at Arabian Travel Market in Dubai.

Castleisland Community College National Winners for French language video

Atlantic Technological University(ATU) held a languages competition with the support of Languages Connect. The competition was open to all second level schools. Transition year students entered the French category and won first place. The students under the guidance of French teacher Marie Lane created a video celebrating French culture. This was portrayed through a snippet of a 'googlebox' French episode. It included

commentary on French cuisine, cars, people and events. The competition was judged by the ATU languages team. The winning videos in the various languages will be used to promote the study of languages at second and third level education on a national level. 'The students and myself travelled to ATU Galway for the presentation where lunch was provided to all prize winners. We certainly enjoyed a wonderful day out,' stated Marie.



French Language National Award won by Transition year students.

In the photo from left sitting: Caitriona Murphy, Grace O Callaghan, Natasha Knightly, Leah Whelan and Amy O Sullivan. Middle row: Sarah West, Noah Moynihan, Fionn Griffin, Michael Brosnan, Bláithín O Mahony and Marie Lane (French teacher). Standing from left: Isabelle O Connor, Cathal White, Seán Mc Carthy, Rowan O Sullivan, Oscar Daly, Eabann Kearney.

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Carolena Kelly after receiving her First Holy Communion in the Church of the Resurrection Last Saturday. Photo Seamus Healy.



Children from Glenflesk School who received First Holy Communion in Glenflesk last Saturday with their Teacher Mark Egan, Fiona Brick, Fr. Jim Linehan and principal Paul Favier. Photo Seamus Healy.



Children from Barraduff School who received First Holy Communion in Glenflesk last Saturday with their Teacher Mark Egan and Fr. Jim Linehan. Photo Seamus Healy.



Children from Knockanes School who received First Holy Communion in Glenflesk last Saturday with their Teacher Pdraig O Connor and Fr. Jim Linehan. Photo Seamus Healy.



Conall Favier pictured here with his Nan Marian Favier after receiving his First Holy Communion in St. Agathas church in Glenflesk last Saturday. Photo Seamus Healy.



Darragh Carey with his parents Marion and Denis after he received first Holy Communion in St. Agathas church Glenflesk last Saturday. Photo Seamus Healy.



Children from Raheen School who received First Holy Communion in Glenflesk last Saturday with Principal Joan Marie Mullane, Fr. Jim Linehan and teacher Caroline Kissane. Photo Seamus Healy.



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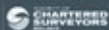


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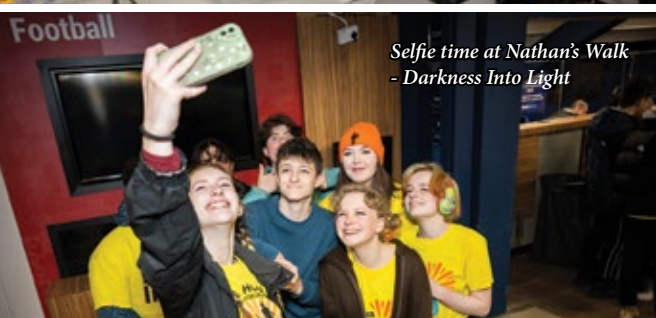


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Molly Collins holds a photo of her dad James.



Selfie time at Nathan's Walk - Darkness Into Light



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Eileen Magee and Fiona O'Shea pictured with Fiona's daughter Lily



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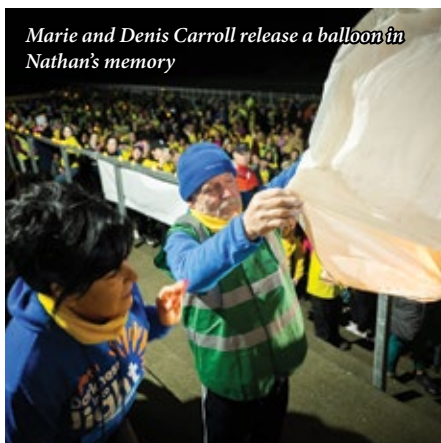
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KILCUMMIN

Written by: Helen Moynihan



Recent maintenance has been carried out on the Bog Walk.



Well done to our Under 15 boys who won the Division 3 Féile competition at the weekend.

>BOG WALKS

Kilcummin Rural Development would like to sincerely thank Kerry Co. Council for providing the funding to carry out maintenance and drainage to the Bog Walk recently. We also would like to thank the Department of Social Protection who provide the maintenance personnel under the local Community Employment Scheme. This work will greatly enhance the walks and make it safer for everyone. Details of these walks which are rich in a variety of flora & fauna, are in the "Kilcummin Walks" brochures (free of charge) which are available at the Rural Development Office and the Post Office. Why not pick one up and it may inspire you to discover this beautiful amenity which is enjoyed by many already. Please be mindful of keeping this a clean, safe and friendly place to enjoy by bringing your rubbish home, keeping your dog(s) on a lead when you come in contact with fellow walkers or wildlife and respecting the local landowners' property.

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>KILCUMMIN GAA

Under 15 Féile na Nog - County champions 2023

Well done to our Under 15 boys who won the Division 3 Féile competition at the weekend. Following a 4-10 to 1-05 away to St Michaels/ Skellig Rangers they qualified for the Finals on Saturday which was held in the John Mitchells complex.

In the semi-final we met Beaufort and after a powerful performance we ran out winners on a score line of Kilcummin 5-03 Beaufort 0-05. Goal scorers were Evan O Sullivan twice, Robbie Casey twice and Ronan O Connor from a penalty while Shane Morrissey, Rory O Connor and Liam O Mahony kicked the points.

The final against Ardfert was a much closer affair and we trailed at half time by two points 1-2 to 0-3, Rory O Connor and Ronan O'Connor our point scorers.

In a second half of fantastic defending and attacking we kept our opponents scoreless while we added on 1-04 to emerge victorious on a score line Kilcummin 1-07 Ardfert 1-02. Scorers: Ronan O' Connor 1-03 and Rory O'Connor 0-04. Team: Oscar Lovett, Ruairi O'Donoghue, Conor

Finnegan, Mark Larkin, Billy O'Donoghue, David Lowin, Ryan O'Sullivan, Zach Cronin, Jack Aherne (Captain), Ronan O'Connor, Rory O'Connor, Evan O'Sullivan, Cian Stack, Shane Morrissey, Liam O'Mahony, Liam Breen, Robbie Casey. Well done to mentors and supporters and thanks to John Mitchells for hosting the event.

MINOR EAST KERRY LEAGUE DIV 3

For the clubs first time playing a B team in the EK league this was a really heartening experience with the team putting in a fantastic second half performance to emerge winners on a score line Kilcummin B 4-15 Legion B 1-14. Our goal scorers were Odhran O'Shea twice, Jake Dann and Dara O'Brien.

SYMPATHY

Sympathy is extended to the Clifford family and the O'Shea family on the sad passing of Ellen Clifford. May she rest in peace.

MOTHERS & OTHERS

Mothers & others training will take place Mondays from 7 - 8 in the juvenile pitch at Kilcummin GAA Club. Join us for fun, fitness & football! New members more than welcome. Insurance must be paid before playing. If you are interested in joining us next Monday night, contact Ann Marie on (087) 9047274.

OSKARS

Kilcummin and Glenflesk are once again teaming up to host another Oskars event and considering the remarkable success and entertainment of the previous event in 2018 this will be eagerly awaited.

Firstly we have the INFORMATION night on Monday May 29th at 8.30 in the Killarney Heights where everyone will be made most welcome and learn more about this fantastic event which will take place on December 7th in the INEC. CASTING night will take place on June 12th while the date for the LAUNCH night will be decided shortly. This whole experience is open to the entire Kilcummin and Glenflesk communities. For info contact Niamh on 087 9801105.

>COMMUNITY GAMES

SWIMMING

Best of luck to Ronan O'Leary competing in the U10 backstroke and Emily Brosnan competing in the U14 freestyle at the National Community Games Swimming finals this weekend in Castlebar.

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LOTTO

There was no winner on 5th May 2023 of the Jackpot for €3,000. Numbers drawn were 6,10,11,20. Consolation prizes of €50 went David Fleming, Denis Walsh, Milleen, Maura O'Sullivan, Lyreatough, Pa Carroll. The next draw will be Friday 12th May for Jackpot of €3,200.

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SPA

Written by: Leanne Cronin

>FIXTURES

In Round 6 of the Credit Union SFL we will play Milltown Castlemaine at home in Spa Saturday 13th May at 7pm

>KILLARNEY CLUB 7S

The Men's and Ladies All Ireland Gaelic Football 7-A-Side Tournament is fast approaching. It will take place on June Bank Holiday Weekend, Saturday 3rd and Sunday 4th, tickets are still on sale for this event. Merchandise can now also be purchased online www.killarneyclub7s.ie

>SCOR

SCÓR NA NÓG

Congratulations to our set dancing team members Roisin, Isabele, Grace, Aine, Ciara, Dara, Diarmuid, Colm and Oisín who were named the 2023 Scór na nÓg rince set winners on Saturday evening last in the INEC. A big thanks to their mentors Mairead and Triona for their time a dedication with this team and also to all of the fantastic support that cheered on the dancers during their Scór na nÓg journey this year

>SUMMER CAMP

Up and Active Summer Camp will take place Monday 10th - Friday 14th of July from 09:00-13:00 at Spa GAA grounds. This Summer Camp offers a fun filled five days for children attending Primary School. The camp takes place in a safe and spacious environment with indoor and outdoor facilities conducted by three fully qualified teachers. Some of the activities include, art, athletics, fun games, treasure hunt, soccer and much more. The cost of this camp is €70 per child (€60 for all subsequent siblings). To avoid disappointment book your place now by contacting Evan (087)1496951 or Dan (085)7386444

>KERRY GAA

Congratulations to Kerry GAA on their Munster Senior Football Championship title

Congratulations to our set dancing team members Roisin, Isabele, Grace, Aine, Ciara, Dara, Diarmuid, Colm and Oisín who were named the 2023 Scór na nÓg rince set winners on Saturday evening last in the INEC.

PHOTO: ANNE HOLLAND



Best wishes to the Kerry Minors, especially clubman Niall O'Mahony, Head Football Coach as they play their Electric Ireland Minor Football debut against Cork in the Quarter-Final in Páirc Uí Chaoimh on the 11th of May at 7pm

>ITEMS FOR NOTES

Any items for the Spa notes please contact the club PRO on 085 7762411 or pro.spa.kerry@gaa.ie before 8pm on Sundays

GLENFLESK

Written by: Seamus Healy

>ALL IRELAND SCOR NA NOG

History was made in the INEC last Saturday when Glenflesk Ballad group won the All Ireland Scór Na nÓg final. This was the first time a Kerry club won the final in the Ballad group discipline. The group consisting of Cliona Moynihan, Muireann Healy, Aoise O Donoghue, Abby Cronin and Patrick Mullane performed their two songs "The land of the Gael" and "Sailing off to the Yankee land" with grace and style and superb harmonies. Competition was of the highest level, but the group's teacher Rosie Healy had them so well prepared and tutored, making sure the title came to our proud club. Congratulations to Rosie and the group on this outstanding achievement.

Glenflesk All Ireland Champions Ballad Group. PHOTO: ANNE HOLLAND



>FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Congratulations to all the children who received First Holy Communion from Fr. Jim Linehan last Saturday in a packed St. Agatha's Church. Well done to all the teacher's and parents also who had them looking splendid.

>LOTTO

There was no winner of Glenflesk Lotto which took place on 3 /5/ 2023 in Glenflesk Hall. Jackpot €3,400. The numbers drawn were 2, 14, 21, 22. Consolation Prizes of €50. 1. Owen Murphy, Kilquane. (Yearly Ticket) 2. Declan Healy, Clonkeen. 3. Declan Healy, Clonkeen (Sellers' Prize) 4. Amy Sexton, Kilcummin. Next draw will take place in Glenflesk Hall on 15/ 5/ 2023 jackpot will be €3,600 Thank you to all who support our Lotto and to our sellers. 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.asp?ll_id=2534#Anchor

>KERRY MINORS

Congratulations to Jamie Moynihan and Callum Cronin on being selected to the Kerry minor panel for 2023, well deserved two great lads for our club.

>COUNTY LEAGUE DIVISION 2 AND DIV 5 ROUND 6

Round 6 Our Div 2 team are away to Currow on Sunday 14th May at 2pm. Our Div 5 team are away to Gneeveguilla also on Sunday 14th May at 2pm.

>THE OSKARS BY GLENFLESK GAA AND KILCUMMIN GAA

Save the date!!!! We are so excited to announce the date for the Oskars 2023!!! Thursday, December the 7th INEC, Killarney. Mark those social diaries for a night to remember! Who can forget the magic of the Oskars in 2018? Seven amazing films starring incredibly talented actors/actresses from our two mighty parishes! 2023 will be bigger & better!! Plans are well under way behind the scenes. Join us on Monday the 29th of May at 8.30pm in the Heights Hotel Killarney to learn more about this fantastic event which takes place on Dec 7th in the INEC. Glenflesk GAA Kilcummin GAA Club Kevin Rowe Events

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BEAUFORT

By Bridget Hartnett

>FIXTURES

Senior men will be home to Listowel Emmets, Sunday, 14th at 2pm in round 5, Co Senior League, Division 2.

Senior men will be away to St Michael's/Foilmore in Division 6 also on Sunday, 14th.

>LOTTO

The next lotto draw for a jackpot of €13,000 will be on Sunday, 14th May 2023. Tickets are €2 each or 3 for €5 and are available from usual sellers, shops, public houses and online at: www.beaufortgaa.com. Thank you to everybody who support the lotto.

>CONGRATULATIONS to Mike Breen, Kerry senior team and management on their Munster final win against Clare on Sunday.

>CONDOLENCES

Beaufort GAA Club offer its condolences to Dermot, David, Paudie, Shelly and all the Clifford and O'Shea families on the sad passing of Ellen.

>CONGRATULATIONS to Hannah O'Donoghue and Fiadhna Tangney, Kerry Ladies senior team and management who drew with Cork in the second round of the Ladies senior Championship at the weekend. Fay O'Donoghue in Kerry Ladies senior B team who were defeated by Cork. Lily Riordan who played with Kerry Ladies in U14 Championship, Stage 1

Luke Foley and Lauren McEvoy played in the Primary Game during the Munster Football final.

>SCOR NA BPAISTI

Congratulations to Beaufort Rince Foirne and Ballad group who came second in the recent Co Scor na bPáisti. Thank you to their coaches, Gillian, Catriona and Clodagh, Scor Officers, Anita and Ger and all who helped. Mary Jo Coffey was also Quiz Master for the Scor na bPaisti quiz competition.

Ballad Group: Darragh Doyle, Anna Mai Hughes, Benan O'Rourke, Katelyn Murphy and Leah O'Malley.

Rince Foirne: Anna Mai Hughes, Leah O'Malley, Jennifer O'Rourke, Lauren McEvoy,

Laoise Riordan, Emily Allen, Elizabeth Allen, Aoibheann Reid, Clionagh Coffey, Chloe Coffey.

>GAA GREEN CLUB INITIATIVE

Beaufort GAA Club has been accepted into Phase 2, GAA Green Clubs programme. The Club must complete two initiatives from energy, biodiversity, travel, water or waste over two years. If any member want to help, please contact the Club at 087 9975737. More information can be found at: <https://greenclubs.gaa.ie/>

LISTRY

Written by: Colette Leslie

>LOTTO

Numbers drawn 1, 3, 6, 24. €100 Mary Margaret McCarthy. €50 Breda Tangney, Listry. €50 Eileen Sugrue, Listry. €25 Brian Kavanagh, Ballyard. €25 Sean McManus, Offaly. Jackpot €4,050

>SENIORS

Best of luck to our senior team and management who play at home to John Mitchell's on Sunday the 14th at 2pm, come out and support

>U15

Our under 15 team got to the final of the Feile in Austin Stack Park last

Saturday but lost out to Laune Rangers by a point. Best of luck to Laune Rangers in the Feile in July.

>U13

Our U13 teams await phase 2 of the Lee strand county league.

>KERRY TEAM

Congratulations to Ruairi Murphy and the Kerry team and management on winning the Munster final v Clare.

>CONDOLENCES to Dermot, David, Paudie, Shelly and all the Clifford and O'Shea families on the sad passing of Ellen.

RATHMORE GNEEVEGUILLA

By Michael O'Mahony

>FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

First Holy Communion (Gneeveguilla NS) Saturday 13th Shrone 12.00 noon First Holy Communion (Shrone NS).

>KNOCK

It is hoped that we can sufficient numbers from the Pastoral Area to bring a bus on the Kerry Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock. The bus will leave at 7am, it will have a stop for refreshments along the way. The bus is scheduled to arrive in Knock for 11.30am to give pilgrims a chance to visit important sites, go to Confession, have something to eat etc. The formal programme at Knock is from about 2pm to 4.30. Buses depart for home immediately afterwards. There will also be a stop for refreshment on the return journey. If you are interested in participating, please contact Parish Office.

>SYMPATHIES to Joan, Mary, Phil, Patsy & Geraldine & families on the death of their mother Margaret Moynihan, Islanderagh & I/o Renasup, Margarets funeral took place on Monday 1st May in Rathmore.

To Marita Hickey, Bertie & family on the death of Marita's sister Brenda McKenna whose funeral took place in Dingle on Friday 25th April. May David, Margaret & Brenda rest in peace.

Sincere sympathy Ellen Clifford RIP Fossato Dermot, Paudie, David, Shelly & Seamus & Fergus, to her dad Pat on the sad passing of Ellen. Condolences also to Margaret & the Fitzgerald family, Renasup on your sad loss. May the Clifford & O'Shea families find comfort, in the difficult days ahead. Rest in peace Ellen.

>CONGRATULATIONS to Kerry Team & management on their win in Munster Championship

>NOTES

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

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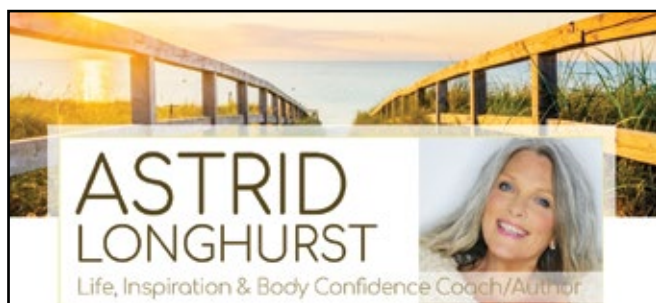
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- Ask yourself the question, "What is the kindest thing I can do for myself right now?" And then go and do it!
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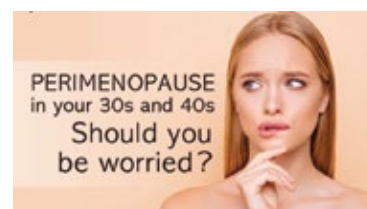
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Some people get retinal migraine every few months, although the frequency can vary. Retinal migraine is a separate condition and should not be confused with headache-type migraine or migraine with aura, which usually affects the vision of both eyes.

The symptoms of retinal migraine may include:

- partial or total loss of vision in one eye – this usually lasts 10 to 20 minutes before vision gradually returns
- headache – this may happen before, during or after the vision attack

It's unusual for an episode of vision loss to last longer than an hour. The same eye is affected every time in almost all cases.

Vision may slowly become blurred or dimmed, or there may be flashes of light. Some people see a mosaic-like pattern of blank spots (scotomas), which enlarge to cause total loss of vision.

Retinal migraine is caused by the blood vessels to the eye suddenly narrowing (constricting), reducing the blood flow to the eye. It may be triggered by:

- stress
- smoking
- high blood pressure
- oral contraceptive pill
- exercise
- bending over
- high altitude
- dehydration
- low blood sugar
- excessive heat

Retinal migraine tends to be more common in:

- women
- people aged under 40
- people with a personal or family history of migraine or other headaches

Treatment for retinal migraine usually just involves taking pain relief for any headaches and reducing exposure to anything that might be triggering the retinal migraine.

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Congratulations and well done to all our crews who rowed in the Lough Rynn Regatta in Leitrim last weekend. The event was the second in the Grand League series of regattas this summer, with our Mens Junior 16 and 18 rowers forming the main Muckross contingent along with our sole adult representative, Marko Tot in the Mens Club 1 Single. The club enjoyed great success with six wins, building on the great performances by this group at the earlier Skibbreen Regatta. Congratulations to all the winning crews. Mens Junior 18A Quad: Daniel Fleming, Daniel Daly, Ian Coffey and Con Stack. Mens Junior 18B Quad: Oisín O'Sullivan, Cathal Coffey, Con Stack and Diarmuid O'Connor, coxed by Jenna Coffey. Mens J18A Double: Daniel Daly, Ian Coffey. Mens J18B Single: Daniel Fleming. Mens Junior 16 Double: Max Coyne, Jack Murphy. Mens Club 1 Single: Marko Tot. The next Grand League Regatta will be the Metro Regatta in Blessington on Saturday, May 27.

REGATTA SEASON

The club has a busy few weeks ahead with three consecutive weekends of regatta action. This weekend, 38 crews will represent the club at the Lee Regatta in Cork city. We especially wish our Year 1 rowers the very best of luck in their first regatta. Castleconnell Sprint Regatta soon follows on Saturday, May 20. Some of our older crews will then race at Dublin Metro Regatta on Saturday, May 27.

KILLARNEY RFC

U14 BOYS ENJOY SEASON ENDING BLITZ IN CASHEL

Last Saturday our U14 boys travelled to Cashel RFC to take part in the season ending U14 blitz. The lads went undefeated for the whole event, taking on Midleton, Dungarvan, Kanturk and the Barbarians. A fantastic day of rugby and a huge well done to all players and coaches.

CLUB AWARDS AND BBQ

We will be holding a Club Awards and BBQ at Aghadoe on Sunday next, the 14th of May between 2pm and 4pm, where we will be giving out our boys youths, girls youths and Senior player awards and will have a fabulous barbecue and a tuck shop open on the day. This promises to be a great day and all are very welcome to come along and finish off the season.

Killarney Valley AC at the county championship where the senior men won the Quill Cup for 2nd year in a row.



AGM

Our club AGM takes place on Thursday the 1st of June at Ross Products and will kick off at 7:30pm. All welcome.

MUNSTER RUGBY SUMMER CAMP

The annual Munster Rugby summer camps return to Aghadoe this summer and will take place between the 24th and 28th of July next. Open to boys and girls aged between 6 and 12 years of age, these camps take place between 9:30am and 1:30pm each day. The cost is €80 per child. Additional children from the same family can attend for the discounted rate of €70 per child. Check out the Munster rugby page for further information.

GIVE IT A TRY

Our girls only Give it a try programme continues every Saturday at Aghadoe and great fun is being had by all. New girls aged between 8 and 14 are always very welcome to come and give rugby a try any Saturday between 12 and 1pm. Contact Fiona on 087-23044689 for details.

KILLARNEY VALLEY ATHLETIC CLUB

THE KERRY COUNTY SENIORS/MASTERS T&F CHAMPIONSHIPS was held on Sunday 7th May. The Quill Cup was won by Killarney Valley AC Senior Men's Team for a second year in a row, and we saw some outstanding performances from a lot of our senior men which was captained by Dara Looney and Sam Griffin. It was a clean sweep for KVAC in the Senior High Jump which was won by Alan Delaney with Sam Griffin and Bartek Zglinski

coming joint 2nd. Other top performances were Eoin O'Reilly winning the Senior 3000m and Cian Spillane coming 3rd. In the 800m, Jack O'Leary came 2nd and Cian came 3rd. Jason O'Reilly and Tadgh Galvin came 1st and 2nd in the 400m while Cian O'Brien came 1st in the 100m Sprint. Dara Looney and Keelan Veerasoo came 1st and 2nd in the Triple Jump. Congrats and well done to all. Looking forward to Day 2 of the Kerry County Juvenile/Junior T&F Championships on next Sunday 14th May.

OUR KIDS SUMMER CAMP BOOKINGS is now live on our website with 6 weeks to choose from and caters for kids aged 5-12yrs. Book early to avoid disappointment.

ALL INFORMATION ON TRAINING SCHEDULES are on our website www.killarneyvalleyac.ie.

FOSSA ROWING CLUB

KILLARNEY REGATTA

This years Killarney Regatta will take place at Killarney Golf and Fishing Club on Sunday 25th of June.

TRAINING

Anyone interested in training for Killarney Regatta please call to the Old Church in Fossa on Mondays at 7:30pm.

SYMPATHY

We would like to extend our sympathies to the Clifford and O'Shea families on the passing of Ellen. Ar dheis Dé go raibh a hanam dílis.

Killarney Rugby Club U14's who took part in a blitz at the weekend



Killarney Rugby Club Give It A Try participants.

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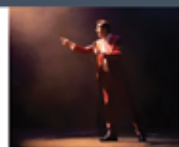
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MUNSTER MATCHPLAY

Congratulations to Damien Fleming and John McGrath (Senior) along with James Fleming and Adam Kelly (Intermediate) on qualifying for next weekend's Munster Matchplay Finals in Tralee following last Sunday's qualifying event in Newmarket. Commiserations to Daniel Kelly on just missing out on making the Junior grade on countback.

SUNDAY DRAWS

Fourball Betterball- First Nett: Sean Ashe & Aidan O'Keeffe 39, Gross: Denis Looney & Dave Spillane 45 and Second Nett: Sean O'Brien & Aidan O'Keeffe 40. Hole-In-One: Denis Looney (Third Hole).

SCRATCH CUPS

Looking forward to seeing everyone tomorrow (Saturday) for our different events. Thanks again to our three sponsors McGanns of Doolin (Senior), O'Callaghan's Coach Holidays (Intermediate) and Tadhg's Boutique (Junior).

MUNSTER SCHOOLS

Well done to the three St Brendans College Killarney teams that made it through to the National Secondary Schools Finals in Athgarvan, Co Kildare next Friday following their performances in the Munster event in Hillview, Clonmel last week. The team of Brian McCarthy, Nathan Cronin & Daniel Kelly finished second overall, while Ryan Neeson, Alex O'Callaghan and Dara O'Shea finished third. Robbie Harnett, Fintan Martin and Noah Sexton were fourth overall meanwhile.

BOB CASEY MEMORIAL INTER-CLUB STROKEPLAY begins in Deerpark next Tuesday evening, May 16th. Further information will be available over the weekend.

CASTLEROSSE GOLF CLUB - LADIES

RESULTS OF COMPETITIONS PLAYED 5TH/6TH MAY. 18H STABLEFORD:

1: Claire Horgan 36pts (34) 2: Kitty O Grady 32pts (46) 3: Nuala Ward 31pts (48). 9H Stableford Winner: Finola Geary 19 pts (22)

MIXED SCRAMBLE every Wednesday at 6pm. Visitors welcome.

GET INTO GOLF programme every Monday at 7pm. Contact Kieran 087 2748777

Photographed at the presentation of prizes for the M D O'Shea Spring League in the Ross Golf Club are (l to r) Niall O'Brien, Ryan Scott, Brian O'Connor, Paul O'Shea, Sponsor, Michael J O'Connor, John Ivory, Captain, Mike Brosnan, Damian Greer, Neilie Carroll, Maurice Coffey



MAINE VALLEY GOLF CLUB

RESULTS OF MONTHLY MEDAL SPONSORED BY PAUL FITZGERALD (GOLFER OF THE YEAR) PLAYED 6TH AND 7TH MAY

1st: Paudie Murphy (12) 68 nett
2nd: Vincent O'Sullivan (12) 70 nett
3rd: Liam McAuliffe (17) 71 nett
GROSS: Shane Collins (7) 79
Division 1 (indexes up to 13.7)
Pat Ruane (10) 72 nett
Division 2 (indexes 13.8 to 20.6)
Michael Harrington (13) 73 nett
Division 3 (indexes 20.7 and above)
Wayne Coffey (22) 74 nett

ROSS LADIES GOLF CLUB NOTES

RESULTS - LADIES SCRAMBLE 6TH MAY KINDLY SPONSORED BY NOREEN O'MAHONY AND EILISH O'SULLIVAN

What a morning of golf. The largest turnout for a long time. A huge thank you to the sponsors Noreen O'Mahony and Eilish O'Sullivan for the fabulous prizes. Unfortunately Eilis couldn't join us on Saturday but we are very grateful for her sponsorship.

1st: Bridie Brosnan, Sarah Scanlan and Mona Looney.
2nd: Maura Horan and Betty O'Farrell
3rd: Maureen Crowley, Susan Good and Ailish Mulcahy
4th: Kathy Crowley, Noreen O'Mahony and Emir Coffey.
9-Hole Competition Wednesday mornings
Wednesday's Scramble Winners were Maureen

Crowley, Kathy Crowley and Doreen Brosnan.

COMPETITIONS

9-Hole Competition Wednesday mornings. Each Wednesday morning 9-hole competition everyone welcome. Meet for 10.00am. All members welcome.

9 & 18 hole Single Stapleford qualifying Competition Saturday 13th May. Tee times from 10.10am. Enter via the ClubV1 app. All Members welcome

GOLF LESSONS

Gordon Howard is available to give golf lessons. Please contact Gordon directly in the Club House.

GET INTO GOLF

We wish our new Get into Golf group and professional Gordon the best of luck and many happy hours on the fairways.

KILLARNEY GOLF & FISHING CLUB LADIES

KILLEEN SINGLES STABLEFORD PROFESSIONALS PRIZE COMPETITION RESULT - SUNDAY 7 MAY 2023 AT KILLARNEY (KILLARNEY-KILLEEN).

1: Aoife O'Sullivan 42 pts (31) Overall Winner
2: Tracy Eakin 38 pts (01) B9
3: Grace Dennehy 38 pts (26)
4: Lorna O'Leary 37 pts (24) 4th B9
5: Mary Geaney 37 pts (16) 5th B9
6: Noreen O'Callaghan 37 pts (17) B9
7: Christine Carroll 37 pts (13) B9
Next week competition is the Laurels Pub & Restaurant V Par on Mahoney's Point.



Ross Golf Club Ladies Scramble: 3rd: Maureen Crowley, Susan Good Sponsor Noreen O'Mahony, Lady Captain Mary Moynihan and Ailish Mulcahy



Ross Golf Club Ladies Scramble: 4th: Kathy Crowley, Sponsor Noreen O'Mahony, Lady Captain Mary Moynihan and Emir Coffey.



Ross Golf Club Ladies Scramble: Winners: Mona Looney, Bridie Brosnan Lady Captain Mary Moynihan, Sponsor Noreen O'Mahony and Sarah Scanlan



Ross Golf Club Ladies Scramble: 2nd : Maura Horan Lady Captain Mary Moynihan, Sponsor Noreen O'Mahony and Betty O'Farrell

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Rachel Delahunty of Educate.ie presenting first prize in the Educate .ie Men's competition to winner Liam Murphy with Colm O'Shea Captain (back from left) prizewinners Daniel Kelly, Mossie Cremin and Donal Considine with his daughter Maya at Killarney Golf and Fishing Club. Photo by Michelle Cooper Galvin



Kathleen Brosnan Lady Captain presenting the first prize in Dan Horan Fruit and Veg and Health Stores Ladies competition to winner Eimear O'Sullivan with (left) Geraldine Collins 2nd, Maura Murphy 4th and Mary Looney 5th at Killarney Golf and Fishing Club, Killarney. Photo by Michelle Cooper Galvin



Les Brzozka Aghadoe Heights Hotel Killarney presenting the first prize in the Aghadoe Heights Hotel Killarney Men's competition to winner Padraig O'Sullivan with (left) Kieran O'Sullivan 2nd and Captain Colm O'Shea at Killarney Golf and Fishing Club, Killarney. Photo by Michelle Cooper Galvin



Kathleen Brosnan Lady Captain presenting the first prize in McElligott's EZ Living Ladies competition to winner Louise Langan with (left) Elizabeth Kelliher 3rd and Anita O'Sullivan 2nd at Killarney Golf and Fishing Club, Killarney. Photo by Michelle Cooper Galvin



Kathleen Brosnan Lady Captain and Colm O'Shea Captain presenting the prize in their joint Charity Day to John Mannix, Jonathon Sparling, Danny Healy and Derek Kelly winning team, Niamh Cronin, James Doyle and Anthony O'Connor of Down Syndrome one of the two charities of the Charity Day, Shane Edwards of Truffle Honey Charity Day Sponsors, Mary Geaney, Eimear O'Sullivan and Sheila Crowley 2nd (back) Paddy Looney, Teddy O'Sullivan 3rd, John Rice and David Brooks 4th at Killarney Golf and Fishing Club, Killarney. Photo by Michelle Cooper Galvin

Kathleen Brosnan Lady Captain and Colm O'Shea Captain presenting the prizes in the Paul Cotter Tea Shop (left) Eimear and Eugene O'Sullivan 2nd, Marie and John O'Brien 3rd at Killarney Golf and Fishing Club, Killarney. Photo by Michelle Cooper Galvin



Kathleen Brosnan Lady Captain presenting the first prize in Killarney Park Hotel Ladies competition to winner Breda Duggan with (left) Corrina Griffin best gross and Anita O'Sullivan 2nd at Killarney Golf and Fishing Club, Killarney. Photo by Michelle Cooper Galvin



Tracy Coyne International Hotel (third from left) presenting first prize in the International Hotel Killarney Men's and Ladies Competitions to Ladies winner Corrina Griffin and Men's winner Brendan Brosnan with (left) Evelyn McCarthy (Ladies 3rd) and (right) Kathleen Brosnan Lady Captain and Colm O'Shea Captain (back from left) prizewinners Geraldine Collins (Ladies 4th), Stephen Broderick (Men's Cat 2), Elizabeth Kelliher (Ladies 5th), Kevin O'Callaghan (Men's Cat 3) and Frank O'Reilly (Men's Cat 4) at Killarney Golf and Fishing Club. Photo by Michelle Cooper Galvin

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GIRLS

U12 Girls Cup

Killarney Athletic 1 MEK Galaxy 2

A great result against our local rivals Scorers: Ava Harty and Isabelle O'Connor. POTM Aoibh Nic Gearailt & Grace Ryan

U13 Girls Cup

Camp Juniors 2 MEK Galaxy 2 (MEK Galaxy win 5-4 on penalties.)

Scorers: Ava Harty 2. Penalty Scorers: Izzy Lyons, Ava Harty, Megan Quigg, Fleur O'Neill and Abbie Fleming. POTM: Very hard to pick, but probably Clodagh Quirke for her match winning penalty save.

AGM SAVE THE DATE!

This year's club AGM takes place in Faha National School on Tuesday May 30 at 8pm. The 2023/24 season is going to be the most important in the club's history as we attempt to take the next step forward, to deliver facilities to match our growing club numbers. There are several committee's which will be taking charge of different strands within the club. We are looking for your support. We would love new enthusiastic parents to Join in and help. Positions we need to fill are: Field Development, Fundraising, Summer Camps, Communication and Media, Registration, Coaching and Administration. If anyone has any questions regarding any position within the club please contact Liam on 087 7639611.

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LOTTO

No.s 3, 11, 16, 21. No winner of the Jackpot. 5 x €25 Frank Fell, Furies. John Power, Ballyhar. Fiona Doyle, Furies. Michael O'Sullivan, Furies & Sean O Leary, Kilcummin. Next draw for a Jackpot of €12,200 will take place on Sunday next 14th May at Butlers Bar, Furies. Thanks to those that support & help out with the club lotto.

TEAMS

The club U13 second team were defeated at home by Castleisland in a mid week game. The game finished 1-5 with both squads giving it their all in a close to the end of season encounter. Well done to Alex Finn who was selected on the KSB league team of the week on the back of his recent goal scoring exploits at u12 & u13 level.

BLUE TOKEN

Please support the club as one of the three nominated organisations at Tesco, Park Road, Killarney with your blue token post shopping. Thank you.

KILLARNEY ATHLETIC AFC

CONDOLENCES

Killarney Athletic AFC would like to offer our sincere condolences to the O Connor family on the sad passing of Richie. Also to Frank, Ronan and Rachael and the Murphy family on the passing of Teresa And to the Clifford family on their recent bereavement.

U12 PREMIER RESULT

Killarney Athletic 1 - 2 Killorglin

Eric Corcoran

In a very tight and entertaining game our young Blues just came out the wrong side of the result. A great effort from all the players, hard luck and

Killarney Celtic U16 girls squad vs Fenit in the Cup Semi Final



well done

U14 DIVISION 1 RESULT

Kenmare 2 Athletic 3

Sean Lyne Darragh o Donoghue Cian Hegarty On a lovely evening for football, our young blues travelling to kenmare for what proved to be an epic encounter. Our boys started slowly with kenmare on top in the early exchanges however the lads grew into the game and created a couple of good chances. However, the breakthrough came when a kenmare free kick launched into the box and the kenmare player headed in HT Kenmare 1-0. Our boys started the second half on the front foot and drew level when Alex Doolan floated a free kick into the box and Sean Lyne headed home. We took the lead midway through the second half when the excellent sergi Costa won and ball in midfield and played in the ever dangerous Darragh o Donoghue who slotted home from the edge of the box. Athletic now on top created a number of great chances and we're awarded a penalty only for the spot kick to sail over the bar. From the resultant kick out Kenmare to their credit went up the pitch and scored the equaliser. Athletic rallied again and in the dying seconds Alan Scannel weaved his way through the kenmare defence , the ball popped up to Conor Moynihan who headed over the keeper and the onrushing Cian Hegarty headed to the net. FT Inter Kenmare 2 Killarney Athletic 3..... a pulsating encounter which could have gone either way but our boys edged it in the end. Thanks to Kenmare for a very sporting game, who we meet again in the second phase of the league

KILLARNEY CELTIC

KILLARNEY CELTIC SUMMER CAMPS are available to book through clubforce.com, Find my Club Killarney Celtic. Week 1 is Mon 3rd July to Friday 7th July and week 2 is Monday 17th July to Friday 21st July.

CELTIC LOTTO

Numbers drawn 2,3,9,26. No jackpot winner. No Match 3 winner . Lucky Dip winners received €50 each. Next jackpot €34000 on Monday May 15th. Tickets available from The Dungeon

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Killarney Celtic 3, Castleisland 2 AET

Kevin O'Sullivan 2, Jamie Spillane Celtic moved on to the semi final after a hard fought win over Castleisland. Celtic led 1-0 through Kevin O'Sullivan and had further chances to stretch the lead but failed to avail of them. Castleisland got on level terms but Celtic hit the front again with Kevin O'Sullivan finding the net for a 2nd time before Castleisland responded to send the game into extra time. Jamie Spillane proved to be the match winner to send Celtic through to face Killarney Athletic.

JIMMY FALVEY MEMORIAL YOUTHS CUP SEMI FINAL

Killarney Celtic 5, Mainebank 1

Kalvin O'Sullivan, Eoghan Crowley,Dara O'Shea, Colin O'Callaghan, Joshua Griffin, Celtic will play St Brendan's Park in the final after a clear cut win over Mainebank. Celtic led 2-0 at the break. Mainebank pulled 1 back before Celtic regained control to run out impressive winners.

U15 CUP

Killorglin AFC 3, Killarney Celtic 0

GIRLS

U16 CUP SEMI FINAL

Fenit 0, Killarney Celtic 9

Maeve Courtney 3, Katie Foster 2,Aine O'Sullivan 2, Hannah Casey, Casey Mulry Celtic qualified for the cup final after a very impressive performance in Fenit.

CONGRATULATIONS to Mark Looney and Sean Collins who have been selected on the Kennedy Cup panel. Also Corey Mitchell is part of the coaching group.

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JIMMY O'SULLIVAN-DARCY takes a look at all things sport...

*Paudie Clifford in action at the Munster Final V Clare.
Photo: Orla Coyne, Kerry GAA Fans.*



Kerry were convincing winners of this year's Munster Football Final. Orla Coyne, Kerry GAA Fans.

ALL TOO EASY FOR EXCELLENT KERRY

Munster Final:

Kerry 5-14 Clare 0-15

Kerry were slow enough picking up speed in the National League. A few teams will feel that maybe the All Ireland champions were there for the taking. Certainly Tipperary didn't force Kerry to answer hard questions; Tipperary are not the force that they were. I thought that Clare would ask harder questions. I didn't expect them to beat Kerry (frankly, this year's provincial football championships have had all the twists and turns you'd expect of an episode of 'Peppa Pig') but I did think that an somewhat obdurate Clare would put it up to us. They certainly gave the likes of Cork and Dublin hard enough games before being unluckily relegated from Division Two – again, that's not hard currency when the ground starts to firm up. I expected a massed defence and that we would struggle against it, as has been our wont recently. Certainly our ability to get goals against such opposition has been a worry – we scored the grand total of three goals in last year's championship.

There were good omens on the road. Let's be honest, Adare is one of the most beautiful towns in Ireland (lovely olde world architecture and immaculately clean always) but most Kerry/Limerick travellers spend a good half an hour wishing for it's non-existence. And don't be telling me about that famous 'shortcut'. Do you mean the one that everybody else knows about as well, so you join a queue of twenty cars to get back on the main road? Last Sunday, having travelled early, I was through Adare in ten minutes.

There was a disappointing enough crowd for the camogie; that was a very good game and went all the way to the wire.

You could tell, even in the warm-up, that Kerry meant business. There was a shadow hanging over the day in the circumstances; of course there was. I'm not going to speak too much on that; I consider grief to be a personal and

relatively private matter. I will only say that I had the privilege of knowing the lady, and it truly was a privilege, and it is no surprise to me or anyone that her children have turned out to be the people that they are.

Kerry, as I have said, were unconvincing enough during the League. This was a different animal entirely. Clare are no bad team, but they were dismissed almost with ease. Kerry had hunger, pace, and power. They didn't let up, either, and that was important. Playtime is over. This is where you start hunting games from start to finish. There's always some-one behind you who would love to be wearing that jersey, and that's how it should be.

Dylan Casey popped over Kerry's opening score – a defensive Clare didn't put too much pressure on him at the Kerry end so he had no hesitation in driving forward. Dara Moynihan added another. David Clifford raised a huge cheer by swivelling for a superb goal, but it was called back for a free. Should advantage have been played? Arrah, not worth an argument. David slotted the free with ease.

Kerry were on top everywhere. Clare's main threat was Keelan Sexton as a lone spearpoint. I genuinely rate him, but Jason Foley won a tough duel. Diarmuid O'Connor was superb at midfield. Maybe - and Iot's early days – but maybe David Moran's loss won't be as keenly felt as I feared. Jack Barry got through an amount of work. He's not a headliner and that's not what we need from him. Another player who isn't working the scoreboard as much as yore but is actually a very key component of our open play is Seán O'Shea. He's no longer encroaching into goal-scoring territory. I think it's because he understands that Kerry have scoring forwards inside and overlapping players like Tom, Gavin, and Graham, so that's not what Kerry need from him. Ogie Moran was one of the greatest centre forwards of all time (famously, we never lost a final with him on the forty) but people forget now that he didn't actually score all that much; that wasn't his primary job. Himself and Mickey Need were always comfortable inter-changing. That's how Seán is playing now and it's working

really well.

Stephen Ryan ended up having a tough day in goal, but I don't think the keeper could be faulted in any way. In fact, it was his long free that opened Clare's account, but the writing was already on the wall. Kerry were simply swarming them. Gavin White split the posts. Tony Brosnan played a one-two with Dylan Casey and dummied the hapless Ryan for Kerry's opening goal. You already knew there would be more coming. I'm much happier with Tony inside; I've always considered him more of a predator than a distributor.

Emmet McMahon and David Clifford exchanged frees, sandwiching a cracking goal from a lively Dara Moynihan. Clare just couldn't deal with the multiplicity of threats. It took 23 minutes for them to score from play, with Sexton for once managing to get away from Jason Foley and fire over. It took Kerry about 23 seconds to reply through David Clifford. Eoin Cleary, a solid performer, added two frees. 2-6 to 0-5. One-sided, but not a mauling. Not yet, anyway. Tony Brosnan clipped over a point. David Clifford added another point. Some of Clare's kicking was fairly wasteful – they were outnumbered inside – and a bad enough turnover saw the Clifford's swooping in, with David sublimely finishing goal number three. Stephen Ryan and Emmet McMahon put over Clare frees, but we all knew that this one was over.

Clare supporters near me were accepting their fate with graceful resignation and good humour, tinged with genuine sympathy for the Cliffords. Trailing by 3-8 to 0-7, it was already a clear case of how much rather than whether Kerry would win. I have to say, €35 was enough to be paying for it.

Clare rang the half-time changes and actually opened the second half scoring through McMahon. Then Paudie Clifford sent another great ball in to his brother, and David did what David does. 4-8 to 0-8. He added a point, and then it was Paudie's turn to gather from Sean O'Shea and race in on goal. I'm surprised there hasn't been more mention of the actual finish. I thought it was brilliant technique; he almost



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curled it in with his left leg past Ryan, who hadn't given him any easy angle.

Ciarán Russell and Paul Geaney (his unselfish passing was a crucial element in a lot of Kerry scores) exchanged points. Keelan Sexton and Eoin Cleary and Eoin Claery added Clare points. Look, in the circumstances, we did cough up more scores than we should have; the likes of Galway, Mayo, and Dublin will have taken note. David Clifford and Eoin Cleary exchanged frees. The game basically petered out from there, Sean O'Shea with two points and Killian Spillane another just before the finish.

Job done, and done in style. Kerry have lifted a gear and are in championship mode. Dylan Casey and the Cliffords made the GAA Team of the Week, but nobody's counting that kind of promotional accolade now. It's all about results from here on in.

Look, I don't want to be that guy. Nobody wants to be that guy. But I really think someone has to say it. Every team has played at least five games, depending on your province. And somehow, we have managed to reduce a sixteen team competition down to a mere.... sixteen teams. All the remaining teams will play another three games each to reduce it to.... twelve teams. I mean, exactly how much milk can you draw from one cow? I mean €35 for a game where one team were almost unbackable favourites? I know and understand and fully appreciate that the particular circumstances surrounding this game affected the mood, but it was never going to raise the roof anyway. There was an official attendance of 12,499 and there was a lot more murmurs than shouts. I honestly think that Cusack Park would have been a much better venue, the Gaelic Grounds was simply too big to create an atmosphere of excitement. Connaught was no different. And Dublin v Louth? Are you holding your breath? 'Cause I'm not. It's all a bit too drawn out for me. I remember Munster Finals where you had to move spectators if you wanted to take a sideline kick. Lads hanging from the rafters and scrambling on rooftops for a better view. Trying to invent sign language because you had no hope of being heard over the crowd. The acrid smell of cheese and onion taytos; salt and vinegar was too exotic for us. Yes, that was Kerry v Cork and everything on the line. But us kids would be a week coming down from all the excitement. Last Sunday I saw kids on their phones in the second half. Sure, I half wished I had brought a book to read myself; that's the cold truth of it.

FLAT KERRY FALL TO OFFALY

McDonagh Cup:

Offaly 1-24 Kerry 0-16

Not good. Not good at all, to be truthful. Just like last year, Kerry's fate is no longer in their own hands, and we can't exactly complain. This was very flat, just when I thought things were coming together. We had a very poor Munster Senior League, but okay, there was a fair bit of experimentation going on and a lot of bodies missing. We were better in the league, albeit fairly wasteful in front of the posts. We were never going to win it outright, and promotion

to the upper echelons would not be my current ambition anyway. Festina lente, as the Romans used to say (it probably means to fast during Lent, your guess is as good as mine).

Eoghan Cahill and Shane Conway exchanged early frees. Cillian Kiely and Pádraig Boyle swapped scores before Conway put us in front. He added a free, but Adrian Cleary and Eoghan Cahill ('65) squared things again. This was fairly messy hurling, to be honest, with little flow to either side. Physical without being elegant. David Nally got in for a goal. Not much that Louis Dee, deputising for the injured John B. O'Halloran (it goes without saying that we all wish John B. a speedy recovery) could do about it. Jack Clancy with a point. 1-5 to 0-4, that's daylight. Gavin Dooley and Shane Conway (f) trimmed the gap but the truth is that Offaly looked the sharper and more dangerous side. David Nally and Eoghan Cahill (f) put four between them again. Jason Sampson and Cahill again made it 1-9 to 0-6. Jason Diggins pulled one back, a fine score, and we needed it. Michael Leane and Gavin Dooley added two more. Eoghan Cahill and Fionán Mackessy closed out the scoring.

Half-time Offaly 1-10 Kerry 0-10. The scoreline didn't flatter the Faithful County.

Eoghan Cahill stretched the lead with a '65. Eoin Ross and Pádraig Boyle (f) cut the gap to two points. Brian Duignan responded with two for Offaly. Pádraig Boyle slotted another free. Kerry were running their bench now, but Offaly looked the fresher team. Adrian Cleary and Eoghan Cahill (f) made it 1-15 to 0-13. Cahill, a thorn in our side all day long, clipped over four more (3f). Killian Sampson added another. Offaly were well on top and making it count. Shane Conway with a free and a '65 briefly swayed the momentum but Cahill promptly steadied the Offaly ship once more with three more points. Joey Keenaghan added another. Shane had one last free for us; you couldn't even call it a gesture of defiance at that stage. Offaly were good, very good. There's no begrudging. They are guaranteed their place in the final and deserve it. The question, and it has to be asked, is whether this was just a blip or if this is where we are as a team. Because I genuinely think that we are better than that.

As things stand, Kerry absolutely have to beat Laois this weekend and hope that Offaly can beat Carlow. That's far from certain; Offaly are bound to rest players, just as I would in their position. If Carlow get a win, or we don't, then Offaly will face Carlow in the final. If we win and Carlow lose....well, we'll have a chance to make amends for this fairly poor display.

KERRY U20S FALL TO SLIGO

U20 All Ireland Semi-Final:

Sligo 1-8 Kerry 0-9

It's no secret that Kerry have struggled at this grade for quite a while now. Our last All Ireland title was in 2008. That's too long for a county like Kerry. Dublin, Mayo, and Tyrone have all tasted success at this level since then and I don't believe that it's a coincidence that they have been among the top contenders at senior. There was a strong correlation between U21

and senior success. Whether that translates to U20 remains to be seen. Once upon a time we were holding players for senior, a practise I disapproved of (I think underage success brings other players on). That's not the situation now; there is no current U20 player ready to step into the Kerry senior squad. There's potential, but nobody's there yet. It's time to stop blaming managements. Jack O'Connor, Declan O'Sullivan, Tomás Ó Sé....these lads are not neophytes in the game. There was no shortage of effort put in, by either management or players. But the simple fact remains that we are not successful at this grade and it's a problem. Kerry were a mixed bag this year. We were poor against Clare and very lucky (plus a master class from William Shine) to get over the line. We looked much better against Cork, but that may have been their failings more than our improvement. We certainly coughed up enough goal chances to lose that game on another day.

We knew Sligo were good. They won their first Connaught title just last year and the grass hasn't been growing under their feet since. Summerhill beat the Sem fair and square in the Hogan Cup semi-final. Sligo met and beat good teams in Connaught this year, better opposition than we faced.

To be honest, I didn't even think that Sligo were great. I thought they looked eminently beatable, but we didn't do it. Our engine basically spluttered and died with twenty minutes left and I don't know why.

Robb Monaghan, restored to the line-up, kicked the first two scores. Monaghan is a real talent, even if he took a few wrong options later on. Sligo lost midfielder Canice Mulligan to injury but opened their own scoring with a Ronan Niland point. Luke Crowley, who looked very sharp early on, made a great steal and split the posts.

Daire O'Boyle made a great run along the end-line (was there a foul in the build-up? I thought so, to be honest) and laid off to Ronan Niland for a great goal. We defended very well in general, but that one was down to a lack of pace in the corner exploited very well by Sligo.

Cillian Burke made a fantastic burst to score a magnificent goal himself in response, but was pulled for over-carrying. Great bit of skill by the Milltown man, but the referee was absolutely correct, I'm afraid.

I wasn't worried. Kerry were well on top in the possession stakes. But as I realised why we weren't working the scoreboard, I started growing uneasy. Look, there's a scene in Blackadder where General Wellington is telling the what he thinks is the Prince Regent (it's Blackadder) that he plans to move England's navy to the North Pole because Napoleon won't expect it, and Blackadder diffidently suggests moving it to....maybe Trafalgar? This felt like that. Sometimes the obvious thing is obvious because it's right. Look, if you have the ball and you have predators like Shine, McMahon, and the promising Jack Clifford in your inside line, why not just kick it into them? Seriously, why work over-time outside when all you need to do is send the ball in? Unfathomable to me. I know Sligo had a two man shield in front of

their full back line, but just hit the corners. At least try it once or twice.

Will Shine got us back on level terms with a good long distance free. Luke Marren replied in kind after Joshua Flynn was fouled. Cillian Burke laid off to Keith Evans for a fine score, but Luke Marren replied with a free. Evans won a free in turn for Will Shine to close out the first half scoring.

Half-time Kerry 0-6 Sligo 1-3

James Donlon opened the second half scoring but Cian McMahon replied and Will Shine nudged Kerry in front. I thought Kerry would open the throttle now.

Instead, we would only score once more before the final whistle. Sligo weren't gr4eat. In fairness, the Kerry defence stood up well to pressure. Luke Marren dropped a shot short. James Donlan picked out Mark McDaniel with a great ball but Dara O'Callaghan got back to clear the danger at the expense of a '45 converted by Dillon Walsh. Luke Marren added a free and Sligo were in front. Kerry were snatching a bit at chances where a bit of composure might have served them better. Daire O'Boyle found Brian Byrne for an important score.

Will Shine pointed for Kerry with five minutes left. Everything to play for. Sligo were one point up but the gap felt bigger. They were hungrier for every loose ball. Kerry did win possession a few times but spilled it in turnovers; I thought we were a little bit too frantic. Easily said by an armchair general, I suppose.

Daire O'Boyle's final point saw Sligo celebrate as though they had just won the All Ireland. Hard to blame them. Sligo football, despite their senior defeat to Galway, is very much on the rise.

CORK SALVAGE LATE DRAW FROM KERRY

**TG4 Munster Senior Championship:
Cork 2-14 Kerry 2-14**

Obviously I wasn't at it, bi-location is a power I use very sparingly and I was in Ennis at the time. I did follow it on twitter and got very good coverage on Radio Kerry (their sports coverage is comparable to anything in the country; I'm not sure we appreciate how good we have it). From the sounds of it, Kerry will surely view this as one that got away. Cork were practically unbeatable for a decade (just as we were once ourselves back in the eighties) and the likes of Juliet Murphy, Breige Corkery, and Valerie Mulcahy were giants (giantesses?) of the game. Over the past two years, Kerry have proven themselves to be up there with any team in the country, while Cork no longer scrape the clouds. But they are still Cork, still steel – remember last year's Munster Final? Or this year's League match? Cork are still the benchmark for Kerry, and this is a huge scalp that got away. Maybe a marker laid down, maybe not. It can be easy to read too much significance into such things. One thing I don't like, in any code, is this messing around with teams in alphabetical order, or dummy teams, or not naming subs. To me, it reeks of both fear and contempt and it's the supporters who suffer. Do you really imagine that at this level players won't know



who is who on the opposition team? The LGFA do a fantastic job of promoting their game and providing great coverage (we are exceptionally lucky in Kerry to have a tireless Paul Murphy at the coalface), Anthony Newman sent an excellent match report to all media outlets; that's how to promote your sport. But as for naming teams? Look, Eamonn Ryan won a whopping ten All Irelands as manager of the Cork Ladies. And he was not only willing to name his team openly and honestly every time; he was proud to do so.

Kerry were good here, very good. That's the big take-away. It's not that long ago that Kerry were labouring to come within touching distance of Cork, so we have come a long way since then in a relatively short period of time. But that late collapse....oh, well. A lesson learnt.

Match Report By Anthony Newman

Honours even between Cork and Kerry in their TG4 Munster Senior Ladies Football clash at Páirc Uí Chaoimh on Sunday.

A dramatic finish saw Cork come back to earn a well-deserved draw as they scored 2-4 without reply, meaning it all goes down to the final round of games to see who will reach the Munster final.

Full credit to Cork, who never gave up despite an outstanding display from Louise Ní Mhuircheartaigh, who finished with 1-7. However, of concern for Kerry will be the fact she left the pitch late on with an injury.

Cork took the lead two minutes in when Doireann O'Sullivan pointed from a free, before Eimear Kiely added a second.

Kerry's first chance came after nine minutes when Niamh Ní Chonchúir played Ní Mhuircheartaigh in but her shot came back off the post with the Cork defence then clearing the breaking ball.

Doireann O'Sullivan raised another white flag for Cork as they were enjoying the better of the opening exchanges.

Ní Chonchúir got Kerry off the mark and from the restart they took the lead. Ní Mhuircheartaigh played Niamh Carmody in and she found the back of the net as Kerry has settled into the game at this stage.

A sweeping Cork move had the sides level with Kiely getting her second and the Rebels' fourth point.

Ní Chonchúir put Kerry back in front before

a tackle on Katie Quirke led to a discussion between the referee and his umpires. After a lengthy conversation, he awarded Kerry a free out.

Ní Mhuircheartaigh increased Kerry's lead as they started to push up on Cork kick-outs and were causing problems for the Cork defence. Libby Coppinger got on the scoresheet for Cork to make it 0-5 to 1-3 with 20 minutes gone.

Ní Mhuircheartaigh scored another magnificent point for her side as they took a three point lead with three minutes to half-time.

Fiadhna Tangney increased their lead, before Coppinger raised a white flag for Cork.

Ní Mhuircheartaigh added a point from a free before a superb block from Roisin Phelan denied Carmody a second goal.

Doireann O'Sullivan pointed again for Cork as they trailed the Kingdom by 0-7 to 1-7 at half-time.

Cork started the second-half brightly with Kerry keeper Ciara Butler saving well to deny Quirke a goal, before Erika O'Shea pointed for the home side.

Three minutes into the second-half, a clash of Meabh O'Sullivan and Siofra O'Shea as both went for the ball led to the latter having to leave the pitch.

After that, and having consulted with the same umpires, the referee awarded Kerry a penalty, which Ní Mhuircheartaigh duly dispatched to the back of the net.

She added a point as did Anna Galvin as Kerry were now in control and built up a lead of 2-11 to 0-9 after 45 minutes.

Ní Mhuircheartaigh kept adding on the points before Orlaith Cahalane got on the score sheet for the home side and the same player was denied a goal by Butler after 52 minutes.

Cahalane got a late goal for Cork to set up a dramatic finish, with Eimear Kiely raising another green flag to put only a point between the sides. Quirke coolly slotted over to level and the final whistle went shortly after to conclude a highly entertaining encounter.

KERRY CAMOGIE LOWER THE BANNER

**Munster Intermediate Semi-Final:
Kerry 0-14 Clare 0-12**

Kerry's annus mirabilis in camogie continued in Cusack Park last Sunday as they booked

their berth in the Munster Intermediate Final against Cork with a hard-fought but fully deserved victory over Clare. Kerry went through the National League unbeaten to lift the Division Two title and maintained that winning sequence against a quality Clare outfit, but were put to the pin of their collar to do so. Star of the show was undoubtedly Niamh Leen, who gave a phenomenal display even by her own high standards, but every single Kerry player had to dig deep against a Clare side who pressed hard all through.

Sharpshooter Patrice Diggin got Kerry off the mark with a well-executed free. Jackie Horgan in midfield was already setting the tempo as she got back to snuff out a dangerous Clare attack. Kate O'Gorman picked off a nice point to open Clare's account but Diggin replied with a free from way out near the sideline. Clare's Jennifer Daly very neatly lifted the ball off a Kerry player to fire over a sublime score. Clare were having slightly the better of the exchanges at this point, with Kerry's full back line working very hard to repel dangerous attacks. Two Aisling Cooney frees gave Clare a 0-4 to 0-2 lead. Kerry were winning good ball, but could only muster a single point, a free from Patrice Diggin, from no less than seven scoring chances. Things certainly looked ominous enough at this stage. Clare keeper Luran Solon batted away a long range effort by Diggin, but good pressure by Ciara O'Sullivan saw her cough up a '45 coolly slotted over by Jackie Horgan and Kerry were level. A good defensive clearance by Aoife Behan saw Caoimhe Spillane pick off a fantastic score that seemed to energise Kerry. Straight from the pick-out Patrice Diggin returned it with interest to make it 0-6 to 0-4. Kaci Toomey reduced the gap to one but a foul on Laura Collins saw Patrice Diggin have the last word of the first half with another free.

Half-time Kerry 0-7 Clare 0-5

Amy O'Sullivan beautifully clipped over the opening score of the second half to put a goal between the teams. Clare weren't going away though, as dynamic midfielder Grace Carmody used her pace and direct running to slot over

two scores and narrow the gap to the minimum again, 0-8 to 0-7. It was already clear that this game was going to go down to the wire.

Kerry were able to lift it a gear. Amy O'Sullivan picked off another fine point. Jackie Horgan, now switched into her more customary role at full forward, gathered a good ball from imperious centre back Niamh Leen and split the posts. Aisling Cooney replied with a free to keep the margin tight but Patrice Diggin restored the goal gap between them.

Clare thundered forward, but Niamh Mulqueen's attempt to burst through was deemed an illegal charge by alert referee Diarmuid Phelan. Things were just as tight at the other end, with Niamh Leen denied by a superb block by Sinead O'Keeffe. Clare sub Aoife Anderson cut the gap back to two points. Clare wing forward Jennifer Daly, always dangerous, struck another beauty and it was a one point game, 0-11 to 0-10. The cat was really in among the pigeons now!

Good work by Niamh Leen saw Jackie Horgan ease the cloying tension a fraction with a good score. Leen set up Patrice Diggin for another. At 0-13 to 0-10, there was real daylight between the teams with time starting to run out, but Clare were far from done. Labhaoise O'Donnell won a free converted by Kate O'Gorman and O'Gorman won and slotted another. Just one point in it again.

Kerry's veteran triumvirate combined for a crucial free. Niamh Leen drew the foul. Jackie Horgan, with that telepathic instinct of long comrades in arms, took it fast and lofted it neatly to Patrice Diggin in space. The ace marksman doesn't miss that kind of opportunity. A beautifully crafted score and a worthy winner of a game that deserved such a moment.

KERRY WIN MINOR CAMOGIE ALL IRELAND

All Ireland Minor C Final:

Kerry 0-12 Down 0-8

If any further proof was needed of the phenomenal rise in Kerry camogie, (and I doubt if any was needed) it was provided last week as the Kerry minors claimed their first ever minor All Ireland with a convincing victory over a good Down side. Emma Conway, Tara Burke (2) and Yasmin O'Brien set Kerry on their way with the first four points of the game. Niamh McGrath was unlucky for Down when she hit the crossbar but their opening point finally arrived through Tara O'Neill. Tara Burke replied with a free but Down were taking control now and reeled off the next four points to draw level. Shannon Collins nudged Kerry back in front but Niamh McGrath equalised just before the short whistle.

Two frees from the outstanding Tara Burke had Kerry in front. Niamh McGrath pulled one back but Burke responded with a super point from play. With five minutes to play, Niamh McGrath got in on goal but her rocket smashed back off the crossbar. Lena Mason snapped up the rebound but was denied by a super save from Lauren Bowler. Kerry recovered from that scare, with the unstoppable Tara Burke adding three more to her tally (2'45, 1f) to wrap up a historic victory.



The Killarney players on the minor Kerry panel with the All Ireland Minor C Cup

Kerry FC announce partnership with Killorglin AFC

Kerry Football Club are delighted to welcome Killorglin AFC as an official club partner. Killorglin become the second team that partnered with Kerry FC, with the Boston Bolts announced as club partners on St Patrick's Day.

There is a new life to the game in the county of Kerry as we know it, as Senior League of Ireland football came to the Kingdom for the first ever time. But, there were months and years of tireless hard work and dedication from numerous people to get this project to where it is today.

Whilst we believe we are embarking on a successful journey in senior football delivering an elite player pathway for all our schoolboys and girls, we realise the importance for us to build a community of Kerry Football people who want to support our project to compete amongst the top clubs in the country.

Killorglin AFC is an important starting point in the county for Kerry FC, with 4 Kerry FC U14 League of Ireland Academy players signing for the club from Killorglin just a number of weeks ago. The

academy work being done at the mid Kerry club is of a huge standard and there is no doubt a Killorglin AFC player will line out for Kerry FC in years to come.

The partnership between the clubs will help the growth of both clubs. For Killorglin it is a chance for them to get assistance from the First Team and Academy coaches from Kerry FC both on and off the field. With Kerry FC coaches expertise, the club will assist Killorglin AFC with both coach and player training as well as areas of health, mental wellbeing and participation in the game.

Killorglin AFC will also get some fantastic benefits



Present at the official announcement (L-R): Sean O'Keeffe (Kerry FC General Manager), Darragh O'Sullivan (Kerry FC U14 Player), Odhran Foley (Kerry FC U14 Player), Darragh Foley (Kerry FC U17 Player), Callum Robertson (Kerry FC U14 Player), Micheal Culhane (Kerry FC U14 Player), Brian Ainscough (Kerry FC CEO), Damian Locke (Kerry FC Head of Academy), Eamonn Foley (Killorglin AFC Coaching Officer) - All 5 Kerry FC players photographed were signed to the club from Killorglin AFC

including underage players participating in Kerry FC First Team matches as mascots, ball boys/girls and half time matches in Mounthawk Park.



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FOSSA GAA

ELLEN CLIFFORD

Fossa GAA club lost one of our most cherished and loved member's on Saturday with the passing of Ellen Clifford. Ellen, mother of Shelley, Paudie and David and married to our chairman of the past five years Dermot Clifford will be missed by all, far and wide. Ellen, nee O'Shea was a true lover of the GAA and travelled the country supporting Kerry, long before the emergence of her star sons, and was probably in every club field in the county supporting Fossa, at all grades.

Ellen, even through her illness, was at all the games, and being in Croke Park on club final day to see Paudie lift the "canister" will be one of many memories that will be cherished by us all. Ellen will be dearly missed in the Fossa field on match day but we know she will be looking down on us and inspire us all to be the best we can. Ellen you will be sorely missed by us all.

Suaimhneas síoraí dá hanam milis

FOSSA U15'S A

Fossa U15's had a good week, beating Milltown by a last minute point on Wednesday and then qualifying for the Div 2 Feile by beating Dr Cokes and drawing with Legion.

The winning run came to an end of Saturday morning when beaten by a very strong Kenmare team.

FOSSA U9 BOYS GO GAMES

The Fossa u9 boys travelled to Glenbeigh for round 2 of the Go Games. The trip didn't disappoint, and the Fossa boys played great football with skill and determination shining through. Many thanks to Glenbeigh for their wonderful hospitality and the post-match treats for players and parents were also offered teas/coffees. Well done to both the Fossa teams and the Glenbeigh Glencar teams for providing entertaining football.

CONDOLENCES

Fossa GAA Club would like to pass on our condolences to senior footballer Mike Keffe on the death of his grandfather Timmie Keffe of Kiskeam, Co. Cork, may he rest in peace
Fossa GAA Club would like to offer our sincere condolences to the family on the death of the late Ivo O'Sullivan of Ballydowney, Fossa

KILLARNEY LEGION

KERRY U20 ALL IRELAND SEMI FINAL

With the week starting on a high with Will Shine being named as the Munster U20 Player of the Championship, things took a turn for the worst in Pearse Stadium on Saturday. Sligo came out on top in this eagerly awaited All Ireland semi final but fair to say Kerry will have been disappointed by the hours event. To be fair to Will, he top scored for the Kingdom with four points but the overall effort never really got going. To give Sligo their due they are thriving recently at underage level and will be a formidable opponent for Kildare in the final.

SENIOR MEN

Castleisland Desmonds visit Direen this Sunday, May 14th, for Round 6 of the Credit Union



The Clifford family pictured in Croke Park last year on All Ireland Final Day.

County League Division 1. The game throws in at 2pm. The Senior B team are facing Churchill away on Friday night. Please check our Social media channels for confirmed throw in time.

JUVENILE BOYS UPDATE

The U11 Boys battled bravely against the elements and Laune Rangers on what was a miserable Thursday evening on the banks of the Laune. But the boys played very well and did themselves proud. They would have been boosted earlier in the week by a visit from 2014 All Ireland winning goalkeeper Brian Kelly who gave them a lovely pep talk about the friendships and spirit a club can create.

The U15 boys had a busy week. On Wednesday night they put in their best display of the year so far when accounting for Na Gaeil in Tralee in the latest round of the County League. The win sees them qualify for the Division 1 Shield semi final in what has been a great learning experience for them so far. The prestigious Feile qualifying competition was held in Direen Friday night where Dr Crokes and Fossa were the visitors. There was only a hair's breadth in any of the games, with Legion and Fossa drawing, Crokes narrowly defeating Legion but then falling to the same fate themselves to Fossa. It was Fossa who emerged from a very enjoyable evening of top quality entertainment.

The U17 Boys had a ding dong battle with Rathmore in the opening round of the East Kerry League. In the final analysis the concession of four goals in the opening half left the team with a steep mountain to climb but to their eternal credit they did their utmost and the final score of 4-12 to 2-16 in Rathmores favour showed that they are not far away.

LADIES UPDATE

Both U12 teams were busy in action on Tuesday night in Direen. The White team welcomed Beaufort for their first official competitive game and put in a fine performance to run good winners in the end. The Green Team met a very strong Rathmore outfit and while not successful on the night there's no doubt that a few lessons will have been gleaned from the game.

A week full of content for both our U14 teams as they were successful in both their fixtures.

On Tuesday evening last the Division 5 team travelled to Tuosist and came away with the spoils winning by 4-7 to 1-2. Kerins O Rahillys called to Direen last Saturday afternoon and in a free flowing contest the home side led from start to finish, culminating in a 6-9 to 3-4 win.

GOLF CLASSIC

When Sean Daly constructed his team for the Killarney Legion GAA Golf Classic he certainly put all the right tools in the bag as teammates Dan Doona and Johnny Brosnan made sure the trio dovetailed to perfection to carry the spoils. Their 95 point haul on a mild day in the famed O Mahony Point course made them clear winners over the Ted Healy inspired team consisting of Kieran Cremin and David Marmian. They were chased home all the way by Con Healy, James McCarthy and the irrepressible Patie Sugrue, representing the Legion legends of Johnny Culloty and Pat Healy. Declan Kelly's driver was in full working order as he creamed the longest drive down the 11th and in the process finished fourth alongside Adrian Brennan and Brian Hayles. Golfer supreme Seamie O Connor won nearest the pin with his excellent pitch to one of the world's trickiest Par 3s, the 18th.

Full Results

1st. Team Sean Daly Construction.. Sean Daly, Dan Doona, Johnny Brosnan 95 pts
2nd. Team Ted Healy.. Ted Healy, Kieran Cremin, David Marmion 91 pts
3rd. Team Johnny Culloty/ Pat Healy.. James McCarthy, Patie Sugrue, Con Healy 90 pts
4th . Team Victoria Hotel.. Declan Kelly , Adrian Brennan, Brian Hayles
Longest Drive ... Declan Kelly
Nearest the Pin.. Seamie O Connor

DEEPEST SYMPATHIES

We would like to extend our sincerest sympathy to the Clifford, O'Shea families and all in Fossa GAA on the passing of Ellen Clifford.
May she Rest in Peace.

LOTTO

Results Monday May 1st. Numbers were 7,9, 23, 28 Bonus 11. No Jackpot winner. Match 3s / Lucky Dips: 1. Danny Bowe 2. Mary O Meara 3. Maureen Hartnett 4. Restaurant Staff of Lake Hotel 5. Pat Moynihan.



Fossa Under 15A



Killarney players on the minor Kerry panel with the All Ireland Minor C Cup



KERRY LGFA

ALL IRELAND U14 PLATINUM CHAMPIONSHIP QUARTER FINAL - MAY 13TH

Kerry -v- Kildare - Time & Venue TBC
Munster Senior B Championship Round 5
Kerry -v- Limerick - 19th May - Venue TBC
Munster Senior Championship Round 3
Tipperary -v- Kerry - Cahir GAA - 14th May - 2pm

EAST KERRY GAA NEWS

by Michael Healy

ALL IRELAND SCOR NA NOG FINAL 2023

An historic day for East Kerry at the INEC, in the All-Ireland Finals of Scór na nÓg, as Spa in the Rince Seit, and Glenflesk in the Ballad Group, took on all comers to win All Ireland titles. Congratulations to both Clubs on this amazing achievement.

MUNSTER FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP FINAL

Congratulations to the Kerry team and management to the Kerry Team and Management on their victory in Sundays Munster Football Championship Final against Clare. Good luck to the team in the upcoming group stages, starting against Mayo in two weeks.

U20 ALL IRELAND SEMI FINAL

Hard luck to the Kerry team and management on their defeat in Saturday's All Ireland U20 semi final versus Sligo. Well done to Will Shine on being named EirGrid Player of the Province in Munster

ALL IRELAND MINOR CAMOGIE FINAL

Another superb win for the Kerry Camogie team against Down, in the the All Ireland Minor C Camogie Final. Well done to all involved. An historic achievement.

MUNSTER CAMOGIE INTERMEDIATE CHAMPIONSHIP

Another great result for Kerry Camogie, as Clare were beaten by two points on Sunday in the Munster Intermediate Championship.

COUNTY U21 CHAMPIONSHIP

Good luck to East Kerry, Rathmore, Glenflesk, Furies, Dr Crokes and Legion in the opening round of the U21 Championship on Wednesday week.

ÁINE NÍ SHÚILLEABHÁIN

Congratulations to Áine Ní Shúilleabháin on

her 41 years of volunteering as a Research Biologist at Killarney National Park. Aine who has spent time as PRO of both Glenflesk and East Kerry GAA, is also the current Kerry County Board children's officer. Well done to Aine for her outstanding work.

EAST KERRY PRIMARY SCHOOLS SKILLS RESULTS

East Kerry/Kenmare Primary Schools boys skills competitions were completed during the week. St Olivers NS (Eanna Hennigan, Conor McElligott, Cian Hegarty) won the East Kerry team event. Loughguitane NS (Conor Moynihan) qualified in the individual event. Faha NS (Eoin Casey, Jamie Murphy, Brendan Allman) won the Eoghan Ruadh team event. Barraduff NS (Patrick O Donoghue) qualified in the individual event. St Johns NS (Ronan Hussey, Matthew Myles, Daithi O Shea) won the Kenmare Distict Board team event. Kilgarvan Central NS (Tony Desmond) qualified in the individual event. Thanks to St Brendans College students for supporting Vince Cooper and Emmet Finnan in running the events. Best of luck to all players in the county final.

CONDOLENCES

All at East Kerry GAA would like to pass on our condolences to The Clifford family on the sad news of the passing of Ellen Clifford. Also to the families of Mary Roche Castleisland, John O Callaghan Tralee and Kathleen McCarthy Furies. May they rest in peace.

KEEL GAA CLUB

CLUB LOTTO

Keel GAA Lotto Draw Monday the 1st of May. Numbers drawn: 15, 24, 26, 31. There was no winner of our jackpot of €3,600. Lucky dip winners of €50 were Mary Rogan (online ticket) and David Flaherty (online ticket). The jackpot will be €3,650 for the draw on Monday the 8th of May. Many thanks for all your support this week and thank you to this week's lotto team for facilitating the draw. You can purchase your tickets for the draw via Clubforce or through the local outlets. Thank you for your continued support of our club lotto.

SENIORS

Best of luck to our senior team and management who are away to St. Michaels Foilmore on Saturday at 7pm.

UNDER 17S

Our U17s kicked off their Central Region competition on Monday last versus Austin Stacks. The final score was Keel/Listry 2-11, Austin Stacks 1-16. This Monday (8th) they travel to Ardfert of round 2. Best of luck!

UNDER 15 FÉILE: Our Under 15s qualified for the Féile semi-final on Friday evening in Listry after two hard fought victories over Laune Rangers and Austin Stacks. The lads travelled to Austin Stack Park for the semi-final on Saturday. Well done to the lads on an unbelievable effort. They went up against a very strong John Mitchels in the Semi-final. This was a very tight affair as we expected. There was nothing in it right to the end. The game came down to one passage of play and a fantastic run by Allyn, who got pulled down when through on goals. Up stepped the ever cool Ryan Costello to take the resultant penalty. He sent the keeper the wrong way and crashed the ball the the net. A fantastic victory in a real ding dong battle. The boys went into the final in great shape. We then had nearly an hour of a break before facing Laune Rangers, who overcame Furies in the other Semi-final. This break didn't do our lads any good as we were sluggish to start in the final. Laune Rangers broke up the field following the throw in to score a goal. This meant we were fighting from behind from the start. The boys battled hard with Brien Mangan trying his heart out at mid field and Danny Murphy moving forward with purpose. We went in at the break 5 points down, but this bunch of players have a never say die attitude. We got back into our rhythm in the 2nd half and chipped away at the lead. A major turning point was when we broke forward and a great ball into Killian Fitzgerald sent him through on goals with just the keeper to beat. A Rangers defender got back and pulled him down to save a certain goal. He was black carded, but we got a free and a point only. Now, a man up, we pushed hard and every player can be commended on their performance. We took the game to Rangers and brought the game back to level pegging coming into the dying minutes. Then, the final play and Rangers broke up the field for a rare attack in the last quarter and won a free kick. With the last kick of the game, the ball went between the posts and Rangers were victorious. Heart-breaking for our boys, but every one of them can be so proud of the way they played and conducted themselves. They gave it their all and left it



all out on the pitch. Thanks so much to all the supporters who came out today in great numbers to give their support. It's very much appreciated. A word of thanks also to referee Roland Rogers who did a fine job all afternoon. Congratulations to Laune Rangers and the very best of luck in the competition going forward!

UNDER 7S

U7 training this Sunday morning great session was had by all. Training will continue next Sunday 10.30-11.30.

UNDER U5S

U5 training continued Sunday morning. Excellent session with big improvement in skill levels. Training continues next Sunday morning 10.30-11.30

PRIMARY SCHOOLS

Well done to our local Primary Schools, Castledrum and Fybough who were very successful in their respective competitions last week.

KERRY U20

Commiserations to the Kerry U20 team and management on their loss to Sligo in the All-Ireland semi-final on Saturday. We like to congratulate Keith on a great season with the Kerry U20s and who continues to be an incredible role model for our young boys and girls. We look forward to seeing Keith Evans back in the Keel jersey in the coming week.

KERRY SENIOR MENS

Congratulations to the Kerry team on their Munster Final win on Sunday.

KERRY SENIOR LADIES

Well done to the Kerry Ladies team who drew with Cork on Sunday in Páirc Uí Chaoimh on Sunday. They face Tipperary this weekend. Best of luck to all the team!

RIP

We'd like to extend our condolences to the Clifford and O'Shea families as well as Fossa GAA club on the passing of Ellen Clifford. Ar dheis Dé go raibh a hanam.

KILLARNEY CAMOGIE CLUB

TRAINING

Under 6/8/10 train on Mondays & Fridays from 6-7pm in Spa. Hurleys & helmets can be provided on a rental basis for the season. Football boots, shin guards & water required. Under 12s & Under 14s train on Mondays & Fridays (match dependent) from 6-7pm in Spa. Under 16s train on Mondays & Thursdays (match dependent) from 6-7pm in Spa. Under 18s train on Mondays & Fridays from 6-7pm in Spa

REGISTRATION

New members always welcome & registration is done on www.foireann.ie. For any details on registration, please contact Treasurer/Registrar Louise Moynihan or Secretary Sarah Breen. All details on how to register can also be found on our Facebook page.

FACEBOOK

Please check out our Facebook page for all up to date match fixtures & updates – Search for Killarney Camogie Club!

FÉILE FUNDRAISER

Our Féile GoFundMe is now live.... We would

appreciate any donation you can make. The link to donate is on our Facebook page

CLOTHES COLLECTION

Clothes collection Monday 15th May & Friday 19th May. Can be dropped to us at training. Please support us if you are doing a clothes clear-out before the summer!! No duvets, pillows, curtains etc please

FÉILE SKILLS COMPETITION

Congratulations and best of luck to Ava Moore who will represent Kerry in the Munster Féile skills competition in Mallow

KERRY MINOR CAMOGIE

Congratulations to the Kerry minor camogie team & management on winning the Minor C Final last weekend v Down. A special shout out to the Killarney players – Yen Leniston, Kathryn Ryan, Hannah Ryan, Yasmin O'Brien, Chloe McCarthy, Áine Devlin and Anne Hickey. The late Pat Sheehan was an instrumental influence over this team in the 2022 season & no doubt was looking down on the team with pride last Saturday.

KERRY SENIOR CAMOGIE

Congratulations also to the Kerry senior team, including U14 coach & local lady Kate Lynch, who beat Clare in the Munster Intermediate Semi Final. They will now face Cork in the Munster Final.

DR. CROKES

SFL DIV. 1

Dr. Crokes 2:17 Austin Stacks 4:06

Our senior team returned to winning ways following a 5 point victory over Austin Stacks last Saturday evening in Connolly Park. Stacks started the better with a goal inside 30 seconds but this young Crokes side responded well and led by 3 points at half time. Strong scoring returns from Mikey Casey, Charlie Keating and Alex Hennigan provided the basis of this victory and bringing 2 Co. League points back to Lewis Road.

SHL DIV. 1

Dr. Crokes 0-07 Crotta O'Neills 0-12

On Thursday last we welcomed Crotta O'Neills to Lewis Road. Having reeled off a number of good scores early on, Crotta looked strong, leading 5 points to 1 after the opening quarter. Points from Michael Lenihan and Tom Doyle, along with two long range efforts from the deadfall meant that we cut the gap back down to 2 at the interval, 8 points to 6. As the rain came down in the second half, scores were at a premium for both sides. Crotta made the best of the showers to move points clear after 45 minutes. Just a point from both sides in the closing 15 minutes meant defeat for the home side. We now sit 6th on the table at the halfway mark of the Co. League.

SHL DIV. 3

Dr. Crokes B 5:09 Tralee Parnells B 0:15

Our junior hurlers made it two wins from 2 in Div. 3 of the Co. League in Lewis Road on Friday night. We started well with a goal from Aaron Murphy. It was a very open first half with great long range scores taken by Tralee Parnells aided by the wind. We trailed by 4 points at the break, 1:06 to 0:13. The second half belonged to Dr.

Crokes. A goal inside the opening minutes of the second half gave us the push on, holding Tralee to just two points in the second half with a tight battling defensive play. Goals in the second half from Aaron Murphy, Kevin Landers and Davie Carroll, who all had fantastic games. It finished 5:09 to 0:15 to have Crokes top of the table and a win over St. Brendans would guarantee top spot.

LGFA U18

Dr. Crokes 5:13 Ballymac 5:07

Our minor girls had their first outing in Div.1 of the Co. League in Ballymac against a strong home side. There were a blitz of goals in the first half, with our girls trailing 4:08 to 4:02 at half time. We started stronger in the second half, reducing the deficit to 3 points with 10 minutes remaining, but a great save by the Ballymac keeper to prevent the equaliser gave Ballymac the momentum and they finished the stronger.

LGFA U14

Dr. Crokes 1:08 John Mitchells 4:07

Our girls came up against a very strong Tralee side on Friday evening and unfortunately came out on the wrong side. We played against a strong breeze in the 1st half and fell behind early, we improved in the 2nd half but had left ourselves with too much to do. Sabra Hickey was superb in the middle, Saoirse O'Donoghue, Ciara Mulcahy and Faye Mannix were solid in defence. Keva McCarthy, Miren O'Connor and Bethany Byrne, with a nicely taken goal, did well in attack.

ACADEMY

A massive thank you to our Dr. Croke/Kerry players, past and present who gave a hand to coach our academy players on Saturday last. It was a fantastic morning. Our academy continues every Saturday morning. We cater for boys and girls aged 4 to 11 in the Killarney area. Hurling from 10 to 11 and Football 11:15 to 12:15. All welcome, bring a friend!

LOTTO took place May 8th Numbers drawn were 10, 14, 20, 27 Jackpot of €8,000 was not won. Jackpot for draw on May 15th will be €8,300. We have made a number of alterations to make things easier for members to play the easiest one being to play it online by following the link below and follow instructions attached https://play.clubforce.com/play_newa.asp?l_id=734#Anchor

BINGO

Dr Crokes Bingo continues every Sunday night in St. Marys Parish Hall at 8pm. Doors open at 6:45. This week's jackpot is worth a whopping €2,600 with another €1,650 in prizes to be won in 10 games of bingo. Everyone Welcome.

MOTHERS & OTHERS continues every Wednesday evening at 6:30pm. All welcome.

CONGRATULATIONS to Gavin White, Tony Brosnan, Shane Murphy, Micheal Burns and the Kerry Senior Footballers on winning the Munster Championship.

CONDOLENCES to the Clifford and O'Shea Families on the passing of Ellen Clifford. Ar dheis Dé go raibh a hanam.

NOTES

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



MILLTOWN/CASTLEMAINE CLUB

LOTTO

Sponsored by Almas Takeaway, Milltown
The fortnightly club lotto draw took place on Monday, May 1st at the club grounds. There was no jackpot or match 3 winner on this occasion. The numbers drawn were 8, 12, 31 and the bonus ball was 5. Lucky Dip winners were as follows: €50 - Mike O'Sullivan, Callinafercy. €50 - Jerome Flynn, Castlemaine. €25 - Deirdre O'Sullivan, Milltown. €25 - Noel Hurley. €25 - Nicola Holman, Furies. €25 - Eoin O'Brien, Castlemaine
Our next club lotto draw is scheduled to take place on Monday, May 15th 2023 at 19:30pm in the Clubhouse where the jackpot will be €13,000.

CREDIT UNION COUNTY SENIOR FOOTBALL LEAGUE: DIVISION 1, ROUND 6 FIXTURE

Milltown/Castlemaine 'A' will travel to take on Spa Killarney on Saturday, May 13th at 7:00pm in Round 6 of the Credit Union County Senior Football League. Venue is Spa GAA.

WEDDING BELLS: CONGRATULATIONS

Milltown/Castlemaine GAA Club would like to take this opportunity to send Garry Murphy and Caitriona Brosnan every good wish and happiness for the future as they got married last Friday and also we extend similar best wishes to Jamie O'Shea and Joanne O'Sullivan who tied the knot on Friday last, two club weddings on the same day! Congratulations to both couples and we hope you and your family/friends had a wonderful occasion and that ye enjoy many happy years together.

KERRY U20S: COMMISERATIONS

Hard luck to the Kerry U20s and especially to Milltown/Castlemaine GAA's Cillian Burke as the team lost out to Sligo last Saturday in the Eirgrid All-Ireland U20 Football Championship Semi-Final in Pearse Stadium, Galway. Cillian put in a very good performance at midfield but it just wasn't meant to be on this occasion for the team.

ITEMS FOR THE CLUB NOTES

If you have any items for inclusion in the weekly notes, then please contact the club's PRO Dara O'Connor on 086 268 8674 before 20:00 on Sundays.

FIRIES GAA

SENIOR CLUB FIXTURES

Div 2 14/05 Furies v Laune Rangers 2pm in Farranfore

Div 6 13/05 Furies B v Kilcummin B 7pm in Farranfore

COISTE NA NOG FIXTURES

U13 Boys Div 1 B - 14/05 Kilcummin v Furies 6.30pm

U13 Boys Dev Team - 14/05 Kilcummin v Furies 5pm

U15 Hurling 12/05 6.30pm Kenmare/Kilgarvin v Furies

Minor Boys 12/05 7pm Scart/Cordal v Furies

BALLYHAR-FIRIES GAA LOTTO 08/05/2023

Numbers drawn were: 2, 3, 6, 14. No jackpot winner. 5x€30: Fiona Fell, Gurteenroe. Lee Anne O Connor, Furies. Thomas Kearney, c/o Bridie. Sarah Morris, Cromane Lower. Noeleen McCarthy, Gurteenroe. Next week's jackpot €6500

JOY FOR THE PRES AS THEY ACHIEVE TWO IN A ROW MINOR ALL IRELAND TITLES

St Brigid's Killarney have regained their crown as All Ireland Minor 'A' Schools champions for a second year in a row. The competition was held over the weekend on Saturday and Sunday the 6th & 7th of May in UL sports arena. Saturday saw them drawn in a very difficult group among Calasantius Galway, Colaiste Choilm Ballincollig and Mount Sackville Dublin. Preparation started with this team in October so the confidence was high going into the weekend. The South West champions won each game comfortably to scores of 58-4 and 48-14. The Pres topped their group and moved onto Sunday facing a difficult opponent in Malahide Dublin. The girls started slowly but got into the game in the final two quarters where they progressed by a margin of three points. This was the game the players needed as they knew that the competition was about to get stronger. Onto the semi final, Pres drew St Mary's Mallow. Both teams had been playing very well going into this game so the Pres knew they had a battle on their hands. The girls entered the court confidently and played with great togetherness as they prevailed with a score line of 43-12. The team ran over to court four to check out who their potential opponents could be as they watched an intense battle between their old rivals Crescent Comprehensive and Castleisland Community College. The players knew that, whoever it was that won, they had a battle on their

hands. Earlier in the year, the Pres beat Crescent in the regional finals and got the better of the Castleisland girls at home so confidence was high and the girls were ready for the challenge. Narrowly, Crescent progressed to the final. The Pres knew what they were in for. Three new faces were added to the new-look Crescent team since the teams last met but this did not stir their focus.

The ball was thrown in and the girls found themselves behind very early. They battled hard through the first and saw Crescent narrowly leading 8-1 after the first quarter. Pres' next five stuck together, defended in packs and countered quickly to turn over the score in their favour to 28-9 at the half. This proved too much of a deficit for Crescent to overcome as the Pres girls remained strong throughout

with the final score as 41-23. Another great day saw the girls finish their season unbeaten after fifteen games and going home with the All Ireland cup. Well done to all involved and their coaches Kate Donnellan and Christian Lyne Roberts.

The Pres Junior team narrowly lost out in the final against OLSPK Belfast in Dublin last Thursday. The game ended 40-32 as a strong Belfast outfit just got the better of the Killarney team. They had a fantastic season as they won the South West regional finals and finished with All Ireland Silver. It was the squads first defeat in two years and they know their day will come again. The Pres cadet team also were successful this season as they secured All Ireland Bronze in Tallaght in February. A great year for basketball in St Brigid's Presentation, Killarney.



Minor All Ireland winners

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"This is the message we heard from Jesus and now declare to you: God is Light, and there is no darkness in Him at all. So, we are lying if we say we have fellowship with God but go on living in spiritual darkness; we are not practicing the Truth. But if we are living in the Light, as God is in the Light, then we have fellowship with each other, and the blood of Jesus, His Son, cleanses us from all sin... I am writing this to you so that you will not sin. But if anyone does sin, we have an Advocate who pleads our case before the Father. He is Jesus Christ, the One Who is truly Righteous. He Himself is the Sacrifice that atones for our sins - and not only our sins but the sins of all the world....and we can be sure that we know Him if we obey His commandments. If someone claims, "I know God," but doesn't obey God's commandments, that person is a liar and is not living in the Truth. But those who obey God's Word truly show how completely they love Him. That is how we know we are living in Him. Those who say they live in God should live their lives as Jesus did!

... For the darkness is disappearing, and the True Light is already shining. If anyone claims, "I am living in the Light," but hates a brother or sister, that person is still living in darkness. Anyone who loves their brothers and sisters is living in the Light, and does not cause others to stumble. But anyone who hates a fellow believer is still living and walking in darkness. Such a person does not know the way to go, having been blinded by the darkness..... Do not love this world nor the things it offers you, for when you love the world, you do not have the Love of the Father in you. For the world offers only a craving for physical pleasure, a craving for everything we see, and pride in our achievements and possessions. These are not from the Father but are from this world. And this world is fading away, along with everything that people crave. But anyone who does what pleases God will live forever" (excerpts from 1st John chapters 1&2). Let's resolve to live in the True Light friends.

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Congratulations to all the pupils and Amber Flag Committee members of Holy Family N.S. Rathmore who collected €653.30 for Pieta House. John Dempsey from Pieta House was delighted to collect the cheque from Dylan O' Mahoney, Fiadh O' Callaghan, Lily Kissane, Dylan McAuliffe, Emily Moss, Olivier Stachowiak, Adam Cremin, Amy Reen, Andrew Sheehan, Olivia Olszok, Caoimhe O' Sullivan, Wojciech Sawicki, Eimear Dennehy, Evan Dennehy and Mia Healy-Mangan. The pupils of Holy Family N.S. are in pursuit of their second Amber Flag. Ms. Carmel Casey has successfully coordinated this initiative. The whole school community have enjoyed and supported activities that promote positive mental health and well-being.



Group gathered at Tullig Spa Grotto on Tuesday May 2nd for annual Mass celebrated by Fr. Kieran O'Brien

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT & 1ST ANNIVERSARY

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

MICHAEL JOHN FITZGERALD



MOULAGOW, RATHMORE, CO KERRY
WHO PASSED AWAY ON 17TH MAY 2022.

As we approach Michael John's first anniversary, his wife Catherine, sons Mossie, Dermie, Den, Mikey, Kieran and Shane, together with their families, wish to thank most sincerely all those who sympathised with us on the sad loss of Michael John.

We express our deep appreciation to all who called to our home, attended Michael John's wake and funeral Mass and to those who travelled long distances to be with us. Our thanks to everyone who lined the route from his home to the funeral home and church, it is greatly appreciated. Thanks to all who sent mass cards, perpetual enrolments, texts, phone calls and online condolences. Many thanks to everyone who brought food and refreshments to our home, it is very much appreciated. Your kindness will never be forgotten.

Sincere thanks to those who helped with Michael John's care over the last few years, Dr Casey and his team, Public Health Nurses, Peggy and David at Reen's Pharmacy, to each and every one of his Home Helps for their kindness and attention shown to Michael John over the past number of years.

Our thanks to the paramedics, Sgt Paul Lynch and Gda Gary Kingston who attended our home on the morning of Michael John's passing.

Many thanks to friends and neighbours who helped with traffic management in Rathmore and Shrone.

A special word of thanks to the staff of St Joseph's Day Centre for their help and support during the days of the funeral, it is deeply appreciated.

We would like to thank Michael John's former work colleagues at MC Group for their lovely guard of honour. He would have been so proud.

Thanks to Fr Pat for saying the funeral mass and prayers at the burial and for his support during and after the funeral.

Thanks to Paud & John O'Donoghue and Mike Cronin for the lovely music and hymns, it greatly enhanced the liturgy. Thanks to sacristan, Bridie O'Sullivan for the help with the Mass.

Heartfelt thanks to Seán O'Mahony, Funeral Directors, for his efficient, dignified and sensitive approach in arranging Michael John's funeral. Thanks to the gravedigger, Paul Nagle, for preparing Michael John's final resting place.

Our thanks to management and staff of the Bridge Bar for the catering and Denis & Tim McCarthy for providing the food after the funeral Mass.

As it would be impossible to thank everyone individually, please accept this acknowledgment as a token of our gratitude.

The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for your intentions.

*"In the hearts of those who loved you
You will always be there"*

ANNIVERSARY MASS

Michael John's 1st Anniversary Mass will take place on Friday, May 19th at 7pm in Shrone Church.

NOVENA TO ST. CLAIRE

Ask St. Claire for three favours, one business, two impossible and say nine Hail Mary's for nine days with lighted candle. Pray whether you believe or not. Publish on ninth day. Powerful novena.

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