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Blessed art thou..... Keenan Doherty pictured with the stylish Spa Ladies at the club's annual awards night which was held in Hilliards on Saturday night last. From left: Anna O Connor, Leanne Cronin, Niamh Clifford, Katie O Connor, Keenan Doherty, Aine Brosnan and Meghan Cronin. Photo: Katie Marie Photography.
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A Note from the **E**EDITOR



We have a jam packed magazine for you this week. The generous people of Killarney were out in force supporting many charity events including the Hugh Murhill Memorial Walk and the Soroptimist Annual Pancake Tuesday Charity morning.

The Lions Club's fantastic initiative "Message In A Bottle" is now available in all pharmacies, Kerry Gardai have launched an awareness campaign to target money laundering and a Killarney Explorer was the last man standing in the Arctic.

The Healy Raes rocked the INEC as they celebrated 50 years in politics, the Solstice Walk has raised €3,700 for the Hospice and it was awards time at The Gleneagle Group.

The style stakes were high at events in Killarney at the weekend when the Great Southern Hotel celebrated 170 years and Spa GAA Club celebrated their annual awards night, there was craic agus ceol at the first pop up Gaeltacht of 2024 and check your numbers as Coolick NS launch an online lotto.

In the week when Micheál Burnes called time on his inter county career, the clash of the ash could be heard in Fossa NS, while it was a clean sweep the Kerry Ladies.

Hope you all enjoy this week's Killarney Outlook!

Aisling Crosbie



Claire Joy captured this stunning photograph of swans on the lake at Ross Castle.

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A Date for your diary....

IRISH CANCER SOCIETY COFFEE MORNING PLANNED TO LAUNCH DAFFODIL DAY

With Daffodil Day planned for March 22nd 2024, the Irish Cancer Society Killarney and South Kerry Committee are busy preparing for their annual coffee morning which will take place at The Towers Hotel on Friday 23rd February from 10.30am to 12.30pm.

The committee are urging the public to take part in Daffodil Day to "Go All In This Daffodil Day". Daffodil Day takes place on Friday 22nd March. Whether you want to get involved with your school, company, or in your community, there are lots of ways to go all in and support cancer patients across Ireland. Visit cancer.ie to get involved or learn more.

Averil Power, CEO, Irish Cancer Society said:

"Every three minutes someone in Ireland hears the words 'you've got cancer'. There isn't a family that hasn't felt the devastating impact of a cancer diagnosis. But no matter what cancer brings,

the Irish Cancer Society is here to help.

"All of our essential services, like free counselling, Night Nursing, and patient travel are fuelled by fundraising. We simply can't provide them without the public's generosity.

The more we raise on Daffodil Day, the more we can do. The more help we can give to children and adults going through cancer. The more lifesaving research we can fund. And the sooner we can ensure all cancer survivors have the support they need to live life to the full. We're all in because you are. Join us this Daffodil Day and help us do more."



Pictured at the launch of the Irish Cancer Society Coffee Morning at the Killarney Towers Hotel are Naoim Bautista, Killarney Towers with members of the Irish Cancer Society Killarney South Kerry Committee, Kathrine Breen, Kathleen O'Shea and Eugene O'Sullivan.

HUGH'S WALK RAISES THOUSANDS for the Irish Kidney Association

A walk in memory of popular Muckross man Hugh Murhill has raised an amazing €6,770 for The Kerry Branch of The Irish Kidney Association.

The Memorial Walk in memory of Hugh attracted large numbers who turned out to mark the 4th anniversary of his passing and raise funds for The IKA, a charity very close to the heart of Hugh and his family.

Our heartfelt thanks to his wife Susan, his children Jemma, John, Kaylyn, Hugh Daniel and his grandchildren for organising this special event.

Thank you to Tigh Mary Donal's for hosting the event and presentation, pictured is Theresa Looney accepting the cheque on behalf of The Kerry Branch of The Irish Kidney Association.

A big thank you to all the supporters who donated spot prizes, a great evening was held after the walk in Tigh Mary Donal's.

"Funds raised will go towards the upkeep of our two holiday homes in Kerry, located in Killarney and Tralee, these offer respite to both transplant and dialysis patients where they can enjoy a breakaway free of charge. They also have the option of bring their own dialysis machine where they can continue their dialysis and enjoy time away", Irene Hurley from the Association

told Killarney Outlook.

"We are delighted to have recently opened The Munster Kidney Support Centre, located next to Cork University Hospital, it offers overnight accommodation in a fantastic location where families can step away from the hospital environment, receive support from The IKA Support Centre Team, meet other renal patients or just take a break, it will be of huge benefit to all renal patients travelling to CUH from Kerry", she added.

"We will continue to fundraise to support these fantastic facilities for Renal Patients and your support is always very gratefully received.

This year World Kidney Day will take place on March 14th, we are looking for volunteers in lots of Kerry areas for supermarket collections, if you can spare just one hour it would be appreciated, you can text or WhatsApp your details to Theresa on 087 2059205 or Irene 0879478833", Irene added.

Thank you again to the Murhill Family, friends and supporters, The Kerry Branch of The Irish Kidney Association sincerely appreciate your donation.



Susan Murhill, presents Theresa Looney, Irish Kidney Association, with a cheque for €6,770, proceeds of the walk in memory of her husband Hugh. Also pictured are their children Jemma, Kaylyn, Hugh Daniel and his grandchildren.



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Lions Club *'Message in a Bottle'* NOW AVAILABLE IN PHARMACIES

The fantastic initiative by the Killarney Lions Club - Message In A Bottle is now available in all pharmacies in Killarney.

Starting this week, anyone who might need one can get a Killarney Lions Club 'Message in a Bottle', free of charge, at their local pharmacy. The 'bottle' is a small plastic container with an information form which people can fill out with their basic medical details for use by Paramedics, Gardaí, Fire-fighters, and first responders in cases of emergency.

The initiative, which launched last November, is aimed at helping older people, people living alone and people with medical conditions to quickly receive the care they need in an emergency situation. Once the information form is complete, they can put it in the fridge with a list of medications, and put self-adhesive green cross labels near the front door of their home and on the door of the fridge. In the event of an accident or incident within the home, the first responder/emergency services on the scene will be alerted to the bottle when they see the labels.

The pharmacies taking part are: Allcare (New St.), Boots (Deerpark), CarePlus+ (Park Rd.), Kennelly's (Reeks and New St.), Reens Life (Plunkett St.), O'Sullivan's (New St.), Sewell's (New St.), Sheahan's (Main St.) and Trants (Park Rd.).

"We are absolutely delighted that all our local pharmacies are now on board with this initiative, because it makes it easy for people to get one of the bottles," said Denis Doolan, President of Killarney Lions Club. "We would encourage anyone who thinks it might help them to visit their pharmacy, get a bottle and fill out the information form. If it helps even just one person to get the help they need more quickly and effectively, it is well worth it."

More information about the Message in a Bottle initiative can be found on the Lions Ireland website: <https://lionsclubs.ie/service/message-in-a-bottle/>

For further information, contact killarneylionsclub@gmail.com

About Killarney Lions Club

The Killarney Lions club through its members, assists various groups and individuals in and around the community. Lions do this through voluntary activities, fundraising and by holding various types of events in support of a great many local causes.



Pictured at the launch of the Killarney Lions Club Message in a Bottle in November were:

(Back L to R) John Ivory, Killarney Lions, Dylan O' Connor, Cardiac First Responders, Philip O'Connor, Community Mental Health Team, HSE, Paul Keating, Killarney Lions, Kay O'Connor, Public Health Nursing, HSE, Martin O'Grady, Fire Brigade, Finbarr Kennelly, Pharmacist, Ronan Doyle, Jason Higgins and Ger Quirke, Killarney Lions Club
(Front L to R) Noreen O' Sullivan, Dermot Cronin, Killarney Lions Club, Bridget Delaney, Cardiac First Responders, Helen Foley, Killarney Active Retirement Group, Denis Doolan, President, Killarney Lions Club, Colette Kiely, Cardiac First Responders, Brendan Lynch, Killarney Lions Club

Local Enhancement Programme 2024

Kerry County Council and Kerry Local Community Development Committee (LCDC) invite applications for funding under the Department of Rural & Community Development's Local Enhancement Programme (LEP) 2024. Minister for Rural and Community Development, Heather Humphreys TD, and Minister of State with responsibility for Community Development and Charities, Joe O'Brien TD, announced a new €6 million capital fund to support small community groups and organisations, particularly in disadvantaged areas. Kerry received a total of €180,000 under the Scheme to assist community groups across the County.

Cathaoirleach of Kerry County Council, Cllr Jim Finucane, encouraged community and voluntary

groups to apply to the fund which offers a valuable opportunity to progress important projects and initiatives across the county.

Any not-for-profit community or voluntary group can apply. Commercial organisations and individuals are not eligible for funding. Women's Groups will also be entitled to apply for the general funding available for community groups under the Local Enhancement Programme.

The closing date for submission of applications is Monday 26th February 2024. For more information, visit the Kerry County Council website at <https://www.kerrycoco.ie/>





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A Flipping Great Event for Pancake Tuesday

Killarney Soroptimists rolled out the red carpet on Tuesday to welcome the many who attended the Killarney Avenue Hotel for their annual Charity Pancake Morning.

The beneficiaries this year are St. Mary of the Angels Special local project.



Members of the Soroptimists Club pictured at their Pancake morning on Tuesday at the Killarney Avenue Hotel.



Teresa Irwin pictured with her family, Clodagh, Ciara and Emir and granddaughter Abigail.



Noreen Browne, Teresa Irwin and Sheila Casey at the Soroptimist Pancake Morning at the Killarney Avenue Hotel on Tuesday

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Corcoran's Furniture & Carpets Ltd. launched their charity of the year partnership with Autism Assistance Dogs Ireland (AADI) on Valentine's Day, 14 February 2024. This is a landmark year for the company as they celebrate their 25th Anniversary this August. In honour of this special year, Corcoran's has partnered with their chosen charity AADI, to raise much needed funds, and to give back to the community.

The launch of the charity partnership took place in Corcoran's Furniture & Carpets Ltd. Killarney store, and included a visit from AADI dog handler Elaine Buckley, Community Engagement Manager, as well as the star of the event, one of AADI's ambassador dogs, Willis, who is a beautiful chocolate labrador.

Speaking at the launch of the charity partnership, founder and Managing Director, Kieran Corcoran, said: 'We are thrilled to launch our charity of the year partnership with Autism Assistance Dogs Ireland on Valentine's Day 2024, and we look forward to fundraising across our five stores, including Killarney, Cahersiveen, Newcastle West and our two stores in Tralee. This is a very important year for the company as we will be celebrating our 25th Anniversary this August. We wanted to give something back to the community, and our Corcoran's team chose Autism Assistance Dogs Ireland as the recipient of our fundraising initiatives across 2024. AADI is a very worthy charity that makes a significant impact on the

lives of children with autism and their families, and we look forward to supporting them, and to raising as much funds as possible.'

The team at Corcoran's Furniture have a suite of fundraising events planned between now and December 2024, and they hope to raise as much funds as possible for this very worthy cause.

For more information and AADI puppy updates, please follow Corcoran's Furniture social media channels.



Pictured at the launch of Corcorans Charity Partnership with Autism Assistance Dogs Ireland are: Back Row: L – R: Greta O' Connell, Marzena Jegouzo, Keith Reen, Dan O' Connor, Justyna Krawczyk, Kieran Corcoran (Owner & Managing Director), Shane O' Callaghan (Financial Controller, Corcoran's Furniture), Julian Gherman, Lily Atkinson, Chris Chandler, Nicola O' Sullivan, Ronan O' Shea, Jason Roche. Front Row: L – R: Majella Corcoran (Owner), Elaine Buckley, Community Engagement Manager with Autism Assistance Dogs Ireland (AADI), Pamela Kelleher. Willis the Ambassador Dog (AADI)

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'Don't be a money mule'

KERRY GARDAÍ launch awareness campaign to target money laundering

Gardaí in Kerry have launched a new money mule awareness campaign in a bid to target money laundering across the county.

The new fraud awareness campaign is in partnership with thirteen Credit Unions in Kerry and West-Limerick to highlight the dangers of acting as a money mule.

Gardaí in the Kerry Garda Division continue to target money laundering through the bank accounts of those residing in the county under Operation Mullet.

This operation has already led to 32 prosecutions of those whose bank accounts were illegally used to launder up to €1.3 million in proceeds acquired through online fraud.

Money mules are typically recruited via social media, through friends and acquaintances or while out socialising by what are known as mule herders. On some occasions it can also involve young people with drug debts who pay off such debts by allowing their accounts to be used.

The practice is co-ordinated and well-organised by a large criminal group. In the Tralee area, a large number of those recruited to act as money mules were aged between 16-20 years of age.

In efforts to highlight the dangers and serious legal implications of acting as a money mule, An Garda Síochána and personnel from Credit Unions across Kerry and West-Limerick will present to all local secondary schools and colleges.



Gardaí in Kerry have teamed up with thirteen Credits Unions in Kerry and West Limerick to target money laundering across the county. Pictured: Sergeant Eileen O'Sullivan, Superintendent Paul Kennedy, Pa Laid. CEO Cara Credit Unio , Chief superintendent Padraig Powell, Michael Brosnan, Rathmore Credit Union, Sergeant Mike Quirke, Divisional Crime Prevention Officer and Garda Patricia Fitzpatrick at the 'Don't be a Mule' campaign launch at the Rose Hotel.

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Pictured: Sergeant Mike Quirke Divisional Crime Prevention Officer, Chief Superintendent Padraig Powell and Siobhan Donnelly, Cara Credit Union at the 'Don't be a Mule' campaign launch at the Rose Hotel in Tralee Co Kerry . Photo By: Domnick Walsh © Eye Focus LTD



Intrepid Arctic Explorer and Killarney man Kevin Leahy from Killarney has won the Montane Arctic Spine Race 2024.

Racing non-stop Kungsleden Trail in Arctic Sweden, travelling through forest, over lakes, frozen rivers mountain vistas, while carrying or pulling everything you need to survive in -30 extreme Arctic environments. A total of 293 miles (471km) for solo and team entries.

According to the Montane Facebook page, Kev Leahy has crossed his adjusted finish line and, as the last person standing, is our winner.

In this inaugural edition, as much an expedition as a race, he has set a mark that every future entrant will be working to beat, and we think it'll take some doing.

Massive thanks from the whole Montane Spine Race team. The support we've seen for Kev has been inspiring, and he is just now starting to catch



up with the outpouring of good wishes and encouragement we've seen across our socials over the last 8 days.

Kev Leahy is powering his way across the Arctic in support of Asiam. ie. Learn more and show your support via this link: www.idonate.ie/fundraiser/500kmskiforautism

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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

The Uneven Levy

Let me give an example from a reader of how our head-in-the-clouds political system has lost sight of the ground. The levy on health insurance is rarely mentioned. This column has been contacted by a man who has paid for healthcare all his life. Now, with the huge increases, he and his wife wonder how they can continue. Both pensioners, they pay Euro €3,194 to Laya Healthcare and €876 of this is the Government stamp or levy - one third in other words.

And where does that levy go? It is supposed to even things up. In reality it probably clogs things up.

On modest pensions, they have to fork out the same levy as a person with an income ten times that.

"I think it is grossly unfair to be charging the same levy on pensioners as on high earners," the reader said.

The first thing to say is this: It is because the State's health system is so broken that health insurance is necessary at all. It has been broken with decades. The late 1980s, an era of public service recruitment embargo, mass emigration and huge interest on mortgages of 15 per cent or more, was pretty bleak. But people scraped to take out health insurance. This was so expectant mothers, for instance, could access decent dignified maternity care. Now the health service is even worse. Government and opposition seem to want to look up and away, at wars and issues they have no hope of resolving.

Will the new Independent Ireland, with their feet on the middle ground of squeezed Ireland be the ones to grasp the brass tacks? Certainly, their TDs have a good track record



"It is grossly unfair to be charging the same levy on pensioners as on high earners."

- even in intractable issues like healthcare. Michael Collins, from west Cork told me once how he came up with the idea for the cataract bus to Belfast. This was when he visited a stand by the Kingsbridge Hospital at the Ploughing Championships in Tullamore in 2017. People were going blind in west Cork for want of a simple procedure. Danny Healy-Rae banded with him and the first bus left the southwest before Christmas that year. People have not looked back since. Independents on their own have little power. The three TDs of the new party will lose much financially in becoming a party. Thankfully, personal gain is not their motivation. They are eager for responsibility. Michael Fitzmaurice is a fine performer and a sincere man. They give me hope that all is not lost yet. They may well be the tail to wag the next dog in the Dail.

Killarney Kars - Could Eamon Ryan care?

We could do with a flyover by Green Minister Eamon Ryan. The town is choked with cars

and carbon. How often have we said that? We have become 'acclimatized' to Killarney's traffic chaos. We have stopped noticing how bad it is. But fresh eyes, fresh thinking: Last Sunday I spoke to a lady who had travelled from Clare. It was a seamless journey across the Shannon until she hit Killarney.

All we can do is sit in embarrassment and say wearily how we have been trying for decades to resolve the issue. We are not getting anywhere. Surely it is not beyond the expertise of the engineers in Kerry County Council to come up with a better traffic plan. Even for a quiet February? And could a task force not be set up to resolve it? I don't quite buy anymore how we must wait for a bypass which in any case may not happen in our lifetime.

There is concern that the cathedral car park may be used as a site for a multi-storey car park. But Councillor Niall O'Callaghan assures us this is not the case.

"In the first place we don't own it," Niall says of the cathedral car park. The plan is, as it has been with fifteen years, for a multi-storey near the tourist office, off Beech Road in New Street, he said.

I recall such a plan from forty years ago when the Glebe was being considered for a multi-storey. And then Fair Hill - but we don't really own that either as Birds Bazaar have an interest - and then Beech Road. By the time we get around to building it, there may well be fewer cars. I think the best plan is to invite Minister Ryan to see for himself how traffic problems are not just in Dublin. Then designate two or three electric shuttle buses to run from parks well outside the town. One for the local election list, perhaps.

The importance of public speaking

Soroptimists have been supporting public speaking competitions for girls for close to half a century. Last Sunday saw the Killarney club host the regional final with six contestants from four schools having come through.

Killarney Community College's Tamika Heaphy came second overall and she goes through to the final. Engaging from the start, Tamika's delivery was well enunciated and her six minute topic on peace and democracy ranged from dictionary definition to how violent acts get most attention. We should not have to be violent to get attention, was her premise.

A sense of humour - humour always engages the audience - shone through her two-minute impromptu speech.

(Humour too distinguished the overall winner Andrea Burke from Colaiste na

Toibrith, Bandon.)

Tamika's colleague, Yasmin Hassan acquitted herself admirably. She too spoke without a note. Yasmin's impromptu speech on the topic of hope delivered an interesting perspective: Hope is powerful as long as it doesn't turn into pressure.

The young ladies are a credit to their teachers and to themselves. On the broader question, Liz Ryan, speech and drama teacher, chair of the judging panel, congratulated all six and reminded all of us - I was one of the three judges - of the challenges of public speaking. "It is something people fear more than their own death. It's pretty terrifying," she said.

Liz also got down to the brass tacks of it and highlighted how important diction is.

"Clear speech is essential to be understood," she said. Speakers must watch things like the final consonant and the 'th' which many mispronounce, she urged.

Facial expression was enough and too much gesture was not needed. "Clarity is

everything," Liz said.

Miriam Murphy Wood national convenor was in the East Avenue along with Soroptimists from Cork and Killarney. Local president Bridie Brosnan was mistress of ceremonies for the event. Both reminded us of the importance of public speaking in instilling confidence.

The final of the girls public speaking takes place in The Mansion house in Dublin on March 9th - participants will have to book early as it coincides with the six nations Ireland v England rugby clash.

Best of luck to Tamika and her teacher Tara O'Shea.



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Youth and Talent go Hand in Hand at Killarney Musical Society

It's clear to see that youth and talent go hand and hand with the 6 students in this year's production of Michael Collins, A Musical Drama. They are fantastic young people and we are lucky to have them as members of Killarney Musical Society. Some have been with us for a number of shows but others are new this year. However, some things are the same. They are lovely, talented and friendly and an important part of the KMS family.

Aoife O Riordan, Caoimhe Scanlon, Lily McCarthy, Abby Cronin, Michale Pingo and Colm O'Brien told me they are really enjoying all the rehearsals. As they are in transition year and fifth year they have time to devote to practice. They love seeing people of all ages coming together because of a similar interest. We get on well, have fun and learn from each other Caoimhe said. Colm is studying history and said Michael Collins, a Musical Drama is bringing the treaty campaigns and treaty debates to life for him. Lily said you really feel part of what was happening whether you are pro treaty or anti treaty you want to do your best for your side. Abby can't wait to get into the costumes of the era.

All the cast have been measured by our costume team. This job could not be done without the help and guidance of Anne O'Shea. She made sure all the work was done while still being greeted like the Queen Mother by all the cast. There were hugs and giggles galore. Ilona McCubbrey sourced the costumes, gave the lists to the company and will be driving to Wexford to collect them this week. Another of our honorary members Nanette O'Leary came to rehearsals too. She was delighted to meet all her friends and enjoyed a chat with our director and her friend for many years Oliver Hurley. We send Nan get well wishes from all in KMS.

Michale said he is proud and happy to be in this musical. Ireland is a great country. Aoife loves that Michael Collins, a Musical Drama is about real people. We can feel their passion and pride in their country. It rubs off on us and we hope the audiences will feel the same. They all said be sure to come to the INEC Arena on the 5th, 6th and 7th March. This show is not to be missed.

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The Healy Rae Clan were out in force on Friday night at The Gleneagle when they celebrated 50 Years in Politics.

TD's Michael and Danny, along with Cllrs. Maura, Johnny and Jackie were joined by their family for the celebration which was attended by more than 1,000 people.

Music on the night, which was a free event, was provided by the Neily O'Connor Band, Derry & Rosie Heay and Ger Healy, The Singing Jarvey.

The family put on courtesy busses from their Kilgarvan base and took the opportunity on the night to launch their election campaign with the emphasis now on keeping the three county council seats.



Cllr. Jackie Healy Rae pictured with his dad Michael Healy Rae, TD and his family, mum Eileen, sisters Rosie and Juliette and brother Kevin.



Michael addressing the 1,000 people who attended the dance at the INEC

SOLSTICE WALK RAISES €3,700 FOR THE HOSPICE

The annual Winter Sunday Solstice on The Paps of Anú was held this year in memory of Johnny 'the rock' O'Brien, who sadly passed away on St. Stephen's Day, 2022. Johnny was the heart and soul of Glenflesk, a caring farmer and wonderful neighbour who lived his life on his own terms. Waving to everyone who passed his house, with a return beep from lorries and locals. He tended to his animals with such compassion, and made sure they were safe during storms and floods.

The long walk in darkness to the summit, has two strenuous inclines, leading to the Western Pap at 690 Metres. At approximately 8.45am sunrise, the craic began, with Glenflesk's finest musicians Derry and Rosie Healy, setting the pace with a Kerry polka set, followed by a rendition of 'For these are my Mountains' Johnny 'the Rock' O'Briens favourite song. Mountaineer Donie Mulcahy and crew guided the walkers to and from the summit.

This week Mary O'Donoghue, presented Pat Doolan, Chairperson, Kerry Hospice Foundation with a cheque of €3700 from the proceeds of the Solstice charity walk on the Paps of Anú in aid of the foundation.



Pictured at the presentation of the cheque are Mary O'Donoghue, Pat Doolan, Chairperson, Kerry Hospice Foundation, Don O'Leary and staff of the Kerry Way Bar, Glenflesk, provided complimentary coffee and scones to the walkers after the trek. The Solstice gathering at the summit was dedicated to the memory of late Johnny 'The Rock' O'Brien, who tragically passed away last year. A rendition of Johnny's favourite song 'For these are my mountains' was sung by Derry Healy. The traditional Sliabh Luachra set dance was accompanied on the accordion by Michael McGillycuddy. Included from left, Donie Mulcahy, Mountain Guide, Patrick Chauvet, Manager, The Kerry Way, Glenflesk, Sean O'Donoghue, Landowner, Derry Healy Organiser, Dermot O'Reilly, Kerry Hospice Foundation, Cathal Walsh, Kerry Hospice Foundation, Don O'Leary, Proprietor, The Kerry Way Bar. Photo: Valerie O'Sullivan



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John & Mary Murphy, Killorglin.

BERNARD SCOOPS A TOP AWARD AT THE GLENEAGLE GROUP

Following the success of last year's awards, the annual Gleneagle Group Employee accolades took place on Thursday, February 8 with Bernard Murphy scooping one of the top awards. The ceremony returned to the neighbouring Muckcross Park Hotel with the team enjoying a gala banquet followed by live entertainment with Riff Shop.

The Gleneagle Group Employee Awards is an annual event that celebrates the hard work and dedication of the whole team with nominees chosen from across 2023. Speaking about the ceremony Gleneagle Group CEO Patrick O'Donoghue said: "We are very proud of all that our team achieved throughout 2023. It was another incredibly busy year packed with events, concerts and conferences. We welcomed visitors from all over the world and their feedback consistently mentioned the professionalism and friendliness of our team. Thank you to everyone for your part in making 2023 a success."

The top accolades of Employee of the Year were awarded to Bernard Murphy from The Gleneagle Hotel, Anna Puskzo from

The Maritime Hotel and Orla Steinbeck from The Gleneagle Group.

In The Gleneagle Hotel categories, Nora Carroll received the Manager of the Year award, Mikeala Woods the Best New Starter, Eimear Flynn the Leadership Award, Shubert Stanford Furtada the World's Best Colleague and Maria Jesus Del Viso Esquinas received the Excellence in Customer Service Award. Terence McCarthy, Bridget Herlihy and Krystian Krampilc all received special recognition awards.

In The Maritime Hotel categories, Adrian Biffen received the Manager of the Year Award, Megan Horgan the Best New Starter, Ben Horgan the Leadership Award, Anna Gajownicek the World's Best Colleague and Pauline Murray the Excellence in Customer Service Award.

In The Gleneagle Group shared services categories, Brian Miley received the Excellence in Action Award and John Carroll received the Excellence in Customer Services Award, while Kieran Murphy and Denis Lovett both received special recognition awards.



Pictured at the The Gleneagle Group Employee Awards in Killarney this week are from left, Gleneagle Group CEO Patrick O'Donoghue, Bernard Murphy, Employee of the Year, and John Dolan, General Manager, The Gleneagle Group. Photo: Don MacMonagle



Pictured at the The Gleneagle Group Employee Awards in Killarney this week are from left, Nora Carroll, Manager of the Year, centre with on left, Gleneagle Group CEO Patrick O'Donoghue and John Dolan, General Manager, The Gleneagle Group. Photo: Don MacMonagle



Pictured at the The Gleneagle Group Employee Awards in Killarney this week are from left, Gleneagle Group CEO Patrick O'Donoghue, Orla Steinbeck, Shared Services, KCC / INEC Employee of The Year and Eilis Loughrey, HR Dept, The Gleneagle Group. Photo: Don MacMonagle



Gleneagle Group CEO Patrick O'Donoghue with staff members who were winners and nominees at the The Gleneagle Group Employee Awards in Killarney this week. Photo: Don MacMonagle



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Grace Represents MTU in Europe

Killarney Journalism Student Grace Foley represented Munster Technological University at the European Creative Futures (ECF) programme in HU University of Applied Sciences Utrecht (Hogeschool Utrecht) and in this week's Killarney Outlook, she tells readers of the fantastic experience.

"I was delighted to travel to Utrecht last week to represent Munster Technological University at the European Creative Futures (ECF) programme in HU University of Applied Sciences Utrecht (Hogeschool Utrecht).

The European Creative Futures (ECF) programme brought together over 50 of the most talented Bachelors and Masters students from across Europe. The programme encompassed over 20 Nationalities from different disciplines with the aim of working together for a better Europe.

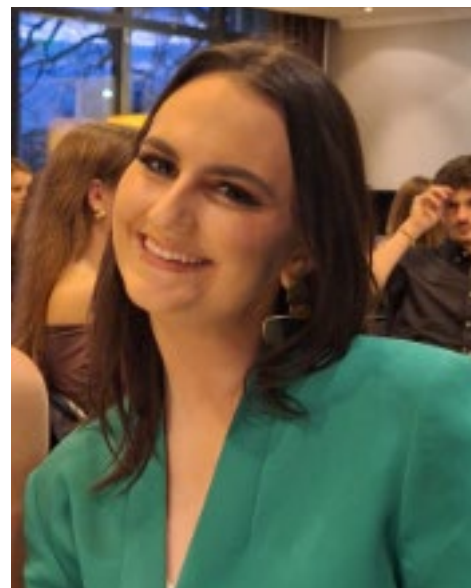
What is ECF? ECF is an intense program that runs over the course of 7+ days. During this week you work in teams with other students from different countries and different educational backgrounds on innovative business ideas. At ECF 2024 there were students from music, marketing, business, business information systems, engineering and more. I'm pursuing a Master of Arts in Journalism and Digital Content Creation, and I believe I contributed valuable communication and

writing skills to my team. However it was fantastic for me to gain insights from individuals with a background in business and finance.

The programme was made up of 5 different universities: Munster Technological University, HU University of Applied Sciences Utrecht, LAB University of Applied Sciences, The Norwegian Academy of Music and Universitat Politècnica De València. The convergence of minds from these universities fostered both creativity and cross-cultural collaboration! On the first evening of the programme we were treated to a welcome concert presented by the Norwegian Academy of Music (NMH)

This programme gave me an opportunity to widen my professional identity by building a network and acquiring entrepreneurial attitudes and skills. The programme covered areas such as trends in society, small enterprise financing, business planning and storytelling. We had the opportunity of learning from local entrepreneur Bruis & Ketel, a sparkling wine company and even went on a site visit to the production factory.

During this intense week, I had the opportunity of working with the most talented team Juliya Nesterova, Charlotta Anttila, Brian Walsh, Tatiana Nanette Tongwa, Édgar Hernández and Tata Makharadze. I had the privilege of being



Grace Foley from Killarney who represented MTU in Europe.

selected as the team lead. On the final night of The European Creative Futures Programme, there was a gala where various prizes were awarded. I am extremely honoured to say that my team emerged victorious as the overall winner of best project at The European Creative Futures 2024 (ECF).

A big shoutout to Roderick Udo from Hogeschool Utrecht and Gerard O'Donovan from Munster Technological University for their exceptional organisation of the programme. Also, a special thanks to our MTU lecturers Emmett Coffey, Frank O'Donovan, and Dr. Breda Kenny Sheehan for their support throughout the week.

This was a once in a lifetime experience, we found ourselves not just learning but absorbing the essence of each other's stories. We will carry these learnings and also friendships with us for the rest of our lives. The European Creative Futures (ECF) was a programme where education met lifelong bonds, and where each participant played a pivotal role in idea generation. Having experienced this programme, I am convinced that the future of European business is not only secure but also poised for dynamic and innovative growth.



Grace Foley photographed with the group from MTU at the European Creative Futures (ECF) programme in HU University of Applied Sciences Utrecht (Hogeschool Utrecht).

'OPRY le DANIEL ar Thuras' comes to The Gleneagle INEC Arena.

OPRY le DANIEL, TG4 television's highest rating country music series of concerts, is coming to the Gleneagle INEC Arena for the first time on Monday 17th to 19th June 2023.

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Now in its fourteenth year, Ireland's no.1 country music artist Daniel O'Donnell will be joined on stage by Declan Nerney, Cliona Hagan, Mike Denver, Chrissy Mac, Dana and the Donegal balladeers 'Onóir' to mention but a few. Other artists to be announced shortly to join Daniel on stage for what will be three unmissable nights of music.

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The events exclusive to Open Week 2024 include our 'Further Options' event at our Monavalley Campus on Mon, 19th February between 5.30pm and 8pm where you can explore a diverse range of courses and apprenticeships and gain insights into potential career paths. An Amazon Web Services Fibre Splicing Workshop takes place on Tues 20th and Wed 21st between 8am-5pm (registration required). Get your tickets for the annual Apprenticeship Open Evening, taking place on Thurs 22nd between 5pm-8pm. This not-to-be-missed event is open to all those ready to kickstart their career and gain hands-on experience in a trade.

Join us at our Kerry College Information Event on Tuesday 20th between 5pm-7pm at our Clash Road campus for an insightful and inspiring



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Katie Hannon, RTE journalist, radio and host of her own self-titled weekly current affairs television programme. (Listowel Main Campus, 6pm-7pm) Entrepreneur Lizzy Lyons, Head Chef and a regular on Ireland AM's cookery slot. (Listowel Main Campus, 5pm-6pm)

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Two In A Row for Tamika



Bridie Brosnan and Tamika Heaphy

Killarney Community College has claimed a place in this year's National Soroptimist International Competition for the second year in a row.

Congratulations to Tamika Heaphy, 6th year, who won a place in the National Final in The Mansion House Dublin in March in the Soroptimist International Girl's Public Speaking Competition.

Tamika is through to the next stage after competing against very stiff competition on Sunday in Killarney at the Regional Final. Tamika chose to speak about the topic of Peace and Democracy where she wowed the judges with her fantastic communication and public speaking skills. She competed against students from schools across Cork and

secured one of two places that were up for grabs to compete in the National Final in March.

"This year we were lucky for two of our students to go through to the Regional Final. It was amazing to see the confidence in our students grow from participating in this competition and it was a great opportunity for them to learn invaluable new skills

and create links with people in the community. They have already had the opportunity to

speak at an event for Toastmasters

Killarney which has been a wonderful opportunity for the girls to create links with people for their future", teacher Tara O'Shea said.

We are very proud and want to wish her and Ms O'Shea all the best in the next stage of the competition.



Yasmin Hassan teacher Tara O'Shea, Tamika Heaphy



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The new tertiary courses provide an alternative path to a degree



By Billy Ryle

PRIORITY

One of the priorities of Simon Harris, Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science is the creation of a unified tertiary system providing pathways for progression across and between different institutions. The National Tertiary Office (NTO) was established last year to coordinate further and higher education progression pathways from Further Education & Training (FET) courses to Higher Education Institutions (HEI).

LINKS

A links scheme already exists between Post Leaving Cert (PLC) courses and HEI's. However, the number of places available to PLC graduates in the links scheme is limited and there is no guarantee of success, particularly in sought after courses, such as nursing.

TERTIARY

The new tertiary courses developed by HEIs and Education and Training Boards (ETB) offer guaranteed pathways from further education to higher education, which are driven by an applicant's career interests rather than points achieved in the Leaving Cert exam. Tertiary courses look beyond grades and points. They provide a definite path to a third level qualification where progression from further to higher education will be completely seamless.

COLLABORATION

This year Munster TU (MTU) is collaborating with ETB Cork and ETB Kerry to provide four tertiary courses in Nursing, while tertiary courses in Business, Visual Arts and Software Development are pending and also likely to be available this year. Other Technological Universities participating in the tertiary scheme this year are TU Dublin (TUD), TU Shannon (TUS), Atlantic TU (ATU), South East TU (SETU), as well as Dundalk IT (DkIT) and Institute of Art, Design and Technology, Dun Laoghaire (IADT). Traditional universities are also collaborating on the development of joint tertiary courses but it is not yet known whether any will be ready for 2024 entry. Tertiary courses are a wonderful development and have expanded from 23 courses last year to an expected forty plus courses in 2024.

APPLY

Applying for a tertiary course is straight forward. An applicant can apply directly through the course information page of the NTO website, www.nto.ie, from 1st February to late September. The website also provides a full list of courses for 2024. The tertiary course enables an applicant to start a degree at an ETB college and complete it at a university. Alternatively, an applicant can get in touch with the appropriate contact person detailed in the course information section. Any applicant, who has any difficulties with any of the above routes, can contact the ETB Adult Education Guidance and Information Service. www.etbi.ie/fet-guidance.

JOINT

A tertiary course is a joint further and higher education degree programme. Students commence their third level experience in further education with the ETB but will complete the remainder of the course in the local higher education colleges. It varies from one year to two years studying in the FET college, depending on the course. It's expected that more than forty tertiary courses will commence this September in Business, ICT, Arts and Media, Engineering, Science, Manufacturing & Construction, Hospitality and Health & Welfare. It's fairly certain that additional degree programmes will be added before closing date for applications.

REGISTERED

From day one of a tertiary course, students are registered at both the ETB where they are commencing their course and the partnered university. This provides the student with access to dual supports and services including libraries, sports, and other campus facilities as well as academic, health and wellbeing supports.

ENTRY

You don't need the same leaving certificate points for a tertiary course as a person applying for the same degree via the CAO. Different tertiary course programmes have different entry requirements. An applicant may be required to submit proof from other agencies

to show s/he is eligible and meet the entry requirements for the course s/he is applying for. Refer to the course information section in the course page of the NTO website for those details. The course provider will be able to advise you of any additional paperwork which is required for your application. The contact details for the course coordinator can be found in the course page.

PATHWAY

Tertiary courses are a new pathway to a Bachelor's degree, at Level 8 or Level 7. The course information section in the course page of the website details the qualification available. Applications for the courses are open since 1st February. Applications for tertiary course are separate from applications to CAO and from applications for PLC Courses

CHECKLIST

- Tertiary courses offer guaranteed pathways from further ed. to higher ed.
- Tertiary courses are a new pathway to a Bachelor's degree, at Level 8 or Level 7
- A tertiary course is a joint further and higher education degree programme
- MTU is collaborating with ETB Cork and ETB Kerry to provide tertiary courses
- Applying for a third-level tertiary course is uncomplicated
- Apply directly through the course information page of the NTO website, www.nto.ie,
- Tertiary courses may be applied for between 1st February and late September
- Students commence their tertiary course experience in a further education college
- Students complete their tertiary course in the local higher education colleges
- From day one, students are registered at both the ETB and the partnered university
- Applications for CAO courses, PLC courses and tertiary courses are independent

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Primary schools across Kerry invited to submit nature photos to win top prize

With less than a month to go, Coillte is gearing up for National Tree Week, running from 3rd -10th March, as it launches a tree-inspired photography competition open to all primary school children. The competition is aimed at encouraging students to engage with nature and understand the importance of trees in safeguarding our planet for tomorrow. To enter, teachers and pupils are being asked to take a picture of their favourite tree or a favourite outdoor nature space and simply upload it to the Coillte website. Four winners will be selected, with each receiving an

exciting trip for them and their class to 'Beyond the Trees Avondale' at Coillte's Avondale Forest Park in Rathdrum, Co. Wicklow.

National Tree Week, organised by The Tree Council of Ireland and proudly supported by Coillte, is Ireland's largest annual tree celebration. This year's theme, 'Planting Trees for a Greener Future', highlights the unique role trees and forests play in helping to address climate change. This year will see Coillte once again donate 150,000 tree saplings to local community groups for planting, to mark the annual celebration.

Running from Sunday 3rd March – Sunday 10th March, National Tree Week will see a packed schedule of activities, from group forest walks and tree-planting events to workshops and forestry talks.

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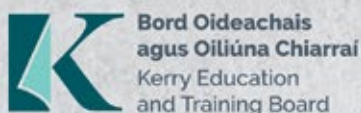
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MONAVALLEY CAMPUS EVENTS

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Kerry College Information Event.
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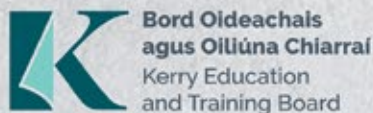
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There will be several events taking place throughout the week including our annual Apprenticeship Open Evening, Parent/Guardian Information Sessions, Webinars and more!

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SPA HONOUR THE BEST AT AWARDS NIGHT

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Guests of Honour at the Spa GAA Awards Night at Hillards on Saturday night are All Ireland Scór Sinsir Set Dancing winners



Michael Kearney, Junior player of the year pictured with his family and members of Spa GAA Club at the Club's Awards Night at Hillards



Award winners including.... Senior Ladies Player of the year: Gina Looney Social/Cultural: Anne Holland; Young player: Danny Coffey; Junior Player: Michael Kearney; Senior Men Player of the year: Eoin Fitzgerald



Dave Herlihy, Lifetime Achievement recipient at the Spa GAA Awards Night at Hillards:



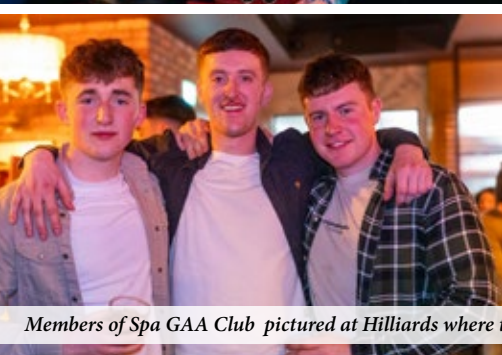
Gina Looney, Senior Ladies Player of the Year



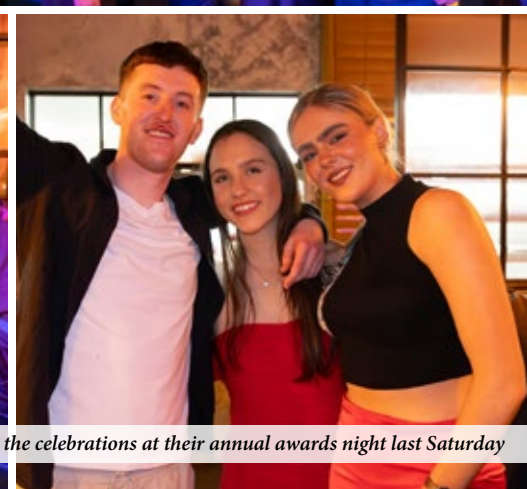
Danny Coffey, Young Player of the Year



Eoin Fitzgerald, Senior Men Player of the Year



Members of Spa GAA Club pictured at Hilliards where they enjoyed the celebrations at their annual awards night last Saturday



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Following on from the huge success of *The Rise and Rise of the Healy-Raes*, *A Papal Blessing* and *Weight Watching*, the locally based group are excited to present a brand new Play by Killarney playwright Ray O'Sullivan, *Stones*. Rehearsals have been in full swing since October and the production stars Ray O'Sullivan and Brian Hickey who is no stranger to treading the boards in the INEC having starred as Patrick and numerous pantomime and other roles.

Ray is looking forward to delighting audiences again. "Anytime we've ever staged a play, local audiences have really supported us, we have always played too sold out houses and we really, really appreciate everyone's support". *Stones* tells the story of a beautiful Kerry valley which is about to be destroyed by "Concrete and Wind turbines" when local Sheep farmer Dan and Nutty English professor Conrad set out to thwart the destruction, add to the mix is a bottle of Poteen!! And just what lengths will our dynamic duo go to too save the countryside?

This is Ray's fourth full length play and is set to be another hit with audiences.

The tour begins in the Ivy Leaf theatre Castleisland on Thursday 22nd Feb, CYMS Kilorglin on Sat 24th, continuing to Abbeydorney Sat March



Concrete and Wind Turbines.... Ray O'Sullivan and Brian Hickey.

2nd, returning to their hometown on March 14th the INEC Acoustic Club, before taking in Scartaglen Heritage Centre Sat March 16th and crossing the border to Cork on March 23rd at the Westlodge Hotel Bantry. Tickets and info are available from Ray @0872279657 or INEC box office @ 0646671555.

CRAIC AGUS CEOL at the first Pop Up Gaeltacht of 2024

The first Pop Up Gaeltacht of 2024 took place on Friday night last and was one of the biggest to date.

With the largest crowd in attendance since the Pop Up was started in Killarney in March 2023, the evening in Courtneys proved to be a great success. A mix of attendees enjoyed an evening of craic agus ceol, as the social media star Séaghan Ó Súilleabháin, known online as "the Kerry Cowboy" led the Pop Up in a rendition of "An Poc ar Buile" and other traditional Irish songs. Speaking with the Killarney Outlook, two of the founders and organisers of Killarney's Pop Up, James Knoblauch and Mark Cooper, remarked on how far the Pop Up has come in a year. "We never imagined at the start that it would grow into something as big as this. You spend so many years in school learning Irish and then you're always hearing Irish is a dead language. So we set up the Pop Up a year ago not only as an opportunity to speak Irish with our friends, but also to prove that the language is alive and vibrant in our town. It's extremely rewarding to see the community that the Pop Up has created and particularly those who keep coming back each night and have made friends with each other through Irish through the Pop Up. There's a seanfhocal that goes "beatha teanga í a labhairt" meaning the life of a language is in the speaking. If that's true, it's safe to say the Irish language is alive and well in Killarney, thanks in a small part to the Pop Up". In March, the Pop Up Gaeltacht will celebrate a year of success in Killarney and as usual, all are welcome and the details of the next Pop Up will be posted to the Instagram and Facebook pages of Pop Up Gaeltacht Cill Airne."



As Gaeilge..... enjoying the first pop up gaeltacht of 2024.



*Organisers of the event
James Knoblauch and Mark
Cooper*



*Mike Buckley, Mary O'Leary,
Breda Joy and Dan O'Sullivan at
the Pop Up Gaeltacht.*



*There was a large turnout for the first
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Dora Browne, John Fitzgerald, Martina O'Leary, Kathleen Bhuiyan and Mary MacMonagle pictured at the Killarney Great Southern Hotel reunion to celebrate the 170th anniversary of the hotel on Saturday night.
PHOTOS: DON MACMONAGLE

Over the early 200 past and present staff members of the Great Southern Killarney joined together last Saturday night for an evening of celebration, fun and camaraderie as they marked the beginning of the hotel's 170th year in business. Those in attendance ranged from having 1 day of service to over 50 years. It was estimated on the evening that there was nearly 1300 combined years of service in the room.

A number of former management team members were in attendance on the evening including former General Managers Conor

Hennigan and Sinead Marron. Attendees went to great efforts to be a part of the special event, travelling from the UK and even Chicago, which was held in aid of Comfort for Chemo.

Brendan Fuller MC'd on the evening as guests were treated to a host of video interviews from current and former staff members, along with a run through of the history of the hotel with author Frank Corr, writer of "A Star Reborn" which was released to commemorate the 150th anniversary of the hotel, 20 years ago. Michael Jacobi, Managing Director, Hayfield Family Collection commented "This event was

not just a celebration of the institution that is the Great Southern, but a heartfelt tribute to the legacy each one of our colleagues – past and present – has contributed to this iconic hotel. I believe the Great Southern has always been more than just a place of work; it has been a nurturing ground for future leaders, a place where lifelong friendships were formed and a stage for countless stories. Many of Killarney's most prominent and active hospitality business leaders have at some stage in their career worked here in the Great Southern, many of which were in attendance on the night."



Eileen Tucker, Alice O'Sullivan and Anne Marie Courtney.



Eileen O'Connor, Betty Doody, Mary MacMonagle, Kathy O'Callaghan and Aine McMahon.



Kathleen Murnane, Michele King, Mary Hartnett.



Sean and Sheila McAllister at the Killarney Great Southern Hotel reunion to celebrate the 170th anniversary of the hotel on Saturday night.



Mary O'Sullivan and Dora Browne.



Long serving staff members, John Fitzgerald, Martina O'Leary and Kathleen Bhuiyan cut the celebration cake surrounded by former and current staff members at the Killarney Great Southern Hotel reunion organised to celebrate the 170th anniversary of the hotel on Saturday night. Also in photo are Michael and Katy Jacobi and Mark and Caitriona Scally from the GSH, Killarney.



Michael O'Sullivan who worked for 45 years at the Killarney Great Southern Hotel recalls a story to MC Brendan Fidler about serving breakfast for President De Valera back in the 60's and then being tipped a £5 note from Dev at the 170th anniversary of the hotel on Saturday night.



Breda O'Mahoney, Mary O'Sullivan and Margaret O'Connor.



Long serving staff members, John Fitzgerald, Martina O'Leary and Kathleen Bhuiyan cut the celebration cake surrounded by former and current staff members at the Killarney Great Southern Hotel reunion organised to celebrate the 170th anniversary of the hotel on Saturday night. Also in photo are Michael Jacobi and Mark Scally from the GSH, Killarney.



John Fitzgerald, long standing restaurant member pictured admiring the historic images from the past.



Michael Jacobi, Managing Director, The Hayfield Family Collection, Mark Scally, GSH, Killarney and Frank Corr, historian and publisher admiring the historic images from the past.



John Pio Groarke, Mary MacMonagle, Emer Corridan, Paul O'Sullivan.



Terry Brennan, Rosaleen O'Mahoney, Michael Jacobi, Sinead Marron, Conor Henningan and Michael Ryan.



Patricia Cox, Mauna Ni Chaitir, Bridget Ahern and Eileen Buckley.

CHECK YOUR NUMBERS....

COOLICK NATIONAL
SCHOOL LAUNCH ONLINE
LOTTO

With an emphasis on improving the education experience of their students, a popular primary school in the Killarney area is launching a new fundraising initiative.

The Coolick National School Lotto is now live; offering a weekly prize, a weekly jackpot and a range of valuable spot prizes at launch.

Coolick NS first opened its doors in 1870 making it one of the county's oldest primary school. The school and pre-school is home to over 130 children from the locality. This is an increase of 20% over the past 5 years taking enrolment to an all-time high.

Coolick NS School Lotto Chairperson and parent, Pádraig Leane says properly resourcing primary school services is crucial:

"The cost of providing education is rising and the school grants provided by the department, although valuable, only do so much. We want to overcome this challenge with our school lotto. The school has a range of immediate needs but also longer-term goals to expand our facilities, add more sports equipment, wellness programmes, student support programmes and increase extra-curricular trips."

First on the list is a new set of school jerseys, gymnastics mats, replacement of end-of-life iPads and further expansion of their Tír na nÓg play area for the younger pupils.

Coolick National School Principal Gearoid O'Sullivan remains focused on providing the best for the children of Coolick:

"As a school we are committed to providing the best equipment, teaching and learning resources, outdoor spaces and a school interior that helps nurture each child. This school lotto will help us with our commitment to provide the very best for the school and especially for the pupils in our care."



The staff and students of Coolick National School are appealing to families, friends, past pupils, members of the local community, stakeholders and supporters to get behind the weekly school lotto. It is hoped that the option of 1 line for €2.50, 2 lines for €4 or 3 lines for €5 will encourage everybody to contribute. A lotto draw will take place each week with a maximum jackpot of €2,000 to be won.

Signing up is easy; through the school's website, social media pages, printed promotional material or this website link <https://www.ourfundraiser.ie/org/coolickns> or use the QR code which you'll find on all flyers and posters locally.

The first draw takes place on Thursday evening, 22nd of February at 8pm with winners posted online on Friday morning. The first jackpot is €500, with weekly winners collecting €20.

For queries, contact School Principal Gearoid O'Sullivan on 0669764549 or coolickns@gmail.com

FAMILY AFFAIR IN GLENFLESK

It certainly was a family affair in Glenflesk on Sunday when Father and son Kenny and Callum Cronin lined out for Glenflesk in the East Kerry Super League.

The team took on Kilcummin in the first round of the East Kerry Super League and were victorious on the scoreline of Glenflesk 1-13 Kilcummin 0-14.

It was the team's first outing under the new management team of John B O Donoghue, Seamus Moynihan, Donie Donovan and Chris Lynch

Father and son Kenny and Callum Cronin who both lined out for Glenflesk on Sunday



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By Regina Eviston

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KWOTE MEETING

The next KWOTE meeting is at 7 pm on Wednesday the 21st of February in the parish centre of the Church of the Resurrection, Park Road.

KERRY SCHOOLS REMINDER

Kerry teachers in primary and second level schools, whose pupils take part in the annual Texaco Children's Art Competition, are reminded that the closing date for receipt of entries this year is Wednesday, 28th February next.

Now in its 70th year, the Texaco Children's Art Competition is widely acknowledged as the longest running arts sponsorship in Ireland. Details are available at www.texacochildrensart.com



UKRAINIANS IN KILLARNEY Host Informal Meeting



The first informal meeting of the "Ukrainians in Killarney" with representatives of the area took place in Cafe Passion on New Street on Friday night last and was a great success.

"We got to know each other better and determined who can be useful to each other in any way. We raised some problems of integration, set new tasks for the development and withdrawal of Ukrainians from social financial support", Natalie Eismont said.

The meeting was held exclusively in English, which is important now for Ukrainians to integrate. "We realised that this format of meetings is very relevant today", she added.

The group would like to thank everyone present at the meeting, including, the Mayor of Killarney Niall Kelleher, HR specialist, owner of a travel company, builder and plumber, local farmers, founder of a public organization, businessman, lawyer, marketer, economist, junior school teacher, yoga practice teacher, medic, cosmetologist, fashion designer and many others...

"It was very nice to spend time together", Natalia said. The group are planning their next meeting for March 1st

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Councillor Marie Moloney has advised people who are reaching pension age this year to think very carefully about deferring their pension, in particular those who would have an entitlement to a full Contributory State Pension.

"If you defer your pension for one year until you reach the age of 67, then you will have missed out on €14,419.60 for one based on today's figures. As a result of deferring until you are 67 your pension will be at the increased rate of €13.00 per week and it would take you 20 years at the increased rate to make up what you lost out on."

"If you defer your pension until you are 70 years of age you will have missed out on €57,678, again based on today's figures. As a result your pension will be increased by €59.90 per week and it would take just over 18 years to make up what you lost out on."

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RECEIVE FUNDS TOWARDS NEW SENSORY ROOM

There was great delight at Kilcummin NS when the news was announced to staff and pupils that they were to be the recipients of funding from The Pavers Foundation recently.

The new Student Council members were delighted to welcome Denise Smyth, Pavers, for a cheque presentation in our school hall on 2nd February. Denise presented a cheque for £1,500 to Principal, Gillian Sheehan, of Kilcummin NS. The proceeds will be used as we build funds for a sensory room/pod.

The Pavers Foundation was launched in 2018, with an incredible initial donation of £2.5 million from Pavers Shoes and the private estate of the late Catherine Paver, to enable charitable giving by the business and its 1700 employees. The Pavers Foundation is dedicated to making a meaningful impact on the communities around us, so we are truly grateful for this generosity. A special word of thanks to Denise

Smyth for assisting us with the application. We are grateful for your support and are delighted with the outcome. The Pavers Foundation's donation will have an effective and positive change for all at Kilcummin N.S. Thanks to Denise and all at the Pavers Foundation.



Denise Smyth, Pavers presents a cheque to Gillian Sheehan, principal of Kilcummin NS from the Pavers Foundation.

Pres Castleisland Celebrate Languages

Presentation Secondary School in Castleisland held their school languages day on Monday January 29th in order to showcase and celebrate the two European languages taught in our school, French and Spanish and those of our visiting students from Germany and Italy.

"Our "European Marketplace" took place in the morning, where our Irish TY students and their classmates from France, Spain, Germany and Italy had a market stand that 1st and 2nd Year students visited where they learned interesting facts about the culture of the countries and took part in fun activities. At the end of the "Market Place" the students took part in a fun Kahoot Quiz where students had to answer questions based on the information they gathered while visiting the stands", Annette Leen from the school told Killarney Outlook.

"Being a leading school in performing arts, we of course had to finish

our activities with a song and dance. We held a "Eurovision Karaoke" competition where our students and teachers sang in a variety of languages including the two European languages taught in our school and the languages of our visiting students also", she added.

The event got off to a very lively start with our TY students giving a wonderful and rip roaring rendition of the Eurovision classic "Waterloo" which got everyone on their feet.

The winners were our very enthusiastic Italian group and another highlight was four teachers performing a fun filled version of "Making you mind up" by Bucks Fizz.

The winners were chosen by a team of judges comprising two teachers and two students.

These activities were organised by our excellent and enthusiastic TY group and their language teachers Ms. Laurent and Ms. Dairo.



The 2nd year winner of the Kahoot Quiz: Amaia Forcadell Torres, Elia Lopez Mayor, Ola Nowosielska, Saoirse Collins, Chloe Collins



Our Karaoke Judges: Teachers - Ms Chloe Daly, Ms Ailish O Connor, 2nd year students- Brídín Hickey, Millie Hughes

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LISTRY

Written by: Colette Leslie

>LOTTO

Numbers drawn 1, 2,12, 22. €100 Pat Moriarty, Rockfield. €50 Mark McCarthy. €50 Paudie Doherty, Barleymount. €25 Kate c/o Denis Murphy. €25 Liz Tangney, Clash. Jackpot next week 18th Feb 2024, €10,050

>SENIORS

Our senior start out their year with a win against Kilgarvan last Sunday. Our seniors play Scartaglen in Listry next Sunday February 18th at 12 noon.

>MINORS

Our minors are playing Ballymac away on Saturday February 17th at 3pm.

All support welcome for the team

>**CONGRATULATIONS** to our club chairman Denis Murphy, wife Joanne and family on winning the the Irish Coursing Oaks in Clonmel.

>LISTRY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

SENIORS DAY: The next Seniors Day will take place on Tuesday 5th March from 11.30am to 3pm. There will be Dinner and Entertainment and the cost is €10. For more information contact Ciara on 086-1997535 or the Community Centre on 064-6624919.



Congratulations to Listry club chairman Denis Murphy, wife Joanne and family on winning the the Irish Coursing Oaks in Clonmel

RATHMORE GNEEVEGUILLA

By Michael O' Mahony

>**RAPUNZEL CHILDREN PANTO** at Rathmore Community Centre TICKETS ON SALE NOW. Saturday 2nd March @7pm & Sunday 3rd March @3pm in Rathmore Community Centre. Tickets on sale now; adults €12 & children €8. Contact Fiona @ 087 9109 257 or Mag @ 087 9498 34.

All Proceeds to the Ronald McDonald House on behalf of Brian Lawlor

>**RAS TAILTEAN** due in Rathmore May 24. More details later

>SHARE THE BUCKET

Gneeveguilla Community Facility Group reminds you that Share the Bucket takes place weekly.. The draw is every Friday evening in Teach Fáilte @8.30 pm and can be viewed live on our Gneeveguilla Community Facility Group Facebook Page. This week's jackpot was €206 and the winner was Eilish Finnegan. Tickets cost €2 each or 3 for €5..They are available at Teach Fáilte and can be bought online at <https://tinyurl.com/y2ade5om>.or in local businesses where you see the Green Share the bucket.

Your support is greatly supported and all funds will go towards our new proposed community facility. We would like to thank our local businesses who continue to support our project

>SYMPATHIES

Gráinne and Máirtín & families on the death of their mother & grandmother Peggy Mullooly, Church Place, Rathmore. Her brother Willie, sister Kathleen (Murphy) & families. Peggys funeral took place in Rathmore on the 29th of January.

To Maureen Healy, Pat & family Micheal & Karen on the death of her brother John Chris Crowley, Bru na Sinsear I/o Barra & Dublin. John Chris was laid to rest on Saturday 3rd February in Rathmore.

To the relatives, neighbours, friends & close friend Pat Moynihan & family on the death of John Murphy, Nohovaldaly who as laid to rest on Tuesday 6th February in Rathmore.

To Mossie, Dermie, Den, Mikey, Kieran and Shane Fitzgerald & families on the death of their mother & grandmother Catherine Fitzgerald, Moulagow. Catherine's funeral took place on Monday 6th February in Shrone.

May Peggy, John Chris, John & Catherine rest in peace.

>KNOCKNAGREE NATIONAL SCHOOL ENROLMENTS

Knocknagree National School is now taking enrolments for September 2024. Enrolment forms can be downloaded from the website knocknagreens.ie or contact the Office on 064-7756237.

>KERRY COUNTY COUNCIL

Niall O'Connor, Groundwork Contractor, Kanturk on behalf of Kerry County Council has commenced work in Rathmore Village to address the surface water from the downpipes which is welcomed.

>HOLLYMOUNT NATIONAL SCHOOL

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>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 Sunday 6pm

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KILCUMMIN

Written by: Helen Moynihan

>SINGING CLASS

Martina Ryle O'Sullivan will facilitate a group singing class at Kilcummin National School, starting on Thursday 22nd February from 5pm to 6pm for a 5 week term. The cost is €8 per class which must be paid in full for the 5 week term on the first evening. The class will only go ahead if sufficient numbers register so to confirm participation please contact the branch Secretary on 087 6764368.

>KILCUMMIN COMMUNITY ALERT

Our Annual Church Gate collection will take place on Saturday 17th & Sunday 18th February. Your support would be greatly appreciated.

>COOLICK NATIONAL SCHOOL

Coolick National School is delighted to launch its first online school lotto with a jackpot up to €2,000 to be won. 1 line €2.00, 2 lines €4.00 or 3 lines €5.00. To play, click on the following link <https://www.ourfundraiser.ie/org/coolickns>.

>KILCUMMIN LOTTO

There was no winner on Monday 12th February 2024 of the Jackpot for €9,500. Numbers drawn were 03,05,14,21. Consolation prizes of €50 went to Catriona McGuire, Katie Crowley, Kalie Kerins, Juliann Herlihy. The next draw will be Monday 26th February for Jackpot of €9,750.

>KILCUMMIN GAA

EAST KERRY SENIOR LEAGUE

Glenflesk 1-13 Kilcummin 0-14. A last minute goal for Glenflesk saw us end up on the wrong side of the result in our opening game of the season. However there were a lot of positives to take away from this entertaining encounter from a Kilcummin perspective. Three of last year's minors made their senior debut, Dara Stack, Keelan O'Shea and Sean Doolan and ten different players got their name on the scoreboard. Next fixture is away to Spa this week-end. Team Keith O'Leary, Dara Stack, Kevin McSweeney, James Williams, Oisín O'Leary, Damien O'Leary, Donal Maher, Paul O'Shea, Keelin O'Shea, Matt Keane, Cian Foley, Kelvin Teahan, Paudie Moynihan, Mark O'Shea, Philip O'Leary.

Subs used: Cian Lynch, Richie O'Connor, Oran Dwyer, Sean Doolan, Darragh Brosnan

>MASTERGEEHA FC

Mastergeeha FC U12S girls who are in the final 16 in the Country will play Lakewood FC Cork on Saturday 17th. Best of Luck to the team and coaches from all at the club, super proud of you all.

LOTTO

There was no winner on Friday 9th February 2024 of the Jackpot for €8,400. Numbers drawn were 01,14,18,22. Consolation prizes of €50 went to Neilus McCarthy, Kilbrean; Jerdy Sheehan, Lyretough; Valarie McGillicuddy, Tiernabouli; Patie Nagle, Mastergeeha.. The next draw will be Friday 16th February for Jackpot of 8,600.

>KILCUMMIN COMMUNITY GAMES

Well done to all our U10 & U13 boys and U13 girls' indoor soccer teams who participated in competitions over the last two weekends. Thanks to all the coaches involved and the parents who supported the teams.

Thanks also to Kilcummin National School for the use of their gym for all the training sessions. We wish the best of luck to our Boys U13 team who will compete in the County semi-final this weekend in Duagh. Good luck also to our swimmers in their upcoming events.



Kilcummin Mothers & Others team launching their new jersey kindly sponsored by Pro-Clean Kerry and John O Sullivan Agri-Repairs. Anyone interested in joining for this year, contact Ann Marie on (087) 240 8913.

Back from left - Aileen Moriarty, Máire O Mahony, Martina O'Neill, Margaret Lyons, Maureen Fleming, Ann Marie O Leary, Catriona McGuire, Aine O Callaghan, Aneta Augustunkova, Louise O Sullivan.

Front row from left - Mary Therese Moriarty, Ann Marie O Sullivan, Paudie Healy, Michael & Bobby Collins, Elaine O Leary, Niamh Dwyer.



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BEAUFORT

By Bridget Hartnett

>CONGRATULATIONS to Fergal Spillane and Jennifer Long on their recent marriage. We wish them many years of health and happiness.

>FIXTURES

Good luck to all teams and management teams for the year ahead. Beaufort senior men will be home to Laune Rangers B on Sunday, 18th February at 2pm in round 2, Mid Kerry senior league. Our minor men will be away to Beale on Saturday, 17th at 3pm in round 1, Co League, Div.5A,

>RESULTS

Keel 0.09 Beaufort 2.15 in round 1, Mid Kerry senior league.

>LOTTO

The next draw for a jackpot of €2,400 will be on Sunday, 18th February in Beaufort Bar. Tickets are available from usual sellers, shops, and public houses and online at www.beaufortgaa.com.

Please note that the online lotto closes at 7pm on the night of the draw and tickets sold after 7pm are entered into the following draw. Thank you to everybody who support our lotto. It is greatly appreciated.

>SPORTS PREDICTION QUIZ

Thank you to everybody who has entered our Sports Prediction quiz. Thank you to all the sellers.

They will be collecting the sheets before Friday, 16th February.

>EXERCISE CLASSES

Spring classes are being held in Beaufort G.A.A Clubrooms, week nights Monday to Friday. Classes at present are Yoga and Pilates.

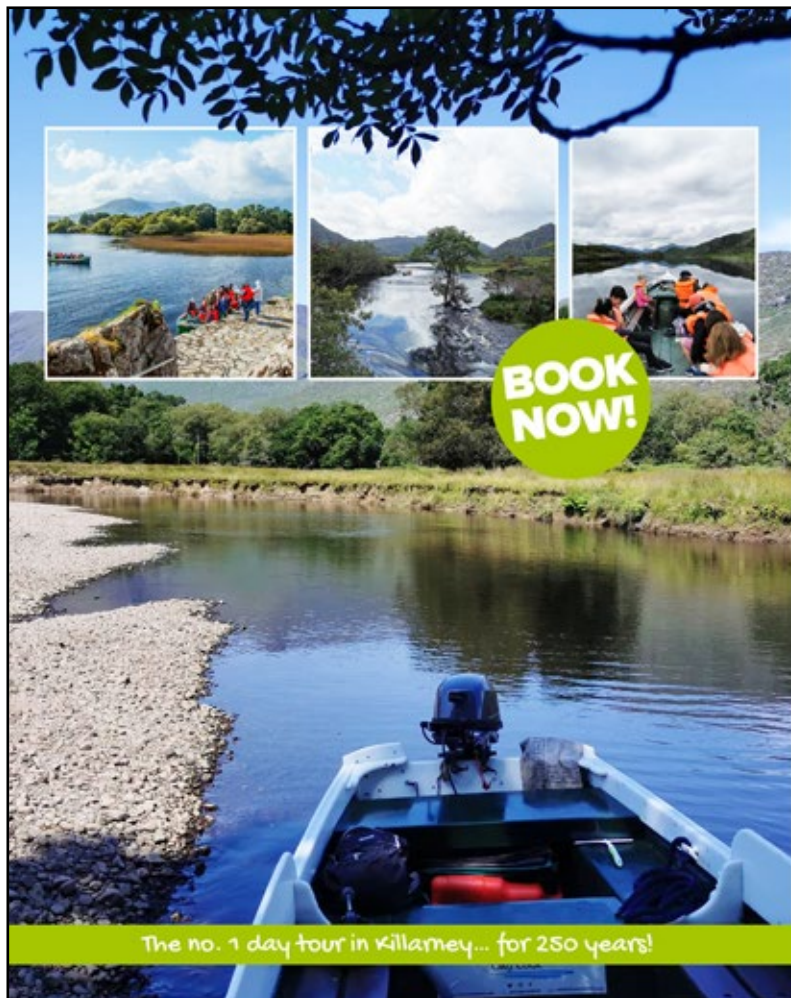
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>MEMBERSHIP

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GLENFLESK

Written by: Seamus Healy

>LOTTO

There was no winner of Glenflesk Lotto which took place on 6/ 2/ 2024 in Glenflesk Hall. Jackpot €7,400 The numbers drawn were : 20, 22, 24, 27. Consolation Prizes of €50 1. Mairéad Kelleher, Curreal. 2. Jerry Kelleher, Curreal (Sellers' Prize) 3. Joan Dineen, Kilnamartyra 4. Danny O Sullivan, Gortnaboul, Kilgarvan. Next draw will take place in Glenflesk Hall on Monday 19th February 2024. Jackpot will be €7,600. 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. Jackpot for the next draw on Monday 19th February 2024 is €7,600

>EAST KERRY SUPER LEAGUE

Well done to our senior team and new management (John B O Donoghue, Seamus Moynihan, Donie Donovan and Chris Lynch) off to a winning start against Kilcummin last Sunday. Glenflesk 1-13 Kilcummin 0-14. Best of luck against Furies next Sunday in Glenflesk.

>KERRY MINOR LADIES CHAMPIONSHIP

Well done to the Kerry Minor team and our two players Kathryn Ryan and Aoise O Donoghue who defeated Limerick last Saturday. The round 1 encounter in Cappamore ended Kerry 2-14 to Limerick 0-01.

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>CEOL AND GHEIMHRIDH

Congratulations to Seán and Olivia Angland who competed in the Munster Final of Ceol and Gheimhrídh in Cashel last Sunday. Duet U-14 – 1st Singing U-14 – 3rd. Well done Sean and Olivia.

>PUBLIC MEETING

A Public meeting will be held on Friday 1st March at 7.30pm in Glenflesk GAA Hall. The theme of the meeting is based on Bishop Ray Browne's letter Moving Forward in Hope. The aim of the meeting is to get your thoughts on how the Parish will function and continue to thrive going forward. This is your opportunity to participate and to share your ideas. Each Parish throughout the Diocese will be facilitating these meetings. All welcome to attend.

>UPCOMING DIOCESAN WEBINAR

First Holy Communion – Journeying with your Child, on Wednesday, Feb 21st, for all parents and guardians of children preparing for First Communion. The guest speaker is Dr Patricia Kieran. Register on www.dioceseofkerry.ie

SPA

Written by: Leanne Cronin

>ANNUAL AWARDS NIGHT

The Clubs Annual Awards Night took place in Hilliards last Sat 10th February

Lifetime Achievement Award: Davy Herlihy

Social/Cultural: Anne Holland

Guest of Honour: All Ireland Champions: Senior Scor Set

Young player: Danny Coffey

Junior Player: Michael Kearney

Senior Ladies Player of the year: Gina Looney

Senior Men Player of the year: Eoin Fitzgerald

>SPA LOTTO 12/02/24 RESULTS

Numbers drawn: 3, 13, 25, 27. No jackpot winner. Lucky dips €50 each: Con O'Donoghue, Rockfield; Tadhg O'Sullivan, Lissivigeen; Mary Moynihan, Online. Tommy Walpole, Muckross. Next weeks draw is on Monday 19th Feb for a jackpot of €7,400

>EAST KERRY SUPER LEAGUES 2024 ROUND 3

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The theme will evolve over the coming years of the festival to celebrate Killarney's present and future, but in 2024, our focus is on our historical past.

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In 2024, our goal is to elevate the Killarney St. Patrick's Parade to become the premier regional parade outside of Dublin, and we are counting on your support and adoption of the theme to achieve this.

We cannot wait to see you and your group's take on Killarney's past on March 17th, 2024, at 2 pm.

Please sign up at <https://stpatricksfestivalkillarney.ie/parade-application-form/>

Make sure to post a picture of your group's preparation work on social media tagging @stpatricksfestivalkillarney on Instagram.

On behalf of the 2024 festival committee.
Jason Clifford,
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MANIFESTING YOUR GREATEST INTENTIONS

An intention is something that we desire to have, feel, do or be. They are born from wanting something which would make us feel happier, healthier, more peaceful or more in alignment with our dreams.

When working with intentions it is important to understand that it is your intention that directs the pathway of your dreams. Intentions need to be combined with small positive actions that allow what you desire to be manifest.

Many people don't follow their intentions because they focus on their "reality" in the moment. For example, "I don't have enough money, time, contacts, skill etc to do what I desire." However, the key with manifestation is that everything that has ever been brought into existence begins first with a thought, then a feeling, followed by small incremental actions. Essentially, what we desire or intend starts within us first.

If you have a dream, make it your intention. Commit to it. Act upon that commitment and generate an excitement around seeing it become manifest.

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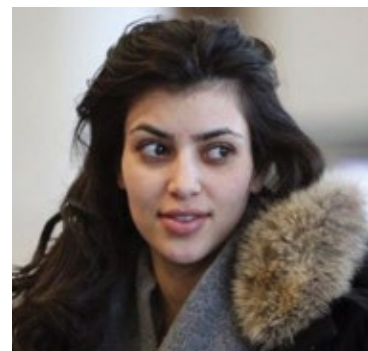
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If you need to cover blemishes or spots use a tiny eyeliner brush for pin-point concealing to lightly cover these or any small areas of discoloration. Finally, use a very light dusting of mineral powder to set the makeup. It should be hard to tell if you are wearing make-up or not!

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Try aim for 3 - 4 days lifting weights or doing any form of resistance training. With every meal try get between 30-50g of protein. Hydrate with salts & electrolytes, Aim for spending less time on your phone or screen time, try getting more fresh air, meeting people and going to bed before 10am. By doing all these things it will contribute to feeling so much better and hopefully after a consistent period of time unrecognisable.





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LIGHT SENSITIVITY

Almost everyone has experienced light sensitivity at some point

Here are seven simple tips to help reduce symptoms of light sensitivity

1. Wear FL-41 tinted glasses. These have a rose tint and block out short wavelengths of light (such as blue light) which can trigger light sensitivity.

FL-41 has been clinically proven to help reduce light sensitivity in migraine and other neurological conditions.

2. Use the 20/20 rule Screen time can trigger light sensitivity. To prevent digital eye strain, every 20 min, take a break by closing your eyes for 20 seconds and taking some deep breaths. This will allow your eyes to both get a break from the blue light coming from your screen and also lubricated by your tears.

3. Avoid artificial sources of cool blue light such as CFL and LED.

Switch to bulbs with warmer hues.

Light from the orange to red end of the spectrum will cut some of the blue light and

minimize glare.

4. Eat more vegetables and fruit which have macular carotenoids, lutein and zeaxanthin.

While getting these nutrients from the food is best, an alternative is to take a supplement containing all 3 carotenoids-lutein, zeaxanthin and meso-zeaxanthin, which has been clinically proved to decrease light sensitivity and digital eye strain.

5. Reduce your allergen exposure.

Eye allergies can cause itching, redness, burning and light sensitivity.

Try to limit your exposure or take allergy medication to combat the symptoms.

6. Use artificial tears.

Eye lubrication can go a long way to help treat dry eye, digital eye strain, as well as eye allergies.

7. Use a screen filter app which can block the blue light coming from your screen, and the internal flicker rate of your screen, which can trigger light sensitivity.

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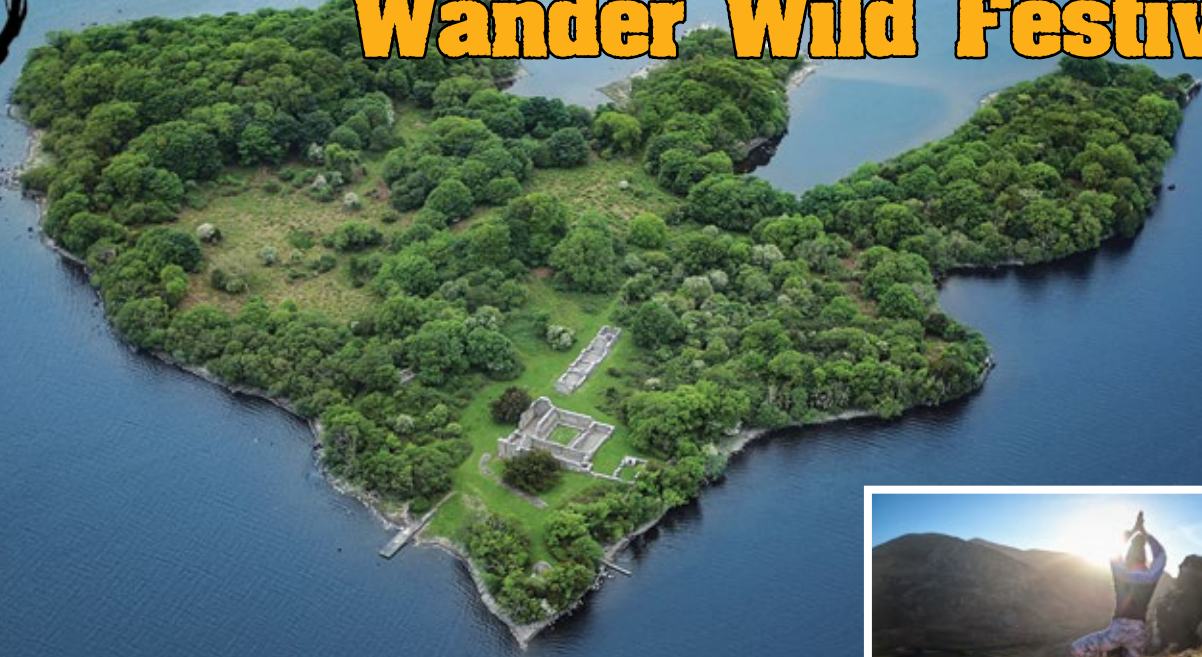
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NEW EVENTS ANNOUNCED FOR Wander Wild Festival



Taking place in the stunning surroundings of the UNESCO Killarney National Park and the MacGillycuddy's Reeks from March 22nd to 24th, 2024, this year's adventure and wellness festival promises to be bigger and better than ever before. The newly added events include activities that cater to a wide range of interests, whether you are looking for a challenge or ways to unwind. Festival goers can now sign up for Stand-up Paddleboarding (SUP), The Nature Valley Hike with Roz Purcell, the 53 Degrees North Hike with Jen Healy, Ridge Climbs, Outdoor Photography Workshops, Guided Night Walks, Rock Climbing, a Cold Water Talk. Additional evening events include Fireside Chats and an intimate concert with Bressie & Special Guests in St Mary's Church of Ireland. This is in addition to the already over 100 programmed events over the Festival weekend that will cater for all ages and abilities. Sponsored by Nature Valley, Wander Wild Festival is the perfect opportunity to escape the hustle and bustle of daily life and immerse yourself in the great outdoors!

The Stand-up Paddleboarding (SUP) is an amazing once off experience to paddle the Lakes of Killarney. Glide along the ripples as you get a new perspective of the lakes and mountains. The Nature Valley Hike with Roz Purcell promises to be a fun-filled afternoon with a unique hike and hidden waterfalls, while the 53 Degrees North Hike on Torc Mountain with Jen Healy offers great views on a relatively short hike, with breaks along the way where you can mindfully absorb your stunning surrounds and views over the Killarney Valley. Experienced climbers will have the chance to embark on the rarely hiked MacGillycuddy's Reeks Cummeenapeasta Ridge Walk and the Coomloughra Horseshoe (taking in Ireland's three highest peaks, Carrauntoohil being one of them) - two challenging and adrenaline-pumping adventures on tricky terrain. The Fireside Chats offer a unique opportunity

to chat with like-minded adventurers and local celebrities such as nominee for Outsider Man of the Year Ian O' Brien who climbed 28 peaks in 28 days last year to raise awareness of Early Onset Parkinson's Disease, which he has himself, Killarney man Kevin Leahy who just won the Montane Arctic Spine Race as well as other local adventurers who will offer advice to anyone planning an expedition.

Bressie will be joined by special guests including Meadhbh Walsh for some exclusive performances in the stunning St. Mary's Church of Ireland. The beautiful natural acoustics and the spectacular backdrop that the intimate church venue offers will provide the perfect setting for a fantastic night of entertainment. For women, there is a special Women's Circle focusing on menstrual cycle, while adrenaline seekers can try their hand at rock climbing in the Gap of Dunloe, Ireland's most famous glaciated valley. Nature enthusiasts are in for a treat with the Night Walk in the National Park, led by a knowledgeable Park Ranger. Participants will have the unique experience of searching for nocturnal inhabitants while learning about the local flora and fauna.

For those interested in capturing the beauty of the surroundings, there will be a half-day photography tour led by local outdoor enthusiast Mícheál O'Sullivan. Budding snappers will learn about composition and equipment usage, and have the opportunity to capture stunning images of ancient woodlands, historic castles, and breathtaking landscapes. The Mindfulness Hike offers the chance for people to be guided through a moving meditation while hiking - helping to ground yourself through your five senses. A Cold Water Talk will give those looking to start dipping their toes in the lakes or the sea, the chance to learn about the benefits of wild swimming. The family programme promises lots of fun for kids and parents with character themed musical workshops, Gruffalo treasure hunts, nature

art classes, forest school for families and street entertainment.

The festival is packed with events for everyone, whether you are an adrenaline junkie seeking thrilling experiences or a nature enthusiast who loves going off the beaten track - highlight events include the Dark Sky Hike, Kayak and Boat Tours on the lake, Wim Hof Method Workshops, soothing Lakeside Sauna experiences, hikes, a host of therapeutic wellness activities from Forest Bathing to Breathwork Classes, workshops, live music, stalls, and entertainment at Basecamp in the town centre.

Organisers are committed to making the festival as sustainable as possible and are encouraging people to leave the car at home as shuttle buses will bring people from the town centre to most activities outside of town. They are also working with the local accommodation providers and operators to ensure that people's stay has as low a carbon neutral impact as possible.

Most events are ticketed, with some free activities also available. Many events and hotels sold out last year so book early to avoid disappointment! Tickets are now live on wanderwildfestival.com.

Wander Wild Festival is sponsored by Nature Valley and supported by 53 Degrees North, Fáilte Ireland, Kerry County Council, Killarney Chamber of Tourism & Commerce and the National Park and Wildlife Service

For updates on new activities follow WanderWildFestival on Instagram and Facebook or email info@wanderwildfestival.com



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St. Francis Special School, a beacon of hope for children with moderate or severe to profound intellectual disabilities, is delighted to announce its nomination as a Tier 1 Charity for the prestigious Ring of Kerry Charity Cycle 2024. The Ring of Kerry Charity Cycle is an iconic and renowned annual event that attracts cyclists and supporters from across the nation and beyond. Being selected as a Tier 1 Charity is a testament to the incredible work and impact that St. Francis Special School has had on the lives of children facing intellectual disabilities.

St. Francis Special School is dedicated to providing specialised education and support services to children with intellectual disabilities. With a mission to foster an inclusive and nurturing environment, the school has become a cornerstone in the community, empowering children to reach their full potential despite the challenges they may face. The Ring of Kerry Charity Cycle is one of the largest and most anticipated cycling events in Ireland, drawing attention to various charitable causes each year. Being recognised as a Tier 1 Charity reflects St. Francis Special School's impactful initiatives and the commitment of its staff, students, and supporters.

The cycle will take place on the 6th July 2024

The school formally launched its campaign on the

ST. FRANCIS SPECIAL SCHOOL ANNOUNCED AS TIER ONE CHARITY FOR THE RING CYCLE



14th of February in the grounds of the school in Beaufort, V93TX36, with a fun filled day of activities and special guests.

The school is looking for your support and is encouraging St. Francis Special School encourages community members, businesses, and cycling enthusiasts to join hands in supporting this noble cause.

Contributions can be made through donations, sponsorships, or by participating in the Ring of Kerry Charity Cycle on behalf of the school.

You can get involved by joining the Ring of Kerry Charity Cycle and ride on behalf of St. Francis Special School.

CREDIT UNION QUIZ AS POPULAR AS EVER

The Great Southern Hotel was the venue to host 75 Primary School Quiz teams from all over South & East Kerry on Sunday in the annual Killarney Credit Union School Quiz.

St Olivers School, Killarney emerged victorious in the Under 11 category with Kilcummin NS in 2nd place. St Olivers also won the U13 category with St Johns, Kenmare second in this category. All four teams will go on to represent Killarney Credit Union in the Chapter competition on March 3rd in Ballyroe Hotel Tralee.

This year, 300 primary school pupils participated in the quiz from 25 schools all over South Kerry. Killarney Credit Union has been hosting the school quiz for over 20 years.

In the Under 11 category, first place went to St Olivers National School represented by Leo O'Riordan, Magnus Prudnikovas, Aoife Delaney and Lily O'Shea. Second place went to Kilcummin NS with team members Cian Lenihan, Ella Lawlor, Sarah O'Connor, Luke O'Sullivan. Third place was awarded to Lissivigeen NS and the team members were Mark Clifford, Sam Fleury, Tadhg Daly and Sinéad Coleman.

In the U13 section first place went to St Olivers NS, Killarney represented by Raegan Browne, Rian Gleeson and Áine Clayton. Second place went to St Johns Kenmare represented by Ronan Deasy, Jemma O'Sullivan,

Eoghan Downing and Alice O'Connor. Third place in this competition went to Presentation Furies NS represented by Grace Barry, Isabelle O'Connor, Michael O'Donovan and Saoirse Teahan.

John Long Vice-Chairperson thanked all schools that took part on the day. He said "I would like to acknowledge the long distances that many schools had to travel on the day and thank them for participating in the quiz. Lastly we would also like to acknowledge the staff, management and volunteers who helped out on the day also in correcting, stewarding and adjudication."

Karena McCarthy, Marketing Officer, Killarney Credit Union said "We would like to thank all those that participated in the quiz this year. We would like to thank the pupils, and also the parents and teachers who prepared the teams and attended on the day. The standard was very impressive."

Each of the winners received trophies and a perpetual cup was given to the first placed winning national schools.

The first and second placed winning teams in each category will go on to represent their school at Chapter 23 Kerry and West Limerick Credit Unions Regional Quiz on Sunday 3rd March 2024 in Ballyroe House Hotel.



The U13 Winners and Runners Up at the Credit Union Quiz.



The U11 Winners and Runners Up at the Credit Union Quiz.



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IRISH DEBUT FOR NEW OPEL ASTRA ELECTRIC AT NEVO EV SHOW

The new Opel Astra Electric will celebrate its Irish debut on Saturday 17th February as it takes pride of place on the Opel stand at the NEVO EV Show, in Dublin's RDS. With first deliveries arriving in Opel Dealerships nationwide this month, the new Astra Electric, offering up to 418km on a full charge, is available in three trims – SC, Elegance, and GS – and will retail from €39,598 including applicable grants.

James Brooks, Managing Director at Opel Ireland, said: "What better platform to launch the new Astra Electric, than the very first-ever consumer Electric Vehicle show in Ireland, where over 17,500 EV enthusiasts will gather. The Astra, voted Continental Tyres Irish Compact Car of the Year 2023, is already enjoying success in its segment in Ireland. The addition of our full electric hatchback model, soon to be joined by an Astra Sports Tourer estate BEV, is sure to strengthen the range's appeal."

The Astra is now fully electric for the first time in its long success story, sporting a lively character thanks to a top speed of 170kmh, and a low kerb weight of 1,679kg. The electric motor delivers 115kW/156hp and a powerful 270Nm of maximum torque available from the first touch of the accelerator pedal, ensuring brisk starts. Depending on preferences, Astra Electric drivers can choose between three driving modes: Eco, Normal and Sport.

Energy is stored in a compact 54kWh lithium-ion battery, which offers efficient packaging, low weight, exemplary range and short charging times. The five-door hatch requires just 14.8 kWh of electricity per 100 kilometres (WLTP), thanks in part to the heat pump, and its regenerative braking system ensures that energy can be recovered while driving. Indeed, the Opel Astra Electric secured third position amongst 94 passenger cars in the recent ADAC Eco Test 2023 which evaluates vehicles from well to wheel. It scored 103 out of a possible 110 points to take a podium position, achieving



the best five-star rating from the ADAC German Automobile Club.

The Astra Electric can be charged to 80% of the battery capacity in under 30 minutes at a 100kW DC fast charging station and it is equipped as standard with a three-phase 11kW onboard charger for a wall box at home.

The battery is located in the underbody, so no space for passengers or luggage is lost. Even with the rear seats up, the Astra Electric offers 352 litres of luggage space in the boot, and with the seats folded, capacity increases to up to 1,268 litres. The low position of the battery also lowers the car's centre of gravity, so that the Astra Electric has a solid stance on the road and the driver can take a sporty seating position. Torsional stiffness has also been increased by 31% compared to the already outstanding values of other Astra model variants.

A high level of standard equipment on the level one SC trim includes a 10" colour touchscreen with wireless Apple Car Play and Android Auto, USB connectivity, a 10" digital driver instrument cluster, 18" alloy wheels, lane keep assist, pedestrian detection with automatic emergency braking, traffic sign recognition with intelligent speed adaptation, driver

attention alert, six airbags, cruise control and speed limiter, keyless entry, electronic climate control, auto headlamps, rain sensing wipers, front and rear parking sensors, jet black Alcantara / leather-effect seat trim, electric parking brake and hill assist.

The refined level two Elegance trim, with a retail price from €41,284 including applicable grants and relief, further boasts as standard a heated steering wheel, driver sports AGR seat, heated front seats, driver's armrest with storage, wireless charger, privacy tinted rear windows and park assist with 180-degree rear view camera.

The stylish level three GS trim, with a retail price from €43,993 including applicable grants and relief, gains as standard dual zone automatic climate control, adaptive cruise control with stop start, keyless entry and start with passive start, electric folding mirrors, rear centre armrest with load-through facility, Opel's Pure Panel Pro frameless digital interior, sports style front and rear bumpers, a black painted roof, black badging and vizzor frame, Intelli-Lux LED® Pixel head lamps, frameless electrochrome rear view mirror and park assist with 360-degree rear view camera.

Prodrive Charity Night Raises €7,500 for Jack & Jill



Killarney and District Motor Club (KDMC) present a cheque of €7500 from the proceeds of their Prodrive celebration charity night held at the Killarney Racecourse to the Jack and Jill Foundation. The Jack and Jill foundation provides support and special care to children across the country. Included from left, Mike Buckley, KDMC, Mike O'Shea, Assistant Chairman KDMC, Meabh Griffin, KDMC, family - Steve O'Mahony, Teresa O'Mahony and their Daughter Alexis O'Mahony, Richard Browne, VW Motorsport, Tommy Randles Chairman KDMC.

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KILLARNEY RFC NEWS**MINIS TRAVEL TO TRALEE**

Well done to ur Minis who travelled en masse to O'Dowd Park in Tralee for a blitz last Saturday morning. The weather wasn't the best but we were thrilled to see so many boys and girls representing the club. Some wonderful skills on shpw and some wonderful rugby was enjoyed by one and all. Well done to all the boys, girls and coaches. Thanks to Tralee RFC for hosting and for the wonderful hospitality following the matches. Mini training continues next Saturday at Aghadoe, from 9:45am and new players always welcome. Contact Dave Hickey on 087-2546290 for details.

FIXTURES

U14 Boys V Mallow, Home, Saturday @ 10am

U16 Girls V Midleton, Away, Sunday @ 1:30pm

Seniors V Rugbair Chorca Dhuibhne, Away, Sunday @ 2:30pm

DEERPARK PITCH & PUTT CLUB**FEBRUARY BANK HOLIDAY WEEKEND DRAWS**

Sunday- Fourball Betterball- First Nett: Noel Moynihan & Sean Ashe 39½, Gross: Gearoid Cronin & Sean O'Brien 47 and Second Nett: Robbie O'Brien Snr and Sean Ashe 40. Monday- Three Ball Scramble- Nett: Robbie O'Brien Snr, Sean O'Brien & Dan Kiely 33 and Gross: Sean Ashe, Sean O'Brien & Eileen McCarthy 48.

FEBRUARY 11TH DRAWS

Fourball Betterball- First Nett: Gearoid Cronin & Bobby Kelly 37, Gross: Robbie O'Brien Snr & Sean Ashe 46 and Second Nett: Bobby Kelly & Betty O'Brien 39½.

2024 Rates: At our Club AGM on January 15th last it was agreed to change both our membership and green rates as follows.

MEMBERSHIP

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

GREEN FEES

Adult €10 and Juvenile €7. Family Rate remains at €25.

WORKMEN'S ROWING CLUB

Our Last Man Standing Competition as organised by Niall Moynihan was presented to the winner David Hartnett on Sunday last. We are very grateful to Mr Shane Casey (Shane

**WORKMEN'S ROWING CLUB - LAST MAN STANDING AWARD**

A big thank you to Mr. Shane Casey (Shane Casey Electrical Services) who presented a cheque to David Hartnett who won the last man standing competition in the club.

Back Row L-R: Zac Donaldson, Mr Shane Casey (Shane Casey Electrical Services), Sam Casey (in arms), Niall Moynihan, David Hartnett.

Front Row L-R: Liam Breen, Finn O'Neill, Evan Wharton, Faye Mannix, Grace Mannix, Kayla Wharton, Ross McCarthy, Evan Counihan.

Casey Electrical Services) for his sponsorship of the event. He was delighted to present the very generous prize.

Last reminder before our annual Church gate collection which will be held on the 17th & 18th February 2024 in all Killarney town churches.

Our clubs annual fundraiser Dance Night will take place on Friday 23rd February 2024 at Killarney Avenue Hotel. Doors open at 9pm. Dance Night with Sets, Jives and Waltzes and music by Jerry McCarthy & Co. Tickets only €10. Fabulous spot prizes on the night and an evening of great entertainment is in store for all, don't miss it. Tickets are still available and please contact Timmy on 087-2898750 if you require same.

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KILLARNEY SWIMMING CLUB

Killarney swimming Club enjoyed a fantastic day of swimming at UL last weekend for the Future Challenger Gala Series. Swimmers achieved bands for achieving specific times, achieved medals and scored new personal bests.

Evan O'Donoghue

1st 50 Breast

2nd 100 Free

3rd 200 IM

Daniel Cremin 2nd 200 IM

2nd 50 Breast

Maro Kovacevic

2nd 50 free

KILLARNEY VALLEY ATHLETIC CLUB

Conor O'Donnell travelled to Dundalk for the National Juvenile B Cross Country Championships last weekend. Conor was the 4th scoring member of the 6 man Kerry Team that took a silver medal along with athletes from Iveragh AC & Star of the Laune. Well done Conor.

Ciara Kennelly was in form this weekend again when she represented DCU at the Irish University Indoor Championships. Ciara jumped a lifetime personal best of 1.79m coming joint 1st. Well done Ciara.

All relevant information on our club is on our website www.killarneyvalleyac.ie.

KERRY COUNTY DARTS

With darts at an all time high with the sensational Luke Littler's achievements in the PDC and Dubai recently and darts in Kerry



KRFC Minis who played a blitz in Tralee last weekend.



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county going very strong with large numbers in both ladies and men attending the trials to try and make the selection of the Kerry County Darts Team. With all trials finished for the time being and both panels picked to travel to Trim County Meath on this coming weekend for the INDO Inter Counties Darts championship. Where all 26 counties will be represented. The Inter Counties INDO event will be located in The Gleneagle Hotel for the next three years, on 2025, 2026 and 2027. Also the inter county Munster Darts championship will be hosted by Kerry Darts in the Killarney Avenue Hotel in January 2025, more on that closer to the time. Anyone interested in getting involved in darts, whether you're male or female, young or old please contact Gary McCormick on 087 2239141 or Kerrydarts on their facebook page. Kerry Trial, dates, venue's and locations for the future will be published in local media and on the Facebook page. So any small bit of interest by you or anyone you know, please contact us. The ladies team consists of a Mother and Daughter, Mary and Marie O'Donnell along with three generations of a grandmother, mother/daughter and daughter/granddaughter of Maureen and Tanya McCormick and Clodagh McCormick Moriarty

Kerry Ladies Panel for the All Ireland's this weekend are as follows:

Rosa O'Shea Captain
Rachel Coughlan
Mary Donnelly
Sally Reeves
Emer Moran
Maura Clifford
Marie Donnelly
Tanya McCormick
Shauna Sweeney
Clodagh McCormick Moriarty
Maureen McCormick player / manager
Damien Moriarty manager

The men's team also have a few relatives playing for Kerry with three O'Donoghue brothers Mike, Neil and Keith along with their two cousins David O'Donoghue and Dave Stack.

The men's panel are as follows:

John McCarthy, captain
Dave Stack,
Matt Leacy,
John Cronin,
Sean Lynch,
Jamie Kelliher,
David O'Donoghue,
Keith O'Donoghue,
Dale McCarthy,
Eamon Carey,
Corey Doyle,
James Morrissey,
Jake Reenstierna,
Alan Coughlan,
Liam Connolly,
Mike "The King" O'Donoghue,
Neil O'Donoghue,

Gary McCormick, Player / Manager,
Dave Whyte, player / selector,
Murt Downey, player. / selector,
Shane McCormick, player / selector

KILLARNEY BADMINTON CLUB

Killarney Badminton members traveled last weekend to The Patrick Corridan memorial tournament in Ballyheigue last Sunday. well done to all who competed in this.

Munster u13/u17 closed championship took place in Tralee last weekend. Well done to Suzanne Smith and James Smith, who helped organise this very busy tournament.

Well done to Conall Murphy (killarney) who was runner up.

The Irish National Masters were played this weekend in Baldoyle Dublin.

Well done to Sinead Galvin who won singles gold, doubles silver and mixed silver.

Up next in Kerry are the div1/3/5 doubles kerry championships in Tralee. Good luck to all club members participating.

On Sunday next representing their county are Grade C : Maeve Twomey, Niamh Hickey, Sinead Galvin

Grade G: Caroline Lemass, Jessica Galvin,



Eileen Roche presenting Conall Murphy (Killarney) with medal



Sinead Galvin receiving her medals from Badminton Ireland President.

Saoirse Murphy

Both competitions are being held in cork against Cork/tipperary and Waterford. Have a great weekend of badminton.



Killarney Swimming Club members pictured (L-R back) Ellen O'Connor Coach, Evan O'Donoghue, Daniel Cremin, Maria Avila, Emma Hallissey, Madeline Lynch, Grace Collins. (L-R Front) Kyrylo Lutchenko, Juan Avila and Andrea Leech



At the presentation of prizes of the Gleneagle Squash Club Killarney monthly competition outing sponsored by Gleneagle Aquila Club were front from left, Mary, Jack and Max O'Callaghan, Barry O'Sullivan, Eabha Lyne (Aquila Club), Brendan Counihan (overall winner), Noah and Ruairi Counihan, Joanne and Hannah McCarthy. Standing from left are Seamus Howard, Peter Walsh, Connie Doyle, Ray O'Callaghan, Bernice Enright, Domagoj Rac, Tim O'Leary, Paul O'Brien, Kia McDade, Donal O'Sullivan, Mike O'Donoghue, Connie Counihan and Mike Crowley. Picture: Eamonn Keogh

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KERRY Mental Health Association has joined Tralee Chamber Alliance and Killarney Chamber of Tourism & Commerce with a view to promoting workplace wellbeing in Kerry's two largest towns.

Workplace Wellbeing relates to all aspects of working life, from the quality and safety of the physical environment, to how workers feel about their work, their working environment, the climate at work and work organization.

The General Manager of Kerry Mental Health Association, John Drummey, said, "Kerry Mental Health Association is cementing its links with the business communities in Tralee, as Kerry's Capital, and Killarney, as the number 1 tourism destination in Ireland. We are committed to constantly reviewing and updating our programme of activities, to respond to the local and county needs. We expect that our membership of the chambers in Tralee and Killarney will help us reach a wider audience when developing and delivering mental health training programmes and activities in the future. It is also our wish, with more access to networks such as the chambers of commerce in both towns, to see more people get involved with us as volunteers."

The primary objective of Kerry Mental Health Association is to promote the general welfare of people and to support those with mental health challenges and/or their families and carers.

Kerry Mental Health Association is active in many other towns and districts with eight branches currently operational throughout the county. Kerry Mental Health Association also operates as an

KERRY MENTAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION JOINS TRALEE & KILLARNEY CHAMBERS TO PROMOTE WORKPLACE WELLBEING



Kerry Mental Health Association Joins Tralee & Killarney Chambers To Promote Workplace Wellbeing. Picture : Joint-Presidents of Killarney Chamber of Tourism & Commerce, Pádraig Treacy and Johnny McGuire and President of Tralee Chamber Alliance, Stephen Stack have welcomed John Drummey of Kerry Mental Health Association's membership of the two organisations. Photo By : Domnick Walsh © Eye Focus LTD

Approved Housing Body, with residences in Tralee, Killarney, Listowel, Killorglin, Rathmore and Caherciveen providing housing for people living with mental ill-health who are on the county council housing list.

The President of Tralee Chamber Alliance, Stephen Stack and the Joint-Presidents of

Killarney Chamber of Tourism & Commerce, Pádraig Treacy and Johnny McGuire have welcomed Kerry Mental Health Association's membership of the two organisations.

For more information about Kerry Mental Health Association, visit www.KerryMentalHealth.ie.



KERRY Airport has announced that French airline Chalair will fly to three destinations - Brest, Caen and Pau - this summer commencing on 29th June. Pictured on the Kerry Airport runway were l-r: Basil Sheerin (CFO), Evelyn O'Connor (Customer Service Agent) and John Mulhern (CEO).

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Kerry Airport is delighted to announce that Chalair will return to the Kingdom to service three routes to popular summer holiday destinations in France commencing from 29th June 2024.

Passengers can look forward to 13 weekly flights between Kerry and Brest in Brittany and Caen in Normandy and 10 weekly flights to Pau near the Pyrénées until early and late September respectively.

Such was the success of last summer's weekly service to Brittany, Chalair decided to introduce flights to two more regions in France.

The Kerry Airport CEO, John Mulhern, said "The news that Chalair has decided to operate a weekly service to France again this summer and with that, the introduction of three routes in Brittany, Normandy and The

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KERRY AIRPORT Announces Three Summer Holiday Destinations In France

Pyrénées. It was important that flights returned in light of the positive feedback from passengers who travelled between Kerry and France last year and the potential that exists to develop the routes further. We're expecting lots of French visitors to come to Kerry to explore the Kingdom and realise that this is an extraordinary oasis here in the southwest of Ireland."

The introduction of weekly flights to Caen in Normandy coincides with the 80th Anniversary of the D-day landings that led to the beginning of the end of World War 2.

Flights to/from Brittany, Caen and Pau are available from 29th June and can be booked now at en.Chalair.fr.

These new destinations from Kerry to Brest in Brittany, Caen in Normandy and Pau near the Pyrénées will bring to 10 the number of routes that will be available to passengers for the summer months.

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MissQuote.ie Womens Basketball League **Killarney Sports and Leisure Centre** **Saturday February 10th**

UTILITY TRUST ST PAULS 64
MOY TOLKA ROVERS 55

Report by Enda Walshe

The Double Southern Conference winners were back on home court last Saturday evening and it took a bit of time to overcome a gallant Moy Tolka Rovers side who came to Killarney determined to upset the title party. They gave as good as they got for long periods but what was obvious was when St Pauls put the foot on the gas they found the pace hard to live with. The hosts are in the limbo of having achieved their first objective while waiting for the main event but the games can also be used to fine tune team preparations and also get game time into the entire squad.

This of course is done against the background of keeping that winning momentum going and that was evident when the fat was in the fire. Not for the first time this season it was the third quarter that they made their move, opening up what was ultimately the match winning lead. Game MVP Rheanne O'Shea and Sofia Paska were at their most prolific in the moving quarter as they turned a one point halftime deficit into a seven point lead. Niamh Ni Chonchuir and Meabh Barry joined Denise Dunlea, Sofia Paska and Khilarica Rasheed on the floor at the onset with Rasheed and Bria Dent exchanging early baskets. Denise Dunlea hit from beyond the arc and followed it with a neat basket, Paska doing likewise to open up a 10-4 advantage. Leah McMahon, Lorraine Scanlon and Rheanne O'Shea climbed off the bench but it was Rebecca Hynes who was lighting up for Tolka at this stage and with Dent and Tazsa Hammett finding their range the lead was down to one at quarter end, 14-13. Paska had the final say of the quarter with a skillful reverse lay up.

Hynes was at it again at the start of the second, hitting a big three but that spurred a reaction from O'Shea, Scanlon and Rasheed as St Pauls raced 24-16 clear. Coach James Fleming was rotating his line up regularly but it was the Metropolitans who hit a purple patch with Dent, Hammett and Elaine Kenny helping them in a 27-26 interval lead.

The move was made early in the third with O'Shea and Dunlea netting early threes, the former again on target from inside the arc. Hynes and Dent reacted but Paska was starting to dominate inside, a tell tale sign for the rest of the quarter. Hynes, Kenny

and Julie McEvoy all found the target but it wasn't enough to overshadow Paska who hit ten rapid fire points. Rasheed from the free throw line made it a seven point game turning for home, 48-41.

The journey home was made all the smoother as Scanlon, Dunlea and Paska stretched the lead out to double figures, with O'Shea providing the assists. The cushion allowed St Pauls to run their bench with Mary Kate Smith and Cliona Coffey getting floor time. Tazsa Hammett kept plugging away for Tolka as did Ali Donohue but the Rasheed/Paska axis steered the ship into harbour, 64-55 to the good.

The ultimate goal this season is of course promotion to the Superleague and two players with experience of the higher echelon are Khilarica Rasheed and Lorraine Scanlon, Rasheed even a winner with Glanmire last season. She has some advice for his teammates. "In order to gain promotion we got to work, put it all out there and be dedicated. It won't always be perfect, much like tonight, but you always have to put it in." Scanlon would relish another go up there. "Obviously it's a big step up but that's where we want to be, battling with the top teams and it would be fantastic if we were to make it".

Sofia Paska was the teams top gun with 23 points, Khilarica Rasheed had 13, Rheanne O'Shea netted 12, Denise Dunlea 10, Lorraine Scanlon 6

Tazsa Hammett, Bria Dent and Rebecca Hynes all hit 13 with Ali Donohue and Elaine Kenny sharing 12 between them.

The Limerick Sports Huskies provide the next opposition for St Pauls, and they are in a real battle with their neighbours the Celtics for the runners up spot in the Conference. With a lot on the line they will provide a strong test and in Scout Frame they possess the Leagues top scorer. Aisling McGann, Ashley Harte, Orlaith Woods and Cathy Grant are all key figures in a squad that includes Killarney born Megan Buckley. Tip off in the Killarney Sports and Leisure Centre is at 4.30pm.

InsureMyVan.ie Mens Basketball League **Killarney Sports and Leisure Centre** **Saturday February 10th**

SCOTTS LAKERS 77
SETU WATERFORD VIKINGS 73

Report by Enda Walshe

All the excitement in this game was jam packed into the final quarter as Scotts Lakers eventually overcame SETU Waterford Vikings, thereby overtaking them to move

into the play off positions. The afternoon was proving to be a difficult one for Brian Clarke's side who struggled on offence. Conversely they did quite well on defence with Eoin Carroll, Rui Saravia and Paul Clarke pulling down 30 boards between them. Saravia was a diligent defensive presence all game, Clarke led the team on efficiency while Carroll can point to two huge rebounds in the final quarter that helped to quell the tide.

Braden Bell earned all of his 21 points as he had a titanic battle with the talismanic Viking Idris Joyner while Leondre Washington's 35 points was only bettered by Joyner. The win moves the Lakers onto eight wins and into the top four and provided they keep themselves ahead of the Waterford side in the weeks ahead they will earn their place at the end of season play offs. Coach Clarke was a happy man with the result if not the performance. "It's a big win for us to push ahead of Waterford and we've three big games now against Team North West, Titans and Killarney Cougars in the weeks ahead. We have to keep pushing on and striving to improve."

The opening quarter saw both sides slow to settle with the visitors 10-8 ahead after five minutes. Joyner alongside his compatriot Jack Ryan carried the bulk of the threat in the early stages while Bell and Washington got the Lakers up and running. Eoin Carroll took delivery of a nice pass from Washington to get off the mark and two quick baskets from Captain Paul Clarke put the Lakers ahead 14-12. Joyner went on a spree to push the Vikings into the lead at quarters end, 22-19, with Washington replying.

The Lakers made a better start to the second period with Bell, Washington and Saravia all on target. Carroll popped up again and the Lakers led 34-26 with 2.27 remaining in the half. But again Joyner sparked up and with the help of Daniel Sheehan the gap was closed to two by half time 36-34, with Jamie O'Sullivan having the last word for the Lakers.

The third quarter belonged to the Vikings, with Sheehan, Dale Kavanagh bringing them back into contention. That point was emphasised by Joyner and Ryan who both struck for threes and Denis Miculescu came off the bench to put them 46-40 clear. Bell who was closely guarded by Joyner all evening, Saravia, and Washington brought the sides level at 50 a piece with the quarter drawing to a close. But again Joyner stole in to put the Vikings in the box seat heading into the final period.

The Vikings looked to be turning their ship for home when they built up a ten point lead, 73-63, with four minutes to go. This did so thanks to the promptings of Illia Prikhno,



Sheehan and Joyner and even though the Lakers battled away, it seemed the harder they tried, the worse it got. But then came the fireworks. Washington sank two free throws and as the defensive intensity went up ten fold the Vikings were forced into numerous turnovers. Bell and Washington brought it down to a two point game with 1.13 to go, a lead that was halved by Eoin Carroll from the charity stripe. Bell then broke clear to put the Lakers in front for what felt like the first time in a lifetime, as the Vikings lost huge momentum, highlighted by both Daniel Sheehan and Jay Kavanagh being fouled out. Eoin Carroll pulled down a huge rebound, fed Washington who was fouled and he duly doubled the lead to two, with 12 seconds on the clock. The Vikings launched one last raid to salvage the game but the ball was again turned over and Bell again raced clear to stuff home the ball, with a huge sense of relief in the process.

Leondre Washington top scored for the home side on 35, Braden Bell was next best on 21,, Eoin Carroll had 8, Paul Clarke netted 7, Rui Saravia 4 and Jamie O Sullivan 2.

Idris Joyner was the games top point scorer with 36 points, Daniel Sheehan hit 12, Jack Ryan netted 11, Denis Miculescu 6, Illia Prikhno 4.

Post game Leondre Washington praised the team's defensive effort." Rui did well defensively, Eoin got some big rebounds, Braden and Mark, everyone put in a shift. The coach got us riled up in the final quarter and put a lot of energy into us." Eoin Carroll also alluded to the role of the crowd."The atmosphere when the game was in the fire was amazing and hopefully now we can push on from here in the three games we have at home".

Team NorthWest are next on the agenda with the game tipping off at 7.30 in the



Joint Captains Rheanne O'Shea and Lynn Jones receive the Southern Conference Trophy from Annette O Toole (Basketball Ireland).



From l-r: Chairman Jim Delaney, Head Coach James Fleming pictured with joint captains Lynn Jones and Rheanne O'Shea at the presentation of the Shield and medals in the Killarney Sports and Leisure Centre on Saturday. Photo by Tatyana McGough

Killarney Sports and Leisure Centre this Saturday evening. The Lakers now sit third in the conference thanks in part to the Limerick Eagles defeat to Moy Tolka Rovers. The

visitors will be looking to Christian Simmons, Ryan Gannicleff and John Fierstein for inspiration as they look to gain their fourth win of the season.



The Utility Trust St Paul's Ladies Basketball team, Southern Conference winners, pictured with Annette O'Toole Basketball Ireland (centre), team management and their supporters at the presentation of Shield and medals in the Killarney Sports and Leisure Centre on Saturday.

BALLYHAR DYNAMOS FC

TEAMS

The club U12 girls (Division 1) hosted Tralee Dynamos at Murt Scott Park & in a thrilling encounter came away with a 3-2 win thanks to goals from Anna Kate Daly, Emily O Callaghan & Lucy Wynne. It was a great squad effort with Niamh O Sullivan, Faye O'Brien, Anna Fitzgerald & Aoibhinn Daly in fine form.

Both U13 squads travelled to Kenmare with the Premier outfit being victorious on a 0-1 scoreline with Alex Finn scoring the only goal of the game. Patrick O Connor, Killian O Sullivan, Adam Fleming & Daithi Allen were immense on the day.

Teamtwo competing in Division 2 South lost 1-4 in a close encounter with the game being scoreless at the break. Charlie Curran being the Ballyhar goal scorer after good approach work by Aaron Looney, Brian Evans & Ruari Casey. Brendan Flynn, Eoin Cremin & Rian Comerford also gave their best in the game.

The Club U15s competing in the Premier Division had a great home win against Killorglin FC in a 2-1 win. Daniel Downes gave Ballyhar a 1-0 half time lead with Issac Vickers making it 2-0 with 10 minutes remaining. Killorglin pulled a goal back but Jack Shea, Ryan Breen, Daire Cornally, Conor O Leary, Aaron Moriarty were determined to secure the deserved win.

SYMPATHY

The club offers its Condolences to the McGillicuddy family, Ballyhar on their family bereavement. May Eugene rest in peace.

KILLARNEY ATHLETIC

U15 DIVISION 1

Athletic 1 - 2 Listowel

Our U15's took on Listowel this afternoon and came away empty handed. Our depleted squad started brightly and went 1-0 up after 25 mins through a great Jayden Hurley free kick. HT 1-0. At half time we made some tactical changes and this didn't work to our advantage with Listowel scoring two quick goals... our boys battled hard but in the end Listowel held on for a deserved 2-1 win. Thanks to the parents for the support and Brian Spillane for reffing the game. That's only our second loss of the season by the smallest margin and we'll dust ourselves down and go again in two weeks time

U13 PREMIER RESULT

Killarney Athletic 0 - 2 Killorglin

After a dominating performance in our last game against Listowel, we didn't hit the same levels today and lost out to the better team. We battled hard and kept pushing, but to no avail against a strong Killorglin side. Thanks, and well done to Killorglin for a good sporting game. We move on and look to get back to winning ways in our next game.

U13 DIVISION 1 RESULT

Killarney Athletic B 5 - 0 Listowel B

A dominant performance by our U13B's today as they came away with the 3 points. The lads played with a real intensity throughout, moved the ball very well and kept their first clean sheet of the season too. Thanks very much to Listowel for a sporting game.

Goals - Aidan Hickey Nathan Jordan Malachy Audley

U13 DIVISION 2 SOUTH RESULT

Killarney Athletic C 1 - 1 Mastergeeha B

A strong performance by our young blues this morning as they welcomed Mastergeeha to Woodlawn. The teams shared the points in the end with Athletic having the majority of the possession and were unlucky not to find that final finish for the win. Credit to the Mastergeeha keeper who gave a brilliant performance between the sticks. Thanks again to Mastergeeha for a sporting game.

Goals - Olek Prinz

U13 DIVISION 1 RESULT

Killarney Athletic B 5 - 0 Listowel B

Our young blues were up against Listowel B in a game that was due to be played away but had to be reversed to our pitch due to the Listowel pitch being deemed unplayable. The boys were fired up and eager to get going as the KO time approached and took to the game with great intensity. This was something that had been missing as of late and was a welcome sight to behold.

Our blues quickly took the initiative with Nathan Jordan latching onto a mis-controlled ball by the opposition, firing us into the lead on 14mins. Athletic were starting to really move the ball well, stringing together pass after pass and it wasn't long before Malachy Audley played a through ball into Aidan Hickey's path who finished nicely into the bottom corner on 22mins.

The lads weren't finished there though, with Nathan Jordan picking out the lively Aidan Hickey for his second and taking us into a 3-0 lead as the half time whistle blew.

The 2nd half was as dominant as the first with the Listowel team finding it increasingly difficult to live with the relentless pressure and intricate passing the lads were producing.

Two more goals were to follow in quick succession, with Malachy Audley once again finding Aidan Hickey to help complete his hat trick before Malachy Audley found the net himself after a brilliant through ball by Jack Gleeson 2 minutes later.

The game was to end 5-0 and was without doubt the lads best performance of the season so far, all the lads gave a great performance but in the end it was a split decision between two of them for man of the match.

MOTM - Torin Lyne & Malachy Audley
Great performance lads and big thanks to Listowel for a sporting game.

KILLARNEY CELTIC

CELTIC LOTTO

Numbers drawn 6,9,18,28. No jackpot winner. No Match 3 winners. Lucky Dip winners received €50. Next jackpot €5,600 on Monday Feb 19th. Tickets available from The Dungeon Bookshop, club members and online through clubzap.

CHARLEVILLE CHEESE PREMIER A

Killarney Celtic 1-0 Killorglin AFC

Lee Downing

Another 1-0 win sees us top of the table. Lee Downing struck the only goal of the game to seal the 3 points.

CHARLEVILLE CHEESE PREMIER B

Killarney Celtic B 1-2 QPR

Robbie Harnett

After a good run of form the B team were undone at home last Friday night. Despite great effort the final touch was missing on the night and QPR took their chances to take the 3 points. However the team is still right in contention for a place in the Premier B final.

U13 DIV 1

Killarney Celtic 2-0 St Brendans Park B

James Brosnan, Cillian Scannell

Celtic led 1-0 at halftime thanks to James Brosnan. Park kept Celtic on edge before Cillian Scannell found the net to seal the win in a hard fought encounter.

U13 DIV 2

Killarney Celtic 0-4 MEK

Many thanks to Newcastlewest and Macroom Fc who travelled to Killarney last weekend for games in U8,U9 and U10.



Ballyhar Dynamos FC u15s, home Victor's over Killorglin FC in the Premier Division of the Kerry Schoolboy League on Saturday last.



Ballyhar Dynamos FC u13s team two who lost away to inter kenmare B in Division 2 South of the Kerry schoolboy league on Saturday last.

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Killarney Celtic U10s and Newcastlewest U10s at Celtic Park last weekend.

GIRLS U16 PREMIER

Iveragh Utd 1-5 Killarney Celtic

Emma Daly 3, Sadbh O'Halloran, Caoimhe O'Sullivan

Despite being short some players, the U16 girls put on a fine performance away to Iveragh to keep pace with league leaders Listowel. Emma Daly scored twice in the 1st half to leave Celtic 2-1 ahead at the break. Sadbh O'Halloran increased the advantage. Emma Daly continued her great goalscoring form with her 3rd of the day before Caoimhe O'Sullivan capped a fine performance with a penalty.

KERRY SCHOOLBOY/GIRL SOCCER

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 10TH

U12 Girls Premier (South)

Ballyhar Dynamos 3 - 2 Tralee Dynamos

U13 Girl's Quarter Finals Shield

Killarney Athletic B 2 - 4 Castleisland AFC

U16 Girls Premier

Iveragh UTD 1 - 5 Killarney Celtic

ST Brendans Park 0 - 6 Listowel Celtic

BOYS

U12 Boy's John Murphy Cup Knock-out Round

Fenit Samphires 0 - 4 St Brendans Park

MEK A v Iveragh (Dragon's Den)

U12 Boy's John Murphy Sheild Knock-out

St Brendans Park D 0 - 6 Listowel Celtic B

U13 Boy's Premier

Inter Kenmare 0 - 1 Ballyhar Dynamos

Killarney Athletic 0 - 2 Killorglin AFC

Castleisland AFC 1 - 3 Listowel Celtic

U13 Boy's Division 1

Mastergeeha FC 0 - 1 Fenit Samphires

Listowel Celtic B 0 - 5 Killarney Athletic B

Killarney Celtic 2 - 0 St Brendans Park

U13 Boy's Division 2 North

Dingle Bay Rovers 6 - 0 St Brendans Park C

Bottom 3

LB Rovers B 0 - 1 Castleisland AFC C (Ardfert astro)

U13 Boy's Division 2 South

Top

Inter Kenmare B 4 - 1 Ballyhar Dynamos

BOTTOM

Killarney Athletic C 1-1 Mastergeeha FC B

U15 Boy's Premier

Ballyhar Dynamos 2 - 1 Killorglin

Tralee Dynamos 0 - 4 St Brendans Park

U15 Boy's Division 1

Killarney Athletic 1 - 2 Listowel Celtic

U15 Boy's Division 2

St Brendans Park C 4 - 2 Inter Kenmare B

ASTRO HURLING a Huge Success for Young Hurlers

The Clash of the Ash could be heard in Fossa National School Astro Pitch as over 30 enthusiastic young hurlers returned to action on Sunday night. The event catered for ages Eight up to Thirteen split over 2 hours. The organisers were delighted to see the returning regulars but the most pleasing aspect was the new faces who turned up to try out the game of Hurling for the first time.

The emphasis of the night was on fun games over formal coaching with the main aim being for each child to hit as many balls as they could over the hour. New children were given that extra bit of attention to demonstrate the basics, but once they got the hang of it there was no stopping them. It was very encouraging to see the high standard of striking displayed by the new players.

The success of the event wouldn't have been possible without the commitment of over 12 dedicated coaches from the Dr Corkes Hurling Academy. Their passion for the sport and eagerness to impart their knowledge was evident Under the watchful eye of the Kerry Hurling development officer Colm O'Brien.

Tom Murphy of Dr Crokes and a Waterford native explained that the

AstroTurf is a great way for beginners to learn the basics and see if they would like to play the sport. The ball is easier to strike on Astro and travels faster so it is a great way of introducing novices to the game. We hold these events every February ahead of the Hurling Academy's return in March and find that it always attracts several new players to the game at each age group. Some of our existing players would play Football with other teams, and we find that they very quickly put that rivalry aside and form friendships over the game of Hurling.

The games are set to continue every Sunday night for the next three weeks. The under 8's to under 10's start at 17:00 for an hour with the older kids from under 11 to under 13 starting at 18:00. All gear is provided on the night just bring some water and suitable footwear. The organisers can also arrange transport to Fossa for those who need it. Just contact them in advance.

Contact U8 to U10 John: 087 9827876

Contact U11 to U13 Patrick: 087 2046896

Kerry GDA: 087 9144891

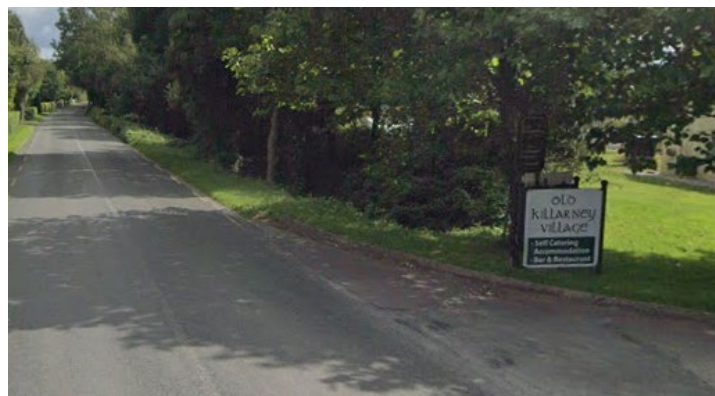


CALL FOR VITAL WORKS TO BE UNDERTAKEN IN AGHADOE

Cllr. Brendan Cronin is calling on the Minister For Housing Darragh O'Brien and Kerry's Minister Norma Foley for their urgent support and the provision of the required funding allocation for the commencement of vital works to connect the adjoining estates of Birch Hill and The Old Killarney Village to the Killarney public sewer system and bring an end to the long running saga for the 70 properties involved.

In 2020 just over €400,000 was allocated by the Dept of Housing & Local Government under the Water Services Resolution Programme for Birch Hill & the Old Killarney Village, the original planned option was the installation of new sewers, decommissioning of the existing problematic onsite wastewater systems along with the fee to Uisce Eireann for the connection of the 70 properties in both estates to the public sewer system. However following the development of the detailed design of the original option, difficulties arose which have resulted in rendering the original option unviable.

As a result two further alternative design options have now been developed for connecting these two estates to the public sewer and these options have been submitted to Minister O'Brien's Department in recent weeks along with a request to provide the required funding for



Calls to connect the adjoining estates of Birch Hill and The Old Killarney Village to the Killarney public sewer system

the preferred of these designs. As the projected cost of the new designs will be substantial more than the original allocation, I am appealing to Minister for Housing Darragh O'Brien and Kerry's Minister Norma Foley to realise the urgency and importance of this work for the 70 properties involved and particularly the environmental protection of adjacent watercourses, the Deenagh river and Lough Lein. The existing onsite systems are antiquated and are not appropriate or capable of safely dealing with waste water from these two estates and a proper safe resolution must be urgently provided"

IT'S A NO BRAINER....

KILLARNEY TRAIN & BUS STATIONS SHOULD BE CONNECTED

Kerry Fianna Fáil Councillor, Michael Cahill through the good offices of Senator Gerry Horkan recently proposed at an Oireachtas Transport Committee meeting with representatives from Iarnród Éireann that a Footbridge be provided between the Train and Bus Stations in Killarney.

"It's a no brainer, why would you expect people to walk with luggage, people with a disability, our senior citizens, parents with buggies, our small children, etc, all the way around outside, when both terminals are practically side by side in Killarney. A Footbridge connecting both is logical. I really think in this instance they are making a laugh of the people, who by the way they are supposed to be serving" stated Councillor Cahill.

"Iarnród Éireann, in answer to Councillor Cahill, states that it has prioritised other accessibility projects elsewhere. Killarney and Kerry seem to have been designated 2nd best by them" said Councillor Cahill. "Killarney Bus and Train Stations are used by residents from all over the county, as well as visitors, by people of all ages. A connecting Footbridge should have been put in place years ago. It is a total inconvenience to all rail and bus users and a deterrent from using the service" said the Rossbeigh based Councillor.

"This matter has been raised over the years by former Councillor Michael

Gleeson and by a number of other Councillors. This is a no brainer. Killarney is the busiest tourist town in Ireland and I firmly believe locals and visitors alike should be accommodated with this facility" added Councillor Cahill.

Iarnród Éireann in response to Councillor Cahill said:

Following an analysis in October 2019, 3 main categories of options were identified to improve connectivity between the Bus and Train Stations as follows;

- Provision of a pedestrian route through the Bus Éireann/public car park and Train station at platform level or at grade
- Provision of a new underpass
- Provision of a new footbridge

While there is an estimated time saving of 4-6 minutes per passenger transfer, in the context of the wider accessibility upgrade investment in a limited funding environment, Iarnród Éireann has prioritised other accessibility projects around the network.

Each of the options above require varying levels of capital expenditure to build and maintain. The matter was forwarded to the National Transport Authority for final decision on funding and implementation, and it has not to date been included in funding allocations.



HOMELESS SITUATION GETTING WORSE BY THE DAY

A Chara,

I want to highlight a story with the consent of those involved, something I've previously raised and passed a motion at my first Killarney Municipal District Meeting in September last year.

I was contacted by a family residing over a business premises in Killarney town centre after being served with a notice to quit as the premises was being sold. They tried high up and low down for alternative accommodation in the Killarney area where they resided, work, have their GP services and children enrolled in school. The only option they had was to relocate to a hostel in Tralee, where 2 adults and 3 children are in one bedroom. The children are aged 6,3 and 6 months, as the parents don't drive its making life very difficult for them, while completely defeating eco friendly travelling being forced onto the country.

I'm aware of landlords offering up dwellings to the Local Authority where a high percentage of them are failing inspections, not meeting high standards as a result many are left homeless or having to live in over crowded conditions with family or friends.

Killarney and South Kerry is in dire straits of Homeless Accommodation this needs to be addressed as the situation is worsening by the day, its time to invest on record numbers of Homelessness. 13500 as of January 2024 with 4000 of those children.

Yours Truly
Cllr. Martin Grady.

CLEAN SWEEP FOR THE LADIES

Munster Minor Championship – Round 1 Kerry 2 – 14 -v- Limerick 0 – 01

Kerry recorded a comprehensive win in round 1 of the Munster Minor Championship on Saturday. Played in Cappamore the field was in excellent condition despite the weather worsening as the game progressed. Kerry got off to a flyer and were two goals up inside the first five minutes. Tirna Murphy and Leah McMahon with the goals as this game showed early on their was every only going to be one winner. Limerick offered little threat going forward and anytime they venture forward the Kerry defence held firm. It resulted in the home side failing to score in the opening period. Kerry would add a further seven points in the opening period. All the points coming from play bar the last one in the half. A free from Lisa Slattery saw the visitors go in at the break with a thirteen-point advantage. The second half afforded Kerry the opportunity to run the bench with an eye on the rest of the championship going forward. Despite numerous changes at halftime, it didn't disrupt Kerry's rhythm in the game. Kerry played with the same intensity as the first and it saw the side further extend its lead with Limerick yet to register a score. Lori O'Connor, Kelly Enright and Leah McMahon amongst the scorers. With the weather worsening and Kerry making further substitutions the scoreboard remained in Kerry's favour. Limerick did get on the scoreboard. It was to be the last score of the game, a free from Molly Creedon. Next Saturday Kerry will face a tougher test in Round 2 away to Cork.

Kerry Scorers: T Murphy (1-03), L McMahon (1-02), K Enright (0-03), L O'Connor (0-03 1f), L Slattery (0-02 1f), K Collins (0-01)
Limerick Scorers: M Creedon (0-01f)

Munster U16 B Championship – Round 1 (Sharon O'Keeffe Tournament) Limerick 2 – 04 (10) -v- Kerry 2 – 09 (15)

The Kerry U16's got their Munster U16 Championship campaign off to the perfect start in Staker Wallace GAA on Sunday. First up at 12 noon was the B team in the Sharon O'Keeffe Tournament. A cold crisp dry day was the forecast on Sunday. Both sides exchanged points before Kerry went on a scoring free scoring seven unanswered points to open up a seven-point lead deep into the first half. Limerick would score the final point of the half as the hosts went in at the break six points adrift. Upon resumption in the second half Kerry further extended the lead before Limerick scored the first goal of the afternoon through Katie Leahy. The deficit was down to four and it was very much game on. With this being Kerry's and indeed many of the players first game at U16 level it didn't phase them in the slightest. They responded immediately with a goal from Leah Courtney. Midway through the second half Kerry rattled the net for a second time to the delight of the travelling support. Ashlyn Falvey with the goal as they extended the lead out to ten. Like Kerry, Limerick regrouped and responded immediately with a goal to reduce the deficit to seven. Further points from Limerick saw the deficit down to five but it was to prove too little too late as Kerry ran out five-



The Kerry Minor Ladies team who defeated Limerick



The Kerry Under 16 A Team who defeated Limerick



The Kerry Under 16 B team who defeated Limerick

point winners.

Kerry Scorers: E Courtney (0-04), L Courtney (1-0), A Falvey (1-0), S O'Sullivan (0-02), E Evans (0-01), A McCarthy (0-01) & L O'Shea (0-01)
Limerick Scorers: K Leahy (1-0), A Nealon (1-0), A Burke (0-02), S Walsh (0-01), J Walsh (0-01)

Munster U16 A Championship Round 1 Limerick 3 – 04 (13) -v- Kerry 4 – 06 (18)

The A team made it a clean sweep in the U16 grade with a hard Fought win. Limerick managed by Rathmore's Charlie McCarthy opened the scoring with a point inside the first minute but Kerry soon responded with a goal from Jessie Lynch after her shot deceived Grace Fitzgibbon in the Limerick goal. In a frantic first 10 minutes both sides had a goal each. Danielle Naughton for the home side to put them back ahead by one. Limerick were showing plenty of endeavour in the early exchanges. This was a squad that have been together for last year and it showed early on. Kerry began to get into the game more with points from Eve Broderick & Jessie Lynch (free) to leave the bare minimum between the sides. Kerry's cause was further boosted and they went ahead when Jessie Lynch scored their second goal of the afternoon. With Limerick's threat nullified by

the Kerry defence at the other end of the field the away side tagged on a further two points to extend the lead out to four heading in at half time. Limerick got off to the perfect start in the second half. Referee Conor McCarthy awarded the home side a penalty. With Kerry keeper Anne O'Shaughnessy receiving 10 minutes in the bin, substitute Niamh Mulvihill was called into action. Despite guessing the right way, Limerick's Aoibhinn O'Connor cooley dispatched to the back of the net to reduce the deficit to one. Brid Curtin steadying the ship for the visitors with a point before Doireann O'Neill struck Kerry's third goal. A frantic opening got even more frantic when Danielle Naughton goaled for the visitors to set up a frantic final quarter. Both sides went in search of the vital score that would have a big outcome in this decider. Luckily it went to the visitors with Jessie Lynch scoring a hattrick with her third goal of the afternoon to seal a hard-fought win for the visitors:

Kerry Scorers: J Lynch (3-03 2f), D O'Neill (1-0), E Broderick (0-01), B Curtin (0-01), V Paulauskaite (0-01)

Limerick Scorers: D Naughton (2-0), A O'Connor (1-1), C Moriarty (0-02 2f), A Buckley (0-01),

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JIMMY O'SULLIVAN-DARCY

takes a look at all things sport...



Micheál Burns has decided to call time on his inter-county career.

BUIOCHAS DO BURNS

Many thanks and best wishes to Micheál Burns, who has decided to call time on his inter-county career. Micheál was multi-talented as a sportsman from a young age – he has sporting DNA on both sides. He quickly established himself as a Kerry minor in 2013 – he was absolutely superb against Tyrone in our quarter-final defeat that year. A year later he was part of an iconic 2014 team helmed by Jack O'Connor. Ten of that team went on to play senior for Kerry at some stage, not including Mark O'Connor, who would surely have done so were he not thriving Down Under. That Micheál was a special talent even in that company was demonstrated when he played three years for the Kerry U21s, albeit with no tangible reward. He made his first senior appearance in January of 2018 on the right wing. Shane Murphy, Cormac Coffey, David Clifford, Seán O'Shea, and Killian Spillane (off the bench) made their senior debuts as well in that defeat to Donegal. He made 51 appearances for Kerry, scoring 1-28 along the way. In 2022 he won a coveted Celtic cross.

This week Micheál stepped back from the Kerry senior squad and the colossal commitment that takes to concentrate on himself, although the Dr. Crokes man is certain to be one of the most feared forwards at club level in the county. Micheál, who teaches in Coláiste na Sceilge, was on the sideline as a selector when the school brilliantly defied all the odds and enforced absence through injury of their best forward to almost pull off a shock quarter-final win over Patrician Academy Mallow and no doubt he will be seen in that competition again too. Best wishes to a great servant of the county in the future.

COLLEGES GAA

The Sem's defeat to Mounthawk meant that there was no local participation but it did set up an intriguing Corn Uí Mhuirí Final. There have been a few Cork City derbies down through the years and plenty of Kerry derbies in recent years. I'll court a little bit of controversy by admitting that I'm not so sure that Kerry's virtual monopoly on the competition in recent years (16 titles in a row) is a good thing in the long term. It takes strong stones to hone steel. The impressive showings by the likes of St. Pats Castleisland, Abbey CBS, Coachford College, and Bishopstown last year is a good sign for the competition going forward.

Mercy Mounthawk, managed by Aidan O'Shea, Kerry champions bidding for their first Munster title, went in against Tralee CBS favourites. Two years ago Mounthawk completed a Kerry (Dunloe) and Munster (Frewen) double and that formed the bulk of this year's senior team. Tralee CBS, managed by Marc Ó Sé, were mostly a year younger and were missing some key players, especially their captain Jake Foley. An intriguing side note for people, although it has nothing to do with the lads themselves, is that Jake is a grandson of 1953 All Ireland winning goalkeeper Johnny, while two of the best players on the opposing side were Jerh. and Pat Brosnan, great-grandsons of the legendary Con. Black cat begets black kitten!

There was a huge crowd in Austin Stack Park and a great atmosphere. There is nothing better in sport than a passionate rivalry than has no bitterness. Mind you, both schools admirably had mentors keeping a close eye on matters.

I was expecting a slightly one-sided affair, but instead it was a cracker. Mounthawk, with Paddy Lane on fire and Odhran Ferris in the thick of the action, had a 0-9 to 0-4 half-time lead. Ronan Carroll had impressed early on for Tralee CBS but Gary O'Riordan impressive took over that particular duel. Mounthawk opened the second half scoring as well but with the Brosnans, Darragh Cunnane, and playmaker Luke Rochford to the fore, Tralee CBS gradually fought their way back into the contest. With seven minutes to go, referee Conor Lane signalled for a foot black in the square – I thought it was harsh enough, but Lane was well-positioned and had a better view than me. Up stepped Ronan Carroll with a superb penalty and the sides were level.

Mounthawk held their nerve to finish strongly with the last three points, and make history for the school, while the Green definitely did their long and storied tradition proud. Both Tomás Ó Sé (Kerry U20s) and Wayne Quillinan (Kerry minors) will be pleased with this game as well. No joy for Liam Hassett's St. Michaels' Listowel side, who lost out in the B Final to Mitchelstown in Ballyagran. In fairness, the Cork outfit were absolutely superb on the day.

Best wishes to Tarbert, who face Coláiste Phobail Bheanntaí tomorrow in Banteer in the Munster C Final.

Interestingly, Moyvane and St. Senans have players who have or will feature in all three Munster colleges finals. People were decrying the state of North Kerry football just a few years ago and more recently Tralee with the demotions of both Austin Stacks and Kerins O'Rahillys (in both those cases, I'd point to enforced turnover of playing squads). I've seen plenty of evidence in the college games to reject both those assumptions.

HURLING

NATIONAL LEAGUE DIV TWO

Down 2-23 Kerry 1-19



Hopes weren't exactly high heading up to Down last Saturday. They are a team traditionally nigh on a par with us, never really troubling the top guns but tough opposition for anybody else. But that's when both teams are near full strength, and on this occasion Kerry were travelling to Ballycran (a small enough ground but with a lovely pitch, although I'll admit that I haven't been there in a number of years) with an injured/absentee list that would nearly comprise a separate starting fifteen in their own right. For the second game in a row, Kerry made a number of changes to the named team – never a good sign.

But Kerry supporters got to see a remarkable start. Right from the off Michael Leane pounced for an opportunistic goal, toe-poking home after the keeper saved well from Brandon Barrett. Maurice O'Connor added a free, only for Pádraig Óg McCrickard to reply in kind. Kerry, despite being physically lighter, were attacking the ball and sending it in fast with the aid of the strong wind. Dan Goggin picked off a neat score. Down seemed to be firing their engines, picking off three points to one from Gavin Dooley, but Darragh Shanahan and Killian Hayes made it 1-5 to 0-5. Down were astutely picking off their points but Kerry, without doing anything spectacular, kept the tempo high and



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more scores from Kyle O'Connor and Gavin Dooley meant that Kerry were always able to stay that bit in front and still led by a goal after that fast first quarter, 1-8 to 0-8. Two points from the lively Goggin and a long range beauty from Fionán Mackessy, our two best hurlers so far this year, made it 1-11 to 0-9 in Kerry's favour. Down pulled one back but Maurice O'Connor (f) and Niall Mulcahy nudged the gap out to six. Down again pulled one back but Fionán Mackessy picked off two frees. It's been a while since Kerry played with this sort of confidence. I was in no hurry for the half-time whistle, but when it arrived, Kerry were seven points to the good. Even allowing for that hefty breeze, surely that would be enough? An away win could absolutely transform this Kerry team – I believe that they have simply been lacking muscle, rather than talent or application, so far this year.

Half-time Kerry 1-15 Down 0-11

Ah well, question asked and question answered. It was Down who came out of the dressing room with all guns blazing, and they simply, clinically, and justifiably ruthlessly put Kerry to the sword. They reeled off five point on the trot before Daithí Sands shimmied to find a fraction of space and unleashed a rocket that gave Louis Dee no chance. That put Down into a one point lead and the gap just widened non-stop from there. They had 2-8 scored on the trot before Kerry opened their second half account with a 57th minute free by Maurice O'Connor. Granted, the handpass for the second goal did look suspiciously like a throw-ball – look, winning teams never quibble about that kind of detail and it feels like something out of the bargain bin of excuses. To be fair, nobody in Kerry was looking for excuses after that second half shellacking, and Kerry were genuinely unlucky when the keeper brilliantly save a Maurice O'Connor penalty won by Gavin Dooley in the last minute of normal time. Even so, this result is another blow. Kerry need some little stroke of luck to fire their engines, because the harsh truth is that so far this year, we have been well off the pace.

Kerry: Louis Dee, Eric Leen, Darragh Shanahan (0-1), Niall O'Mahony, Tomás O'Connor, Evan Murphy, Daithí Griffin, Kyle O'Connor (0-1), Fionán Mackessy (0-3, 2f); Michael Leane (1-0), Gavin Dooley (0-2), Brandon Barrett, Niall Mulcahy (0-2), Maurice O'Connor (0-5, 4f), Dan Goggin (0-3). Subs: Killian Hayes 0-1 (for Brandon Barrett, 4 mins), Ronan Walsh 0-1 (for Niall O'Mahony, half-time), Flor McCarthy (for Eric Leen, 51 mins), Tom Doyle (for Michael Leane, 60 mins), Darragh Reen (for Niall Mulcahy, 69 mins)

TODD NOLAN TOURNAMENT

On a more positive note, congratulations to the Kerry minor hurlers who won the Todd Nolan Shield in Currans, having lost out in the cup semi-final to Clare, who themselves lost out to Cork in the cup final. Todd Nolan was a great Crotta O'Neills hurler who played for Kerry for twenty years, 1966 to 1986, as had his father before him. He was one of the few Kerry men to win a Railway Cup medal.

LADIES GAA MINOR

Munster Round One: Kerry 2-14 Limerick 0-1

Kerry opened with goals from Tiarna Murphy and Leah McMahon within five minutes and it was well into the second half before Limerick got their lone point. Unfortunately, neither side will learn too much from this one.

U16 Munster A Round One Kerry 4-6 Limerick 3-4

This was a real test against a good Limerick side and Kerry passed it with flying colours. Limerick opened the scoring but Jessie Lynch struck for a Kerry goal. Limerick hit back with a rapid 1-2 before Eve Broderick and Jessie Lynch (f) trimmed the gap. Lynch was on fire, beautifully slotting her second goal and adding two points (1f). At half-time Kerry led by 2-4 to 1-3, Lynch with all but one of Kerry's scores. Limerick converted a penalty to open the second half and come within a point, but Bríd O'Connor kicked a great point and Doireann O'Neill scored Kerry's third goal. Limerick refuse to buckle and converted another penalty to leave just two points in it again, 3-5 to 3-3. Another goal by Jessie Lynch to complete her hat-trick also completed an impressive Kerry victory.



Leah McMahon scored a goal within five minutes for Kerry. File Photo: Seb Daly/Sportsfile

RUGBY SIX NATIONS Ireland 41 Italy 0

The truth is that we all knew what was going

to happen here, and fate duly obliged. I'm not having any dig at Italy, but they are barely a blip on the radar of our aspirations. While Italy were gallant in stretching an unimaginative England, Ireland were simply mesmerising against France in Marseille. In Lansdowne Road there was only ever going to be one result.

I wouldn't be thrilled with the overall display. There was none of the intensity or raw hunger of the France game. Dare I say it, Ireland looked a little bit complacent to me (and I have to include the fairly muted supporters in that). The absolute highlight of the day was eight year old Stevie Mulrooney's brilliant enthusiastic rendition of 'Ireland's Call' – the only person I have ever heard sing that lonesome dirge with enthusiasm.

Italy looked the hungrier side early on and in Paulo Garbisi, they had the best player on the field for the first half in my opinion. Sure, not everything he did worked, far from it, but he got stuck into everything and that's a great trait in an underdog team. He did narrowly miss a long range penalty coughed up by a stumbling Robbie Henshaw early on – I don't think it would have mattered in the long run, but it might have rattled Ireland a small bit. Instead it was Ireland who opened the scoring, a good break by Hugo Keenan and quick transfers through the hands stretching Italy too thin and opening a gap for Jack Crowley. Poor enough attempt at a conversion, but Ireland in front 5-0. Both kickers had efforts blocked but the defences reacted sharply to shut the door. Ireland were at their best running at Italy and again the quality of our passing carved them open for Dan Sheehan to power through the gap. It was a much better conversion by Crowley. The next one arrives just before half-time, the maul and great work by Dan Sheehan and Joe McCarthy drove Jack Conan over. Crowley added the bonus and Ireland led by 19-0. A bit tough on Italy, who had actually played well for the most part (compare this Italy side to the team of five years ago) but just hadn't quite enough power or finesse to put it on the scoreboard.

Five minutes into the second half, Ireland had their bonus point in the bag. Again it was more about strength than anything else, with James Ryan and Dan Sheehan both being stopped inches from the line before the pressure told and Dan Sheehan got over for his second try. Another brilliant burst by Keenan had Italy at sixes and sevens – they were starting to crack now – and Henshaw eventually drove over, but it was correctly over-ruled for a double



movement. Italy lost a player to the sin bin and left themselves wide open for a burst by James Lowe along the wing. He's so stylish a player that I tend to forget how physically strong he is until I see him in full flight. Just before the finish Ireland again stretched a hapless Italian defence and it was Calvin Nash to go over. Harry Byrne added the conversion, but it was all academic now anyway. 36-0. Job done, but it always felt more like a game to get out of the way than a vibrant contest.

Elsewhere France were lucky enough to get past Scotland, who had been well in control at half-time and had justifiable claims of a late winning try overruled. I've seen the tv replay and I can't tell if the ball was grounded or not. That was a very big call. England also had a very narrow win, beating Wales 16-14, and looked pedestrian enough doing it. England in Twickenham is our biggest obstacle to a Grand Slam, but England always rise their game to us and vice versa. There is still a lot of climbing to be done.

SUPERBOWL SUNDAY

Let's face it; it's actually 'Superbowl Early Monday Morning' for us transatlantic mortals. No, I didn't stay up to watch it. I'm not knocking the sport itself; I quite like it, although there are nuances to the running and blocking patterns that I don't understand and the razzmatazz does absolutely nothing for me. US sports commentary feels like the ultimate clickbait to me. You can get over it in basketball because the action is fast enough. NFL, and baseball too for that matter? Bring earphones and a book to read because there will be long, long periods of inactivity. The game – which admittedly was the second one ever to go into overtime, and was by all accounts an absolute thriller – finished at 4.00am our time. These days I wouldn't stay up to that hour to watch Kerry win an All Ireland. Let's get the important details right. Reba McEntire, the iconic country singer of the eighties and nineties sang the National Anthem (never heard of her, to be truthful). Ussher played the half-time show, which has been a huge part of the event since Michael Jackson's performance some thirty years ago. Neither were anywhere close to the most important musician attending. Yes, Taylor Swift flew 5700 miles to watch her boyfriend play in the biggest

US sports event of them all (eighth in the world). This has led to highly entertaining claims by conservatives, many of whom now consider Fox 'news' to be too liberal, to express concerns about the consumption of fossil fuels. Yes, that's the same people who have consistently denied global warming.

This superbowl was not of global interest because of the Kansas City Chiefs. Nor the San Francisco Niners. There were attempts to mythologise Patrick Mahomes, easily the most successful quarterback since Tom Brady, and an awful lot more likeable. It's not really catching. Win five more, and we'll talk. Equally, there were efforts at talking about a cinderella story in regards to Brock Purdy, the last player drafted in 2022, the supposed 'Mr. Irrelevant'. Except that means that he 'only' got a four year contract worth a paltry \$4 to \$5 million dollars. Being the 262nd draft isn't any cinderella story. It's winning the lottery. We are a very long way from darling Clementine now!

We have no grasp of how NFL players are deities in America. Despite claims that baseball is America's national sport, basketball and ice hockey have overtaken it in popularity. Soccer has expanded enormously – a rise in latino population, the US womens' team success, and it's far more suitable for school sports than NFL (which is a lot more dangerous in concussive terms than rugby). But it's still way behind in the halfpenny place. In the South and Mid West particularly, Travis Kelce would instantly be far more recognisable than Joe Biden. I'm not exaggerating. Taylor Swift is one of only a handful of people more famous than him. And that's before last Sunday. In terms of sporting figures, Michael Jordan, Lionel Messi, and..... actually, that's about it.

Travis Kelce and Taylor Swift (I'm going to call them 'thrift', because I like the irony) are a much bigger story than the Superbowl. There was more global speculation about her travel arrangements and the possibility of him proposing on the field than the actual game. Granted, an awful lot of that was social media clickbait, but not all of it. As far as the 'right' is concerned (they would view the likes of Fianna Fáil or Fine Gael as dangerously liberal – they genuinely think that Bernie Sanders is a communist), Travis Kelce committed a mortal sin in taking a knee during the National Anthem in support of Colin Kaepernick and Black Lives

Matter. He compounded it with the even graver offence of supporting vaccinations during covid. As for Taylor....she had the sheer gall to encourage young people to go out and vote. Can you even get more anti-democratic? And in a country that is bigger than our continent, those views get to exist in a vast echo chamber of electronic communication.

I'm not talking about the actual game because that is a mere triviality (also, I haven't actually seen it yet). This is a story that encapsulates the link between sporting and celebrity significance and cultural and political identity. It should be a trivial thing, but it supersedes the actual event itself. And why does that matter? Because money has always played the biggest role in sporting success. American sports have actually tempered that best with their draft system. But anybody giving out about Taylor and Travis hijacking the superbowl should maybe have a look at soccer (hold your nose), golf, horse-racing, Formula 1, MMA, boxing (Fury and Usyk is the new Mayweather and Pacquiao – it'll happen eventually, but by then nobody, including me, will care)....Irish Basketball has been the latest to draw down the ire of the self-righteous. Funny – I don't see a lot of the same people calling out FIBA for allowing Israel's participation. They had no problem banning Russia.

Taylor Swift and the Superbowl is like a controversy manufactured for a Disney movie. There are much darker stories that should be called out but won't be. A lot of sporting bodies aren't up for sale – but that's because they have already been sold.

Maybe we should stick to coonversations about pop stars instead. It's more comfortable for everybody.

ATHLETICS

The County winners of the Federation of Irish Sport Volunteers in Sport Awards were announced today last weekend. Congratulations to Lorcan Murphy of Iveragh Athletics Club on winning this award. Lorcan has spent 53 years volunteering with Iveragh Athletics Club and has been described as the driving force behind Iveragh AC. Lorcan has held many roles within the club; Chair, Secretary, Treasurer, PRO and coach. Lorcan's name is synonymous with Iveragh AC and his passion for coaching, guiding and mentoring athletes of all abilities in the South Kerry region has seen the club blossom into a social, inclusive and fun environment for people of all ages.

A National awards ceremony will take place at The Crowne Plaza Hotel, Blanchardstown on Thursday 29th February 2024 where Lorcan will be presented with his award, as well as an overall winner being announced.

Congratulations to the Kerry U11 Boys who won silver in the National Juvenile Cross Country Championships, especially Conor O'Donnell of Killarney Valley.

Some of Ireland's highest profile athletes have been setting new benchmarks this week. Sarah Healy took a whopping three seconds off Ciara Mageean's 1500m indoor record, set in 2020, when she finished in fifth at the World Indoor



Gold Tour in France last Saturday in 4.03.83. Sarah Lavin finished third in the 60m. Rhadisat Adeleke set her third Irish record of the year in New York. Having already set new times for the 60m and 200m, she finished the 300m at the Millrose Games in 36.42 to beat her own record. It says a lot for her high standards that she was actually disappointed after finishing second.

Roisín Flanagan clocked 9.36.70 for the two mile indoors to set another new Irish record.

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FAI Fortunes Improve



For the first time in a long time, it has been a good week generally for the FAI. The announcement of a national sponsor to replace Three might have been an awful long time coming and I suspect that the asking price dropped quite a bit in the interim, but having Revolut on board bestows a certain amount of badly wanted credibility as well as income.

The League of Ireland has increased in popularity, but that has drawn attention to the poor state of most of the facilities. That's no fault of the clubs – let us recall that for a long time John Delaney's annual salary, not counting expenses (nobody else counted them either, as we unfortunately found out) was almost triple that of the League champions. Clubs could barely hang on, let alone invest in facilities. It's an open secret that the likes of Bohs and St. Pats sold out their stadia several times last year. Barring finals, that hasn't happened on any regular basis in the League for over fifty years.

The biggest news this week is Dublin City Council confirming plans to upgrade Dalymount Park (I used to attend Bohs games on Friday nights if visiting student friends in the city – it was a fiver in and you got a free can and a bar of chocolate) and Tolka Park (home of Shelbourne). Tallaght Stadium was effectively rebuilt by South Dublin Council. These are legitimate community developments deserving of the grant aid they have received, having demonstrated a clear demand within the community. This is the way to go. We can consign that absolutely ridiculous €863m plan, €700 of which was supposed to come from taxpayer's money, that the FAI proposed last year just before it transpired that they had ignored several warnings about illegal under the counter payments to Jonathan Hill. That wasn't just a non-runner, that was a fiasco. A piecemeal approach in conjunction with the clubs – with very stringent supervision of spending for obvious reasons – is the better long-term model.

NATIONS LEAGUE

Ireland still haven't found a new manager. I have said it consistently, even while Stephen Kenny

was in situ, I can think of no practical reason why anyone would take the job. The English Championship pays high managerial salaries and you'd actually have enough access to your players to work on long-term approaches and improvements. No international manager gets that luxury. You are completely reliant on your national development system, and despite all the bluster, we don't actually have one worthy of the name. There is no League of Ireland player anywhere close to international standard – those who departed for English championship teams in recent years after shining here have been mediocre at best in the English championship.

Ireland were very poor under Stephen Kenny, but I'm less convinced that it was actually Kenny's fault. He rejected hoofball in favour of actually playing – we just didn't have any midfield presence. Our 3-5-1-1 always turned into 5-4-1 straightaway, and the lone crathur up front was tasked with chasing shadows non-stop. What's a new manager going to do? Four at the back and a holding midfielder? Great – Seamus Coleman, you are now our only winger. In fairness, James McClean, Robbie Brady, Aidan McGeady – they'd almost always run into rabbit holes down the wings (McGeady would beat two men and go looking for two more instead of crossing the ball) but at least they would do it. We have strikers and we have a defence. But we have nothing – and my respects to the lads for their efforts – no presence whatsoever in midfield. I don't see how a new manager is going to magically change that.

The Irish soccer public are fickle. We have the real English disease in thinking that we are far better than we actually are. Kenny underperformed, but by very little. We weren't unlucky, and haven't been for a long time. People have convinced themselves that Lee Carsley is the man based on a phenomenal English team winning the U21 Euros in 2021. Definitely a glowing CV, but you wouldn't be working with that calibre of player. Regardless, anyone else who takes the helm is going to be compared unfavourably to Carsley from the very start. If they reach and lose a final, Irish supporters will claim that Carsley would have won it. There is no possible way to succeed in those circumstances.

I suspect that the FAI will cave in to all of Carsley's demands and stump up the money – they surely understand now that their payments will be closely scrutinised. Surely they understand that by now? But if I was Carsley, or anyone else in the discussion, I'd have wanted to know the Nations League draw before agreeing to anything. A good group and you could dig out a few results. A bad one and you are on a hiding to nothing. Irish fans are very low on patience these days. As for the claim from Marc Canham that they FAI will have input into who the new manager brings in with him? Nope. There is only one captain of a ship and needs to know who is with him. Once upon a time, i.e. the sixties, the FAI had a 'selection committee'. It was absolutely preposterous even by our own very low standards. If the new manager hasn't got enough about him to pick his own backroom staff, then he's too weak for

the job anyway.

England, Finland, Ireland, Greece.

It could theoretically have been worse. We could have gotten Norway instead of Finland. That's about the only way it could have been worse. FAI CEO Jonathan Hill said that "I don't think there's any professional in the football space who wouldn't look at it and say 'Yeah, that looks great, it's what we're here to do and these are the challenges we want to rise to.'" In fairness, he can't exactly say out loud that it's a dogs' dinner of a draw and no manager with an atom of sense is touching Ireland with a barge pole. We open to England. That'll generate publicity and column inches – more guff about Rice and Grealish, both of whom were born and bred in England. But you're basically talking about a top Premiership side taking on a lower Championship one. A realistic best case scenario is England beating everybody to make it a three-way battle for second place. Then it's Greece, and their last two games against us were embarrassing for Ireland. They took us apart without breaking sweat. Doing it once was bad, pretty much a nadir for Ireland. But to have it happen a second time? We need to beat Greece in Dublin and I'd hope for a draw away. Finland I just don't know enough about. We lost to them 1-0 home and away in the Nations League in 2020, but that was during covid and games that year were...strange. I imagine we will be favourites in Dublin and fancied for a draw in Helsinki. But I could just as easily see things going completely awry. We need to win that first game against Greece. We don't have the confidence to be chasing dropped points from so early.

The lower our rankings, the harder our draws become. We've basically dropped from second seeds to third seeds and we need to get back into pot two. We won't be winning anything of significance for a long time, but surely we can get back to being regular qualifiers.

The FAI have been unlucky in the draw. That could have gone an awful lot better. But the friendlies we have opted to play...that's a bad long-term error by the FAI. Short term profit at long term expense. A country that desperately needs to up its world ranking has opted to play friendlies against Belgium, Hungary, Switzerland, and Portugal. These games make sense for the four countries that are competing in the Euros. They won't do anything to lift our fragile confidence. If the FAI had implemented a successor to Stephen Kenny before arranging those games, I imagine the new manager would have wanted input on that. One or two high quality opponents? Sure. We do need revenue, I'm not disputing that. But the other two should be opponents that we can legitimately expect to score against. Increase world ranking – fractions are crucial in the next two years or we will most likely be third seeds for at least a decade. Likewise confidence. Nothing gets a team believing that they can win games more than winning other games. Too late now.

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EAST KERRY LEAGUE

Fossa seniors take on Rathmore next Sunday in Round 2 of the East Kerry League in Fossa @ 12 noon.

MINOR COUNTY LEAGUE

Our minor team open their county league campaign with an away game to Reenard/St. Marys/Valentia next Saturday. This game is fixed for Reenard @ 3pm and all support welcome.

LADIES FOOTBALL

Congratulations to Seodhla Collieran who was part of the Kerry minor team who defeated Limerick on a scoreline of 2-14 to 0-01 on Saturday in the first round of the Minor Championship. Also, well done to Anne and Lily O'Shaughnessy and Kelsey Cummins who were part of the Kerry U-16 teams which were successful in Limerick on Sunday; overall a great weekend for our lady footballers.

KILLARNEY LEGION

EAST KERRY SUPERLEAGUE

The Senior Men travelled to Rathbeg last Friday night and came away with another win in the East Kerry Superleague. Shaun Keane, stationed at full forward struck for an early goal before Rathmore dominated the next fifteen minutes, hitting 1-4 without reply. Will Shine snapped that dominance with a point, soon followed by further minors from Sam Benson, Eoghan O'Sullivan and Shaun Keane, leaving the hosts 1-5 to 1-4 ahead at half time. With the wind to the backs Finbarr Murphy and Ryan O'Grady turned the game around at 1-8 to 1-6 before Rathmore struck for another goal. But Will Shine, Danny Sheahan, Ryan O'Grady and Finbarr Murphy all kept the scoreboard ticking to help run out 1-13 to 2-8 winners.

CLUB GYM

With 2024 to look forward to both on and off the field, as well as the new season only around the corner for all our teams we wish to bring some changes to the attention of our membership for the year ahead in regards to the Club Gym. We are pleased to announce that there will be a fresh investment in the Gym facilities over the coming weeks which will make the Killarney Legion GAA Club Gym one of the best Gyms in the country. With this will come a change to membership pricing, options, access and availability. Up until now the gym membership was purchased alongside the club membership for the year as one sum of €200. This will no longer be the case for a number of reasons outlined below:

A standalone set price for the gym @€120 (50

Euro for Youth Membership) for the year Gym membership purchasable year round (Which was not possible before)

Gym membership running 12 months from date of purchase.

Access for all club members not just players.

Regulation of clubhouse & gym membership through the use of fob system.

Simply put each member will be getting a far better product for €10 per month. Of course, each member will have to abide by gym rules (see below) as well as complete a health declaration form and waiver agreement. (See below).

Our aim with this project is to improve the club both on the field and off whilst also making the clubhouse itself a more sociable and enticing outlet for all our members.

Once completed and there is proof of club and gym membership being paid a fob will be supplied to you by gym management to give you access to the clubhouse and gym.

All aforementioned paperwork will need to be signed and agreed upon to begin using the gym. Those aged u15-u18 will need a parents signature and must abide all rules and regulations laid out in the gym rules and declaration forms. As a club we are striving to ensure that the Killarney Legion Club caters and performs in all facets to allow our members young and old to enjoy both on and off field life as a member of the Killarney Legion. We wholeheartedly believe that through club gym and future developments will help us in doing so. We appreciate all our members for their support now and into the future.

KERRY MINOR LADIES

Congrats to Andrea Murphy and the Kerry Ladies who had a comfortable win over Limerick in the first round of the Munster Championship, in a game played in Cappamore GAA Club in Limerick.

COUNTY LEAGUE FIXTURES

The County Board have released the fixtures for both Divisions that our two senior teams are in. They are as follows.

Division 1

Killarney Legion v Ballymac 23rd March
Laune Rangers v Killarney Legion 31st March
Killarney Legion v Kerins O Rahillys 7th April
Kilcummin v Killarney Legion 21st April
Milltown Castlemaine v Killarney Legion 28th April

Killarney Legion v Rathmore 5th May

Spa v Killarney Legion 19th May

Killarney Legion v Dingle 26th May

Dr Crokes v Killarney Legion 2nd June

Killarney Legion v An Ghaeltacht 9th June

Glenflesk v Killarney Legion 23rd June.

Division 6

Castleisland Desmond's B v Killarney Legion 23rd March

Killarney Legion v An Ghaeltacht 31st March

Keel B v Killarney Legion 7th April

Killarney Legion v Fossa B 21st April

Killarney Legion v Ballylongford

28th April

Kerins O Rahillys B v Killarney Legion 5th May

Killarney Legion v Kilcummin B 19th May

More fixtures will be confirmed after this phase.

MOTHERS AND OTHERS TABLE QUIZ

Our ever active Mothers and Others group are

organising a table quiz in the International Hotel on Friday February 23rd. This is a fundraiser for their upcoming trip to Brittany in April and the whole club is asked to row in between the project. Throw in for the quiz is 8 bells.

LOTTO

Results Monday 5th. Numbers were 2, 20, 22, 27. Bonus 14. No jackpot winner. Match 3s / Lucky Dips: 1. Mike Pigott online 2. John Hegarty Jnr Rosssara 3. Sylvia & Sarah Trant 4. Paudie Lynch Ross Road 5. Kevin Curtin online

EAST KERRY NEWS

EAST KERRY SENIOR LEAGUES 2024

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Rathmore 2-08 Legion 1-13

Division 1B

Spa 0-14 Kenmare Shamrocks 1-15

Kilcummin 0-14 Glenflesk 1-13

Division 2

Listry 2-12 Kilgarvan 0-6

Cordal 1-10 Currow 0-10

1A Round 3 18/2/2024 Fixtures, 12pm

Fossa V Rathmore, Legion V Gneeveguillia

Dr. Crokes a bye

1B Round 3 18/2/2024

Spa V Kilcummin, Glenflesk V Furies

Kenmare a Bye

Division 2 Round 3 18/2/2024

Scartaglin V Listry

Kilgarvan V Currow, Friday 16th February 7.30pm.

Cordal a bye

KERRY MINOR LADIES CHAMPIONSHIP

Well done to the Kerry Minor team and especially East region players, on their win over Limerick in round 1 of the Munster Minor Championship.

CONDOLENCES

Sympathies to the families of John O'Mahony Clarina, Limerick / Rathmore, Kerry and Catherine Fitzgerald (née O'Connor) Moulagow, Rathmore, Kerry on their recent deaths.

DR. CROKES

DR. CROKES CUBS concludes on Saturday 17th February. The session will take place from 9:30-10:30 in the Aura Leisure Arena. This is an introduction to gaelic football and hurling for boys and girls aged 3-6 years.

GAA SUPER GAMES begins on Tuesday 13th February from 6pm-7pm. This includes all players from 8-12 years of age.

ASTRO HURLING continues every Sunday in Fossa National School. U8-U10 from 5pm-6pm. U11-U13 from 6pm-7pm. All are welcome to attend.

EASTER CAMP

Our Annual Easter Camp will take place on Wednesday 3rd April to Friday 5th April from 10am to 2pm

DR. CROKES GAA CLUB EVENTS

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MEMBERSHIP

Dr. Crokes GAA Membership for the 2024 season is now open online.

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

PILATES with Jola continues on Thursdays from 6:10pm to 7pm in the clubhouse.

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

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

LOTTO took place February 12th. Numbers drawn were 14, 19, 20, 28 Jackpot of €6,800 was NOT WON. 4 patrons matched 3 numbers and received €100 each. Jackpot for draw on February 19th will be €7,100. Play online by following the link below and follow instructions attached https://play.clubforce.com/play_newa.asp?ll_id=734#Anchor

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BINGO

Dr Crokes Bingo continues every Sunday in St. Mary's Parish Hall. Doors will open at 7pm with the first game commencing at 8pm.

CONDOLENCES to Niall, Helen, Joseph and Anthony Keogh and the McGillicuddy family on the recent passing of Helens brother Eugene. Ar dheis Dé go raibh a ainm.

NOTES I

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

KILLARNEY CAMOGIE

UNDER 8 & UNDER 10

Training resumes again next Monday 19th February from 6-7pm. Age 5+. Hurleys & helmets provided. Please come along and try out a few sessions. Only need to bring runners and water. Contact Secretary Eimear Flynn for more information 087-6481736

MINOR & SENIOR TRAINING

Training resumes next Sunday 18th February. New players welcome. Contact Paul for more details 086-8416839

COUNTY U15 PANEL

Congratulations to the following girls who have been selected for the Kerry U15 camogie panel for 2024: Doireann Dineen, Laura Griffin, Holly McLoughlin, Shannon Murphy and Meabh O'Connor. Wishing them and their teammates the very best of luck for the season

MILLTOWN/CASTLEMAINE CLUB

LOTTO

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The most recent fortnightly club lotto draw

took place on Monday, February 6th at the club grounds. There was no jackpot or match 3 winner on this occasion. The numbers drawn were 6, 12, 30 and the bonus ball was 18. Lucky Dip Winners were as follows: €50: Alison O'Sullivan. €50: Diarmuid O'Sullivan, Killorglin. €25: John Foley, Fries. €25: Evelyn Twiss, Milltown. €25: Sean Joy, Killorglin. €25: Noelle Moriarty, Tralee. Our next club lotto draw is scheduled to take place on Monday, February 19th at 19:30pm in the Clubhouse where the jackpot will be €13,000.

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KERRY REPRESENTATION: ALLIANZ NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE - CILLIAN BURKE

Kerry's next outing in the Allianz National Football League is at home to Mayo in Round 3 on Saturday, February 17th at 7:30pm in Austin Stack Park, Tralee. We wish our own clubman Cillian Burke along with the rest of the team and management the very best of luck.

CELEBRATION DINNER AND MEDAL PRESENTATION NIGHT - SUMMARY

A thoroughly enjoyable night was had by club members on Saturday at the Ballygarry Estate, Hotel and Spa, Tralee as Milltown/Castlemaine GAA held a Celebration and Medal Presentation social gathering to recognise a very successful year for the club during the 2023 season.

All in attendance were given a first class hospitality experience by the team at the Ballygarry with a stunning sit down meal followed by presentations and music to keep the party going well into the early hours! We are very grateful to the hotel staff for all the support provided in the lead up to the occasion and for providing us with an ideal venue to host such a large number of club members. The level of service was second to none all night and is a credit all involved in the hotel.

MC Willie Murphy ensured proceedings ran

seamlessly all through and as always we are most appreciative for his time and assistance.

Milltown/Castlemaine's Senior team and management who were crowned County Intermediate Club Football Champions in November 2023 were paraded into a packed hall at the outset, led out by Linus Og Burke and Paud Hogan bearing the club flag and by the ever impressive Piper Gerard Baynham.

Club Chairperson, John Foley, then gave an opening address to the attendees welcoming everyone to the Ballygarry for the event including a number of special guests such as Patrick O'Sullivan (Co Board Chairperson), Liam Lynch (Co Board Vice Chairperson), Peter Twiss (Co Board Secretary) and Jack O'Connor (Kerry Senior Football Manager). John also spoke of the sterling work being done by all members of the club committee, often unseen in its nature but absolutely integral to the success of Milltown/Castlemaine GAA on and off the pitch. A particular mention was given to Club Secretary Susan Sheehan and Club Treasurer Ann Hogan for the trojan work put into organising the Celebration and Medal Presentation Night at the Ballygarry. He outlined the progress that has been made to date and is there to be seen by all with the redevelopment of the Paddy Burke Memorial Park over recent years and the further plans to continue this great work in the time ahead with more upgrade works in the pipelines. Finally, John offered a huge word of gratitude and appreciation to all the coaches, volunteers and players who give of their time to represent the Milltown/Castlemaine club in a wide variety of capacities and to all our members and sponsors for the unwavering support no matter the cause, it is heartening to see and makes such a difference to the continued growth and development of our club.

Milltown/Castlemaine's Senior squad and management were presented with their winning medals from the County Intermediate Club Football Championship by Patrick O'Sullivan (Co Board Chairperson) and following a few words from manager Mark Bourke (selectors Owen Flynn and Brendan Twiss also present), Player of the Year was awarded to Eanna O'Connor and Young Player of the Year was Brendan Casey.

Milltown/Castlemaine's Junior squad and management were presented with their winning medals from the McElligott Shield Final victory a few months ago by Liam Lynch (Co Board Vice Chairperson) and following a speech from joint manager Henry Scanlon (Colin McKenna also present), Player of the Year was awarded to Shane O'Connor.

Milltown/Castlemaine's Mid Kerry Minor Championship winning side were presented with their medals by Peter Twiss (Co Board Secretary) and following a speech from manager Garry Murphy (Mike Burke, Cathal Moriarty, Austin Cirillo, Linus Og Burke and Sean Hogan also part of the management), Player of the Year went to Gearoid Quirke.

MC Willie Murphy poignantly took a moment on the night to recall a number of club and community members who sadly passed away during 2023 including Jim Daly RIP, Jimmy Herlihy RIP, Jimmy Boyle RIP and Tom Griffin RIP. Ar dheis Dé go raibh a n-anamacha.



Co Board Chairperson, Patrick O'Sullivan also spoke on behalf of Kerry GAA and in doing so congratulated the club and all its teams for their successes during the 2023 season and wished them all the very best for the coming year.

With all the formalities completed, the shackles were off! The Bansha Boys played us into the early hours with a range of music which seen the dancefloor buzzing and when it was time to depart, Francis Flynn Bus Services ensured people got home safe and sound thanks to a return service to and from the venue. Thank you to the drivers.

To conclude, Milltown/Castlemaine GAA would like to sincerely thank everyone for purchasing tickets and being part of a wonderful occasion for club members last night. It was brilliant to see so many people who give of their time voluntarily coming together for a social outing and it was a hugely important opportunity to acknowledge the great work being done in all areas throughout the club from underage academies right through to senior level and it is also very promising to see the development of Ladies Football to a number of new age groups in recent times. So with that, we finally close the door on the 2023 campaign officially and eyes have already turned to the 2024 season with our Senior side already playing their first game on Saturday afternoon, emerging six point winners over neighbours Laune Rangers in the Mid Kerry Senior Football League.

We sincerely hope you all enjoyed the night, thanks for being part of the music, crack and fun and we now look forward to another successful year in 2024 for Milltown/Castlemaine GAA!

MID KERRY SENIOR FOOTBALL LEAGUE: ROUND 1 RESULT

Milltown/Castlemaine 1-13

Laune Rangers 0-10

Well done to our senior players and management who had a winning start to the 2024 season on Saturday afternoon following a six point victory at home to Laune Rangers.

A special mention to all the newcomers today to the squad, particularly those that made the step up from minor football last season. Great to see the new talent and we all look forward with optimism to the season ahead knowing what an addition these guys will be to the club moving forward at senior level. One of the debutants Dara Hogan notched 0-9 today with

a scintillating display in front of the posts. His brother Sean also in the forward department added two more so well done guys.

MID KERRY SENIOR FOOTBALL LEAGUE: ROUND 2 FIXTURE

Milltown/Castlemaine's senior side are on the road this weekend as they take on Glenbeigh/Glencar on Sunday, February 18th at 1:00pm in Glenbeigh. All support would be most welcome for the lads.

KEANE'S SUPERVALU COUNTY MINOR FOOTBALL LEAGUE: DIVISION 3B GROUP CONFIRMED AND ROUND 1 FIXTURE

Milltown/Castlemaine's Minor squad and management begin their 2024 season this weekend as the Keane's Supervalu County Minor Football League gets underway.

The Minor team are placed in Division 3B for the competition alongside Glenflesk, Churchill, Na Gaeil, St Michael's Foilmore/Skellig Rangers and Kilcummin.

Their first outing in Round 1 will be on Saturday, February 17th as they welcome St Michael's Foilmore/Skellig Rangers to the Paddy Burke Memorial Park, Milltown for a 3:00pm throw-in. All support is welcome.

CREDIT UNION COUNTY SENIOR FOOTBALL LEAGUE: DIVISION 1 FIXTURES CONFIRMED (COMMENCING MARCH 23RD/24TH 2024)

Round 1 - Glenflesk (Home)

Round 2 - Ballymacelligott (Away)

Round 3 - Laune Rangers (Home)

Round 4 - Kerins O'Rahillys (Away)

Round 5 - Killarney Legion (Home)

Round 6 - Kilcummin (Away)

Round 7 - Rathmore (Away)

Round 8 - Spa Killarney (Home)

Round 9 - Dingle (Away)

Round 10 - Dr. Crokes (Home)

Round 11 - An Ghaeltacht (Away)

Dates to be confirmed closer to the time and we will advise accordingly.

CREDIT UNION COUNTY SENIOR FOOTBALL LEAGUE: DIVISION 6B FIXTURES CONFIRMED (COMMENCING MARCH 23RD/24TH 2024)

Round 1 - Dr. Crokes 'C' (Home)

Round 2 - Beaufort 'B' (Away)

Round 3 - Kenmare Shamrocks 'B' (Home)

Round 4 - St. Michaels/Foilmore 'B' (Away)

Round 5 - John Mitchels 'B' (Away)

Round 6 - Spa Killarney 'B' (Home)

Round 7 - Ballymacelligott 'B' (Away)

Dates to be confirmed closer to the time and we will advise accordingly.

COUNTY SENIOR DEVELOPMENT LEAGUE: GROUPS CONFIRMED (COMMENCING 16TH MARCH 2024)

Group 1:

Austin Stacks 'C'

Beaufort 'C'

Fossa 'C'

Laune Rangers 'C'

Milltown/Castlemaine 'C'

Rathmore 'C'

Dates to be confirmed closer to the time and we will advise accordingly.

U9 BOYS: TRAINING WEEKLY

Milltown/Castlemaine's U9 Boys are back enjoying their spring football indoors. Training continues every Tuesday night from 6:00pm to 7:00pm in Nagle Rice Community Centre Milltown. If anyone is interested in joining us please contact Garry on 0879432745.

COACHES WANTED FOR 2024 SEASON

Milltown/Castlemaine GAA are continuously looking for help within our club and at this time of year we would like to invite more coaches to come on board for the 2024 season. Parents' involvement in their child's sport increases the likelihood that they play sport and enjoy involvement for life. Don't just drop and go, be a part of their journey. You may be able to help coach, hand out bibs or organise a social outing for the team. You may be able to keep track of any information that the coach needs. If you are interested in any voluntary role within the club just send us a message on our social media platforms (Facebook, Instagram or Twitter/X) or text Coaching Officer Ian Twiss on 0872521053.

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.

TEAM UPDATES

Our underage club teams will be resuming shortly for the 2024 season. Watch this space over the coming weeks for more details!

For anyone New to the Area, who would like to get involved with the club, please contact Ian Twiss on 087 252 1053.



The children of Kilcummin National school have kindly once again made beautiful St Bridget Crosses for The Franciscan Friary church for our local parishioners and visitors to have. This years chosen charity was for Crumlin Children's Hospital in Dublin raising €405.00, Br Pat from the Friary would like to thank all those who kindly made the beautiful St Bridget crosses from the local school in Kilcummin and we are delighted to be able to facilitate having them available at our weekend masses for the feast Day of St Bridget.

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By Nicky Barry

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To the foot of Carrantuohill, with your gallant band.

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A Word of Victory

Welcome back dear student, I hope you had a happy Valentine's Day. 'Love is all around me...' so the song said...but what kind of love is all around? Presently, culture promotes love and tolerance, but only for those things that are on trend. "Our courts oppose the righteous, and justice is nowhere to be found. Truth stumbles in the streets, and honesty has been outlawed" (Isaiah 59:14 NLT). These are not my words but God's, and it's what we are seeing play out before our very eyes. Currently, our government is pushing through a crazy hate speech law proposing radical restrictions on freedom of speech and opinions. Furthermore, the upcoming referendum on March 8th is seeking changes to the Irish Constitution redefining the role of a woman and a mother, also removing the word family - replacing it instead with 'durable relationships' - an absolute farce, endorsing an illusion that it will improve the quality of women and carers lives if we vote yes. If the legislators were that worried why haven't they given more support to carers and women in the home and the workplace in meaningful ways long before now?

I am grateful for the people from many nations who have come to this country legally to make a life by working and contributing to make this a better place, so I am in no way racist, but spending eight hundred thousand euros on bringing over Ukrainian pets, while parents of autistic children fight to get speech therapy, and children battling scoliosis languish on operation waiting lists for years is absurd. Not to mention all those waiting on housing lists here for years, and yet four billion euro is being forked out to feed and house undocumented, unvetted immigrants who have bypassed lawful entry to Ireland. It's time that Irish people woke up to this before it is too late - this is gross mismanagement of taxpayer's money. The entire system needs change because there's no opposition in the Dáil.

As the family goes so society goes. These amendments are being brought in disguised like the recent changes to our children's school curriculum to facilitate globalist world leaders in their agenda to redefine life as we know it - smothered in the name of inclusion and diversity but ultimately for greed and control. In all that diversity and inclusion there is no room for God because faith in Him causes one to be an independent thinker and that's not allowed. We may know little of the evil schemes going on behind closed doors, but the Living God knows everything! (Isaiah 32:7; Psalm 21:11)

Friend, a ridiculously small minority of loud and aggressive voices are pushing through and benefitting from these changes, but don't be fooled into thinking that this is how everyone thinks. The Constitution changes are supposedly to help women, but the long-term true implications are being hidden by the government. The Hate Speech law is supposed to promote tolerance - except if you disagree because that won't be tolerated. I encourage you to investigate for yourself and ask the Lord to reveal His Truth in this and use common sense (a scarce quality nowadays) to guide you (John 8:32). Jesus said... "When you see clouds beginning to form in the west, you say, 'Here comes a shower.' And you are right. When the south wind blows, you say, 'Today will be a scorcher.' And it is. You fool! You know how to interpret the weather signs of the earth and sky, but you don't know how to interpret the present times. Why can't you decide for yourselves what is right?" (Luke 12:54-57 NLT).

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25TH NATIONAL PIONEER BALL, on Saturday 6th of April in Mullingar, Co. Westmeath, Mass at 6pm at the Cathedral of Christ the King, Dinner Dance at the Annebrook House Hotel 0449353300, Ball Tickets €40. Further information from Daisy 087 6544626 or Dermot 085 7201646

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26TH & 20TH ANNIVERSARY

IN LOVING MEMORY OF SISTERS
EILEEN 'NELL' GORMAN
& **MAUREEN G BROSNAN**



THREEGNEEVES, CURROW,
KILLARNEY
WHO DIED ON 18TH FEBRUARY
1998 & 2ND FEBRUARY 2004.

*Our memories of you are special
They won't fade away.
We think of you always
Not just today.*

Always Loved and Remembered by your
Grandniece and Granddaughter Maura and
all the Brosnan Family, Threegnnees.

3RD ANNIVERSARY

IN LOVING MEMORY OF
PAT O'CONNOR



VILLAJOSYA, ALICANTE,
SPAIN & FORMERLY OF MUCKROSS
ROAD, KILLARNEY, KERRY.

WHO PASSED AWAY ON
FEBRUARY 8TH 2021.

*God saw you getting weary, The hill too steep
to climb, He put his arms around you and
whispered Peace be thine.*

Arthur, Emma, Logan & Lewis.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT & 1ST ANNIVERSARY

IN LOVING MEMORY OF
TOMMY (TOM)
CRONIN



HIGH STREET AND
BALLYDOWNNEY, KILLARNEY
WHO PASSED AWAY ON THE
17TH FEBRUARY 2023.

As we lovingly remember Tom on his first anniversary, his wife Caith, his children and their spouses, his grandchildren and extended family, wish to express our heartfelt thanks and appreciation for the sympathy and support shown to us on our heart breaking loss.

We would like to thank Dr. Ken Keohane, Dr. Murphy and all the staff at Deenagh Medical. We would like to thank the care he got from all the nurses of the community and the home help. To the staff of Sheehans Pharmacy, thank you for your assistance and help.

A special word of thanks to everyone who called to our home, attended the rosary, removal, requiem mass, graveyard, and to those who travelled long distances to be with us, as well as those who watched the mass online.

A sincere thanks to Fr. Kieran O'Brien and Fr. Padraig Kennelly for the visits to the house, their prayers and support to the family throughout the funeral, and the beautiful month's mind mass. A thank you to Fr. Bill Murphy, Fr. Dan Riordan, Fr. Paddy O'Donoghue, and Fr. Tom Looney who concelebrated the mass. To Tadhg Fleming for your assistance at the time.

To Paud O'Donoghue for his beautiful singing and music at the requiem mass and to Martin O'Brien who played at the grave side. Thank you to Mary and Mike O'Shea and the staff of O'Shea's Funeral Home for their kindness and professionalism.

We really appreciate all the kindness and generosity shown by our friends and neighbours. A special word of thanks to the people and businesses of Killarney who showed our family such solidarity.

As it would be impossible to thank everyone individually, please accept this acknowledgement as an expression of our deepest gratitude. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass has been offered for your intentions.

**1st Anniversary Mass will take place on
Sunday, 18th February at 12 noon in
St. Marys Cathedral, Killarney.**

THANKSGIVING

For favours received from Sacred
Heart of Jesus, Our Lady of Lourdes,
St. Bernadette, St. Martin De Porres,
St. Roch, St. Padre Pio, St. Michael
the Archangel, St. Perigrine for
many favours received and that
includes health.

25TH ANNIVERSARY

IN LOVING MEMORY OF
JOHN GRIFFIN



TINNAHALLA, KILLORGLIN
WHO PASSED AWAY ON
16TH FEBRUARY 1999

*Always remembered by his sons, daughters,
grandkids, great grandkids, son in laws and
daughter in laws*

Mass for John takes place on the 29th
February in St James Church Killorglin
at 6.30pm.

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.

May the Sacred Heart of Jesus be praised, adored, glorified and loved today and every day throughout the whole world forever. Amen
Say six times daily for nine days. Your request will be granted no matter how difficult it may seem. Favour publication must be promised.

A.C

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NOVENA TO THE SACRED HEART

Dear Heart of Jesus in the past I have asked many favours.

This time I ask you this special one,
(mention favour).

Take it dear heart of Jesus and place it within your heart where your Father sees it.

Then in his merciful eyes it will become your favour not mine.
Amen.

Say this prayer three times for three days and your favour will be granted.

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