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FROM THE EDITOR

In a week where we saw the county blanketed in the most amazing snow and when two local football teams claimed victory at our national stadium, we take a look at all things local in this week's Killarney Outlook.

Rathmore and Fossa dominated the talk this week with their epic wins and we have reports and photos from the games, the supporters and the homecoming.

A 14 year old girl is celebrating her 100th climb of Carrauntoohil, legendary presenter Weeshie Fogarty is honoured on the walls of Croke Park and the Chamber welcomed the Minister for Finance, Michael McGrath to the inaugural President's lunch.

There was success for Killarney students at the BT Young Scientist Exhibition, its goodbye for the Kingdom Gospel Choir for adults and Killorglin Panto are set to stage their 60th show.

Hope you enjoy this week's Killarney Outlook!

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A 14 year old mountaineer has climbed Carrauntoohil for the 100th time during this week's snowy conditions.

Orlaith Kelly, the daughter of Piaras and Catherine Kelly from Beaufort completed the amazing feat with her dad who runs Kerry Climbing with Orlaith's mum.

Orlaith has reached the summit by many different routes over the years since her first ascent at just 9 years old.

On Monday morning, with snow on the mountain and a day off school, the father and daughter decided to climb up Coimín Láir to check out what looked like some Winter fun.

"With An Cumar Clé (The Step) not a feasible looking option they headed for Curve Gully after an overnight dump of snow made it look like the route to mark a pretty cool achievement for Orlaith", Catherine, Orlaith's mum said.

The 14 year old is

a student at the ISK and an avid mountain climber and according to her mum, Catherine, Orlaith climbs because of how good it makes her feel when shes out there.

"This makes us both very proud parents and we hope she continues to explore wild places and seek adventure for many years to come.

We are very blessed to live near these amazing mountains and to be able to grasp days like this", Catherine added.



Piaras Kelly pictured with his daughter on her 100th climb of Carrauntoohil.

FULL MARKS AS ORLAITH SCALES CORRÁN TUATHAIL FOR THE 100TH TIME



Orlaith Kelly pictured on Carrauntoohil on Monday as she celebrated her 100th climb of Ireland's highest mountain.

CROKE PARK TRIBUTE TO WEESHIE

The legend that was Weeshie Fogarty is on the wall of fame at GAA headquarters Croke Park.

The latest addition to the Press Box in Croke Park is a photographic tribute to one of the country's most famous commentators, the late Weeshie Fogarty.

Weeshie is pictured deep in conversation with former Kerry Captain Darran O'Sullivan after a match, it captures his unique style of interviewing. It is great and fitting to see our National GAA headquarters recognising the legendary figure that was Weeshie.



Radio Kerry GAA Match commentators Ambrose O'Donovan and Gary O'Sullivan. Photos: John C O'Shea



27th October 2008 – Radio Kerry's Weeshie Fogarty conducts post-match interview with Darran O'Sullivan of Mid Kerry. Weeshie Fogarty commentated on club and inter-county games for Radio Kerry and interviewed sportspeople from all codes on his *Terrace Talk* radio programme. A former player and referee, Weeshie passed away in November 2018.

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At Killarney Chamber of Tourism and Commerce's inaugural president's lunch, Finance Minister Michael McGrath, TD, is pictured with Bernadette Randles, Dromhall Hotel. The Minister said, in his speech that he would look carefully at the VAT rate. Photo: Valerie O'Sullivan

KERRY HOTELIERS URGE GOVERNMENT TO RETAIN 9% TOURISM VAT

Kerry hoteliers have welcomed comments today by Minister for Tourism Catherine Martin, TD, that she will continue to seek a further extension of the 9% VAT rate for the tourism and hospitality sector in Ireland.

The tourism VAT rate, which is due to expire at the end February, is currently under review by the cabinet. In light of the growing economic challenges facing the sector, local hoteliers are urging the Government to retain the existing 9% rate to safeguard tourism livelihoods and secure the long-term, sustainable development of Irish tourism. The industry is at a critical juncture with consumer confidence reaching decade lows across key markets as it grapples with a cost-of-living crisis, record levels of inflation, interest rate hikes, skyrocketing business costs and a global

economy that is edging towards recession. Tourism businesses are collectively Ireland's largest indigenous employer. Prior to the pandemic, the tourism industry supported over 270,000 livelihoods nationally, including some 16,000 jobs throughout Kerry, generating €592m in tourism revenues annually for the local economy. With a full recovery in tourism now likely to be delayed until 2026, an increase in the VAT rate to 13.5% is the last thing that should be contemplated given its inflationary impact and the damage it would cause to Ireland's tourism competitiveness. This would result in Irish consumers and overseas visitors having to pay the third highest tourism VAT rate in all of Europe.

Against this backdrop, hotels and guesthouses are urging the Government to retain the 9% VAT rate at its current rate.

Killarney Musical Society well on their way to

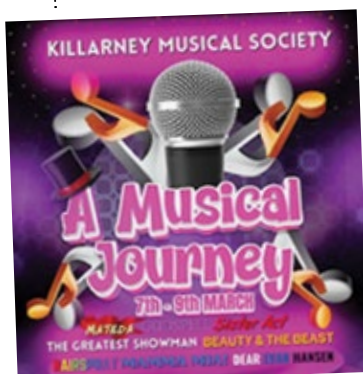
A MUSICAL JOURNEY

Killarney Musical Society are back with a bang rehearsing for their upcoming show - A Musical Journey. Under the watchful eye of director and choreographer Oliver Hurley and Musical director Jimmie Brockie along with their brilliant assistants Jack, Stella and Sorcha, they will leave no stone unturned to produce a Musical Journey like no other.

and the Beast are fantastic. It is all very exciting and very busy. Our adult supervisors committee, who have been Garda vetted and have completed a safe guarding course are at all children and teen rehearsals and having a ball", Linda added.

The show takes place at the INEC from the 7th - 9th March.

"The costume committee led by Ilona Mc Cubbery are very busy with such a huge cast to dress this year as members could have up to 8 costume changes in this variety show", Linda O'Donoghue, PRO of the Musical Society told Killarney Outlook. "The costumes for Beauty



Alice Boyle O'Sullivan belts out "Good Morning Baltimore" at rehearsals for Killarney Musical Societies show - A Musical Journey under the watchful eye of Stella O'Shea.



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KILLARNEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE STUDENTS HIGHLY COMMENDED AT BT YOUNG SCIENTISTS EXHIBITION

There were great celebrations this week at Killarney Community College when the BT Young Scientist team who were awarded a coveted Highly Commended Rosette at this year's awards held in Dublin last week. The same group of student already won national honours this year when they won Sci fest and will travel to Dallas in April to represent Ireland.

The team, consisting of Liam Waldron, Rachel Griffin and Luke O Sullivan, represented themselves admirably while speaking eloquently and knowledgeably on their project.

They responded well to 3 days of questioning by fellow students, the general public and 4 rigorous rounds of judging! They answered questions on a subject that most people would find difficult, but they explained it clearly and spoke about its everyday applications.

Their science teacher Ms Spillane who accompanied them over the 4 days in Dublin noted "it's a very intense four days for the students. They worked so hard to get here but represented themselves and the school so well. We are very proud of all their achievements this year."



Pictured at the BT Young Scientist Exhibition at the RDS are pictured from left to Luke, Rachel and Liam

Will you be going? Oh Yes you will....

60 Years of the Killorglin Panto as THE OLD WOMAN WHO LIVED IN A SHOW TAKES TO THE STAGE



The cast of *The Old Woman who Lives in a Shoe*.
Photos: Tomas O'Connor



The Panto Chorus for the show

When the local CYMS organised a fund raising pantomime 'Snow White and the seven Cromane men' in 1958, they little realised that the panto tradition would still be alive and well in Killorglin 66 years later.

Oh yes it is. The 60th production of the Killorglin Panto Group will be 'The Old Woman who lived in a shoe' and will be staged from Sunday January 21st. 2023. This is the longest running panto in Munster and a show not to be missed. The cast have been rehearsing since October and no stone is been left unturned to bring their magical show to the stage in January. Producer and Dame,

Declan Mangan says he is privileged to have been involved in all 60 productions.. Being the 60th show the cast and crew are hoping for big attendance at the shows. We have made it easier this year to book your tickets with 3 options. On line by clicking on the following link: universe.com/users/killorglin-panto-TKH1C7, face to face by calling in our booking office located at the KCYMS hall which opens on Monday Jan 9th @ 11am or by telephone on 066 9790961

Follow the cast on FB and Instagram as they put the final preparations to their big show. Will you be going? Oh yes you will.



Dame Declan Mangan, Producer, Lord Mayor of Kerry John Francis Flynn and Anne Mangan (Costumiere).

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MINISTER WELCOMED AT INAUGURAL PRESIDENTS LUNCH



At Killarney Chamber of Tourism and Commerce's inaugural president's lunch, Finance Minister Michael McGrath, TD, who was invited as keynote Speaker. The event was by outgoing Chamber President, Niall Kelleher (left) at the Killarney Plaza Hotel on Friday. With the Minister, Joe Shannon, Senior Manager AIB, Gemma Ring, O'Donoghue Ring Hotels, Michael O'Donoghue, O'Donoghue Ring Hotels. The President's Lunch, in association with AIB, will be his last public engagement as Chamber President. Photo: Valerie O'Sullivan



From left, Danielle Favier, Fáilte Ireland, Conor Hennigan, Killarney Chamber of Tourism and Commerce, Veronica O'Connor, Fáilte Ireland. The President's Lunch, in association with AIB, will be his last public engagement as Chamber President. Photo: Valerie O'Sullivan

We must present Killarney as a world class, sustainable tourism destination admired for the quality of the town as a place in which live, in which to do business and to visit all year round

Niall Kelleher, President, Killarney Chamber of Tourism and Commerce held his last public engagement as President of Killarney Chamber of Tourism and Commerce at The Plaza Hotel on Friday last January 13th.

Cllr Kelleher welcomed Minister for Finance, Michael McGrath who was a keynote speaker at the event which was attended Chamber members. The Chamber President outlined the main goals of the chamber which are to ensure chamber is a properly resourced and structured professional body representing a strong voice for the business community in how we influence the sustainable development of Killarney through effective advocacy, brand development, unity of purpose and fostering strong stakeholder relationships.

Priority actions going forward include:

- We must source inward investment across a range of sectors and, in that regard, I warmly welcome the plans to develop the former Pretty Polly site as an exciting education centre and, of course, the prime site that is the Áras Phádraig
- We need to boost chamber membership numbers to ensure a stronger voice with an initial target of 15 per cent
- We must continue to advocate, influence and support future public funding expenditure projects to address key issues such as parking,

traffic management and public realm developments

- We have to ensure a coherent approach to the reputational management of Killarney

"Very shortly we will be appointing a new senior executive to oversee the day-to-day operations of chamber and that will be a real game-changer going forward. The successful candidate will be able to devote all of her or his energy to the many tasks at hand rather than relying on the voluntary contribution of volunteers", President Niall Kelleher said.

I wish to acknowledge also the great work and support of the chamber executive during my term in office and, in particular, I thank Conor Hennigan who has been a massive support to me and although we haven't had a vice president for the past two years, Conor has always been there to step up and play his part and his input has been invaluable. Going forward, the chamber will also be forming a number of sub-committees to oversee essential areas such as:

- Membership and management
- Brand communication and reputational management
- Advocacy
- Events
- Sustainability

Bringing the chamber to exactly where the members want it to be will take time, it will take perseverance and it will take hard work but that work will have to be done – it will be done and we will get there one step at a time.

President Kelliher concluded with one sentence that is contained in a Repucon report stating what chamber's vision for Killarney should be.

We must present Killarney as a world class, sustainable tourism destination admired for the quality of the town as a place in which live, in which to do business and to visit all year round.



At Killarney Chamber of Tourism and Commerce's inaugural president's lunch from left, Les Brzozka, Aghadoe Heights Hotel, Catriona White, International Hotel, Margaret O'Connor, AIB and Joe Shannon, Senior Manager AIB. The President's Lunch, in association with AIB, will be his last public engagement as Chamber President. Photo: Valerie O'Sullivan



From left, Peter Brown, O'Carroll Engineering, Áine O'Donoghue, Torc Travel, Paul O'Neill, O'Donoghue, Ring Hotels and Dave Rea, Celtic Steps. Photo: Valerie O'Sullivan

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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

Tourist bed tax: a Modern Plenary Indulgence

A debate is raging in Dublin about a proposal to collect a levy on tourist beds. The bed tax on visitors seemed to be gaining traction even before the pandemic. It will need a change in legislation which means not just Dublin but other towns will be able to introduce the levy. It is a move I put forward for Killarney down through the years. I am even more in support of the idea since the demise of the local revenue gathering town council in Killarney. And especially given the new interest in the environment has reached levels of religious zealotry. Our sins are counted these days in terms of how much we waste and how much we recycle and what we burn in the grate, and how necessary are our journeys!

Dublin city council is suggesting a one per cent levy which will see it collect around 12 million euro a year.

So long as the tax remains locally and is spent locally, there can be little argument. But that will be the challenge - to fence the money for local projects.

To ease administration a simple one or two euro a head a night could be levied. When we think about it, Killarney with its important environment is an excellent place for such a "donation".

It is decades since cities like Barcelona introduced the tax and look at the way they have enhanced their city.

We are behind the curve - at the moment the complaints are about the thousands of refugees in Killarney and only a few private operators gaining hugely from them with locals having to put up with already thin services from social welfare to stamp buying to GPs even more thinly stretched. This is true to an extent too of mass tourism from west Kerry to Killarney. Local citizens have to endure long traffic jams and lack of parking spaces and hours of delay in commuting to accommodate mass tourism. Back around Ballyferrier, people are afraid to leave their homes at certain times. They time their journeys to shops and appointments so as not to end up in the ditch from a passing tour bus or angry camper van driver going the wrong way.

Most people gain nothing for the inconvenience they endure.

A bed tax is a way of collecting money at source from tourism and putting the money back into the community so everyone feels part of the industry. We could have new children's play areas, new bike paths not to mention the latest suggestion, dog parks, and new electric local link shuttle buses. Not to mention better recycling bins.

I can't see for the life of me how any tourist would shun a city or a town because of a euro. In fact, in this new age of environmentally conscious travellers the opposite may be the case. The charge could be seen as a plenary indulgence for carbon-induced tourism.



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A plenary indulgence is when you do something special to make full amends for a sin. So it is quite reasonable to suggest a bed tax as a plenary carbon indulgence - something to take the guilt from the journey!

Why we might even get a few extra dog wardens to make sure dogs are kept on the leash and are properly muzzled!

High Praise for outgoing President Niall

Outgoing president of Killarney Chamber of Tourism and Commerce, Niall Kelleher, garnered high praise from Finance Minister Michael McGrath at the President's lunch at the Plaza Hotel last Friday. Finance Minister McGrath went out of his way to compliment Niall publicly for the "admirable way" he has represented Killarney. He was referring to the way Niall expressed himself on difficult issues such as the migrant issue on national television in recent months. Minister McGrath told the room packed with business leaders and influential people.

Niall who has had a busy period between council and chamber deserves such praise. He has been clear and articulate and has done Killarney proud on several interviews on difficult subjects. But does such pointed praise from such a high office holder mean that Fianna Fail are looking at their local councillor as a prospect for the party ticket in 2024 is what I wondered? Killarney and south Kerry is glaringly short of Government party candidates, after all!

The Finance Minister offered the now customary praise for Killarney's welcome of refugees.

But he matched the gold star on copy by saying said a community support fund will be available to towns such as Killarney to help with immigration. I would dearly like some more detail on this - how much and how soon is one question. Some 2 billion euro is being put aside in the budget for the Ukrainian programme and their needs from accommodation to education for 2023, he told me. This is from national funds and taxes not from some magical EU fund. Overall there was a positive upbeat note overall to the address by the minister. He thinks inflation is in hand and the economy is doing well and will continue to do well. But the big elephant in the room has still to be addressed: housing.

January Blues

It is not so much the January blues that get to me this time of year as the lack of blue. I was intrigued to hear all week of the January blues on national radio. I must have missed the term for most of my life. It seems to be all over the news now. Apart from four glorious days at the end of November when I managed to get off the island, there has been nothing but a grey cloud since early last autumn. Just seeing a bit of blue in the sky is immeasurably life enhancing and uplifting.

It is what the writer Albert Camus noticed about Paris: the greyiness of the sky and the greyiness of the buildings. The greyiness of the streets. It nearly drove him mad and despite being at the centre of things, he was glad to be able to move from the world class city and buy his little house in a village in the south of France because of the weather and the nearness to his birthplace in Algeria just over the mountain. "There are many injustices in the world, but there is one that is never mentioned, that of climate," he wrote referring to the ghastly suburbs of towns under grey skies as the worst of all and how he feels sorry for even the richest man in Paris! The poorest person who could see the sky was richer than any who could not see the sky in the cold suburbs, he maintained. This last week the snow has brought some relief rolling back the grey. And when I want to cheer myself up this January I bring to mind the blue skies of Provence!



Never mind the weather...Luke O'Sullivan, Gardener at Muckross Gardens, Killarney, sets out to work after heavy snowfall covered much of the country, further yellow ice and freezing conditions are set to continue. Photo: Valerie O'Sullivan/

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The definitive GAA sports series returns to TG4 this spring for a 21st series. The series hour-long format has proved a huge success, bringing each player's personal stories to screen and in the second episode will feature Kerry and Rathmore's Aidan O'Mahony.

The series features eight Laochra with genuine star quality and reveals deeper, fresh and sometimes unexpected insights into the lives of these icons. While their sporting careers continue to provide the backdrop to the story, the series travels well beyond the four white lines. Gripping personal storylines will compel viewers to travel towards territory unique to the GAA television landscape.

The second episode of the 21st series of Laochra Gael continues with the story of Kerry footballer, Aidan O'Mahony. He overcame chronic health problems in his youth to take his place on one of the greatest teams of all time. But when he was in his prime, he became embroiled in controversy as the first GAA player to fail a drugs test. His mental health deteriorated and after a spell in a treatment centre, he faced the greatest challenge of his life- to rediscover his purpose and his love of the game. He found both in a promise he made when his father passed away.

Director: Ronan O'Donoghue

Participants: Aidan O'Mahony; Kieran Donaghy; Niall "Botty" O'Callaghan; Conor McCarthy; Mark Harte; Tomás Ó Flatharta; Seán Moran; Donal Murphy; Denise O'Mahony; Lucia O'Mahony; Lilah O'Mahony.



Aidan O'Mahony pictured on Sunday after winning the All Ireland Intermediate Final with his club Rathmore. Photo: Chris O'Sullivan Photography.

Laochra Gael Series:

- Programme 1: Joe Canning, 9.30pm, Thursday 26th January
- Programme 2: Aidan O'Mahony, 9.30pm, Thursday 2nd February
- Programme 3: Anne Dalton, 9.30pm, Thursday 9th February
- Programme 4: Tom Parsons, 9.30pm, Thursday 16th February
- Programme 5: Áine Wall, 9.30pm, Thursday 23rd February
- Programme 6: Liam Sheedy, 9.30pm, Thursday 2nd March
- Programme 7: Anthony Molloy, 9.30pm, Thursday 9th March
- Programme 8: Noel O'Leary, 9.30pm, Thursday 16th March

LISTRY SAY GOODBYE TO ESTEEMED CLUBMAN AND FRIEND

By John Wrenn and Patie Sugrue



There was an air of sadness in the parish last Saturday afternoon when we learned of the death of our esteemed clubman and friend Mike Mannix.

Mike played for the club in his earlier years and was a panellist on the 1970 O'Donoghue winning team and later served as a selector.

Mike was a great supporter and was ever present at Listry games, home and away. He was a diligent contributor to the club's lotto and team sponsor in our annual golf classic. For the past number of years, Mike tended out pitch with the same care as if it was his own lawn.

Mike had an infectious sense of fun, was a notorious practical joker and was deeply loved by those who knew him. Mike excelled at golf in his later years and regularly played in the Listry society outings and as

a regular on the Kerry senior tour.

He was an extremely popular man and left a lasting impression in the community and beyond. It would be difficult to think of a word to adequately describe Mike, but one of his children, of whom there were seven, said they called him, the LEGEND.

Mike was predeceased by his beloved wife Joan and will be sadly missed and lovingly remembered by his sons & daughters; Kevin, Margie, Aidan, Joanna, Bridgid, Niamh & Teresa, sons-in-law, daughters-in-law, his dearly loved 6 granddaughters, brothers James, Pa, John & Denis, sisters-in-law, nieces, nephews, relatives, neighbours & many friends.

Following funeral on Monday morning at The Church of The Immaculate Conception Listry, Mike was laid to rest afterwards in the adjoining cemetery.

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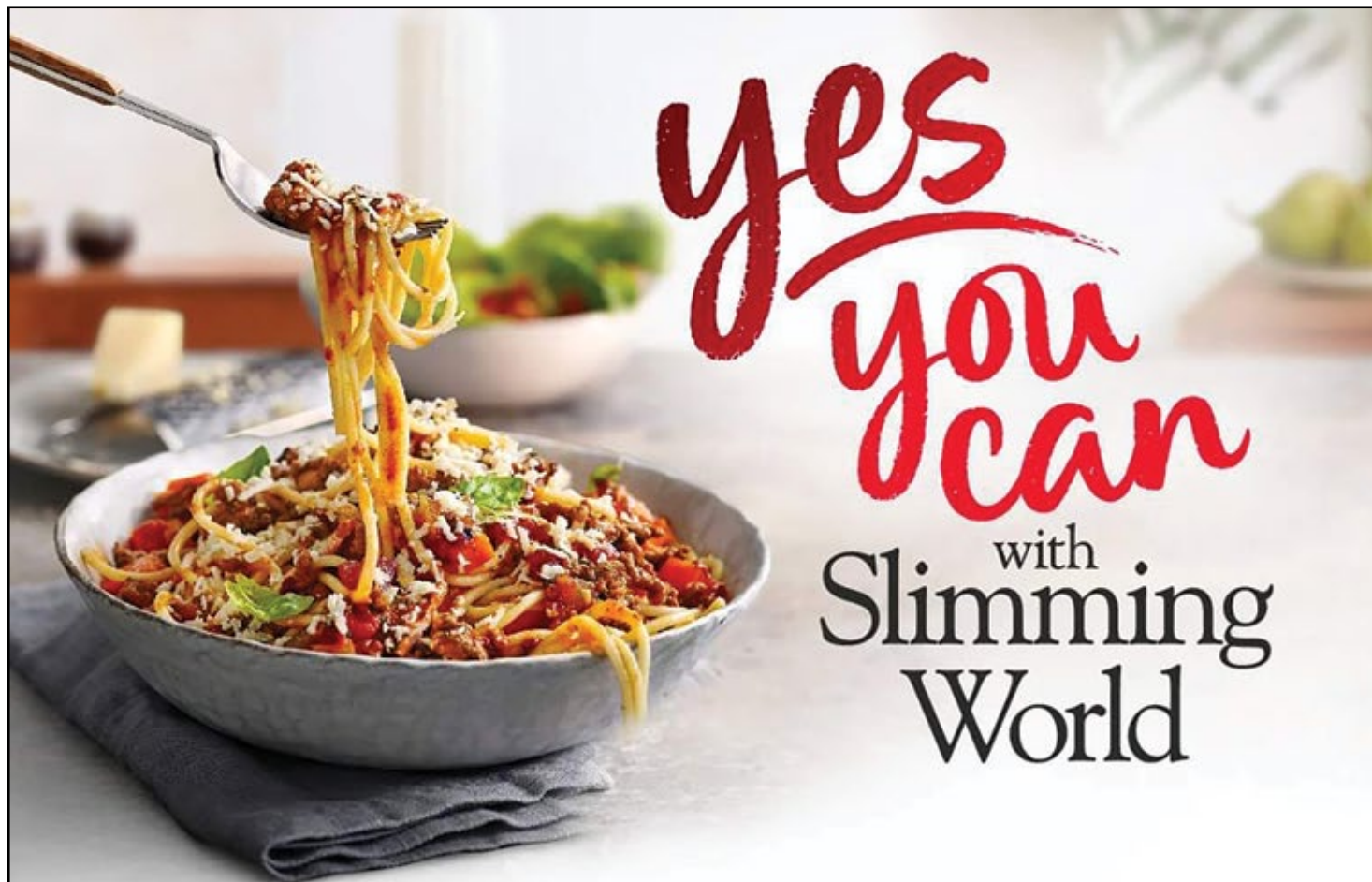
Keeping the roads in the Kilcummin area free from litter is a huge effort from all who live and work in the community and to have the desired effect, it's an every-day occurrence.

CE participants from the Kilcummin Rural Development Office are currently collecting litter on behalf of the community however, due to the large area to be covered we are currently looking for volunteers to keep the roadsides free from litter.

"It would be of great assistance to the community if people could volunteer to manage the litter in the vicinity of their own homes", Derek O'Leary, Kilcummin Looking Good PRO told Killarney Outlook.

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COMMEMORATIVE CONCERT TO MARK CENTENARY OF CIVIL WAR

*Song, drama, poetry and
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part of Kerry Civil War
Conference*

A special commemorative concert marking the centenary of the Civil War in Kerry will take place at Siamsa Tíre in Tralee next month as part of the programme of events for a three-day conference on the conflict in the county and beyond.

'Their Memory Will Endure' is a concert of song, poetry, drama and letters from the Civil War period in Kerry and will take place on Saturday, 25th February at 8.00pm. The concert, featuring some of Kerry's best-known performers, will bring to a close the three-day Kerry Civil War Conference at Siamsa Tíre which is part of the 2023 Decade of Centenaries Programme.

A distinguished cast present a wide selection of songs, drama and poetry which offer varying perspectives on the events of 1922-23. Performers include the poet Gabriel Fitzmaurice, singers Róisín Ryan, Karen Trench and Mícheál Ó Sé, musicians Matt Griffin (guitar), Matt Dean (flute and whistle), and Bryan O'Leary (accordion), members of the Killorglin Drama Group, and set dancers from Kilcummin.

Tickets are now on sale from the Siamsa Tíre Box office on 066 7123055 or siamsatire.com. Dr Susan Motherway, ethnomusicologist at



Pictured are l-r: Dr Susan Motherway (Lecturer, MTU), Tadhg O'Shea (Lecturer, MTU), Karen Trench (Listowel), Muiris O'Laoire (Lecturer, MTU), and Gabriel Fitzmaurice (writer, poet from Moyvane). Photo: Domnick Walsh

MTU Kerry, who is choreographing the event said: "This concert recognises the historical role and significance of the popular ballad in Ireland. As the folk singer Frank Harte once stated: 'Those in power write the history, while those who suffer write the songs.' With the help of song collectors Gabriel Fitzmaurice and Peter Mullarkey, and historians Fiona Brennan and Owen O'Shea this concert re-tells the stories of Kerry people during the Civil War, be they combatant, son, daughter, wife or mother.

"We are particularly delighted to welcome Brian Sheehy to the stage to share a personal reflection of his father John Joe Sheehy and the role of the GAA in healing the political divide," said Dr Motherway.

One of the organisers of the Kerry Civil War Conference, Bridget McAuliffe said: "We are thrilled to have so many talented and experienced performers coming together to

commemorate the Civil War in this way. Our objective with this centenary conference is to explore the events of this period in many ways, whether through lectures, discussions and exhibitions as well as artistic portrayals of the trauma and turbulence of this difficult time in our history."

The three-day conference in Siamsa Tíre Tralee will mark the centenary of the Civil War and will bring together a wide range of local, national and international experts, historians and academics to discuss the conflict and its legacy. The conference will form part of the Decade of Centenaries Programme for 2023 and is supported by Kerry County Council and the Department of Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht Sport and Media. Full details at www.kerrycivilwarconference.ie



John Healy.

REBUILDING COSTS AND UNDER INSURANCE.

JOHN HEALY FROM HEALY INSURANCE SHARES SOME REBUILDING COSTS & UNDER INSURANCE TIPS

The cost of construction has accelerated to record levels in the recent months. As the country emerged from covid restrictions

the construction industry faced supply chain issues and delayed projects. Since then, the sector has battled shortages of materials, labour shortages and overall inflation in the wider economy. The end result of this turmoil is a huge increase in the cost of building. From an insurance perspective this is going to have far reaching consequences.

Your property should be insured for the reinstatement cost and not the market value. In order words the cost of rebuilding the house excluding the site value. Bear in mind that

currently the rebuild cost could be higher than the market value.

The base rebuilding costs in the Kerry region are running at an average of €226 a square foot in the most recently published guide. I would wager that this figure is over €226 since the guide was published. Bear in mind the guide is based upon estate type houses built since the 1960s. The calculation should account for the most recent building regulations, professional fees, demolition costs and VAT, and should make provision for higher than average fittings, built in wardrobes, fences, walls, and garages.

It is very important to note that "under insurance" can have a serious effect on any future claims settlements. All policies include an "Average Clause" which means in the event of "under insurance" any claims settlement

can be reduced in value in proportion to the degree of under insurance. Where the Sum Insured is only 75% of the total reinstatement cost, you will receive 75% of the agreed cost of reinstatement, whether the claim is made for partial reinstatement or total loss.

I would recommend that you review your reinstatement sum insured sooner rather than later and review again in 6 month's time. Inflation, supply chain shortages and the war in Ukraine are all affecting construction costs. In order to get a definitive individual reinstatement value on your house you should contact an independent qualified surveyor.

The Institute of Chartered surveyors review rebuilding costs nationally and issue an annual report along with a handy calculator, this can be found at www.scsi.ie

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SVP SOUTH-WEST "BLOWN AWAY" BY IMMENSE PUBLIC SUPPORT as €248,000 raised from annual car draw

Funds raised from Car Draw will go directly to people in need in Cork/ Kerry

St Vincent De Paul South-West has thanked the public for its "immense" support of their Annual Car Draw Appeal as they confirmed that €248,000 was raised from the 2022 Car Draw Appeal.

The total amount was raised through ticket sales and donations to both SVP Cork and Kerry since the Car Draw's launch in November last year.

The Society have said they are humbled by the generosity of the public during extremely an extremely difficult and challenging period.

SVP South-West Regional President Paddy O'Flynn said the much-needed funds would

be "invaluable" for SVP South-West to continue to assist struggling families in Cork and Kerry and will help fund key supports such as food vouchers and hampers, heat, utility costs and education, with families continuing to contact the Society seeking urgent assistance and support for each of these in recent weeks.

Mr O'Flynn continued: "We have always received immense support annual car draw from the people in Cork and Kerry.

The lucky winner who will receive the keys of the brand-new Ford Focus from TOMAR Trust in the coming week is Frank Boland from Kinsale.



Winner Frank Boland from Kinsale receives his Ford Focus courtesy of the Cavanagh family's TOMAR Trust. Frank is pictured with his wife Mary and the Lord Mayor of Cork, Cllr. Deirdre Forde. Included are Conor Kavanagh, Tomar Trust (2nd from right) and Paddy O'Flynn, St Vincent de Paul. Also included are Gerry Garvey, Regional Co-Ordinator, St. Vincent de Paul (front left) and Pat Harte, Sales Manager, CAB. Picture: Brian Loughheed

NATIONAL BT YOUNG SCIENTIST FINALISTS 2023 FOR CASTLEISLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE STUDENTS

Castleisland Community College had two projects shortlisted for the BT Young Scientist 2023 finals that were held in the RDS over the course of four days. Over 2,000 projects were entered this year. All entries were screened to select just 550 projects for the national final.

The first project was titled 'You know what gets on my nerves...Multiple Sclerosis'. The group consisted of four students- Bella Harmon, Katie Kerins, Amy Mc Carthy and Emma O Donoghue. The project involved an investigation into viral marketing and what form of media is best received by young people to spread awareness of MS (Multiple Sclerosis). The students

worked with MS Ireland and they became MS Ambassadors. This involved presenting workshops to primary school students about MS and to encourage them to take part in the MS Readathon in November. Their research showed that short videos, reels and tiktok are the best means to spread awareness amongst young people.

The second project undertaken by Caitríona Murphy was written entirely as Gaeilge. An tideal ar an tionscnamh ná 'Anailís Staitistiúil ar Dhearcadh Déagóirí na hÉireann vs Déagóirí na Breataine Bige i Leith foghlaim a dTeangacha Dúchais. (A Statistical Analysis on the Attitudes of Irish Teenagers vs Welsh Teenagers Towards

Learning Their Native Languages.) Caitríona surveyed students in second and third year in Ireland to access their attitudes towards learning Irish. The majority of students thought it more important to speak Irish rather than to read or write Irish. Her study found that Irish students spend most of their time in Irish class either writing or learning topics e.g. poems, short stories, drama. Welsh students spent more time speaking the Welsh language and less time on learning literature. Her conclusion was to reduce the amount of literature for the new Junior Cycle Irish course and to place more emphasis on spoken Irish. 'All Irish language teachers in the country will be fully supportive of this. The new higher level Irish Junior Cycle course has been criticized by virtually every Irish language teacher in the country due to the very strong emphasis on literature. Students attending a Gaelcholáiste now sit a different Irish exam to English speaking secondary schools. They have to study even more literature and are marked at a higher standard. The optional oral exam that was worth 40% for the Junior Cert has been removed much to the dismay of teachers. Caitríona's finding provide concrete evidence that students fully support what Irish language teachers advocate, 'Beatha teanga í a labhairt' (A living language is a spoken language)', stated Doreen Killington (Irish language teacher in Castleisland Community College).



Annie Potts (teacher) Katie Kerins, Emma O Donoghue, Amy Mc Carthy, Bella Harmon Caitríona Murphy and Kellie Sheehy.

The results of this project will provide some very interesting reading for Irish educationalists.



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Each year all over the world on this date, organisations, schools and individuals get together to raise awareness of the importance and value of wetlands, and how we can safeguard them for our future.

To celebrate this important occasion, the Tralee Bay Wetlands Centre Eco & Activity Park will be running a schools program for both primary schools and Transition Year students available from Monday 23rd January until end February 2023; Learn why we should all care about wetlands, what kinds of animals and plants live there, and how humans are at risk from the loss of this precious habitat through a fun mix of outdoor activities and indoor sessions.

Additionally, Tralee Bay Wetlands Centre will be running a weekend of events from Saturday 4th February to Monday 6th including: Guided Wild Wetlands Urban

Walks at 3pm To mark this occasion, there will be a guided public tour on Saturday 4th, Sunday 5th & Monday 6th February at 3pm. This guided tour will offer a tour of the wetland, on foot, as well as giving a short talk on the ways that wetlands are vital to our future. Suitable for both Adults & Children. Tickets can be booked in advance online. Adults €10 (and include a coffee/tea) Children accompanied by an adult free of charge. Nature Bay Walk of Tralee Bay Special Area of Conservation. This wonderful Bay Walk is taking place on both Saturday 4th & Sunday 5th February commencing at 11am. Here we will see some of our migratory birds in their natural habitat. These birds have been coming to Tralee Bay since before it was called Tralee Bay and this time of year is the best time to see these birds in huge flocks. Some iconic species we might see are the Canadian Pale Bellied Brent Geese, Red Shanks, Greenshanks and Curlew to name but a few. Again this event is suitable for both adults & children. Adults are €10 and accompanying children are free of charge. Suitable outdoor clothing and foot wear are required. Tickets can be purchased in advance online or from the reception desk at visitor centre.

WORLD WETLANDS DAY series of events at Tralee Bay Wetlands



Kelliher puts pen to paper to sign for Kerry FC

Killarney man Ryan Kelliher has signed for Kerry FC ahead of the 2023 SSE Airtricity First Division campaign.

Kelliher, who is 21 years of age and plays as a striker, makes the move from local side Killarney Celtic. In their recent run of form in the Kerry District League, Ryan has been an integral cog in the machine for the Killarney side. Ryan played a starring role for the club underage and made some strong appearances for his school, St Brendan's College.

But Kelliher is no stranger to the Kerry FC jersey, having lined out in the past for Kerry at under 19 level in the EA Sports League of Ireland. In his time with Kerry, he was one of the top scorers in League of Ireland during his time at Kerry FC. Ryan, along with Nathan Gleeson & Cian Brosnan, are under scholarship with the MTU Kerry campus.

Speaking on his signing, Kelliher said "I'm really



excited for the challenge, I played League of Ireland at under 19 level before with Kerry FC but now it's time to challenge myself at senior level and I'm really looking forward to it"

First Team Manager Billy Dennehy said "Ryan is a player who came into the League of Ireland underage structures later in his development but has always done really well at club level with Killarney Celtic FC. Ryan has a great attitude and he finished as one of the top scorers in the country 2 years ago when he was part of the Kerry LOI Under 19 group. I'm looking forward to seeing Ryan step up to this challenge and score goals at this level - which he is well capable of doing."

Ryan, the son of Thomas Kelliher and the late Sheila MacGillycuddy is a former student of St. Brendan's College in Killarney and is currently studying Health & Leisure at MTU.



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Mary Kennedy meets people who now call Kerry home in Moving West

Following the hugely successful first season, **Moving West** is back for a second series on TG4 this January. The show is produced by Dundara Television & Media in association with The Western Development Commission. Shot against the backdrop of the unique natural beauty and culture of the West, this series puts a spotlight on Donegal, Sligo, Mayo, Galway, Kerry and a special episode on the Islands. Throughout the series we follow the lives of individuals and families who have moved or are in the process of moving to a new home along the Atlantic coast. Presented by Mary Kennedy and over the course of six half hour episodes, the series sets out to help viewers discover a genuine message, that life, and in particular your career won't take a step back if you are considering a move West. In a relaxed, entertaining and informal fashion, each episode explores the many opportunities that the region has to offer.

In the third episode on the 25th January Mary travels to Kerry where she meets Texan Sandra O'Sullivan was a flight nurse on a helicopter when she met Kerry native Tommy O'Sullivan in 2007. They married on March 13th, 2010. Sandra moved from Houston, TX to Lispole on the Dingle peninsula. They opened a pub in Dingle in 2011 on Tommy's 50th birthday. Mary Kennedy visits the pub for a lively trad session. Tommys two sons live close by. During the lockdown Tommy and Sandra remodeled his family home which he inherited. They say it's

the oldest house in the village and it's always been in the family. Sandra likes almost everything about Lispole, the hills and sea, the rugged landscape and gentle rolling hills. Architectural Technician Declan Sugrue worked in Cork for many years but always wanted to move back home to Cahersiveen to be closer to family and friends. His wife Louise is also from Cahersiveen. They have two young children. Cost of living was getting higher in the city so the obvious choice was to move back home as the cost of houses was considerably cheaper. This gave them the opportunity to buy and renovate a townhouse and a few years later build the dream home. Declan saw a need in the area from other SME's and freelancers that there was no hub for people working from home. He opened the Office Light Hub in the town. Sadly the war in Ukraine has prompted a different type of mover west.

Mary Kennedy visits a school in Cahersiveen where the school population rose by 50% (103 to 150) with new Ukrainian pupils. Mary has an emotive meeting with some of the students and their teachers. Hrvoje Smolic is a Founder and CEO of Qualia Data Sciences and Graphite Note. He was born in Croatia. In the first seven years after receiving a Masters's in Physics (University of Zagreb), Hrvoje sharpened his skills first as a financial software developer, then



business intelligence consultant, and finally BI Team leader. He moved to Killarney in 2018 and founded Qualia Data Sciences. Hrvoje now works out of the RDI Hub in Killorglin. Rebecca Hoban and Shane Finn are returnees. They are a young couple who have recently formed the company Outwest Clothing in Dingle. Former Kerry Senior Football physio Aoife Ni Mhuirí moved west from Dublin to Kerry in 1996. Originally from the Connemara Gaeltacht, she had been to the Kerry Gaeltacht on holidays a couple of summers when she was a child. "The affinity between the Galway Gaeltacht and the Kerry Gaeltachts definitely helped ease my move" she told us. Aoife set up a Health Technology company called Salaso Health Solutions based at the Kerry Technology Park in Tralee. She finds The culture and the winning mentality in the county stemming from the tradition of All-Ireland football success helped her drive her business forward. Tech worker Corinne Culloty moved from Lismore, Co Waterford to Killarney, Co Kerry. Family circumstances prompted the idea of moving, while flexible work arrangements fuelled the decision and made the move a reality. Tomás O'Siocháin talks about what Kerry has to offer to the mover west.

It's time to say goodbye....

End of the Kingdom Gospel Choir for Adults

Five years after Killarney teacher Caoimhe Lynch began the Kindgom Gospel Choir, the time has come for her to bring the choir to a close.

Caoimhe is now currently teaching in Dublin from Monday to Friday and the logistics of getting down to Killarney on time for choir on a Friday evening is just not possible.

"I have had such an amazing 5 years with everyone, Caoimhe told Killarney Outlook.

The fun we had every Friday was just so uplifting and the support and encouragement everyone always gave was just so special and I will never forget it", Caoimhe added.

"More than that, the amazing things we have achieved as a choir to help others.... the money we raised for different charities through our choir charity collections both on Friday nights, and through our big charity concerts. Along with this, the items that were donated for the

shoe box appeals, and all we collected that was sent to Belarus orphanages, including the masks handmade for the kids during the pandemic, and that's just naming a few things", Caoimhe said. "When I started the choir I wanted it to be a lot more than an hour of singing - I wanted it to be a place of no

pressure, that people could come to relax, a space for people to be uplifted and to leave feeling elevated, to be a place where people could get the opportunity to be a part of spreading kindness outside of choir too and looking back on the last 5 years, it certainly was all those things.... and that is down to the amazing people that came through our doors, who helped create the happy, fun choir that it was", she said.

We have experienced a lot as a choir family - journeying with many members through illnesses, grief, and many other hardships, but we have also celebrated many achievements and happy moments also! And I feel so grateful to be a part of those journeys", Caoimhe said. There will be a final choir mass for all choir members who have joined us over the past 5 years, the date of which will be confirmed soon. While the adult choir is finishing, Caoimhe is still running the Kids Kingdom Gospel Choir. This will start back on Saturday 28th January in the John Paul II Pastoral Centre. New members welcome, contact number is 0870669858.



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CAO APPLICANTS SHOULD KEEP A CLOSE EYE ON THE 2023 TIMELINE



By Billy Ryle

SUBMIT

CAO application season is in full swing and with 80,000 plus applicants competing for about 50,000 college places, it's vital to submit a complete application form. Stay focussed and be aware of key dates and the important tasks to be done in the weeks ahead. The 2023 CAO online application remains open until 1st Feb. Open your CAO interactive online account via "Apply" on www.cao.ie, by 20th Jan to get a discount rate of €30. After that the fee increases to €45 until the 1st Feb. The closing date for online Change of Course Choices, which is free, is also 1st Feb.

CHANGE

You may use the online Change of Course Choices' facility, fee €10, from 3rd Feb to 1st March to add any restricted courses not already listed. Restricted category applicants may also use this facility. All other applicants should use the free Change of Mind option, between 5th May and 1st July, to make any course changes.

HEAR/DEAR

Completed online Higher Education Access Route (HEAR)/Disability Access Route to Education (DARE) forms must be submitted by 1st March. HEAR/DARE supporting documentation must arrive in CAO by 15th March.

LATE

Late applications, fee €60, will be accepted from 6th March to 1st May. From 5th May, you may register a change of course choices online at www.cao.ie. Check that your courses have been updated by using the "My Application" facility before 1st July. Before the end of May, you will be sent a 'Check and Confirm' reminder. Inform CAO if you do not receive it.

1st JULY CHANGE

Course choices and preferences may be changed as often as desired, free of charge,

between 5th May and 1st July. If you submit a Change of Mind, it cancels all the previous course choices, which you have submitted. The two categories (Level 8 and Level 7/6) are completely separate from each other for this purpose. Any restricted application course, added for the first time via a Change of Mind won't be considered unless it shares the same assessment procedure with a course you had applied for by 1st Feb.

ROUND A

In early July, offers of places (Round A) are issued to deferred applicants, mature applicants and to those who need to make visa arrangements. In early August, offers of places (Round Zero) are issued to certain non-standard categories of applicants such as FET/QQI and graduate applicants. Round One, the main body of offers will be issued shortly after the Leaving Cert results.

STATISTICS

CAO has release details of the finalised 2022 offers and acceptance summary. Last year, 67,075 applicants received at least one offer in 104,899 offers made by CAO in its various rounds of offers. The offers consisted of 64,998 at Level 8 (Honours Bachelor Degrees) where demand is always strong and 39,901 at Level 7/6 (Ordinary Bachelor Degrees/Higher Certificates) where interest continues to decline. CAO always issues more offers than there are places available in anticipation of a level of refusal by applicants. Offers are issued independently in respect of the two lists (Level 8 and Level 7/6), so it's well worth filling in both lists. The net applicant acceptance figure in 2022 was 49,459 – 43,207 at Level 8 (Honours Bachelor Degrees) and 6,252 at Level 7/6 (Ordinary Level Degrees/Higher Certificates).

CAO 2023 APPLICATION TIMELINE

20th Jan: apply by 5pm to avail of the online discount rate of €30
 20th Jan: closing date to register for HPAT (Under Graduate Med.) test
 29th Jan: closing date to register for MSAP (Mature Students) test
 30th Jan: closing date to register for GAMSAT (Graduate Medicine) test
 1st Feb: online change of course choices (free) close at 5pm
 1st Feb: normal closing date, at 5pm, for applications
 3rd Feb: online facility to amend course choices opens at noon (€10 fee)
 17th/25th Feb: HPAT-Ireland test takes place
 1st March: closing date, at 5pm, for amending course choices
 1st March: completed online HEAR/DARE forms must be submitted by 5pm
 1st March: closing date, at 5pm for completion of mature student application form
 4th/8th March: MSAP test takes place
 6th March: late application facility opens at 12.00 noon (€60 fee)
 15th March: HEAR/DARE supporting documentation must arrive in CAO by 5pm
 18th/22nd March: GAMSAT test takes place
 1st May: closing date, at 5pm, for late applications
 5th May: online change of mind facility (free) opens at 12.00 noon
 31st May: Check and Confirm reminder sent to all applicants before this date
 Late June: HPAT-Ireland test results released
 1st July: change of mind facility (free) closes at 5pm
 22nd July: exceptional late closing date at 5pm for those already in 3rd level

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Adam has Johnny in stitches

It's not the easiest challenge! Ireland and Leinster captain, Johnny Sexton, is known as being a serious rugby player but one Killarney youngster had the rugby legend splitting his sides and guffawing with laughter at his jokes, which was part of the MACE Jokes with Johnny customer campaign.

Adam O'Connor from Crosstown in Killarney was one of the children across the nation picked to tell his best joke as part of MACE's community engagement agenda.

! The funniest jokers were in with a chance to

put their jokes to the test in front of Johnny Sexton to see how much they can make him smile. Adam O'Connor, from Crosstown in Killarney, aged 8, and James O'Neill, aged 5, from Ballyheigue were selected to meet the rugby hero and tell him their jokes in person. In all, five children were selected to meet Johnny and tell their jokes in person: Adam O'Connor, aged 8, Kerry; James O'Neill, aged 5, Kerry; Sarah Irvine, aged 10, Dublin; Ava Dowling, aged 6, Dublin and Lily May Kirwan, aged 10, Carlow.





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All smiles for the camera at the celebrations



The Coffey Family pictured at the celebrations



Fossa supporters enjoying the celebrations



Fossa supporters enjoying the celebrations



Pat Clifford & John Rice & Seamus Kelly pictured at the celebrations.



James O'Shea pictured with his sons Cian, Tadhg and Emmet.



Fossa fans and players at the Louis Fitzgerald Hotel.



MEP Sean Kelly pictured with Dermot and Ogie Clifford, Karen Myres and her family.

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*By Jamie Cronin, Shrone
second year student in
Scoil Pobail Sliabh Luachra*

Now it's time to celebrate,
Coz there's no more
drinking ban,
But I think we should take
a minute,
To see where this journey
began.

Started off in Glenbeigh,
Marys we did face,
A great opener for us,
Leaving that one a closed
case.

The noisy neighbours next,
Glenflesk we did play,
Shane Ryan's stellar finish,
Made sure we put that one
away.

Next up a dead rubber,
Everyone getting a run,
Although we did loose,
All that mattered was the
next one.

Laune rangers was up next,
Almost a terrible
nightmare,
But our big players
showed up,
When we needed them
there.

Beaufort was the next task,
A game every man feared,
But thankfully for us,
It wasn't a repeat of last
year.

Then we were in the final,
Gaeltacht was the game,
And John Moynihan
showed up
once more to put his name
in fame.

Out of Kerry now,
Kanturk we did play,
We struck home early,
To put that one away.

Na Piarisagh up next,
It was bound to be a
thriller,
But once again we
performed,
Rahilly's goal being the
killer.

Next up was the Wexford
side,
A close one for sure,

But Mark Ryan's brilliant
performance,
Reassured our faith once
more.

Then one obstacle in
our way,
The Tyrone men in store,
But the boys believed they
could,
Drive it home just once
more

In the Clark we trust,
Tim Cronin and Dan too,
Roaring on from the side-
line,
Rathmore through and
through.

The 3 Ryan's are on fire,
Friel is keeping it tidy at the
back,
And Chrissy's superb free
taking,
Is a weapon in the attack.

Ken between the sticks,
Dan and James solid as
two rocks,
And twin diving on every
boot,
Making sure he gets a
block.

Andrew at full back,
Claiming every ball,
Darmody is threatening in
attack,
And is over 6 foot tall.

John and Bonze are
certainly,
Two legends of the club,
And Paul working hard,
To try Secure us the dub.

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come on,
At any time or any hour.

The boys stuck to their
word,
And fought for every ball,
Crowning us the champi-
ons of Ireland,
Adding another picture to
the wall.

And once that full time
whistle went,
Many Rathmore fan's tears
streamed,
Thanks to the Clark's men
that,
DREAMED BABY
DREAMED!!!!



Rathmore team and supporters pictured at the homecoming



Bonfires and snow waiting in Kilquane for the cup



Rathmore team bringing silverware over Barraduff bridge into Rathmore parish.



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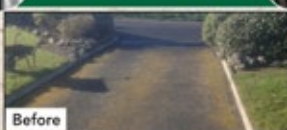
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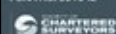


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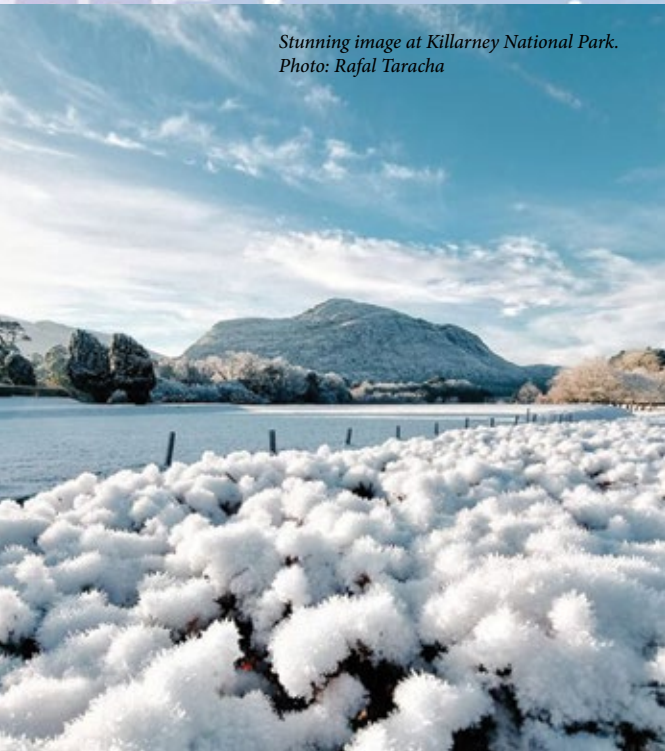


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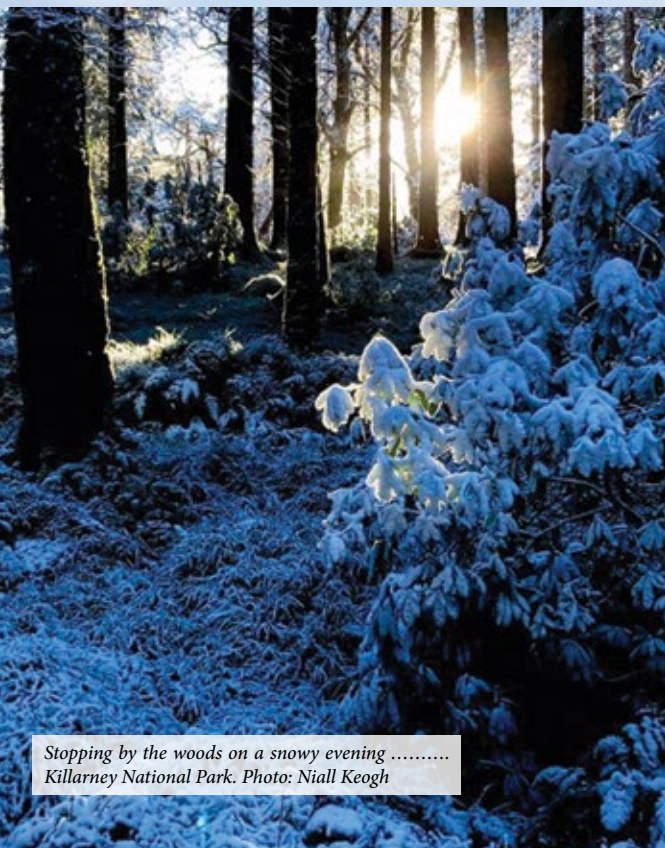
Stunning image at Killarney National Park.
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Muckross House and Gardens with Muckross Lake, Killarney National Park, after heavy snowfall covered Much of the Country, further yellow ice and freezing conditions are set to continue. Photo: Valerie O'Sullivan



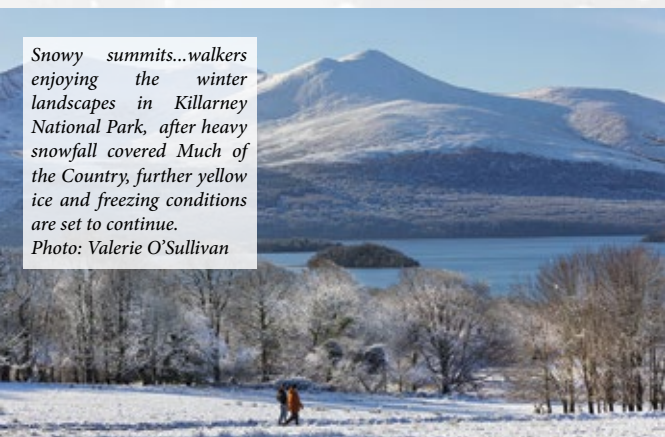
Nature at its best.... Photo: Niall Keogh



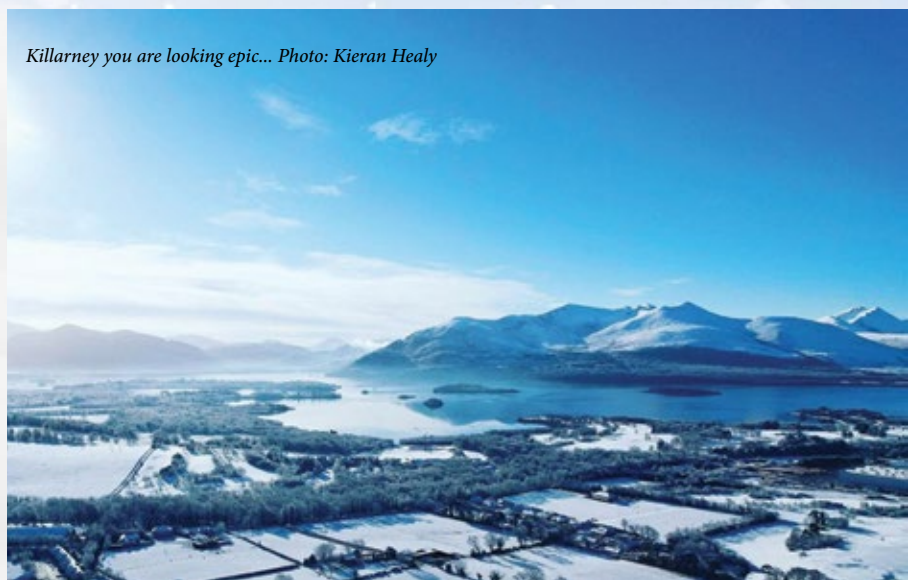
Stopping by the woods on a snowy evening
Killarney National Park. Photo: Niall Keogh



The stunning view from Lough Lein Guesthouse in Fossa.



Snowy summits...walkers
enjoying the winter
landscapes in Killarney
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KILLARNEY COUGARS BC**JUVENILE NEWS****KERRY AIRPORT CUP/PLATE****U18 GIRLS****Killarney Cougars 31 Chorca Dhuibhne 42**

The Cougars hosted the Dingle girls who led for most of the game but the Cougars tied the game in the last quarter but Bbest for Cougars Thi Que Kennedy, Olivia Gaffey and Alison Butle .

U18 BOYS**Killarney Cougars 53 St Colmans 48**

The Cougars and St Colman's played an exciting Cup Semi final at the Pres Gym. The Cougars were in top form throughout but had to withstand

a great comeback by the visitors to secure the win and a place in the final v St Bridget's Currow. Strong performances for the Cougars from Marks Leon, Finn Kennelly and Nathan Cox.

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6.30 pm U10 Boys.

SENIOR NEWS**KERRY AIRPORT MENS DIVISION 3.****Killarney Cougars 61 St Anne's 43**

The Cougars hosted St Anne's at the Pres Gym on Tuesday last and the Cougars led from start to finish with a strong display. Darren Gaffey impressed throughout with seven three pointers 21pts to give Cougars the edge and a deserved victory.

FOCUS ON GOLF**ROSS GOLF CLUB****SYMPATHY**

We offer our sincere sympathy to Past Captain Aidan O'Connor on the recent death of his brother, Fr Donal O'Connor R.I.P.

We also offer our sincere sympathy to Margaret O'Donoghue on the recent death of her sister, Nora O'Shea. R.I.P.

DEERPARK PITCH AND**PUTT****AGM**

Thanks to everyone who attended our AGM on Monday night in the Killarney Avenue Hotel as we got our 50th Anniversary year officially underway. We want to officially thank outgoing Secretary Fiona O'Donnell for her work in the role over the last eight years as well as our other outgoing officers John McGrath, Kieran Fitzpatrick and Aidan O'Donoghue for their time on the Committee. We welcome

Margaret B Looney back as Club Secretary for the first time since 2007 and also welcome Margaret C Looney back to the Committee and welcome Dan Kiely to the Committee for the first time.

2023 Committee: President: Kay O'Sullivan, Vice President: TBC, Chairman: Damien Fleming, Vice Chairman: Sean Kelly, Secretary: Margaret B Looney, Registrar: Danny Looney, Treasurer: Colm O'Dowd, Assistant Treasurer: Noel Moynihan, PRO: Jason O'Connor, Competition Secretaries: TBC, U16 Officers: Derry McCarthy & Gearoid Cronin, Non-Portfolio: Aidan O'Keefe & Dan Kiely and Grounds Committee Chairman: Ger O'Connor.

SUNDAY DRAWS

Two Ball Scramble- First Nett: Daniel Kelly & Bobby Kelly 28½, Gross: Noel Moynihan & Robbie O'Brien Snr 42 and Second Nett: Declan Kelly & Betty O'Brien 33. Same again this Sunday at 9am and 10.45am.

**The Killarney Medal & Trophy Centre Club Matchplay Championship**

Photographed at the presentation of The Killarney Medal & Trophy Centre Club Matchplay Championship trophy in the Ross Golf Club are (l to r) Tadgh McCarthy, Donie Broderick, Captain,

**Hole in One**

Ryan McCarthy pictured receiving a trophy to mark his Hole in One during 2022 in the Ross Golf Course a Donie Broderick, Captain.



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GLENFLESK

Written by: Seamus Healy

>AGM

Our AGM took place last Monday and we would like to thank everyone who attended. Thanks and well done to outgoing officers Tim Murphy, James Furlong and Mary McCarrick. We wish the best of luck to our new officers for the coming year, Chairman - Jerry Mullane, Assistant Chairman - Derry Healy, Treasurer - Donal Brosnan, Assistant Treasurer - Cathy Somers, Registrar - Donal O'Sullivan.

>LOTTO

There was no winner of the Glenflesk Lotto which took place on 08/01/2023 in Glenflesk Hall. Jackpot was €10,400. The numbers drawn were 2,5,10,19. Consolation prizes of €50 each to: 1. TJ Moynihan, Carrigeen. 2. Corner Bar. (Sellers' Prize). 3. Pádraig O' Sullivan, Clonkeen. 4. Noelle Murphy, Readrinagh, Headford. (Yearly Ticket). Next draw will take place in Glenflesk Hall on 23/01/2023. Jackpot will be €10,500. 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

>ALL IRELAND CLUB CHAMPIONS

Huge congratulations To Rathmore the new All Ireland Intermediate champions and also new All Ireland junior Champions Fossa both doing Kerry proud last Sunday in Croke Park.

>NATIONAL CLUB DRAW 2023

The National Club Draw has super prizes varying from a Dacia Duster Car, a number of All Ireland Football and Hurling Final Packages and a cash

prize of €2,000. All of the proceeds from the tickets sold by the Club are retained by the Club for the running of juvenile and adult teams. Ticket sales will close at the end of Jan 23. Tickets at €10 each are available and can be purchased online at: https://member.clubforce.com/tickets_m.asp?LL_ID=2534...

>IRELAND LIGHTS UP

Glenflesk GAA will continue the 'Ireland Lights Up' initiative every Monday and Wednesday evenings beginning at 6.30pm. There will be two options, walkers will hit the track in Glenflesk GAA pitch and the runners will hit the track in the Barraduff Community Field with @triumphdeclan for the couch to 5km. All levels will be catered for. Registration will begin @ glenflesk_gaa hall @ 6.10pm and you will be given your recording sheet and have the option of a private weigh in and blood pressure check with a healthcare professional. We ask for a €2 per family donation (€1 towards the flood lights and €1 towards a new club defibrillator).

You can download the mylife app to keep track of your progress and the operation transformation app if you want to keep track of the leaders, recipes and exercise tips. Any enquiries contact Pádraig 0870530384 Ireland Lights Up - Get Ireland Walking #lightupireland #operationtransformation #operationactivation #health #physical #positivementalhealth #Com

>RATHMORE PANTO

This year Dame Annie Goes West leading a team varied and exciting in a medley of comedy and colour combined with music and dance. For dates & booking phone 085 2031730 - office will be open 2-6pm from Jan 19th.

KILCUMMIN

Written by: Helen Moynihan

>KILCUMMIN COMHALTAS

Branch Membership: Closing date for branch membership is Wed.25th January for anyone wishing to participate in any Comhaltas competitions this year, or in supporting Kilcummin CCÉ for 2023. Forms available at Rural Dev Office.

Súlt na nÓg: Súlt na nÓg competitions will take place on the weekend of 4th & 5th March 2023. Entry forms for musicians and singers are available in the Rural Development Office and must be returned by Monday 30th January @ 12 noon.

Adult Ladies Set Dancing: Adult Ladies Set Dancing will resume on Monday January 23th for 10 weeks from 8.15pm – 9.15pm in Kilcummin Recreational Hall. Set dancing has proved to be a great way to get fit while making new friends and a guaranteed great night out. To register, please contact Mary on 087 9620135 before Friday 20th January.

Junior Set Dancing Classes: Junior Set Dancing Classes will commence on Friday 20th January in the Recreational Hall. Children from 5 years upwards are welcome. Beginners and intermediate 7pm to 8pm and advanced dancers 8pm to 9pm. For further information contact Mary on 087 9620135.

>LITTER PICKING VOLUNTEERS

Keeping the roads in the Kilcummin area free from litter is a huge effort from all who live & work in this community and to have the desired effect, it's an every-day occurrence. CE participants from the Kilcummin Rural Development Office are currently collecting litter on behalf of

the community however, due to the large area to be covered we are currently looking for volunteers to keep the roadsides free from litter. It would be of great assistance to the community if people could volunteer to manage the litter in the vicinity of their own homes. Litter bags are available form and can be returned to Kilcummin Rural Development Office. For further information contact Helen on 089 4756774

>KILCUMMIN GAA

THE IRELAND LIGHTS UP "initiative returned at Kilcummin GAA Walking Track on Wed. 11th January @ 7pm in partnership with @rteoperationtransformation and @get_ireland_walking. The aim is to make exercise more accessible on the dark winter nights and to offer anyone in our local community an opportunity to get together and socialise in a healthy way. This is open to everyone, Club Membership is not required but each participant must register each night for insurance purposes and adhere to Health and Safety Guidelines issued at registration. Registration will take place each Mon. and Wed. night in the reception area of the Gym between 7pm & 8pm. Please note that only Therapy dogs or Guide dogs are permitted on the Club grounds.

Congratulations to Rathmore on their All- Ireland Intermediate title and Fossa on their Junior victory.

Gym Membership is available. Contact John on 087 6168449

PINK NIGHT: Well done to the Ladies committee on their successful charity fund raiser on January 6th. They realised over €5000 for " Comfort for Chemo".



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The Darmody brothers James and Anthony from Rathmore who were part of the All Ireland Intermediate final winning team. Photo: Seamus Healy



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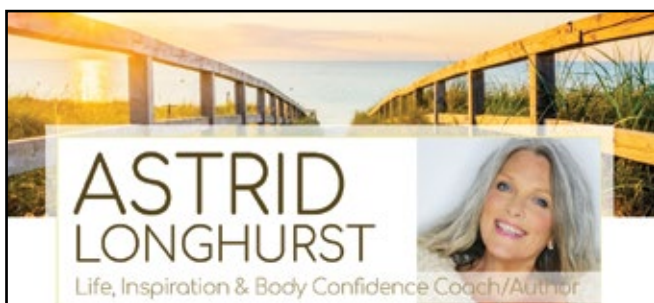
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- Draw a circle in the middle of a piece of paper and write down your desire. Draw spokes going out from this circle (like an old-fashioned wheel) and on each spoke of the wheel write down what aligns with your desire. For example, if you want to feel healthier you may write things like, go to bed earlier, drink more water, move more, eat for vitality etc.
- Draw up a daily and weekly action plan of how you will incorporate these actions into your life.
- Every day, set time aside to visualise your dreams and desires becoming fulfilled in the most joyful ways. Feel the excitement of the journey!
- Live as if what you desire has already been manifested in your life.

Remember that nothing changes without action. However, those actions need to be in alignment with your dreams and desires. For more tips and inspiration follow me on Instagram @romancingyourbody

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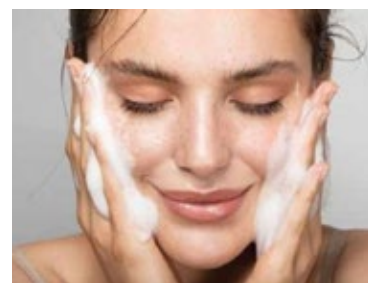
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TIP 3: ARE YOU LOOSING YOUR MOJO AND LACKING MOTIVATION?

Cold weather, changes in routines and disruptions due to weather can all hamper your best intentions and motivation this winter. Not to mind surviving Xmas and new years temptations and finding yourself hanging not knowing when or where to start. We all get lows and find ourselves stuck in winter ruts, but there is a way out, and it is just one small step at a time. One workout at a time and one healthy meal at a time, give yourself time to adjust and time to start feeling the benefits of exercise and eating clean. One thing is for sure we all love feeling good so once you get that hit you should be rocking rolling for an awesome New year of wellness. The first small step however does need to be planned and you need to make it happen. It is probably the hardest step but the best one your will make.

As we always advise if you are struggling then reach out and ask for support. Investing in yourself with some Personal Training sessions is always the way to go if you feel you are down in the dumps and looking for a hand to pull you out. Usually we find here at B well after a few PT sessions it gives you the confidence to join a few classes or get going in the gym yourself and make healthy living part of your weekly routine.

Remember at B well we are client led and its all about you and getting you to your goals, so don't ever feel like you will be dragged down a path you wont be comfortable with. So reach out if you need support on 087-7643449.



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WINTER EYE HEALTH

Here are some of the ways winter can affect your vision, or worsen an eye condition, and tips for prevention.

Driving in winter

In winter you may have more difficulty seeing clearly because of darker evenings. When it is dark your pupils become larger to let in more light. However this can result in your vision becoming more blurred. This is why you may be more reliant on your glasses at night.

The glare of a low-lying sun can also make it more difficult to see, so make sure your windscreen is clean, both inside and out. It is useful to have a pair of polarised sunglasses in the car to help with the glare from the sun, even in winter.

Dry eyes

If you already have dry eyes, central heating may make them worse. Here are some simple steps you can take to minimise the discomfort caused by dry eyes in winter:

- Lower the temperature in rooms when possible.
- Blink more often.
- Use a humidifier. Opening windows for a few minutes on cold days will also help.
- Lubricants. Certain lubricating eye drops may be helpful for you.

Increased screen time

People tend to stay in and watch more television and spend more time using computers during the winter. Using a screen will not damage your eyes but prolonged use can make your eyes tired and dry.

Remember to take breaks and operate the 20:20:20 rule; every 20 minutes, take a 20-second break and focus your eyes on something at least 20 feet away.

Watery eyes

In cold and windy conditions, many people complain that their eyes water more than normal. Wearing glasses will provide protection against the wind, even if you don't usually wear them outdoors.

Winter sun

Snow and ice are reflective, so the sun's damaging UV rays can reach your eyes from below as well as above. UV exposure is cumulative, so although you may not feel any immediate effects, you could be putting yourself at risk of long-term damage and risk cataracts and age-related macular degeneration (AMD) if you don't wear good quality sunglasses or goggles.

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At Killarney Chamber of Tourism and Commerce's inaugural president's lunch from left, Diarmuid Leen, AIB, Tracy Coyne, International Hotel, Patricia Marshall, Healy Insurance, President of Tralee Chamber Alliance, Nathan McDonnell. Photo: Valerie O'Sullivan

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SPA

Written by: Deirdre O'Sullivan-Darcy

>SPA GAA CLUB AGM

The 2022 Spa AGM will take place at the clubhouse on Tuesday January 24th at 7.30pm. There are a number of positions vacant for the coming year. Members are asked to submit any motions or nominations to Secretary on or before Friday January 20th (secretary.spa.kerry@gaa.ie / 085 8414804).

>IRELAND LIGHTS UP

Ireland Lights Up in association with RTE's Operation Transformation returns to Spa on Wednesday evenings between 6pm - 8pm. First night back will be Weds January 18th. Everyone welcome & please remember to sign in at the registration desk on the night before beginning your walk.

>CAIRDE SPA DRAW

The countdown is on for the Cairde Spa draw on Thursday February 2nd! Tickets for the draw can be collected or returned at the Spa GAA clubhouse this Saturday between 10.30am-12noon or next Monday between 7-8pm. Any queries please contact Andy (0872236754), Michael (0858213027), Assumpta (0876779292) or Deirdre (0851216359) or any of our club officers over the next couple of weeks. The draw will be taking place at the clubhouse on February 2nd and the special guests on the night are GAA President Larry McCarthy and the Sam Maguire. With ongoing work at the club grounds and future development plans in progress, the draw is a one-off fundraiser for the new major developments. There are 10 amazing prizes up for grabs: 1st Prize: €15,000, 2nd Prize: €3,000, 3rd Prize: €2,000, 4th Prize: €1,000, 5th Prize: Two nights Dinner, B&B at the Killarney Park Hotel, 6th Prize: €500 Voucher for Killarney Carpets & Furniture, 7th Prize: €300 Voucher for O'Sullivan's Cycles, 8th Prize: €250 Voucher for Killarney Oils, 9th Prize: €150 Voucher for Killarney Hardware and 10th Prize: Signed Kerry jersey. Thank you to everyone for your ongoing support of Spa GAA Club

>GUESS WHOS BACK IN 2023

The Killarney Club 7s is back this June Bank Holiday Weekend, Sat 3rd & Sun 4th and we can't wait to see you all. Tickets on sale shortly so save the date and keep an eye on social media channels for further information. Any club that wants to enter a 7s team for this year's event, please complete the application form on killarneyclub7s.ie/clubapplication Selected teams will

be contacted by the Killarney Club 7s Committee before February 28th. Further questions can be sent to info@KillarneyClub7s.ie.

>SCOR

Scór na nÓg: Any club member under 17 on 1st Jan 2023 is eligible to participate in Scór na nÓg while club members in primary school are eligible to participate in Scór na bPaistí. Disciplines are Rince Foirne, Amharanaíocht Aonair, Aithriseoireacht, Ceol Uirlise, Léiriú, Bailéad Ghrúpa, Rince Seit, Trath na gCeist and also Sean nós dancing for Scór na bPaistí. If anyone is interested in participating please contact Scor Officer Eileen Aherne on 087 9940594 by Friday 27th Jan 2023.

>LOTTO

Spa Lotto Results 09/01/23: Numbers Drawn are 8, 9, 14, 24. No winner and €50 Lucky Dips to Denis O'Connor, Arbutus; Caroline Fleming; William Lenihan; Mike Fleming c/o Village Inn and Mary Lyne (Annual Ticket Holders Monthly Draw). The Jackpot next Monday January 16th will be €3,800. Play online on spagaa.com or tickets on sale in usual outlets. Thank you for your continued support.

>2023 REGISTRATION

Spa GAA registration for the coming year is now open on our website spagaa.com. Membership rates remain the same as last year and a reminder that all players and competitors MUST register before they can train or compete with the club.

>CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to both Rathmore and Fossa on their All Ireland Club Championship victories on Sunday. Well done to the teams and managements at both clubs!

>CONDOLENCES

Our condolences to the Cahill and O'Donnell families on the passing of Kathleen O'Donnell RIP, Limerick. May she Rest in Peace.

>ITEMS FOR NOTES

Any items for the Spa notes please contact the club PRO on 085 1216359 or pro.spa.kerry@gaa.ie before 8pm on Sundays.

RATHMORE GNEEVEGUILLA

By Michael O' Mahony

>SOCIAL

Annual social in Ballygarry Estate hotel next Saturday January 21st. Tickets €50.00 available from committee members.

>PANTO

The Panto in Rathmore is getting into top gear as it returns after the Covid lock down. This year Dame Annie Goes West leading a team varied



Arthur Moynihan pictured with all the kit bags at the homecoming. Photo: Seamus Healy

and exciting in a medley of comedy and colour combined with music and dance. Show week starts on Sat. Jan 28th at 7.30pm and Sun Jan 29th at 3.00 pm. Mid week it continues on Wed Feb 1st at 7.30 pm and Thrs Feb 2nd at 7.30pm and also Sat. Feb 4th at 7.30 pm and Sun Feb 5th at 3.00pm. The booking office will be open every day from Thursday Jan 19th onwards – from 2.00 pm to 6.00 pm. to reserve seats and collect tickets and is located adjacent to The Community Centre, next to Christy's Take Away. Over the phone too seats may be reserved and tickets paid for using a credit card. The Booking Office phone number is 085 2031730.

>THE SOCIAL ACTION GROUP RATHMORE CLG is seeking volunteers to support the running of our Community based Laundry. For further information contact the SAG on 064 7758588

>SYMPATHIES to Peter Bradley, Mary & family, on the death of Peter's mother Mary Bradley Dromtariffe. Mary's funeral took place on January 5th in Dromagh.

To the family sons & daughters of Noreen Kelleher, Knocknagree & I/o Millstreet, her sister Mary & James & work colleagues. Noreen's funeral took place in Millstreet on Friday 13th January

To Sean, Denis, David & Aidan O'Connor on the death of their brother Fr Donal O'Connor, Shinnagh, Chaplin in MTU Tralee, & formerly Curate of Castletownbere, Listowel & PP in Beaufort. His many friends, & the Bishop & priests of the Kerry diocese. May Mary, Noreen & Fr Donal rest in peace

>ALL IRELAND CLUB INTERMEDIATE CHAMPIONSHIP FINAL

Congratulations to All Ireland champions Rathmore & management & players club officers every one involved

>NOTES

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



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LISTRY

Written by: Anne Sugrue O'Brien

>DEEPEST SYMPATHY

Listry Gaa are deeply saddened on passing of our vice president Mike Mannix RIP. Deepest Sympathy to The Mannix family, friends and neighbours. Mike looked after our pitch with great pride and was a loyal supporter at games near and far.

>ALL IRELAND CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP FINAL

Congratulations to Fossa GAA Club and Rathmore G.A.A club 2022 AIB All-Ireland Club Junior/Intermediate Football Champions.

>LISTRY WEEKLY LOTTO RESULTS

Numbers drawn: 13, 16, 20, 21. €100 Colm O'Leary, Faha. €50 x 2 Mary McCarthy, Duart. Chris Horan, Lisheen. €25 x 2 May O'Driscoll, Ballymalis. Eoghan Darmody, Muckcross. Next Sunday Jackpot €8,850

>31 CARD DRIVE

A huge thank you to everyone for their fantastic support for our fundraiser 31card drive for Kerry Cork Cancer Bus. We raised €1170 for the charity.

To all who sponsored prizes and spots, to all the people that played. To Marian, Norma, Noel and to Sean O Mahoney and family, Faha Court Bar for hosting the event as well as being a sponsor.

A huge thanks to everybody.

>IRELAND LIGHTS UP

Listry Gaa Club are turning on floodlights for our walking track to enable locals to come together to walk and talk in a safe environment during the long dark evenings of winter every Wednesday from 6.00pm to 9.00pm until February 15th in partnership with Ireland's Lights Up. Please come along.

>LFGA KERRY U14

Congratulations to our Listry ladies, Louise O'Donoghue, Eilis Tangney and Ellen Allman who been selected for Kerry U14 panel.

>SIGERSON CUP 2023

The Sigerson Cup Round 1 got underway last week, Best of Luck to Listry players involved, Rónán Buckley UCD, Arron O'Shea MTU Cork, Ruairi Murphy UCC.

>ALLIANZ FOOTBALL LEAGUE

Best of Luck to Kerry travelling to Donegal in the 2023 Allianz Football League, Division 1 Round 1 on Sunday 29th at 2pm. Tickets: <https://am.ticketmaster.com/gaa/fbkerrydiv1>

BEAUFORT

By Cliona Coffey

>LOTTO

The next draw for a jackpot of €11,400 will be on Sunday, 22nd January 2023. Tickets are €2 each or 3 for €5 and are available from usual sellers, shops, public houses and online at www.beaufortgaa.com. Thank you to everybody who support the lotto.

>CONGRATULATIONS to Fossa and Rathmore on their All-Ireland Club Junior and Intermediate Club All Ireland final wins last weekend.

>IRELAND LIGHTS UP

Ireland Lights Up in partnership with Operation Transformation starts this week on Tuesdays and Fridays from 6.30pm to 8.30pm in GAA field. Everybody must sign in before walking.

>CLUB DEVELOPMENT

Beaufort G.A.A. Club are embarking in a Club Development in the form of an All-Weather Playing pitch and are holding a fundraising draw. First prize will be a Ford Focus car and there will also be cash prizes. Tickets are €25 each, 3 for €60 and are available from local sellers, shops, and public houses and online at www.beaufortgaa.com. Please contact the Club at

087 9975737 for more information.

>SPORTS PREDICTION QUIZ

The 2022 Sports Prediction Quiz results are as follows: Noel Spillane, Coolmagort 114 points. Micheál Foley, Cullina Park 98 points. Gerard Foley, Tullig 96 points. Ronan Ferris, Gap of Dunloe 95 points. Paudie Lynch, Beaufort 94 points. Thank you to everybody who took part in the quiz and all the sellers.

>WALKING CHALLENGE

Thank you to everybody who signed up for the walking challenge Healthy Club Irish Life 'Every Step Counts' Walking challenge. It will continue until 15th February. There will be a draw for O'Neill's gear vouchers for every Club who completes 4,000km between now and 15th February.

>BEAUFORT RAMBLING HOUSE

Beaufort Pioneer Council will host Springtime at Beaufort Rambling House at Beaufort Community Hall on Saturday February 4th. Further details later.

A Final Farewell for Seamus



Final Farewell...Family members, friends and musicians, of renowned musician and singer, Seamus Begley, dance a polka set at Reilig Chill Chuáin, left, is Breannán Begley, Brother of Seamus, playing the accordion and watching on Musician and Singer, Muireann Nic Amhlaoibh. following funeral mass in Sáipéal na Carraige, Corca Dhuibhne - West Kerry on Saturday. Seamus, from Baile na bPóc, was regarded as one of the finest accordion players and singers in Ireland, playing in concerts all over the world. He is survived by his Wife Máire, Sons, Breannán, Eoin, Níall and Daughter, Méabh Begley. P hoto: Valerie O'Sullivan



Final Farewell...Family members of renowned musician and singer, Seamus Begley, shoulder the coffin at Reilig Chill Chuáin, following funeral mass in Sáipéal na Carraige, Corca Dhuibhne - West Kerry on Saturday. Seamus, from Baile na bPóc, was regarded as one of the finest accordion players and singers in Ireland, playing in concerts all over the world. He is survived by his Wife Máire, Sons, Breannán, Eoin, Níall and Daughter, Méabh Begley. Photo: Valerie O'Sullivan

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Good news for those looking for a new car in Kerry. As part of the 231 registration period that began January 1st, Billy Naughton Citroën located at Mile Height in Tralee have just announced that they will be offering 2.9% APR Finance available on models across the passenger car range including the facelifted C5 Aircross SUV. The facelifted version of this C-segment SUV, which has been the bestselling Citroën passenger car in Ireland since 2020, is available with a choice of petrol, diesel and plug-in hybrid versions.

The refreshed Citroën passenger car range features the recently launched C5 Aircross SUV offering an imposing and rugged design thanks to a newly designed front and rear end. A member of the Advanced Comfort Programme, C5 Aircross SUV offers Advanced Comfort Seats with 15mm of extra memory foam and an Advanced Comfort Suspension for the ultimate comfort for all passengers. C5 Aircross is the only SUV in the segment to offer three individual sliding, reclining and retractable rear seats, allowing MPV modularity in true SUV style. The boot volume is a record for the segment: from 580 L to 720 L in the petrol and diesel versions and from 460 L to 600 L for the hybrid version.



Speaking today, Jimmy O' Sullivan, Sales Manager of Billy Naughton Citroën, commented:

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MEK GALAXY

GIRLS

U12

Well done to MEK's U12 Girls Saoirse Teahan, Megan Quigg, Grace Ryan, Elise Brunner and Ava Harty who all played for Kerry in there 3-0 win today against Limerick County. They won 3-0, with Elise getting 1 and Ava getting 2. An all MEK score sheet at county level. Well done all.

U13 Girls Premier Result - Listowel Celtic 1 MEK 0- An Excellent performance. Very harsh result as we were the better team for large parts of the game. Well done to all. POTM: Izzy Lyons & Alannah Casey.

BOYS

U12 Premier Division

Park 5 - 1 MEK

MEK tried hard but were outclassed by an outstanding Park team.

U12 Division 2

Mastergeeha 1 - 4 MEK

A great win for lads goals from Eoin Murphy 3 and Joji Kobelo

U14 Premier Division

Tralee Dynamos 2 MEK 5

A Great display by our Undet 14's Scorers, Donnacha Lynch, Leo Allen, David O Shea and 2 by Killian Fitzgerald. MOTM Killian Fitzgerald centre half

SAVE THE DATE

Our annual Quiz Night will be held on Friday February 3rd in The Golden Nugget Bar and Restaurant. A great night is assured!

BALLYHAR DYNAMOS FC

LOTTO

No.s 8,14,16,24. No winner of the jackpot. 5 x €25 - Joan McKenna, Fíries. Jack Cooper, Ballyhar. Jason Lowe, Fíries. Callen Cronin, Fíries & Jer O'Connor, Fíries. Next draw for a Jackpot of €11,400 will take place on Sunday next, 22nd January at Butlers Bar, Fíries. Thanks to all who Support & Help out with the club lotto.

TEAMS

The clubs U11s hosted Mastergeeha FC on Saturday last where both teams displayed their skills at Murt Scott Park.

The U12 girls travelled to St Brendans Park where they came up against a quality Park side with Seoidin Scanlon, Aine Fitzgerald & Eimear Spring putting in good performances.

The U12 boys made the short journey to Castleisland where a 0-1 victory was secured when a Patrick O Connor corner kick ended up in the Castleisland net. Daithi Allen, Callum Templeman & Fionn Clifford were solid at the



Ballyhar Dynamos FC u12s following their 0-1 away victory v Castleisland FC B on Saturday last.

back with Noah Browne equally impressive in goals. Adam Fleming, Killian O Sullivan & Alex Finn were very effective out the field in a game in which castleisland played very well.

The U14s welcomed Killarney Celtic B and recorded a hard earned 3-0 win. Aaron Moriarty from the penalty spot had Ballyhar in front at half time. Keelan Riordan made it 2-0 early in the second half. The visitors were given a lifeline but Kianan Cronin in the Ballyhar goal brought off a good Penalty save. Daniel Downes made it 3-0 late on to secure the points with Ryan Breen, Sean Brosnan, Ruairi McEntee & Kevin O Shea contributing to the fine result.

The seniors travelled to play Killarney Celtic B for a mid week game where the home side came out on top with a 3-4 win. The game was tied at 1-1 at half time after a Mike Daly Penalty had given Ballyhar the lead. James Horgan made it 2-2 on 55 minutes. Sean Cooper made it a 3-4 game with 80 minutes on the clock but Ballyhar were unable to force an equaliser. On the night Trevor O'Shea, John Power, Kevin O'Sullivan, Maurice O'Donoghue, Ger Fitzgerald, Niall Donohoe, Kerruim Brosnan & Alan Moriarty played well.

KERRY FC - U14S

The club wishes U14 player Jack O Connor good fortune & success as he has signed for Kerry FC u14s for the coming season. His squad kicked off with a pre season friendly on Sunday last at Mounthawk Park, Tralee.

THANKS

Thanks to Tesco, Tralee for their recent contribution to the club via the Tesco Community Fund. Many thanks to Olivia & Louise for their help.

KILLARNEY ATHLETIC

AFC 300 CLUB MEMBER DRAW FOR 2023

The "300 club" is open to new members for 2023. The draw takes place each month - with 6 winners every month - €1000 in prizes each month. If anyone is interested in entering this draw they can check log in to Clubforce or contact

Mike 0872226185/Martin 0831229008 or any member of Killarney Athletic AFC

KDL PREMIER A RESULT

Killarney Athletic 2-0 Tralee Dynamos

Matthew Horgan Shane Lynch. Our As traveled over to Tralee to play Dynamos in the KDL grounds on a wet and wild Wednesday night. Athletic played into the wind for the first half but didn't let it affect their game too much. With our midfield three of Donal Kelliher, Dara O Shea and Roko Rujevican working hard stopping Dynamos from playing through the middle, Dynamos had to go long this aloud us to have plenty of the ball to which Matthew Horgan and Eoin Moynihan used to great affect down the right wing on a number of occasions. This came to fruit in the 38 min of play when good work by Eoin to beat two players and play in Matthew who finished with a brilliant shot to establish himself as our top scorer for the season so far. Dynamos chances came by way of corners and free kicks to which Gary Sugrue dealt with excellently.

Roko was unlucky not to double our lead before half time when he tried to capitalise on a mistake at the back leaving him one on one with the keeper but was disappointed to see his shot just go over from just outside the box. Second half saw Athletic control the game Keeping Dynamos pinned in their own half and not getting an attempt at goal.

With the wind and rain making it difficult to



Ballyhar Dynamos FC u12 girls following their recent defeat away to St Brendans Park FC.



Mastergeeha FC U14B team travelled to Tralee trying to get back on winning ways in Round 6 of the league.

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play ball over the top and Dynamos defending in numbers we had to have patience and make the most of what chances came our way. We should of had a goal in the 60 min from a corner when Jack Cooper capitalised on the keeper failing to clear the ball only for a foul to be given to everyone's amazement.

Both teams made subs with Shane Lynch making his season debut scoring within 5 mins of coming on to secure the points and keep our unbeaten run going in the league.

U14 DIVISION 1 RESULT

Killarney Athletic 5 Killorglin 0

Liam McCarthy Darragh O Donoghue

Our U14's welcomed killorglin to Woodlawn this morning and after 10 weeks without a game started pressing right from the first whistle to get the opener however it was the hosts who had the best chance of the opening 20 min when they hit the crossbar. That seemed to spark our boys into life and soon after we were rewarded for our efforts when Liam McCarthy bagged his first of the day. HT: Athletic 1 killorglin 0. The second half started in much the same vein as the first and the second goal soon arrived from a fantastic cross by Alan Scannell and finished with a bullet header from Darragh O Donoghue. The third and fourth soon followed for the same pair, McCarthy finishing from close range and again another header from Darragh O Donoghue. The game finished with Liam McCarthy bagging his hat trick with a cool finish from close range. All 17 players played their part in a strong performance and a deserved 3 points. Thanks to Killorglin for a very sporting game and we wish them all the best for the rest of the season.

U12 PREMIER RESULT

Killorglin 0 - 0 Killarney Athletic

Our young Blues made the short journey back to Killorglin this afternoon to play their first game of the new year. Although this was scoreless affair, they was plenty of action. Our boys had the majority of possession but chances were at a premium. Second half Killorglin came into the game and started to control affairs. The last 10 mins Killorglin really took the game to us but our defence stood firm and we earned a well deserved draw.

Thanks to Killorglin for a good, sporting game. A very solid performance all round for all the squad today. Well done boys

UNDER 12 DIVISION 2 SOUTH

Killarney Athletic C 0-3 Iveragh United B

Our young Blues were ultra competitive against the high flying visitors this afternoon in Woodlawn. Athletic had many good scoring opportunities throughout the match but a goal just before the break and two goals deep into the second half for Iveragh Utd. was the difference in the end. Thank you to Iveragh Utd. for a sporting fixture and best of luck for the rest of the season.

U15 GIRLS PREMIER

Killarney Athletic 0-4 Fenit Samphires

First game in 3 months for the girls. The girls did very well. Everyone played well. The scoreline didn't tell the real truth of the game. As a mark of Respect to Saoirse Buckley of Inter Kenmare we did not play the no 8 Jersey today who

sadly passed away during the week. Deepest condolences to her family and Inter Kenmare. RIP Saoirse
Special thanks to all the volunteers that helped in our annual street collection over the last weekend and to all that supported Killarney athletic.

MASTERGEEHA

FC

EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING (EGM)

Please be advised that Mastergeeha F.C. will hold an EGM in the Clubhouse at Kilbreen Park on Monday 23rd January 2023 at 8pm. Please find the agenda below: 1. Adaptation and Approval of an Updated Club Constitution. A copy of the Draft Constitution can be accessed at the below link: <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1xSWAYeJCUZVY-CvGhtmtstghbF6H0waKg/view?usp=sharing> All members welcome.

U14B TEAM

Our U14B team travelled to Tralee trying to get back on winning ways in Round 6 of the league. With a number of players missing, we were going to be under pressure and when we fell 1-0 behind, things were looking bleak!

However, driven on by Lucas Lara and Seán Wubehset at the back, we began to get back into the game. With Seán Herlihy gaining a foothold in midfield, we got back on level terms when Briain Maguire ran on to an Adam O'Connor through ball to strike home.

Half time: Tralee Dynamos 1 - 1 Mastergeeha
The 2nd half saw both sides have periods of possession. We came close through Seán Fleming and then slick passing from Joe O'Connor and Liam Breen almost made it 2. As Dynamos attacked, Hugh Maguire in goals had to be on his toes to keep the locals out. Then, a corner perfectly swung over by Mark Fleming was met at the far post by a Cian O'Rourke rocket of a volley to put us ahead. Dynamos cranked up the pressure but as ever, Neil Thompson was a rock at the heart of the defence to help us get all 3 points.

Final score: Tralee Dynamos 1 - 2 Mastergeeha

LOTTO

There was no winner on Friday 13th January 2023 of the Jackpot for €7,400. Numbers drawn were 1,11,22,26. Consolation prizes of €50 went to Seamus Cooper c/o John Kerins, Ross & Rosie Griffin c/o Post Office, Mncb Parker c/o Martina Lyne, Tim Casey, Glounonea., The next draw will be Friday 20th Jan. for Jackpot of €7,600.

KILLARNEY CELTIC

CELTIC LOTTO

Numbers drawn 1,9,14,27. No jackpot winner. No Match 3 winner. Lucky Dip winners received €50. Next jackpot €11,800 on Monday January 23rd. Tickets available from The Dungeon Bookshop, Hegartys Park Rd, club members and



Ballyhar u11s who hosted Mastergeeha FC at murt Scott park on Saturday last.

online through clubforce.com

PREMIER B

Killarney Celtic B 5, St Brendan's Park 1

Witness Odirile 2, Terry Sparling 2, Dylan O Callaghan

Celtic B recorded their 2nd win of the week when they defeated table toppers St Brendans Park last Sunday.

Killarney Celtic B 4, Ballyhar Dyn 3

Terry Sparling, Dylan OCallaghan, Mikey Moynihan, Adam Grzesiak

Celtic B opened their 2023 year with a win over Ballyhar in a game played in midweek. 1-1 at halftime, Celtic edged ahead and withstood a Ballyhar fightback to take all 3 points.

U14 DIV 1

Ballyhar Dyn 3, Killarney Celtic B 0

Our 14B team battled hard against a good Ballyhar team.

U13 NATIONAL CUP

Listowel Celtic 6, Killarney Celtic 1

Kiernan Kelly

An under par performance from our U13s saw them exit the National Cup in Listowel last Saturday.

U12 DIV 2 SOUTH

Castleisland D 0, Killarney Celtic B 6

Ezio Santos, Robbie Paul O Sullivan, Richard Ivan,Conor Randles, Adam Arthur, Jack Kissane.

Our 12B squad enjoyed a fine win in Castleisland last Saturday with some more of our U11s stepping up to replace missing players.

1 of our U11 squads enjoyed an away game in Killorglin and we thank Killorglin for hosting us.

GIRLS

U17 LEAGUE

Castleisland AFC 0, Killarney Celtic 5

Aideen O Brien 2, Ellie Mai Nugent, Grainne Kennedy, Eve Culhane.

The u17 girls' squad had a convincing win in Castleisland last week.

U16 PREMIER

St Brendans Park 0, Killarney Celtic 4

Aine O Sullivan 2, Clodagh Moriarty, Katie Foster. Our U16 girls continued on their winning ways in the league with a clearcut win in the league.

SYMPATHY

Killarney Celtic sends its deepest sympathies to the family of Saoirse Buckley and to all at Inter Kenmare.

BEST OF LUCK

We wish Trpimir Vrljicak and Ryan Kelliher the best of luck for the upcoming season with Kerry FC following their recent transfers to Kerry FC.

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SETU CARLOW 99**

If it was drama you were looking for, the Killarney Sports and Leisure Centre was the place to be Saturday night when a last gasp Aron Walker basket clinched a deserved win for Scotts Lakers. It was a win that was fully merited but one that they had to forage hard at times. Hero of the hour Walker had his most productive night of the season nailing 25 points but none were as valuable as his last two. With 14 seconds left in the game and SETU Carlow after tying the game at 99 each courtesy of two Conor Harkins free throws, Coach Jarlath Lee called a time out. The go to move would be to get Jack Ferguson into position and so it transpired but his long range shot clipped the rim with 2.5 seconds on the clock. But Walker gobbled up the rebound and finished via the backboard just before the final buzzer, or did he? The match officials deliberated momentarily but the raucous home support, on its feet, had no doubt. And so it was that the basket would count to send the Lakers fans bouncing home.

The win edges the Lakers closer to the Limerick Celtics in second place and with three wins in their last four games the much needed momentum is starting to build. With a free weekend coming the second instalment of the Killarney Derby on January 28th is becoming ever so important. After last weekend's victory over the Cougars Coach Lee was urging his team to go inside a bit more to the towering Walker and he opened the game like a man that meant business netting the opening two baskets. Conor Harkins is Carlow's go to man and they went to him early as he got his three point radar dialled in. Jamie O Sullivan made full use of his starting berth, bright in offence and tenacious in defence, and it was 9-9 early with Jack Ferguson also hitting a three. Ronan Collins, looking a lot sharper, had a nice three point play and with Walker and Saravia chipping away the lead was stretched to 21-16. Carlow's Ben Kelly Flynn and Jack Kehoe kept them in touch but Paul Clarke and Ferguson helped the Lakers into a 28-21 first quarter lead.

Ferguson and Clarke continued their influence with Captain Saravia and the lead was now sixteen, 37-21. But Coach Conroy of Carlow cajoled his troops with Harkins, Eoin Hackett and Matthew McHale all hitting threes. Despite Jamie O Sullivan and Ferguson scores a strong Carlow comeback had it back to a three point game, 47-44 with two minutes to go in the half. A Ferguson

three and a Walker basket were all needed as the halftime buzzer sounded with the Lakers just that three in front, 52-49.

Again the Lakers started the third quarter strong with Mark Sheehan at the point and Ferguson, Walker and Collins putting it out to 60-54 but Harkins, the League's top three point specialist was always probing and alongside Hackett, Aaron Whelan and Jordan Fallon they pulled in front 68-67. But Walker and Ferguson made sure the Lakers lead again at quarters end, 73-69.

Walker, Saravia and Ferguson raised McHales three points and when Paul Clarke, Jamie O Sullivan and Ronan Collins all netted it was now a thirteen point game, 85-72 with 7.29 left to play. But if ever a team was made in the likeness of its coach it's SETU Carlow. They refused to bend and despite Clarke and O'Sullivan being prominent the lead was now whittled down to three, 93-90. Armands Vaikuls and Jack Kehoe were setting the Carlow tempo and when Jamie O Sullivan hit a huge three to make 98-93 the game looked safe. But Carlow kept on rolling and a combination of Harkins and Jordan Fallon squared up the game at 99 a piece with the clock counting down. Ferguson got his hands on the ball after a Lakers time out and although his shot was a little off the opportunistic Walker pounced to beat the buzzer. The manner of the winning basket will have given the Lakers a huge boost but no doubt when they sit down to pour through the footage they will still see some areas for improvement. But the one thing that was not lacking was the will to win and this one was definitely in the hard earned bracket.

Coach Jarlath Lee cut a satisfied figure after the game. "I'm really happy with that win over a side who were No.1 in the Conference last season. The spread of scorers, the young lads all got good minutes against a top side." Although keen to point out that it was a team win rather than an individual one he singled out three players. "Jamie O Sullivan and Ronan Collins were very composed throughout and Aron(Walker) had a super game inside. We've two weeks now to our next game and hopefully we'll have David Gleeson back in us, Marko Bencic as well. With our February schedule we'll need all hands on deck".

Jack Ferguson led the way on 30 points for the Lakers, Aron Walker hit 25, Jamie O Sullivan had an influential 15, Ronan Collins a rock steady 14 points, Paul Clarke had 9, Rui Saravia 6 and Jack O'Sullivan 2.

For SETU Carlow Conor Harkins had a game high 34, Aaron Whelan had 15, Jack Kehoe(12), Jordan Fallon(11), Matthew McHale(10) and Eoin Hackett(8).

POWERFUL WIN

**LIMERICK SPORTS HUSKIES 68
ST PAULS 98**

St Pauls shook off their National Cup blues with a powerful and comprehensive win over Limerick Sport Huskies in St Munchins Gym. The manner of defeat in that cup reverse to Abbey Seals Dublin Lions was heartbreaking but with a lot still to play for in the League it was a case of having to get back down to business. The win now sets them up in good spirits for three home games in a row with Swords Thunder, SETU Carlow and Marble City Hawks all heading to the Killarney Sports and Leisure in the coming weeks. The seeds of this win definitely came in the form of Yuleska Tejeda who tormented her former Huskies teammates hitting 39 points. Sofia Paska wasn't too far behind her on 28 points and the real bonus was the fashion of the win allowed Coach Fleming to give trusted squad members extended court time. Aisling O Mahony nailed a nice three, Jessica Quirke, Tara Donnellan and Emma Kerin showed what they could do while Irish underage International Leah McMahon did not look out of place.

The first quarter gave no clue as to how the match would pan out as the Huskies went toe for toe. Sophie Moore, Katie Black and Kristina Collins were buoyant and with Killarney native Megan Buckley using her influence they gave as good as they got. What they got was a handful from Yuleska and Paska and some nice play McMahon and Lynn Jones saw Pauls ahead, just, at quarters end 27-25.

The third quarter is often described as the moving quarter but tonight it was the second quarter. It saw Huskies really struggling to live with the pace and intensity as Tejeda, Paska and Lorraine Scanlon were all instrumental in Pauls embarking on a 28-2 eight minute scoring run. Just as it looked like the Huskies had stopped the rot, up popped Rheanne O'Shea with five points on the spin to make it double scores, 60-30. Megan Buckley was trying her damndest for the Huskies and she struck to leave the half time score 60-33. With the game almost in hand Pauls ran their full bench but it did little to halt the momentum. Scanlon and Tejeda kept the scoreboard ticking over, Aisling O Mahony struck for a three and while the Huskies through Cathy Grant and Katie Balck had a better third quarter they still trailed 82-48.

Jessica Quirke, Emma Kerin and Tara Donnellan all featured in the fourth quarter for St Pauls as again they ran their bench. Inevitably the scoring rate would drop but Tejeda, Scanlon and McMahon all hit some nice scores while Grant, Fiona O Connell

ST. PAULS LADIES RECORD



and Buckley tried hard for the home side. They certainly played with pride in that final quarter but with Pauls in cruise control no major inroads were made into the Pauls lead and Sofia Paskas final basket made it a 98-68 win.

With the Limerick Celtics beaten by Abbey Seals Dublin Lions in Dublin at the same time the win sees Pauls climb into second place in the Southern Conference, and in possession of that much coveted play off spot. Those three upcoming home games are now very crucial to their progress and with tough away trips to fellow high flyers the Phoenix Rockets and McEvoy's Cavan Eagles they will be targeting an 100% return from those Killarney encounters.

Yuleska Tejeda was the games top scorer with 39 points, Sofia Paska had 28, Lorraine Scanlon 18, Leah McMahon 5, Rheanne O'Shea 5 and Aisling O Mahony 3.

For a game Huskies side Katie Black shot 13, Kristina Collins and Cathy Grant had 11, Megan Buckley had 9 and Fiona O'Connell hit 8.

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ULSTER UNIVERSITY 82 KILLARNEY COUGARS 48

Killarney Cougars made the journey North early on Saturday morning to Belfast to face in form Ulster University at the Jordanstown Sports Campus with the home side leading throughout securing the points with a comfortable winning margin despite a spirited performance by the Cougars.

The home side were quickly into their stride to lead 16-4 with Corkman Conor O'Sullivan and Adam Ryan on target with some great three pointers to lead 26-13. A strong response by the Cougars in the second quarter with early baskets by Jack Lynch Esebjo Strijdhafhtig and Alex Fleming saw Cougars trailing 40-30.

The home side by a big response to the Cougars comeback and dominated the third quarter to take a firm grip of the game with

a spread of scores throughout the team they pulled away by the end of the third 66-38 with OSullivan and Ryan again in good shooting form doing the damage. The Cougars defense were working overtime to contain Ulster but could make little impact on the score board as the home side finished with a burst of scoring in the closing minutes to finish comfortable winners, they contest the President's Cup Final in National Basketball Arena next Saturday.

A difficult game for Coach Patrick O'Regan young Cougars team, travelling with some regulars unavailable, but the side continue to show good character to battle until the final buzzer with good performances on this occasion from Esebjo Strijdhafhtig, Jack Lynch and Nathan Cox.

The Cougars welcome Dublin side Malahide to Killarney next Saturday night at the Presentation Gym.

2023 Basketball Season Off to a Cracking Start

The First and Second Year South West League commenced this week at Presentation Secondary School, Castleisland.

The visitors this week were Ennis, and the First Years got the proceedings underway. Our girls led this one from start to finish, ending the first quarter with a 22-4 lead. The level of skill, tenacity and unselfishness on display was extremely impressive in this, the girls first ever secondary school game. It ended on a scoreline of 68 -14. Top scorers on the day were Alana Kelliher who dropped 16 points, with Leah Griffin close behind with 12. Scoring was not the most impressive feature of the day however, it was the unselfishness of these girls, always playing with their heads up. Everybody that took to the court did us proud and we look forward to the next game.

The Second Years were always going to find it tough to top the First Years' impressive performance, though they made quite the attempt. They opened up with a 20-6 lead at the end of their first quarter, and while our opponents reduced the lead to 8 at half time, our girls really ramped up the pressure in the third and fourth quarters, winning out in the end 67 - 32. Leah Griffin top scored with 16 points, Katelyn Brosnan added 15, and Barbora Dolata also got herself in double figures with 14. Two big wins, two happy squads, and two big encounters with our local rivals the Castleisland Community College in round 2 to come. Thanks to Aoibhinn Broderick and Lauren Coffey for doing the boards on the day.



First year Basketball team at Presentation Castleisland



Second year Basketball team at Presentation Castleisland



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

Action from the All Ireland Junior Final Fossa V Stewartstown Harps. Photo: Chris O'Sullivan Photography



Fossa player Emmet O'Shea in action on Sunday. Photo: Chris O'Sullivan Photography



DOUBLE DELIGHT FOR KERRY CLUBS

JUNIOR GLORY FOR FOSSA

ALL IRELAND JUNIOR FINAL:

Fossa 0-19 Stewartstown Harps 1-13

It'll hardly matter to the newly crowned All Ireland Junior champions, but the fractious ending overshadowed a lot of the good football played by both sides in Croke Park last Sunday. And there was good football played by both sides – this was actually a good contest with some skillful football on both sides. Obviously one particular full forward captured all the headlines – how could he not? Let's recap his annus mirabilis here. Alright, a McGrath Cup medal is only a marker laid down at most. National League is a real measure, even if Mayo didn't throw the handle with the hatchet in that one. Who was man of the match in that one again? Munster is a much more serious medal, but in fairness you sometimes find one of those mixed in with your change if a shop is busy in Kerry. But a Celtic cross is always and ever a measure of immortality. If you go back

to the Centre of Excellence in Currans, you'll see the names of every Kerry senior All Ireland winner on a plaque by the door, including the 1891 hurlers. There will be new names added for this year, including a certain D. Clifford. Man of the match in the All Ireland Final, by the way. All Star, of course. Footballer of the Year. And I doubt if there was too much debate on that. On to the County Championship and the Bishop Moynihan. An array of talent, but you still have to go out and win it – that game against Dingle was a cracker. Guess who was man of the match in the final? Yup. Not that there was too much time for celebration – there were no flashbacks in this movie. The Junior Championship – and that was a great championship. I know people feel that Kerry clubs have an advantage in the All Ireland series because of divisional teams in our Senior Championship, and the evidence for that is frankly irrefutable (I genuinely don't understand why more counties don't copy our successful model) but I genuinely believe that our Junior Premier is of a standard similar to most counties' senior. Fossa just about got over Ardfert in a thriller and then had to face another one in an outstanding final against Listry – that one was up there with Kerry v Dublin, Kerry v Galway, and Galway v Armagh for one of the best games I saw all year, it really was. Again, no prizes for guessing the man of the match – he

kicked 2-12. Another 0-10 in the Munster Junior Final against Kilmurry. Last weekend he was named as the Irish Independent Sports Star of the Year. That would be a big deal to you or me....for David, it was a long way back in second place as far as last weekend was concerned. Look, this is not the story of David Clifford. It's just that the story of Fossa winning an All Ireland in Croke Park cannot be told without talking about David Clifford, it would be like narrating a history of Rome and never mentioning Julius Caesar.

Stewartstown actually opened the scoring. In fairness to Gareth Devlin, he had been on the panel as a Tyrone minor in 2005 when they lost out to Finuge (Eamonn Fitzmaurice was on the sideline for Fossa on Sunday along with Adrian Sheehan) and he was a great player in his own right. He won and converted a free. David Clifford replied confidently, but Stewartstown were making the early running and it took a good block by Fintan Coffey and a turnover by Paddy Sheehan to deny them further scores. They had a tame effort drop safely to Shane O'Sullivan to instigate a Fossa attack, with David kicking a beauty with his left leg with advantage being played. In fairness, Gareth Devin replied with a great score of his own and quickly added another. Stewartstown were making Fossa uncomfortable by running at the



David Clifford kicks high at the All Ireland Junior Final Fossa V Stewartstown Harps. Photo: Chris O'Sullivan Photography



Paudie Clifford in action v Stewartstown Harps. Photo: Chris O'Sullivan



centre, and midfielder Macauley Quinn found space to kick a nice point. 0-4 to 0-2.

David won and kicked a free and the loose kick-out was snaffled up by an alert Dan O'Keeffe for Harry Buckley to draw Fossa level. Dan Lowe replied with a free. Gareth Devlin had an effort drop short and well gathered safely by Shane O'Sullivan, but when the next one dropped short, Devlin was in fast to knock it loose and fist it into the net – a great goal. Macauley Quinn's second point made it 1-6 to 0-5.

Emmett O'Shea kicked a super point for Fossa. Paudie Clifford had a chance drop short, but his pace was starting to cause real problems for Stewartstown. Stephen Talbot became the second Stewartstown midfielder to score, but David Clifford had the last say of the half to leave a goal between them.

Half-time Stewartstown Harps 1-7 Fossa 0-7

Adrian Sheehan didn't ring any panic bells at half-time and didn't need to. Fossa came out focussed and determined, and you could feel the tide shift almost straightaway. Eoin Talbot had an effort blocked down but Paudie Clifford soon had the scoreboard ticking over. David was fouled just as he fired another effort, and he made light work of a difficult enough free for ordinary mortals. Another fantastic effort off his left leg after good work by Cian O'Shea and the sides were level. Macauley Quinn made a dangerous burst for Stewartstown but a great tackle by Fintan Coffey cleared the danger and Emmett O'Shea took a good mark at the other end to put Fossa in front. Immediately afterwards, Stewartstown full back swung a frustrated punch at the Fossa forward and referee Thomas Murphy showed a straight red. Look, I do feel sorry for the lad – remember, he had put a minimum of three nights a week over a hard winter to represent his community. Nobody should ever be judged by their worst moments, especially in a high adrenaline All Ireland Final. But I'm sure he knows himself that it was costly and unnecessary – Emmett had done nothing to provoke it and, while it wasn't full force, it was a very clear strike to the face. With both corner backs already on yellows and the full back dismissed – well, David Clifford makes for a formidable fox in any henhouse even in normal circumstances. Games really can turn on such moments and, even though there

was very little between the sides at that stage (0-11 to 1-7) it felt like all the momentum was with Fossa. In fairness, Paddy Sheehan picked up a yellow for a head tackle on Tiernan Rushe – in ladies' football, that's an automatic red, but in the mens' game the referee has discretion and adjudged it a yellow. Dan Lowe slotted the free to level matters once more.

Paudie Clifford was dominating the play by now and split the posts with his left leg. Matt Rennie rose high to win the kick-out and set up David Clifford to put Fossa two in front. Credit to Stewartstown, they lacked nothing for heart, and Dan Lowe pointed to cut the gap back to a minimum. A foul on Harry Buckley saw David increase his personal tally and Fossa's lead. Anton Coyle had a chance to pull one back but good pressure forced him into over-carrying. David Clifford set up Harry Buckley to put a goal between the sides but Fossa lost Cian O'Shea to a black card.

Macauley Quinn teed up Stephen Talbot for his second point. Gareth Devlin exchanged a brace of frees with Emmett O'Shea and Harry Buckley. Harry added another point – he may have been thinking of goal – and David made it 0-18 to 1-12. Connor Devlin kicked a good point but David replied to restore the goal gap. Unfortunately, Stewartstown's frustrations were bubbling over. Anton Coyle's elbow on Paudie Clifford was high, late, and forceful – red all day long and very dangerous. Gareth Devlin picked up a second yellow and departed. David Clifford had time to kick one last point to take his tally for the Junior campaign to an incredible 5-87 became somewhat embroiled in confrontations as Stewartstown seemed to lose both hope and discipline – I felt that David was definitely more sinned against than sinning on that occasion, but he picked up a second yellow and Paudie joined him with a red along with Stewartstown's Kyran Robinson. Not quite a fairytale ending on the day, I suppose, but that won't matter to the smallest parish in county Kerry and one of the youngest clubs as they celebrate the most remarkable of David Clifford's many triumphs this year.

Fossa: Shane O'Sullivan, Brian Myers, Fintan Coffey, Kevin McCarthy, Dan O'Keeffe, Paudie Clifford (0-2), Dan O'Connell, Eoin Talbot, Paddy Sheehan, Harry Buckley (0-3), Matt Rennie, Cian

O'Shea, Ruairí Doyle, David Clifford (0-11, 3f), Emmett O'Shea (0-3, 1m). Subs: Rian Colleran (for McCarthy, half-time), Tadhg O'Shea (for Ruairí Doyle, 55 mins), Killian Buckley (for Harry Buckley, 62 mins), Cian Doyle (for Paudie Clifford, bs, 62-64 mins), Mark Dennehy (for Dan O'Keeffe (67)

Stewartstown Harps: Greg Kelly, Jason Park, Darren Devlin, Conor Quinn (0-1), Kyran Robinson, Mark Rooney, Gerard O'Neill, Stephen Talbot (0-2), Macauley Quinn (0-2), Dylan McElhatton, Cumhaí O'Neill, Tiarnan Rushe, Dan Lowe (0-3, 2f), Gareth Devlin (1-5, 3f), Theo Lowe. Subs used: Anton Coyle (for Theo Lowe, 46 mins), Cathal Devlin (for Dan Lowe, 52 mins)

Referee: Thomas Murphy (Galway).

KEEPER HEROICS SEE RATHMORE TRIUMPH

ALL IRELAND INTERMEDIATE FINAL

Rathmore 1-11 Galbally Pearse 0-11

Two teams put in an incredible amount of effort to reach this stage, but on the day it effectively came down to two goalkeepers. One of them last played here just a couple of months ago, before picking up a celtic cross and an All Star for his excellence between the posts for Kerry. But Shane Ryan plays very little club football in goal – he has been one of the most consistent targetmen in Kerry club football for many years. It's no secret that the 2014 minors had an outfield jersey with the number 1 in case they needed to switch Shane up front iif they needed a late goal to end Kerry's twenty year famine for a minor All Ireland.

The last time that Kenneth O'Keeffe played in Croke Park, he was also in goal for a Kerry team. Kenneth and Mike D. Cahill were the Rathmore players on the Kerry minor team defeated by Laois in the All Ireland minor final away back in 1996 alongside the likes of Mike McCarthy, Tomás Ó Sé, and Noel Kennelly. Funnily enough, Kenneth also played most of his club football at corner forward – his brother Declan was Kerry and Rathmore's senior keeper. It's more common than you think – Stephen Cluxton, Ethan Rafferty, and Niall Morgan would be modern examples of outfield club players as inter-county goalkeepers.

Mark Ryan opened the scoring with a confident point – it would not surprise anyone to find out that Mark is very much on Jack O'Connor's radar. Galbally attacked but Fionn Holohan cleared his lines nicely and Shane Ryan gathered a mark. Galbally were slow retreating, and Chrissy Spiers calmly slotted the free – Spiers was quiet industrial efficiency all day and has been a major weapon during Rathmore's campaign. Galbally hit back, though, Daniel Kerry taking a good pass from Barry Carberry and slotting over. Conor Donaghy added a free and it was all square. Galbally were on top at this stage, setting up a heavy blanket defence and breaking at speed. It took a brilliant last minute tackle by Brian Friel to deny Daniel Kerry a certain score and an even better save by veteran Kenneth O'Keeffe to stop a certain goal for Enda McGarrity. Conor Donaghy slotted the '45 and Galbally were in front for the first time.



Action from the All Ireland Intermediate Final Rathmore V Galbally Pearses. Photo: Chris O'Sullivan Photography



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Shane Ryan did well to kick his first score. Mark won the kick-out and found his brother, but Ronan McGearty did well to gather his effort safely. It was a portent though, as Chrissy Spiers' attempt at a point dropped short. Shane Ryan got in to exert pressure and when the keeper spilled it, Shane dived full length to fist it into the net – a real poacher turned gamekeeper! Daniel Kerr trimmed the gap back to two with a free but Brendan O'Keeffe kicked a beauty to keep Rathmore on the front foot. Chrissy Spiers had an uncharacteristic miss but very quickly made amends, slotting a free in injury time. Half-time Rathmore 1-5 Galbally Pearses 0-4 James Darmody slotted over to put five between them. Galbally needed to chase the game now, and that meant emerging more from their defensive shell. Chrissy Spiers won and took a quick free to Shane Ryan, who neatly split the posts. Conor Donaghy slotted a Galbally free, but Rathmore's defense were winning most of the key duels and Galbally had no answer to Shane Ryan in particular up front. He won another free for Spiers to convert and then added a point himself to make it 1-9 to 0-5. A black card for Galbally midfielder Enda McGarrity didn't help their waning hopes. To their credit, the Tyrone side refused to buckle. Ronan Nugent kicked a great score. A minute late it was up to Kenneth O'Keeffe to save Rathmore's bacon again. It was a brilliant pass by Conor Donaghy into Daniel Kerr and the shot was measured to perfection, but O'Keeffe somehow managed to divert it just enough with his outstretched foot. Conor Donaghy again sent over the '45 and added a

long range free for good measure. At 1-9 to 0-8, this game was done and dusted just yet! James Darmody made a good burst and wisely opted to fist over – there may have been a slight chance of a goal, but a score was invaluable at that stage. Conor Donaghy added another lobbing range free, but Mark Reen replied with a great curlewing point. Liam Rafferty went on a great run but could only lay it off to Daniel Kerr for a point, and that was too little and too late. For two of Rathmore's greatest servants, this was their last game for the club. Aidan O'Mahony (who features in this season's 'Laochra Gael' on TG4) and Kenneth O'Keeffe (at full forward) were both on the Rathmore team that won back to back promotions in 1998 and 1999. They were there at the start of the journey in Rathbeg all those years ago, and they were at the finish last Sunday in Croke park. What a way for two great warriors to exit the stage. Rathmore: Kenneth O'Keeffe, James O'Sullivan, Andrew Moynihan, Dan Murphy, Alan Dineen, Paul Murphy, Fionn Holohan, Mark Ryan (0-1), Cathal Ryan, Brendan O'Keeffe (0-1), Chrissy Spiers (0-3, 3f), Brian Friel, John Moynihan, James Darmody (0-2), Shane Ryan (1-3). Subs: Cillian O'Connor (for James O'Sullivan, 35 mins), Mark Reen 0-1 (for John Moynihan, 55 mins), James O'Sullivan (for Alan Dineen, 56 mins), Anthony Darmody (for James Darmody, 61 mins), Darragh Rahilly (for Chrissy Spiers, 66 mins) Galbally Pearses: Ronan McGearty, Conor Quinn, Conor Donnelly, Marc Lennon, Christopher Morris, Liam Rafferty, John Hetherington,

Enda McGarrity, Cormaic Donnelly, Seán Wylie, Ronan Nugent (0-1), Barry Carberry, Conor Donaghy (0-7, 5f, 2'45), Seán Murphy, Daniel Kerr (0-3, 1f). Subs: Aidan Carberry (for Barry Carberry, half-time), Fearghal McGarrity (for Cormaic Donnelly, 50 mins), Seamus Óg Mulgrew (for Seán Wylie, 55 mins) Referee: Barry Tiernan (Dublin).

MUNSTER GAA ANNOUNCE €1.8M INVESTMENT IN CLUB DEVELOPMENT GRANTS FOR 2022

The Munster Council has approved a €1.8m Club Development Grant Fund, which will cover capital grant works in clubs in Munster for the years 2020, 2021 and 2022.

The scheme reopened this year having been closed for two years due to the pandemic. The scheme accepted applications for the two years of the pandemic and for 2022. There was a total expenditure of €23.75M recorded over our units across the province and 440 applications were submitted for consideration.

The Council agreed a budget of €1,800,000 for the grant scheme, this is the largest investment the Council has ever allocated for club development grants. €930,000 is donated by the Munster Council and the remaining €870,000 is contributed by Central Council. €150,000 of the Munster Council budget is allocated to a new category this year, the urban participation projects, €72,000 is allocated to category 7 (sanding grants) and €40,000 to category 8 (legal aid). The



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remainder of the Munster Council budget and the Central Council allocation fund category 1 - land purchase, category 2 - clubhouse developments, category 6 (catch all category, pitch and non-pitch works).

Munster GAA Chairman Ger Ryan said "I am delighted to announce the awarding of €1.8 million in grants supporting 400 development projects throughout Munster. These grants have supported an impressive range of capital development projects, with Clubs investing over €23 million in upgrading their facilities. This level of expenditure is testament to the strength of the GAA in the Province and reflects the impressive vision of our Clubs to continually improve facilities for players and supporters alike."

He added "The grants provided would not be possible without the great support we get from the many thousands of people who attend our games each year. We are very fortunate to have such loyal support in the Province, and we are delighted to be able to redistribute income from games to the Clubs and Schools."

The Council approved the following allocations for each of our counties.

County	Munster Council	Central Council	Total
CLARE			
€107,758	€110,381	€218,140	
CORK			
€326,666	€263,455	€590,121	
KERRY			
€99,423	€96,526	€195,949	
LIMERICK			



Joy for Rathmore in the All Ireland Intermediate Final Rathmore V Galbally Pearse. Photo: Chris O'Sullivan Photography

€132,814	€156,066	€288,881
TIPP		
€153,124	€171,054	€324,178
WATERFORD		
€110,215	€72,518	€182,733
Totals		
€930,000	€870,000	€1,800,000

LADIES GAA

The fixtures for Division One of the Ladies National League have been released and are as follows.

Round 1 - 22nd January: Waterford -v- Kerry,

Piltown, Kilkenny 2.00pm
Round 2 - 28th January: Mayo -v- Kerry - Centre of Excellence Mayo GAA 12:45pm
Round 3 - February 5th: Kerry -v- Donegal - venue and time TBC
Round 4 - February 18th: Kerry -v- Dublin - Austin Stacks Park 5:15pm
Round 5 - February 25th: Kerry -v- Meath - 4:30pm - venue TBC
Round 6 - March 17th: Cork -v- Kerry - 4pm
Round 7 - March 26th: Galway -v- Kerry
Best wishes to six time All Ireland winner and two time All Star with Cork Orla Finn as she announces her retirement from the game.



KILLARNEY VALLEY CLASSIC AND VINTAGE PRESENT FUNDS FOLLOWING THEIR SUCCESSFUL RAFFLE

Killarney Valley Classic and Vintage Club were delighted to present the newly restored 1982 Toyota Starlet to it's lucky owner Mary Terry from Fossa. The winning ticket was sold by Killarney Valley Athletic Club.

Afterwards the four charities who were beneficiaries of the raffle received their cheque which in total was €61,750. Pictured are : Back row Sean O Sullivan presenting cheque to Theresa Looney of Kerry Branch Irish Kidney Association Front row L-R Tom Leslie presenting cheque to Brid Stack of Killarney Valley Athletic Club. James Looney presenting cheque to Breda Quaid of Cuan Mhuire. Paddy Lawlor presenting cheque to Siobhan McSweeney of Recovery Haven.



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CLUB LOTTO

Keel GAA Lotto Draw Monday the 9th of January. Numbers drawn: 10, 25, 27, 29. There was no winner of our jackpot of €2,800. Lucky dip winner of €50 each were Mary Rogan and Pat O'Shea. The jackpot will be €2,850 for the draw on Monday the 16th of January. Many thanks for all your support this week and thank you to this week's lotto team for facilitating the draw. You can purchase your tickets for the draw via Clubforce or through the local outlets. Thank you for your continued support of our club lotto.

STRICTLY COME DANCING

Our dancers are busy practising and getting ready for their big performances on Saturday the 25th of February. Tickets are sold out! Keep an eye on the Keel GAA & MKL Gaels Strictly Come Dancing Facebook page for all the latest news.

EVERY STEP COUNTS 2023

Thank you to everyone who has registered for Every Step Counts Challenge. Our target is to walk 4000km as a club from 11th January – 15th February 2023. The club will be entered into the O'Neills Prize Draw if we complete the challenge. There are 3x O'Neills vouchers up for grabs in each province – €2,500, €1,500 & €1,000. You can still join the challenge. Please follow the steps below to get involved: 1. Download/Redownload the Mylife app >>> <https://mylife.irishlife.ie/home> 2. Log in/Register your details 3. Link your tracker to it. 4. Go into Social - Challenges - Munster - Keel GAA

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Fossa and Rathmore on their All-Ireland victories on Sunday from all at Keel GAA.

DR. CROKES GAA CLUB

HEALTHY CLUB

A safe and social walking group will take place every Tuesday and Thursdays from 7:30pm in Dr. Crokes GAA Grounds. Invite friends to join you on this healthy walk and social chat. This walk is open to all non Dr. Croke members too.

ACADEMY

Dr Crokes Academy are currently seeking coaches for the coming year, particularly for our under 6 age group. No previous coaching experience is necessary. If you have a child who is currently in the academy, or will be joining in the coming year, and you are interested in getting involved, please contact Kevin at 087 6543005.

LOTTO TOOK PLACE ON December 16th Numbers drawn were 6, 11, 12, 18 Jackpot not won. 13 patrons matched 3 numbers and receive €35 each. Jackpot for draw on January 23rd will be €15,500. We are calling on all members to support our weekly lotto as this represents one of the main sources of revenue for the club. With activity likely to recommence on the fields over the next few weeks we need people's support to maintain our facilities in Lewis Road. We have made a number of alterations to make things easier for members



Fossa Supporters pictured at Croke Park on Sunday

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PROGRESSIVE'31' continues every Wednesday at 8pm. Bring €5 and a partner. All welcome.

MOTHERS & OTHERS continues every Monday at 6:30pm.

NOTES

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

CONGRATULATIONS to Rathmore and Fossa on their All Ireland wins over the weekend.

NEW ARRIVALS

Congratulations to brothers Shane and Aidan Lyne on the recent births of their babies.

SYMPATHY to the McGuillicuddy family on the recent passing of John. Ar Dheis Dé go raibh a anam.

LEGION GAA CLUB

COACHING OFFICER

Following discussion at committee level for a couple of years the Club Executive has begun the process to identify and recruit a Coaching Development Officer for the Club. With responsibility for amongst other things as training and upskilling of underage coaches, player management and welfare, skill development, health and fitness programmes for underage players it is seen as being a pivotal and crucial step in the future of the Club. The required candidate will have to have the necessary experience but probably

most crucially be armed with excellent communication and leadership skills. With the goal that each boy and girl in the club can realise their full potential it is hoped to attract an energetic and dynamic individual. A sub committee in the club has been appointed to oversee the process and it will be headed by Club vice Chairman Liam McGuire. He is joined by Ladies Club Chairperson Ted Healy, Juvenile Management Committee Chair Donal O Leary, Senior Men's player Jamie O Sullivan and former Club officer Diarmuid Leen. We wish the sub committee the best of luck in its work. A full description of the role is available to view on our club website at www.legiongaa.com.

CONGRATULATIONS

Well done to both Fossa and Rathmore who emerged victorious from their battles in Croke Park over the weekend. David Clifford was the star turn in Fossa's win over Stewartstown while Shane Ryan led the way for Rathmore in their Intermediate win over Galbally Pearses.

CROKE PARK TRIBUTE

The latest addition to the Press Box in Croke Park is a photographic tribute to one of our own the late Weeshie Fogarty. Pictured deep in conversation with former Kerry Captain Darran O Sullivan after a match, it captures his unique style of interviewing. It is great and fitting to see our National GAA headquarters recognising the legendary figure that was Weeshie.

FITZGERALD STADIUM STEWARDS

The call has gone out from Fitzgerald Stadium looking for anyone interested in assisting them with providing stewards for match days in the famous grounds. Training will be provided at a specially arranged course on Saturday January 28th, so if you're interested you can forward your name to our Club Secretary Lara by email Secretary.legion.kerry@gaa.ie or at 0877766551.

DEEPEST SYMPATHIES

The Club extends its sympathies to the family of John McGillicuddy. John was a familiar face at Legion matches down through the years while his two sons Gerard and John lined out



FANTASTIC FOSSA COME OF AGE

By Nicky Barry

Fossa is on a lakeside highway, heading west to Puck,
And I sussed it first in '68, from their rowing pluck,
For they were demons on the water, in the regatta every year,
Winning all before them, in their red Fossa gear.
Rowing was their thing then, but they formed a football club,
Built around the long straight road, and the Golden Nugget pub.
Pat Sweeney came to my door one day, asking me to train the team,
For the Fossa folk then, like all new clubs had a dream.
As an old Down player, I loved their colours red and black,
And I did my best with them, twice weekly from the start.

We did circuits in the old church, and sprints on the Fossa road,
And ran the beach at Rossbeigh, and then swam in the foam.
But there was just one thing, Fr. Galvin divulged to me,
For their former Fossa principal, had a philosophy,
That it was more important to compete, rather than to win,
But that is now well long gone, for now they compete to win.
Now fast forward to the century's end, in nineteen ninety nine,
When David Clifford came to earth, with a heart like a lion.
He grew up with brother Paudie, playing hand in hand,
And they led Fossa to victory, in Sunday's All-Ireland!



Sadhbh McCaul, Killarney Brewing & Distilling Company; Peter Maag, Tourism Ireland; and Margaret Ryan, Park Hotel Kenmare, at the launch of Tourism Ireland's 2023 marketing plans in Dublin.



Donal O'Sullivan, Killarney Riding Stables; and Caroline MacCormac, Tourism Ireland, at the launch of Tourism Ireland's 2023 marketing plans in Dublin.



Pleased to meet you... Finance Minister Michael McGrath, TD, who was invited as keynote Speaker at Killarney Chamber of Tourism and Commerce's inaugural president's lunch. From left, Sean Kelly MEP, President Tralee Chamber Alliance Nathan McDonnell, President Killarney Chamber of Tourism and Commerce Niall Kelleher, and Conor Hennigan, Vice President, Killarney Chamber of Tourism and Commerce. Photo: Valerie O'Sullivan



At Killarney Chamber of Tourism and Commerce's inaugural president's lunch from left, Denis Murphy, Murphy Browne, Alexandra Bozic, Slieve Bloom Manor, Michelle Rosney, Killeen House Hotel. Photo: Valerie O'Sullivan



for the Club at all grades with some distinction. May he Rest in Peace.

Also to the family, friends and clubmates of Saoirse Buckley, who played with Inbhear Sceine Gaels, a young girl taken far too soon.

KERRY TEAMS

The Kerry Ladies commence their National League campaign with a trip to Piltown GAA Club where they will face Waterford on Sunday January 22nd with a 2pm throw-in. This is followed by an away date with Mayo on Saturday January 28th with Donegal visiting the Kingdom on Sunday February 5th.

The Kerry Senior Mens team are off to Donegal in Round 1 Sunday January 29th while Monaghan are the visitors to Killarney on February 5th. Round 3 sees them heading to modern day rivals Mayo on Saturday February 18th.

LOTTO

Sunday January 15th. Numbers were 5, 14, 16, 23 Bonus 1. No jackpot winner. Match 3s/lucky dips: 1. Suzanne Smith, Woodlawn 2. Niall & Róisín O'Donoghue, Old Weir Lodge 3. Caoilim O'Sullivan, Shanacloon 4. Elaine Jeffries 5. Kevin Brennan, 4 The Ash Avenue, Countess. Next draw Sunday 22nd January, 8pm, Murphy's Bar

EAST KERRY GAA NEWS

By Michael O'Mahony

EAST KERRY ALL STARS GALA NIGHT

Thursday 2nd February 2023 at Gleneagle Hotel. Tickets €35 available from clubs & board officers and Killarney Heights Hotel. Sponsored by Kerryman & the Aquila Club East Kerry GAA Presentation to All Stars players, senior, intermediate, u21 players 2022. Hall of Fame 2022. Person of year 2022

EAST KERRY GAA CONVENTION on Tuesday 7th February 2023 at Killarney Heights Hotel at 8pm. Mass at 7-30pm.

ALL IRELAND CHAMPIONS

2 fantastic games on Sunday last in Croke Park. Congratulations to Rathmore & Fossa on their All Ireland success.

CONGRATULATIONS to Dermot Weeshie Lynch of Annascaul new PRO of Munster Council of GAA from everybody in East Kerry GAA.

MILLTOWN/CASTLEMAINE CLUB

LOTTO

Sponsored by Almas Takeaway, Milltown The fortnightly club lotto draw took place on Monday, 9th January at the club grounds. There was no jackpot or match 3 winner on this occasion. The numbers drawn were 20,27, 29 and the bonus ball was 3. Lucky Dip winners were as follows: €50 - Dan Cronin. €50 - Mike Moriarty. €25 - Caroline Hallissey. €25 - Dan Daly. €25 - Ted McCarthy. €25 - Bernie O'Sullivan Our next club lotto draw is scheduled to take place on Monday, 23rd January 2023 at 8:00pm in the Clubhouse where the jackpot will be €13,000. Get your draw tickets or renew your



Fitzgerald Stadium Killarney blanketed in snow this week. Photo: Donie O'Sullivan, Moments in Time.

yearly tickets online on Clubforce or get your tickets for the next draw from all the usual local outlets. Mile búiochas do gach duine for playing Milltown/Castlemaine Clubs Fortnightly Fundraiser, the money raised is vital to the day to day running of our club and your support is sincerely appreciated.

MILLTOWN/CASTLEMAINE GAA CLUB A.G.M: 2023

Our club will hold its Annual General Meeting (A.G.M) on Friday 27th January 2023 at 7:00pm in Paddy Burke Memorial Park, Milltown.

MILLTOWN CASTLEMAINE GAA CLOTHES RECYCLING COLLECTION:

Our clothing recycling collection is now happening so we urge you to clean out your wardrobes of all unwanted clothes, sheets, blankets, towels, curtains, shoes etc and drop them to the Paddy Burke Memorial Park in Milltown.

CONGRATULATIONS to Fossa and Rathmore on their victories Sunday afternoon in the AIB All-Ireland Junior and Intermediate Club Football Finals at Croke Park. Special mention to one of our own clubs under 8 coaches, Derry O'Sullivan who was part of the Fossa management team.

CLUB MERCHANDISE & CLUB SHOP

Milltown/Castlemaine GAA club gear and merchandise is now available to buy online from both the Club Shop and direct from O'Neill's.

The Club Shop contains details of the large amount of branded Milltown-Castlemaine & Kerry stock we have available within the club, for immediate delivery, please use the link to check stock levels and sizes.

<https://milltowncastlestore.sumupstore.com/>
If you cannot find what you are looking for in the club store, then club gear is also available to purchase online in our dedicated O'Neill's club shop. This site has everything from jerseys to playing gear to wet gear for supporters.
<https://www.oneills.com/shop-by-team/gaa/ireland/milltown-castlemaine-gaa.html>

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 8:00pm on Sundays.

TEAM UPDATES

Our club teams have finished up for 2022.

GAA 4 All - Finished for the season.

MC MINIS - Finished for the season.

U7 Boys - Finished for the season.

U8 Girls - Finished for the season.

U9 Boys - Finished for the season.

U10 Girls - Finished for the season.

U11 Boys - Finished for the season.

U13 Boys - Finished for the season.

U15 Boys - Finished for the season.

Minors - Finished for the season.

We look forward to welcoming our players back in 2023 and further details will follow in the time ahead regarding when the new season will commence for the respective age groups.

TEAM ENQUIRIES

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For GAA-4-All 4 players; contact Gillian Twiss on 0877678108

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For U7 to U11 players; contact Liam Doherty on 086 041 3593

For U-13 & Older players; contact Ian Twiss on 087 252 1053

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

GENERAL ENQUIRIES

For any other queries, please send an email to our Secretary or Chairperson at the following addresses: secretary.milltowncastlemaine.gaa@gmail.com or chairperson.milltowncastlemaine.gaa@gmail.com
For emergencies, please call 087 409 3530 (Club Mobile Phone).

BALLYHAR-FIRIES GAA CLUB

GAA LOTTO 16/01/23

Numbers drawn were: 7,14,18,25. No jackpot winner. 5x€30: Joan O'Sullivan, Kilfalney, Currans. Pat Goulding, C/O Bridie. Darren Quinn, c/o Bridie. Jayden Foley, Farranfore. Ruth O'Sullivan. Next week's jackpot €4900

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MEP KELLEHER CALLS FOR COMMON EU APPROACH TO PROCUREMENT AND DISTRIBUTION OF CORE MEDICINES



Fianna Fáil MEP Billy Kelleher has said that the pan-European shortage of critical medicines to treat patients suffering from respiratory infections is proof positive that EU countries must continue to work together in terms of the procurement, purchasing, storage and distribution of key medicines.

Kelleher was speaking ahead of a debate in the European Parliament this week on this very important and timely issue.

"All EU member states, and not just Ireland, are suffering from shortages

of common Over the Counter (OTC) medicines used to deal with the symptoms of respiratory infections.

"While this current situation originates from a unique coming together of three serious viral infections - influenza, Covid 19 and RSV, at the same time, it demonstrates to us the weaknesses EU countries have in terms of accessing medicines at critical times.

"I firmly believe that Member States, led by the Commission, need to agree to common procurement in terms of these and other important medicines. This is similar to how we dealt with the Covid 19 pandemic when it came to vaccines.

"We cannot allow a situation to arise where we see different national health systems competing with each other to buy the same limited stocks. We also need to ensure that there is a centralised database of who has what type of medicine, and who does not, to allow sharing of medicines between Member States if, and when, the need arises.

"At present, the EU Treaties do not allow for the EU to take the lead on most issues related to healthcare. I think it's time to review this, as I do see the value in a European Health Union to ensure value for money, easier procurement and sharing of resources at times of need.

"We cannot have any more winters where basic OTC drugs are simply not available to citizens," concluded Kelleher.

Call for retention of Tourism VAT Rate

Kerry Fianna Fáil Councillor, Michael Cahill has again called for the retention of the 9% VAT rate for Tourism, as the sector has been facing unprecedented challenges in recent times.

"The 9% Reduced VAT rate should be installed as the Standard rate for, not alone the Tourism Industry, but for all other services such as Housing etc as well. This would bring us more in line with our EU neighbours, making us more competitive, while helping to increase employment and reduce inflation" stated Councillor Cahill.

"I would also agree that our Standard VAT rate of 23% should also revert

to the 21% rate, which is more in line with countries throughout Europe. Our Services industries need to be nurtured back to full efficient capacity following the effects of Brexit, Covid-19 and the Russian invasion of Ukraine. Public spending has been hit by inflation and a 2% drop in the Standard rate would encourage increased spending and tax take by the Exchequer" said the Rossbeigh based Councillor.

"The reduced 9% rate appears to be seen as an anomaly by the Department of Finance officials, while in fact it is the higher 13% that is out of order" added Councillor Cahill.

MEP Kelleher questions EU Agriculture Commission on plans to lower farm input costs and ultimately lower food prices for consumers

Fianna Fáil MEP Billy Kelleher this week questioned the European Commissioner for Agriculture, Mr. Janusz Wojciechowski on food price inflation, and the rising input costs facing farmers in a special debate in the European Parliament in Strasbourg.

Kelleher, an MEP for Ireland South, asked the Commissioner three important but obvious questions about the Commission's strategy to help to reduce food prices for citizens across the European Union.

"First off, we need to know how the Commission will address the immediate cost of basic inputs such as fertiliser. Farm input costs have risen by about 24%. Farmers cannot sustain such increases without these additional costs being passed onto the consumer - something no one wants to have to do.

"Second, the Commission must come forward with a strategy to replace imports of soya, maize and oilseed, used to feed animals for meat and dairy production, with proteins grown within the EU. This will reduce our dependence, reduce transport costs and make them cheaper for everyone.

"Finally, I asked the Commissioner why no real, tangible impact assessments have been carried out on the Farm to Fork Strategy, the Biodiversity Strategy and ultimately the Green Deal with regards to how their implementation could affect food prices for citizens.

"Sadly, the Commissioner's answers were less than satisfactory, and I am left wondering if the European Commission actually has a strategy to support farmers and ultimately consumers in Ireland and the other 26 Member States.

"Without a proper strategy, with a view to lowering input costs, ending our dependence on imports and understanding how policies might affect future food costs, I am deeply worried about food inflation over the next year or two," concluded Kelleher.





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with Killarney Outlook

by John O'Sullivan

HARDWOOD CUTTINGS

Hardwood are a pretty easy and a very reliable method of propagating a wide range of deciduous shrubs, climbers and fruit bushes. Most deciduous shrubs are ideal for taking hardwood cuttings, for example Buddleja (Butterfly Bush), Rives (Flowering Currant), Viburnums or Forsythia and the same applies to a lot of deciduous climbers like honeysuckle and Jasmine plus fruit bushes like blackcurrants and gooseberries.

The best time to take hardwood curling is when the plant is dormant which is about from mid Autumn to until late Winter but the ideal time would be just after the leaves fall off the plants or just before the buds start to burst in early Spring. These types of cuttings may be slow to root however it is very successful.



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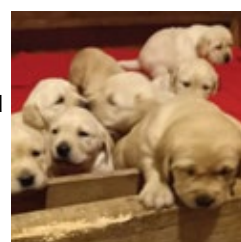
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Liam Kelly in Shronebeg.





A Word of Victory

Welcome back dear student "Jesus told his disciples a parable to show them that they should always pray and not give up" (Luke 18:1). Jesus used parables to explain spiritual principles in a way that was easy to understand. Here He used an example of an unjust judge who was convicted by the persistence of a woman who came to him when she had been wronged. Her faith in the justice that he could provide - and more than that, her refusal to give up until she got her due, moved this man to answer her plea and act on her behalf so that he could be rid of her. Jesus was clear that if an unjust judge did this, how much more our Righteous God will act on behalf of His children who cry to Him for deliverance and justice from their enemies. Then He finishes with an unusual statement "but when the Son of Man returns how many will He find on the earth that have faith?" (Luke 18:8).

In the culture of that day a leader's moral obligations were held to a higher standard than now unfortunately. If one didn't operate in integrity back then others would bring them into correction fairly lively! Not so much anymore. Now our world is 'woke' while the vast majority of people live in a comatose state, meekly believing and complying with the oppressive evil being pushed daily in their faces as 'good things', from sources they trust like the government and media (Isaiah 5:20). Nations are colluding with each other and with the so called 'wealthy elites' who think they are above us - 'the little people', to dictate and dominate. The WEF - world economic forum - who apparently (think) they run the world - and their guru Yuval Harari, openly mock people's faith in God, declaring that the world doesn't need to believe in God or in eternal life because, with enough money 'a few geeks in a lab' could and will make life after death possible (with AI technology of course), and that 'God is dead; it just takes awhile to get rid of His body.' (source: WEF, Davos 2018 and 2020)

These strategists know that those with genuine faith in God will resist their globalist, demonic ideologies because they are contrary to the laws of God denying His Sovereignty and Power. They are not really interested in you and me, they're waiting for us to die off, but our children and future generations are their main target and prey. In the meantime they will do all they can to dilute and eliminate faith in Jesus. Depressing isn't it? But guess what - here is Good News! God sits in the Heavens and laughs at these fools (Psalms 14:1). He promised Jesus the nations as His inheritance and His Word will come to pass! If the news and social media is causing you to lose heart - don't give up friend. God is for you, and He won't let you down. Do not believe everything you are being told. Seek God earnestly - study His Word for yourself and ask the Spirit of God to fill you and instruct you, then you won't fall for man's deceptions. "The kings of the earth prepare for battle; the rulers plot together against the Lord and against His Anointed One....But the One Who Rules in the Heavens laughs and scoffs at them, terrifying them with His fierce fury" (Psalms 2:1-5). It is a 'fearful thing to fall into the hands of the Living God' (Hebrews 10:31). Amen.

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33RD AND 6TH ANNIVERSARIES

IN LOVING MEMORY OF
FLORENCE AND
NELLIE
O'SULLIVAN



LATE OF CAHERNARD,
CASTLEISLAND AND
KILFALNEY CURRANS.

FLORENCE WHO PASSED AWAY
ON THE 27TH OCTOBER 1990

AND

NELLIE ON THE
21ST JANUARY 2017

*Memories are special,
They don't fade away
I think of you both always
Not just today.*

Loved and Remembered,
Sheila and family.

Anniversary Mass for Florence, Nellie and
the extended Brosnan and O'Sullivan
families will take place on Saturday
evening 21st January at 7.30pm in
Currans church

15TH ANNIVERSARY

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

TOM
BROSINAN



LATE OF BALLYBRACK,
BALLYHAR, KILLARNEY

WHO DIED ON THE
20TH JANUARY 2008.

*Time and years slip gently by
But love and memories never die
No longer in our lives to share
But in our hearts you are always there*

Loved and remembered always by your wife
Peggy & family.

**Anniversary Mass on Sunday 22nd
January at 10am in Ballyhar Church**

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NOVENA TO ST. CLARE

IN THANKSGIVING

Novena to St. Clare. Ask for
three favours, one business, two
impossible. Say nine Hail Mary's for
nine nights with lighted candles.
Pray whether you believe or not.
Publish on ninth day. Powerful
novena.

Say may the Sacred Heart of Jesus be
praised, adored glorified and loved
today and everyday throughout the
whole world now and forever. Amen

Your request will be granted no
matter how impossible it may seem.

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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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT
& 1ST ANNIVERSARY

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

MICHAEL
McCARTHY



ARDSHANAVOOLY, KILLARNEY
WHO PASSED AWAY ON THE
22ND OF JANUARY 2022

As we lovingly remember and greatly miss our beloved Michael on his first anniversary, his wife Sheila and children Kieran, Paul, Eileen, Mary, Micheál, Anna-Marie and Martina would like to acknowledge and sincerely thank all those who sympathised, travelled long distances, sent mass cards, made phone calls, sent condolences online and sent donations in lieu of flowers to the Kerry Stars Special Olympics Club.

We would like to offer our deepest gratitude to our extended family, kind neighbours and friends who supported us and brought food and refreshments to our home.

A special word of thanks to all the health care staff who looked after Michael. To the ambulance personnel, the nurses, doctors and wider staff of University Hospital Kerry and in particular the staff of the intensive care unit who provided Michael with such wonderful, dignified care and showed us his family the utmost respect and compassion. We would also like to thank the hospital chaplains Fr. Teddy Lenihan and Fr. Gerard O'Leary who visited Michael in ICU and provided us with great support.

Thank you to Dr. Eleanor Johnson and staff at the Deenagh Medical Practice and to Anthony and all his staff at O'Sullivan's Pharmacy.

A very special thank you to Fr. Niall Howard for his guidance and kindness to us and for making Michael's mass so heartfelt and personal. A thank you also to the priests who concelebrated with Fr. Niall.

Thank you to Mary and Michelle O'Callaghan who provided the beautiful music and singing at the ceremony.

Thank you to Michael and Mary O'Shea and their staff for their professionalism, guidance, compassion and respect. Thank you also to the grave digger Seamus O'Connor for the respect shown to us.

To Michael's former work colleagues in St. Finian's Hospital and in the Ballydribeen Centre who formed a guard of honour, we send you our heartfelt thanks.

Please accept this acknowledgement as an expression of our sincere gratitude. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for your intentions.


Michael's Anniversary Mass will be held
on Sunday 22nd January at 11am in The
Church of the Resurrection, Park Road.

May he Rest in Peace

FIRST ANNIVERSARY

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

MICHAEL
McCARTHY



ARDSHANAVOOLY, KILLARNEY
WHO PASSED AWAY ON THE
22ND OF JANUARY 2022.

*With tearful eyes we watched you
And saw you pass away.
Although we loved you dearly,
We could not make you stay.*

*No matter how we spend our days,
No matter what we do,
No morning dawns or evening falls
When we don't think of you.*

Lovingly remembered by your wife
Sheila, your children, Kieran, Paul, Eileen,
Mary, Micheál, Anna-Marie and Martina,
your daughters-in-law, sons-in-law and
grandchildren.

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FIRST ANNIVERSARY

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

MICHAEL
McCARTHY

48 ARDSHANAVOOLY,
PARK ROAD, KILLARNEY

WHO DIED ON
JANUARY 22ND 2022

*Sadly missed along lifes way
Quietly remembered every day*


Ted, Phil and Family

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55TH BIRTHDAY
REMEMBRANCE

BIRTHDAY REMEMBRANCE
OF OUR BELOVED

DAMIAN O'SHEA



OAK HILL & FORMERLY OF
ST. BRENDAN'S TCE., KILLARNEY
WHOSE 17TH BIRTHDAY AWAY
FROM HOME OCCURS ON
25TH JANUARY

*Your special day approaches,
a memory to hold dear,
but a special person is missing,
how we wish that you were here,
it's hard to hide the sadness,
but it's something we must do,
because of all the gifts in life,
however big or small,
we were Blessed to have you
as our son & brother,
this was the greatest gift of all.*

Happy Heavenly Birthday Damian

Loved, remembered and missed everyday
from all your family, with all our love xxxxxx

THE MIRACLE
PRAYER

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 own broken heart where your Father sees it.

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

Amen.

Say this prayer for three days.


Publication of prayer and favour will be granted.

MMcC

17TH ANNIVERSARY

WITH LOVE WE REMEMBER
OUR SON & BROTHER

DAMIAN O'SHEA



LATE OF OAK HILL, KILLARNEY
& FORMERLY OF
ST. BRENDAN'S TCE., KILLARNEY
WHO PASSED AWAY SUDDENLY
ON 22ND JANUARY, 2006.
REST IN PEACE.

*A beautiful nature, A heart of gold,
Your loss to us can never be told,
We hold our tears when we speak your name,
but the pain in our heart will always remain.*

*No words we write will ever say,
how much we miss you day by day,
Simple words but very true,
we miss you Damian and love you so.*

Until we meet again Damian

Always in our hearts,
Mam, Finbarr, Patrick, Elaine, Darren, Karen,
Colm and Dave, Jackie, Karen M, Lucy, Darcie
& Daniel.

Xxxxxx

Anniversary Mass will be held in
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