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Standing guard during the rutting season...An Irish Red Stag on the uplands of Killarney National Park this week. The stag will guard his territory fiercely to hold onto his hinds, while warring away the stiff competition. The Killarney National Park, Autumn Gathering 'Samhain' takes place this weekend, 21-22 October. Photo: Valerie O'Sullivan
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Aisling Crosbie.

FROM THE EDITOR

As the south of the country was battered by Storm Babet this week, Killarney escaped relatively easily during the Orange Weather Alert. Awards are the order of the day in this week's Killarney Outlook, with local hotels up for national sustainability awards and locals, businesses and community groups being honoured at the Killarney Looking Good Awards.

The fantastic work of Night Nurses in our community will be the focus of a fundraiser early next month in Killeen House Hotel, Conservation Rangers in Killarney National Park are preparing for the "Samhain"

Autumn Gathering and HeartBeat are holding a fundraiser on the Bank Holiday Weekend. Style was to the fore at the sell out annual Killarney Rotary Club Afternoon Tea event, Golden Moments were celebrated by members of Kilcummin Comhaltas and there are exciting times ahead at Killarney Musical Society.

Junior members at Killarney Gold Club are heading Stateside thanks to Killarney Town Twinning Association, its semi-final time at the County Championships as Jimmy looks back on the quarter final clashes, along with All Things Sport.

Hope you enjoy this week's Killarney Outlook!

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Kilimanjaro Conquered....

SIGHTS SET ON NEW FUNDRAISER FOR NIGHT NURSES

Father and son Patrick and Erik Eviston have just taken on the challenge of climbing Mount Kilimanjaro.

The duo completed the climb in six days, starting on October 12th, a very poignant date in their minds, as it was the date that Patrick's wife and Erik's mum Linda was laid to rest in 2020.

Since Linda's passing on October 10th 2020, Patrick has completed numerous marathons raising over €80,000 for cancer charities.

"This wasn't a fundraiser, it was something I wanted to do and was delighted that Erik agreed to do it with me", Patrick said.

"We brought a photo of Linda to the summit as a tribute to her", he added.

Kilimanjaro is not only Africa's tallest peak, but also the world's tallest free standing mountain. The summit, named Uhuru Point, is 5,895 meters (19,341 feet) above sea level.



Patrick and Erik Eviston pictured at the summit of Mount Kilimanjaro



COFFEE MORNING

Plans are now underway for a coffee morning on Saturday November 4th at Killeen House Hotel, which the family purchased this year.

"As a thank you for the wonderful support Linda received at home before she passed away, we hope to raise funds for these fantastic nurses", Patrick said.

€375 will cover the cost of one night of Night Nursing, providing end of life care to cancer patients in their own home.

"We are looking forward to welcoming people to Killeen House Hotel to remember Linda and raise vital funds for this service", Patrick added.



KILLARNEY INITIATIVE ANNOUNCED AS FINALIST for 2023 Pakman Awards

The Killarney Park and The Ross among finalists announced in this year's individual Pakman Award categories.

The Pakman Awards are Ireland's leading national environmental awards which recognise and celebrate excellence in recycling and waste management across businesses, organisations and community groups. This year's awards will also see a new individual category, ESG Leader, announced on the night.

The Killarney Park and The Ross has been nominated for the Community Recycling Initiative, the Environmental Education and Awareness Initiative and Business Recycling Champion Award and the Innovation in Waste Resource Products or Service Award. The Killarney Park and The Ross set up a grassroots project called The Killarney Coffee Cup Project with the goal of eliminating single use coffee cups from Killarney town centre. This initiative has resulted in the elimination of almost 70,000 cups. This project endeavours to change behaviours and perceptions towards single use items and strives to promote a beneficial transition to a circular economy. Winners will be announced at a ceremony in The Shelbourne Hotel on Thursday 26th October 2023

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Killarney National Park 'Samhain' Autumn Gathering gets under way this weekend. This year the Conservation Rangers will present a series of events, beginning on Saturday morning the 21st @ 7.30am with 'Deer Watch' in Knockreer Estate. It will be presented by well known Conservation Ranger Padruig 'Brac' O'Sullivan. He will also present the walk on Sunday morning, meeting both mornings at Knockreer front gate at 7.30am. - opposite St. Mary's Cathedral. Padruig's informative walks are always very popular.

Autumn - the highlight of the nature calendar in Killarney National Park, in particular the month of October, is considered the most amazing time to observe the Irish Red Deer activity during the annual rutting season. The audible bellows and tribal behaviour is fascinating. The rich colours of Autumn, the clear crisp air of the mornings and shadows of evening light make the park so spectacular.

Saturday will feature the annual Paudie O'Leary Lecture. Paudie, was Head Conservation Ranger at Killarney National Park, and sadly passed away unexpectedly in August 2012. His gentle presence left a huge void among his peers and people of Killarney. His knowledge and love of the National Park was incredible, his legacy - enormous. This year to honour Paudie's memory, Áine Ní Shúilleabháin, Biologist, will deliver the Paudie O'Leary Lecture entitled Paudie - 'Our Man for All Seasons'. Áine worked with Paudie for many years, and always treasures the wonderful memories of their time in Killarney National Park. She is the longest serving volunteer in Killarney National Park, with over 41 years volunteering as a research biologist - dedicated to the recording of valuable scientific data on waterfowl and water quality in Killarney National Park. Her research has been an invaluable source of material with recordings dating back to 1982. The lecture takes place at Killarney House Auditorium on Saturday,

KILLARNEY NATIONAL PARK 'SAMHAIN' GATHERING GETS UNDERWAY



Reflections at Ross Castle, on the shores of Lough Lein, Killarney National Park, locals enjoy the Autumn sunset. Photo:Valerie O'Sullivan

21st October, 2023 at 3.00pm. Booking for the Annual Paudie O'Leary Lecture - email: infokillarneyhouse@npws.gov.ie

There are still a few places on Sunday to join renowned International landscape Photographer - Michéal O'Sullivan for a half day photography workshop & National Park Shoot. This tour is a unique opportunity for those who would like to explore, learn

and capture beautiful images of ancient woodlands, historic castles and breathtaking landscapes of mountains and lakes. for bookings: info@killarneyphototours.ie/ mobile: +353 (0)876290556.

A testimony to the Nature Education Centre crew, all the family events at Muckross School House, and Nocturnal Nature Ramble at Knockreer are fully booked.



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Padruig Brac O'Sullivan, Conservation Ranger, NPWS, Killarney National Park. Photo: Valerie O'Sullivan



'The Monarch' - one of the largest upland stags in Ireland. He has 20 points on his antlers. During the annual rutting season - predominately, during the month of October in Killarney National Park. The male stag becomes very vocal and their bellowing can be heard echoing throughout the valleys and mountains.



Standing guard during the rutting season...An Irish Red Stag on the uplands of Killarney National Park this week.



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Best of Kerry Winners Announced

The Best of Kerry Award 2023 winners have been announced at an event at the Dúchas Comhaltas Centre at the Kerry Sports Academy, Tralee. It is the second year of the awards which are organised by Radio Kerry and sponsored by Lee Strand – The Best Milk in Kerry!

Speaking about the nominees and winners Fiona Stack, General Manager, Radio Kerry thanked everyone who took the time to nominate and vote. She congratulated the 2023 Finalists and Winners saying that the organic nature of the promotion is especially important to the future of the Best of Kerry as it really is the People's Choice.

Gearoid Linnane, CEO, Lee Strand said "Lee Strand is delighted to collaborate with Radio Kerry once again this year to sponsor the Best of Kerry Awards 2023. The awards were a tremendous success, recognising the importance of supporting local and celebrating everything that is the best in our Kingdom. What is great about the Best of Kerry Awards is that awards were based on people's choice and it was fantastic to see customers voting and showing their support. We would like to congratulate all of the winners and everyone who was nominated for an award over the past number of weeks."



Best Entertainment Venue: Gleneagle INEC Arena.
Photo: Domnick Walsh - Eye Focus

The Best of Kerry 2023 was launched in late August and promoted via Radio Kerry's radio and digital platforms. It is a two-stage promotion. Firstly, people were given two weeks to nominate Kerry businesses of their choice in 19 categories, ranging from Best Bakery to Best Tourist Attraction online. The top nominee in each area was determined to be a finalist giving way to Stage 2, the public vote to determine the winners. Third party software Jotform was used to handle Best of Kerry nomination and voting processes ensuring no block nominating or voting was allowed so's not to unfairly influence the final results.

Radio Kerry and Lee Strand wish to acknowledge the ongoing support of John Stack, Dúchas Comhaltas Centre and Hazel Byrne, Kerry Sports Academy.

We look forward to The Best of Kerry 2024!

BEST OF KERRY WINNERS 2023

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Best Spa/Beauty Salon: Nádúr Spa
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Best Takeaway: The Fish Box
Best Festival/Cultural Event: Rose of Tralee
Best Hotel: Ballygarry Estate Hotel & Spa
Best Tourist Attraction/Outdoor Experience: Wild Water Adventures
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Best Entertainment Venue: Gleneagle INEC Arena
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Best Family Business: Sandy Feet Farm
Best Café: Maddens
Best Restaurant: Kate Brownes
Best of the Best of Kerry: Ballygarry Estate Hotel & Spa

RID & BID FUNDRAISER FOR HEARTBEAT

H EARTBEAT Killarney are currently organising their Rid & Bid fundraiser which will take place at the Killarney Outlet Centre on Bank Holiday Weekend.

"Last Tuesday was a heavy-rain-day, and it also was the first of three collection days that HeartBeat is running to collect items for their fun RID & BID event which runs on Friday - Saturday - Sunday October 27/28/29. The rain did not deter people from donating some very interesting items from a beautiful large framed mirror to ornaments, quality car seat and babies baths (new). The waterlogged members who ran the collection event were delighted with the response and thank all those who made such a huge effort to be there", Billy DF O'Sullivan told Killarney Outlook "There is one more opportunity to get involved and donate unwanted items in a sale-able condition to HeartBeat. There will be a collection point operating next to the bottle bank in the lower section of the Beech Road car park on Tuesday 24th October from 10am to 1pm. Please make sure that what you are donating is sale-able. See all these interesting items at the RID & BID Event at the Outlet Centre on Friday, Saturday and Sunday October 27, 28 & 29th.



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ROTARY AFTERNOON TEA EVENT A GREAT SUCCESS



Organiser of the event,
Ciara Irwin Foley.

The much anticipated date on the Killarney Social Diary took place last Saturday at the Great Southern Hotel. The Sell out Annual Rotary Afternoon Tea at the Great Southern Killarney was a fantastic day out with the beautiful surroundings of the dining room at the hotel packed to capacity.

"We had four other Rotary Clubs supported this event - Rotarians from Cork, Dingle, Limerick and Tralee Rotary Clubs and hopefully they all enjoyed themselves after making the journey," Ciara Irwin Foley, organiser of the event said.

"We also had a lot of groups who have attended year in year out since it began in 2008. There were new faces this year and hopefully they will all return again next year," she added.

The afternoon started with a drinks reception in the foyer with everyone chatting with friends and family while being entertained on the piano

by Conn, a friend of Rotary. "We moved into the beautiful dining room and were served the most scrumptious food both sweet and savoury and the tea and coffee was flowing. Thank you to Kathleen and the GS team who made this go so smoothly," Ciara added.

The group present were entertained by a local group of five children who recently represented Kerry at the National Community Games Final in Carlow for ballad singing. They were the outright winners and brought gold home to Kerry. Thank you Anna May, Benan, Darragh, Katelyn & Leah and of course their wonderful coach Gillian for training them. They performed a medley in front of a full house.

Current Rotary President Mr. Barry Murphy addressed the guests and explained what Rotary does both in our local community and internationally. He told everybody about Rotary Killarney celebrating 40 years. He also thanked the team at the Great Southern for their wonderful service today.

"It is wonderful to be associated with such an event, it flowed from start to finish in a nonstop relaxed atmosphere", Barry Murphy, President of the Rotary Club told Killarney Outlook.

The event was Well Organised, Well Attended, Very Fashionable, Very Sociable and in aid of two very worthy causes, he added.

The Night Nurses service a very important part of the Irish Cancer Society. They provide, nighttime care for patients and their families in their home, from 18.00pm through to 7.00am and the Fuchsia Ward in Killarney Community Hospital provide care for older people in need of a high level of advanced care for illnesses such as Alzheimer's and



Front row: Elizabeth McCarthy and Mary Reddington.

Back row: Cathrena Dennehy, Eileen Kennedy and Mary O'Connor McCarthy.

Dementia.

"Thank you all for supporting such deserving services to our community and thank you Ciara and team, for all your hard work, it is much appreciated", he added.

"We had a few words from Mr. Michael Jacobi, Managing Director of the Hayfield Family Collection who congratulated the Killarney Club on reaching 40 years and he wished us well into the future. We have a wonderful relationship with the hotel and they always do their best for us. Our fashion show included clothes from Scarlet Boutique (Scotts Street, Killarney) and this went down a treat with the ladies in the room", she added.

Thank you to Karen from Scarlet for the great collection of up to the minute styles she brought. Thank you to Clodagh for co-ordinating the fashion show again this year. Thank you to our models Abigail, Aggie, Monika, Sherry & Siofra.

Ciara thanked everyone who helped make the day such a success including Killian who did the sound on the day and to Mike who gave us his equipment to use.

A raffle also took place with all the prizes sponsored by local businesses along with some few paintings donated by some of the artists who exhibit at our Wine & Art event. Thank you to the team of Rotary members who gave or gathered these and to all the businesses. There were also a few door prizes so everybody was in with a chance of winning something.

"We are delighted to support both of these because many local families need the services they offer. It is hard to believe it is one year since we last attended this event. No doubt we will do it all again in 2024. Well done to all involved in organising this event in any way", Ciara added.



Sherry O'Callaghan, Aggie Dukarska, Michael Jacobi Managing Director, Hayfield Family Collection, Monika Dukarska, Siofra Foley & Abigail O'Shea



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NOT SO GREEN BAGS

Killarney is making strides to eliminate throw-away coffee cups from paths in the national park but it now has to step up its game: green plastic dog poop bags are being placed on overhanging branches, of all places.

The National Park has issued a public appeal to tackle what it wittily terms "canis poop saccule" - dog poop bags - from bushes and trees. The green plastic bags left by dog walkers are found everywhere and spreading. And with the backing of the Department of Housing and Heritage, the National Parks and Wildlife Service, it is calling for the "eradication" of the new invader.

The poop bags are mainly to be found on trees in the park, left on overhanging branches near footpaths.

Apart from being unsightly they are also inclined to slip off during wind and rain, endangering passers by.

Clearly the campaign has struck a chord.

The Demesne is 'littered' with poop bags, members of the public complained on Facebook.

In just one stretch, of around a kilometer, some 48 poop bags - in a single day - were collected between Torc Waterfall and Muckross House by outdoor staff.

The park is now asking dog walkers to "do the right thing" and carry the bags to the

nearest bin.

Rather than putting in yet more bins, which can be unsightly, "just take a few extra steps to discard those poop bags in our own bin or designated poop bins," the public is urged. A reasonable request to those out walking anyway.

FURTHER ATTACK ON THE BELEAGUERED TOURISM PRODUCT IN KILLARNEY

Tourist holiday lets are included in the scoping exercise by Revenue on vacant home tax and are among the 25,000 properties being asked to show they were let for a minimum of 30 days in 2022. The inclusion of tourist businesses would be incredible if it were not true.

The penalty on a vacant home is three times the local property tax! There are now three attack prongs on the clearly vulnerable tourist product in Killarney. There is the removal of mid-price hotels and guesthouses in order to provide refugee accommodation; there is the no holes blanket crackdown by Kerry County Council on Airbnbs under planning. And now we have the targeting by Revenue. Is there some civil servant somewhere intent on finishing off traditional self-generated Killarney tourism?

Already cafes, shops, pubs and other small activity businesses tell me they are barely surviving. Traditional footfall is way down because mid-price accommodation is rarely available in Killarney these days. People are holidaying in west Cork and Galway and other places. Several Airbnbs have simply shut shop rather than face the wrath of the council, its legal threats not to mention the reams of bureaucracy.

We need someone to speak out - and on this

note I wonder whether it is time to have a new representative body for the entrepreneurs who are the backbone of Killarney, the sole traders and the small businesses?

By now we were supposed to have a short-term tourist letting register, which might have been cross-checked by Revenue, so businesses would be excluded, you would expect! But of course this has been delayed because Ministers O'Brien for Housing and Martin for Tourism did not have their ducks in a row and the EU Commission stepped in.

'There is no blanket exclusion or exemption for holiday lets and a holiday home that is not occupied for at least thirty days in the year is therefore generally liable to the tax,' a Revenue spokeswoman told me.

The objective is to have more housing enter the long term residential market, she explained.

But there is an added objective in Kerry - the council's Ukrainian unit tell me they want to move Ukrainians out of hotels and guesthouses. 'Own door solutions' are being sought, according to the council which works closely with the Department of Children and UCTAT - Ukraine Crisis Temporary Accommodation Team.

So is this latest move by Revenue to free up hotels by forcing other tourism accommodation out of the tourism market? If so, robbing Peter to pay Paul strikes me. In any case, hours must be spent now gathering documentation for Revenue proving they have had tourists. My question is what if a self-catering businesses has had a bad year? Answer: they must pay three times the tax in order to stay in business in the hope of a better year next year! Is anyone calling out this and where are our TDs? How can they not be aware of this latest attack.

UPGRADE NEEDED FOR KILLARNEY WASTE WATER TREATMENT PLANT

Killarney Waste Water Treatment Plant may see an upgrade, after admission the plant is the cause of the pollution in the lake. It has taken months to get straight answers from Uisce Eireann and from the Environmental Protection Agency which inspects water. And to get the two bodies to liaise. In June on foot of the lakeside Folly Stream designation as 'bad' by the EPA I enquired of both if this was the result directly of the Waste Water Treatment Plant. Uisce Eireann gave me the run around saying while the water quality was poor indeed, it could not say what caused the deterioration. The WWT was not at capacity and there were no plans for an upgrade. Which rather surprised me, particularly with Kilcummin soon to be connected up. The plant has failed in some areas of inspection such as levels of ammonia in recent years. There is also the fact that Killarney now, while it has tertiary treatment, is fairly basic in comparison

with other modern plants. Our treatment plant has no UV - ultra violet - a disinfection treatment which gets rid of some toxins and pathogens from wastewater.

But the good news is both the EPA and Uisce Eireann, after liaising with each other, now say an upgrade is to be considered as well as diverting water from the plant from the Folly Stream which goes into the bay at Ross.

'The EPA found that the Folly (Folly) stream had declined to bad ecological quality in 2022 and the Killarney WWTP was identified as the suspected source of the pollution,' it said in language that at last may be understood clearly.

'The Kilcummin drainage area plan will identify network upgrades required to ensure sufficient capacity and environmental compliance. Uisce Eireann have stated that all efforts are being made to ensure optimal performance of the plant at all times.

The EPA has been informed by Uisce Eireann that the options in relation to modifying/upgrading the existing WWTP to provide for growth and continued discharge to the Folly stream along with the options for relocating the primary discharge point to alternative discharge locations are currently being assessed.'

Uisce Eireann also confirmed that the Killarney plant will be considered 'as a candidate for inclusion in next investment cycle RC4 (2025 -2029)' - a complete shift in their earlier position.



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KILLARNEY IS LOOKING GREAT FOR AWARDS CEREMONY

There was double cause for celebration at the presentation of prizes for this year's Killarney Looking Good Awards as the stunning trophy for being deemed Ireland's tidiest large town, in the national Tidy Towns competition, was also on display. There were 26 individual category award winners at the Looking Good ceremony which took place in the Killarney Plaza Hotel on Monday night and, in addition, seven highly commended awards were presented as well as two special awards and the coveted overall prize.

This year the top award was scooped by the residents of Holy Cross Gardens, off Rock Road, who also received the Fr Michael Murphy Memorial Pride of Place Award which was presented by the late Tidy Towns champion's brother, Bishop Emeritus Dr Bill Murphy.

The competition adjudicators said Holy Cross Gardens was immaculately presented and no effort is spared by the residents and all involved in presenting this lovely area in the best possible light.

"This is very much in keeping with the approach favoured by the late great Fr Michael Murphy who always supported and promoted community spirit," the judges said.

Another special award presented on the night was the Yvonne Quill Memorial Volunteer of the Year accolade which is dedicated to the long-time driving force behind the Killarney Looking Good Competition and the Tidy Towns project who passed away in 2022.

The winners were Mary and Larry Schall who have retired to Killarney from the US and were hailed as an outstanding example of the difference volunteers can make in the community.

The adjudicators remarked: "They are passionate in their approach to ensuring Killarney is looking good. They are always at the ready to don the yellow bibs and roll up their sleeves and, in the true spirit of the wonderful Yvonne Quill, they are prepared to lead by example".

A total of €5,000 worth of prizes was given away in this year's competition which was sponsored by MD O'Shea & Sons and O'Mahony Media.

Other prizewinners on the night included Carmel and James Cahill, Three Oaks, Ballycasheen who won the best private residence award, Mike and Maura O'Sullivan, St Anne's Road who scooped the best roadside garden award and Cillearn House Ballycasheen which won best guesthouse.

Ballydribeen was hailed the best large residential area and Port Road took the prize for being the best small residential area.

O'Connor's Pub on High Street, which is celebrating 100 years in business, received a special recognition award and other prize winners in the commercial sector included Foley's Townhouse, High Street (best large commercial premises); Celtic Jewellers, Main Street (best small commercial premises); International Hotel (best hotel); Bricin, High Street (best restaurant); Petit Delice (best café); Killarney Racecourse (best signage); Weavers of Ireland (best retail); Cathedral Place Apartments (best new building), Hilliard's of Main Street (restoration award) and Jimmy Brien's Pub (best floral display).



The Killarney Looking Good/Tidy Towns Committee celebrating Ireland's Tidiest Large Town Award in the national Tidy Towns Competition, front from left, Michael Gleeson, Kathleen Foley, Mayor of Killarney Cllr Brendan Cronin, Juliette Kelly and, at back from left, Angela McAllen, Matthew Farrell, John O'Mahony, John Ahern, Susan Murphy, Pádraig Treacy, Johnny McGuire, Cllr Niall Kelleher, Margaret Pigott and Donal Mangan.
PICTURE: MARIE CARROLL O'SULLIVAN



Mayor of Killarney Cllr Brendan Cronin (right) and Killarney Tidy Towns Committee Chairman Michael Gleeson (left) paid a visit to Holy Cross Gardens on Tuesday to present the overall award and the Fr Michael Murphy Memorial Pride of Place awards to Helen Ashton, Danny Loughnane and Denise Fitzgerald.



Mayor of Killarney Cllr Brendan Cronin presenting a highly commended volunteer award to Flor Murphy, who recently retired from the position of Superintendent with An Garda Síochána in Killarney and is a very active tidy towns volunteer.
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At the awards ceremony in the Killarney Plaza Hotel were, front from left, John Ahern, Killarney Municipal District Engineer, Susan Murphy, SSO, Killarney Municipal District Council, Angela McAllen, Killarney Municipal District Manager and Margaret Pigott, ASO, Killarney Municipal District Council with, at back, John O'Mahony, O'Mahony Media (sponsors), Mayor of Killarney Cllr Brendan Cronin, Noel O'Leary, Supervisor, Killarney Municipal District Council outdoor crew and Matthew Farrell, Killarney Municipal District Council Officer.

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2023 Winners

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2 Bellville, Park Road

In recognition of a beautifully presented home which is immaculately kept and illuminated with great colour through flowers and hanging baskets

31 Dalton's Avenue

As consistent as it is spectacular, this garden is a shining example of just what can be achieved through pride, care and attention with a stunning lawn and outstanding visual features

33/34 Marian Terrace

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142 Pinewood

Consistently good, this is a very attractive and well-maintained private home where great pride is taken in the presentation of a very mature garden

22 Woodlawn Park

Neat, well-manicured and in bloom, this garden is leading by example in one of Killarney's traditional residential areas and it is a joy to behold.

O'Sullivan Cycles, High Street

The colourful display of flowers at this premises greatly enhances the upper end of High Street and it adds a whole new dimension to an already impressive building

Flor Murphy, The Priory

The recently retired Garda Superintendent may well have come off the beat but he is still on regular patrol, quietly and efficiently volunteering his time and effort to keep a large section of Muckross Road looking its best and litter free

CATEGORY WINNERS

Best Large Commercial Premises

Foley's Townhouse, High Street

A wonderful use of flowers and window boxes, adorning every window, made this hugely attractive building a real standout feature on High Street

Best Small Commercial Premises

Celtic Jewellers, Main Street

A fabulously presented building with well-maintained and striking hanging baskets on the very busy Main Street

Best Newly Painted Premises

Caragh Restaurant, New Street

You can't miss it. A bright and cheerful exterior paint job certainly adds a very vibrant and welcome splash of colour to Upper New Street

Best Public House

Paddy Sheehan's, Main Street

Apart altogether from the lively traditional music creating a great summertime atmosphere for passers-by, great attention has been lavished on this building with the owner adding a new façade, new traditional signage and the building has been freshly painted

Best Hotel

International Hotel

A consistent winner in this competition, the International Hotel continues to set the standard with a spectacular use of flowers and colour and it shows a real touch of class in a busy area

Best Restaurant

Brícín, High Street

Magnificently presented with the beautiful use of trailing petunias adding to the lovely traditional stone façade and quirky displays during the GAA season

Best Café

Petit Delice, High Street

A lovely mix of window boxes and hanging baskets are a pleasant sight at the top of High Street with a very attractive garden for customers to enjoy at the rear of the premises.

Best Retail

Weavers of Ireland, Market Cross

A very attractive and well-kept building right in the heart of the town, fabulously presented with a clever use of floral displays and immaculate signage

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Mayor of Killarney Cllr Brendan Cronin presenting the Yvonne Quill Memorial Volunteer of the Year Award to Mary Shrali and her husband Larry with Yvonne's daughter Sandra and sons Peter and Seán.

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Corporate Social Responsibility Award **Killarney Coffee Cup Project**

A wonderful grassroots community initiative aimed at protecting and enhancing the local environment and to combating problems caused by single-use cups to help create a cleaner and greener planet – and Killarney is leading the way

Restoration Award **Hilliard's, Main Street**

This back to the future initiative involved the painstaking restoration by master craftsmen of the original feature signage from the House of Hilliard which dates back to 1917, ensuring that the stunning business remains true to its roots

Best Signage **Killarney Racecourse**

Killarney Race Company is lauded and congratulated for creating a striking new entrance to the track and golf course which leaves a very favourable first impression and greatly enhances the main road to one of Killarney's premier tourist attractions at Ross Castle

Best Guesthouse Award **Cillcearn House, Ballycasheen**

(Tom and Marese Kearney)
As consistent as it is attractive, this home close to the busy junction linking the Cork Road with Ballycasheen boasts a fabulous display of flowers and shrubs that is much admired by visitors and locals

Best Floral Display **Jimmy Brien's Bar**

The colourful floral display at this premises throughout the busy summer months was quite spectacular and it certainly set the standard in terms of how to present a business in the best possible light

Best Retail Landscaping **Aldi**

The effort made with the landscaping and general presentation of this large commercial premises is really admirable and it certainly caught the eye of the Killarney Looking Good Competition adjudicators

Most Improved Premises **Kingdom Lodge, New Street**

A shining example of how a fresh coat of paint can transform a building, this tastefully redecorated corner of New Street and St Mary's Terrace has been the subject of some very favourable and deserved comments

Best New Building **Cathedral Place Apartments**

A very pleasant addition to the lower end of New Street, the fabulous finish to this building is a great example of how attractive apartments can look when some thought and effort is put in



Mayor of Killarney Cllr Brendan Cronin presents the best floral display award to Jimmy Brien's Pub representatives Alan Breen and Allison Maher.
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Biodiversity Award **Killarney Municipal District Council**

Great credit is due to the council management and staff, the mayor and elected representatives and, particularly, the outdoor crews, for their constant work in ensuring the town's roundabouts and public areas are beacons of biodiversity and consistency

Best Public Building **Killarney Library**

Extensively redecorated during the year, the enhancements are very welcome given the importance of a building such as a library is to the community

Best Friendly Planting Award **Old Monastery Sensory Garden**

A very welcome and important addition, the sensory garden not only plays a crucial role for the users of this great service but it creates an example that can and should be followed by so many others

Best School **St Brigid's Secondary School**

The school has been involved in several local, regional and national environmental initiatives throughout the year – with great success – and that passion and energy sets the standard for all educational establishments to follow

Special Recognition Award **O'Connor's Pub**

It's a landmark year for this High Street hostelry which is celebrating 100 years in business. The premises is a wonderful sight during the summer months thanks to a magnificent display of flowers and hanging baskets

Best Large Residential Area **Ballydribeen**

The very proactive residents' association is spearheading a great community effort to enhance the place they call home with a number of worthwhile projects, including the mural painting initiative which involved a professional artist working alongside local children and teenagers



Killarney Tidy Towns committee members Michael Gleeson and Kathleen Foley celebrate the town's success as being named Ireland's Tidiest Large Town.
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Best Small Residential Area **Port Road**

Port Road is consistently impressive and the effort made by the residents, who tend to their gardens, flower boxes, shrubs and hanging baskets, with great enthusiasm is to be admired

Best Roadside Garden **Mike and Maura O'Sullivan, St Anne's Road**

It is almost impossible to stroll along St Anne's Road without pausing to admire the stunning array of colourful flowers and shrubs, hanging baskets and window boxes on display in this immaculately kept home

Best Private Residence Award **Three Oaks, Ballycasheen** **(James and Carmel Cahill)**

A fabulously presented property in Ballycasheen, James and Carmel Cahill take wonderful pride in their home which really stands out for the beautiful way it is presented and it is a most deserving winner of this important category

SPECIAL AWARDS

Fr Michael Murphy Memorial **Pride of Place Award** **Holy Cross Gardens**

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Yvonne Quill Memorial Volunteer **of the Year Award** **Mary and Larry Schrahl**

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HEALTHY CLUB AUTUMN PROGRAMME WELL UNDERWAY AT DR. CROKES

Twenty Dr Crokes' First Responders completed First Aid + Defibrillator training in recent months certified by Pre- Hospital Emergency Care Council in conjunction with Order of Malta Ireland (OMI) and Order of Malta Killarney Unit (OMIKU).

The 20 new First Responders received their certificates at the conclusion of their recent training courses.

This is one of the initiatives in the Dr Crokes Healthy Club Autumn programme of events.

Another of the Healthy Club programme of events is the hugely popular Kathleen's Gentle Movement Classes for Seniors have recommenced and will continue in the Clubhouse every Monday 11.00- 12 noon for 4 weeks.

All events conclude with a Cuppa & friendly Chat and you don't have to be a member to join.

The Winter programme of Health promoting activities will be finalised shortly.

Further information from Dr Crokes Healthy Club 087 6298606, or club chairman Matt O'Neill 087-6836415.



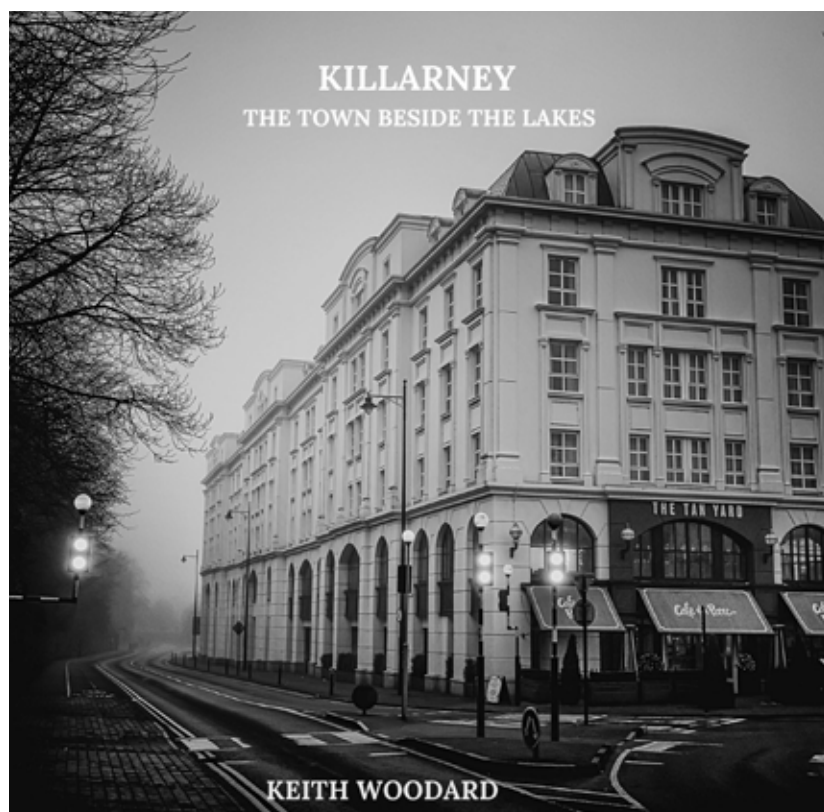
Stunning Book of KILLARNEY ARCHITECTURE PUBLISHED

Killarney - The Town Beside The Lakes is a new book which has been published by photographer Keith Woodard.

The book is a collection of black and white images that will take you on a journey through the town that is known the world over for its beauty, hospitality and lakes! However, this journal is specifically focusing on the town and the magnificent architecture that sometimes we overlook or take for granted.

"It was an idea that took place in 2016 and taking advantage of lock down when the town and National Park had time to rest", Keith told Killarney Outlook.

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Some of the Kilcummin Comhaltas committee members at the 50th Celebratory Night



Enjoying the celebrations at the Kilcummin Comhaltas 50th Celebratory Night



Some of the attendees at the Kilcummin Comhaltas 50th Celebratory Night



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All smiles for the camera at the Kilcummin Comhaltas 50th Celebratory Night



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Golden Moments

AS KILCUMMIN COMHALTAS CELEBRATE 50 YEARS

Young and old gathered at the Killarney Heights hotel last Saturday night to celebrate all things good about Kilcummin Comhaltas. The night was in the planning since last March by a dedicated committee to ensure all aspects of the evening were planned to perfection.

Gathering firstly for a drinks reception the mood was buoyant in anticipation of the celebratory night. The recent successes of the branch adorned a table at the centre of the venue and was a reflection of the current and past successes of the branch.

Shane O Callaghan, chairperson of Kilcummin CCE reminded all present of the hard work and dedication of branch officers, dancers, singers, musicians and coaches/trainers involved over the last 50 years is the reason why the branch has not just survived, but thrived over that period.

Indeed, he also highlighted the friendships and sense of community that has been a mainstay of the organisation since its inception.

We were delighted to be joined on the night by Bernard O'Sullivan, Bainisteoir Comhaltas Ceoltoiri. He spoke highly of the rich history of Kilcummin CCE branch but also made a very special presentation to the family of the late Stephen Carroll.

Stephen Carroll was tragically killed in an accident in 2010. Stephen was a 4 times champion melodeon player. The 12-15 cup for that competition was retired some years ago out of respect for Stephen. Bernard presented the cup to Stephen's parents, Mike & Sheila Carroll – a fitting tribute and acknowledgment of the tragic loss of the Carroll family and Stephen's contribution to Comhaltas during his life.

A beautiful meal was enjoyed by all, followed by music from the inimitable Neilly O Connor. Space on the dance floor was at a premium all night with highlights including a well contested Siege of Ennis, set dancing and the brush dance was also on display.

The night finished with a fantastic "Trad disco" with classic traditional themes in line with the tone of the night.

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EXCITING TIMES AHEAD FOR KILLARNEY MUSICAL SOCIETY

There was a great turnout for the Killarney Musical Society information afternoon last weekend and PRO for the society Linda O'Donoghue fills readers in on what is exciting times for Killarney Musical Society.

Brid O Callaghan, chairperson of Killarney Musical Society, had a smile on her face as she addressed the men and women who attended the information evening on Sunday 15th October in the Killarney Heights Hotel. Her trojan work in securing Michael Collins – a Musical Drama is a major coup for the members of KMS. There was a great atmosphere in the

ballroom. She outlined the plan of work, gave the dates of rehearsals, spoke about the commitment and hard work that will have to be given by all involved and didn't forget the social events and fund-raising activities to be organised and enjoyed by all.

Oliver Hurley, our producer, delivered such a wonderful presentation he had us all chomping at the bit. He is so excited to be producing Michael Collins – a Musical Drama in Killarney for the INEC Arena. He knew and worked with Brian Flynn (writer and musical composer of Michael Collins – a Musical Drama)



Ilona McCubbery, Treasurer and Jack Brosnan, Director assistant pictured at the information day for Killarney Musical Society



Michael Young, Musical director, Brid O Callaghan, Chairperson and Oliver Hurley, Producer pictured at the information day for Killarney Musical Society

before he died at a young age in 2014. Oliver knows the drama inside out and gave us a great understanding of the story. He is looking forward to the first rehearsal on Wednesday 25th October. Before that can happen auditions are taking place next Sunday 22nd October in the Killarney Heights Hotel. Audition packs with script and songs have been prepared for all the principal roles. These include Michael Collins. Kitty Kieran, Eamon De Valera, Harry Boland, Joe Emmet, The players -Brigid Peter Delia and Michael, Mother Ireland, Arthur Griffith and Cathal Brugha. If you are interested email musicalsocietykillarney@gmail.com and you will receive a pack and a time slot for audition. Lucy O Mahony, secretary of KMS is already after answering a large number of queries and will continue to send out information before Sunday 22nd

October. Men will be auditioned from 11am. Ladies from 2pm and there will be call backs at 5pm. Oliver, the producer, and Michael Young, the musical director, will have to see how principals will play together and sing together before roles can be decided. Society member Derek O Leary gave us a taster of the original Cork Opera House production to whet our appetites and our musical director Michael finished off the evening by teaching us the chorus of Fly the flag of freedom in harmony. He told us the ensemble will not need to audition but will have to be prepared to put a lot of work into the rehearsals.

People chatted and asked questions before they left with just a week to prepare for auditions. The Big Fella is coming to the INEC Arena in Killarney on the 5, 6, 7 March 2024 and we can't wait.

Turn2Me launches free Meditation Programme

Turn2Me, a national mental health charity, has launched a free Meditation Programme on its website, [Turn2Me.ie](https://turn2me.ie). The charity has seen an increase in the number of people logging onto its website and looking for a variety of support, ranging from support groups to one-to-one counselling sessions. The charity also received feedback from its users looking for a free guided meditation programme, which is why it decided to launch this service.

The guided meditation sessions are available on the Turn2Me website. Anyone can access this content; they just need to go to the post and click 'play'.

"Mindful meditation brings your focus to the present moment, breath by breath." Suzanne Ennis, Clinical Manager at Turn2Me, said, "It allows you to notice what happens within your body, moment to moment.

"Meditation has become more and more recognised within western



medicine in recent years. It can assist with sleep, assist with managing symptoms associated with depression and anxiety, in some cases it reduces some of the psychological difficulties associated with chronic pain. It can also improve cognitive and behavioural functions.

"Meditation requires patience and regular practice. To assist all our users with their practice we'll be releasing a weekly guided meditation on the Turn2Me website. We'll begin with short meditations for beginners, and slowly build upon the practice.

"Turn2Me invites you all to join us on this

meditative journey. While meditation has different outcomes for each practitioner, there is no downside to it. There is no harm in trying it, so allow yourself 5 minutes a day to focus on you and be present!"

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TIPS TO LIVE & WORK SUSTAINABLY

at Network Ireland Kerry October Event

'Practical Tips to Live & Work Sustainably in Kerry' was the theme at the Network Ireland Kerry October event on Wednesday 11th October in the Killarney Plaza Hotel.

A packed audience from Kerry's business community attended the event, which was hosted in partnership with AIB.

The keynote speaker on the night was John McGeown, Head of SME Sustainability at AIB, where his role focuses on supporting businesses in the SME segment transition to a more sustainable footing.

Other panellists included Dr Helena McMahon, MTU, Co-Lead of Circular Bioeconomy Research Group. Helena leads a large portfolio of national and international programmes focusing on Circular Economy and Sustainability in innovation, education, enterprise, and regional development.

Louise Byrne, Sustainability Manager, The Killarney Park/Ross Hotel & The Killarney Coffee Cup Project, Sustainability Manager. Louise's passion for sustainability not only includes the operational aspects of The Killarney Park & The Ross; she firmly believes

in the power of communities coming together to work towards a shared goal of environmental conservation and responsible living and shared the incredible success of the Killarney Cup Project. This ambition to eliminate the use of disposable cups in Killarney is a business initiative to recognise the shared responsibility of the local community as custodians of the National Park to ensure that generations to come can enjoy seeing the same beautiful wildlife, flora, and fauna we enjoy today.

Emma Carmody, Creative Communities Engagement Officer in the Arts Office of Kerry County Council, and membership officer for Network Ireland Kerry, is a Founder of "Grounded Pottery" along with her mother Marjorie. "Make a difference" to the planet and be part of the circular economy is core to their business values.

Karen Griffin owner of Scarlett boutique, Killarney shared how we can all take a more sustainable approach when it comes to our fashion choices, by creating a streamlined capsule wardrobe. This focuses



Aisling Foley (The Rose Hotel), Colleen Shannon (AIB), Eimear Mc Donnell (Match Marketing), Stephen Stack (AIB), Denis Doolan (Strategic Head of Culture, Inclusion & Diversity, AIB), Martha O'Loughlin (AIB), Pat Piggott (AIB), Linda O'Mahony Logan (Leadership360 and President of the Kerry branch of Network Ireland), Brigeen O'Sullivan (Match Marketing), Emily Reen (MTU), and Emma Carmody (Grounded Pottery) pictured at the Network Ireland Kerry October event 'Practical Tips to Live & Work Sustainably with our official partner AIB' on Wednesday evening in The Plaza Hotel Killarney. Photos: Michelle Breen Crean Photography

on key pieces in your wardrobe that you will wear for years and not just focussing on current trends and in doing so you will shop more consciously and sustainably.

The MC on the evening was Denis Doolan, Strategic Head of Culture, Inclusion & Diversity at AIB.

The next Network Ireland Kerry event will be hosted on the 8th of November

in the RDI Hub, Killorglin from 6.30pm to 8.30pm in partnership with Kerry Local Enterprise Office.

This event is open to both members and non-members (members are free, fee for non-members is €25). You must pre-register to attend this event at networkireland.ie/events and all are welcome.



Patricia Healy (Healy Insurances) and Karen Griffin (Scarlett Killarney) pictured at the Network Ireland Kerry October event



Becky Hargrove (Kerry Convention Bureau) and Louise Byrne (Sustainability Manager, The Killarney Park/Ross Hotel & The Killarney Coffee Cup Project) pictured enjoying a catch up at the Network Ireland Kerry October event



AIB Kerry staff John McGeown (Head of SME Sustainability with AIB), Colleen Shannon (AIB), Denis Doolan (AIB), Colm Cooper (AIB), Stephen Stack (AIB), Joe Shannon, Brian Looney, Margaret Griffin, Jacqueline O'Connor, Margaret O'Connor, Noreen Leader, Martha O'Loughlin and Pat Piggott (AIB) pictured at the Network Ireland Kerry October event 'Practical Tips to Live & Work Sustainably with our official partner AIB' on Wednesday evening in The Plaza Hotel Killarney. Photo: Michelle Breen Crean Photography



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GREAT CREDIT DUE TO MINISTER FOLEY FOR PROGRESSIVE EXAMS' REFORM AS KERRY'S JUNIOR CYCLE CANDIDATES DELIVER SUPERB RESULTS



By Billy Ryle

OUTSTANDING

Junior Cycle exam results were issued by the State Examinations Commission (SEC) on Wednesday, 18th October to 70,727 candidates nationwide, including 2,148 (1,095 female/1,053 male) from Kerry. Junior Cycle results are available to candidates in their schools from early morning and candidates also have access to their results online from 4pm on Wednesday. Junior Cycle exam results in Kerry were superb and on par with the very high standard of last year when the new grade descriptors were exclusively used. The number of candidates who sat for the Junior Cycle exam this year was about 3,592 or 5.35% up on the 2022 figure of 67,135. This is the first time ever that a junior cycle exam has exceeded 70,000, indicative of population growth.

DESCRIPTORS

Six grade descriptors - Distinction, Higher Merit, Merit, Achieved, Partially Achieved, Not Graded - are now used in the reformed Junior Cycle programme, replacing the old A, B, C, D, E, F and NG grades. The Junior Cycle exams were cancelled in 2020 and 2021 and replaced with a system of school assessments. Since 2022, when the Junior Cycle exam was once again held post covid, all subjects are examined under the new Junior Cycle grade descriptors. English, Irish and Mathematics are examined at both higher and ordinary levels while all other subjects are examined at common level. As and from last year's Junior Cycle exams, Irish is examined at two strands with T1 aimed at native speakers and T2 aimed at non-native speakers.

COMMEND

The Junior Cycle exam results were issued exceptionally late last year on 23rd November, so the SEC must be commended for getting the results out five weeks earlier this year. The increased availability of markers and a major move to online marking in almost all subjects helped to facilitate the early results. It's wonderful also that students, are once again getting state exam experience at the end of the

junior cycle.

CREDIT

Great credit is due to Minister for Education, Norma Foley for overseeing a seamless transition from the old Junior Certificate exam to the reformed Junior Cycle programme, which is far more suitable for the current student body. When you combine this achievement with the reforms that are currently in train at Leaving Cert level, Minister Foley has emerged as a very progressive Minister for Education. The icing on the cake of Minister Foley's outstanding stewardship will surely be the publication of the 2024 state exam results along the pre covid timeline for the convenience of Leaving Cert and Junior Cycle students.

CERTIFICATION

The reporting process at Junior Cycle culminates in the awarding of the Junior Cycle Profile of Achievement (JCPA) to students. The JCPA replaces the Junior Cert and consequently the SEC no longer issues these certificates. The JCPA confirms the level of achievement in learning, under five descriptors - exceptional, above expectations, in line with expectations, yet to meet expectations and not reported, across all areas of learning including Classroom-Based Assessments (CBA), Short Courses, Priority Learning Units and other areas of learning, as well as the SEC exam results.

IMPORTANT

The Junior Cycle exam is often overshadowed by the more public Leaving Cert exam but it's a very important exam in its own right. It's a prestigious exam of the SEC and it's the first opportunity for second level students to engage with a public exam of this nature. With very few students now leaving school after this exam, the Junior Cycle is a passport to Senior Cycle education, which is a further two years - three years if the optional Transition Year is included. During the final two years of Senior Cycle, students take the traditional Leaving Certificate (LC), the Leaving Certificate Vocational Program (LCVP) or the Leaving Certificate Applied (LCA).

FINALISE

Most schools will now give those moving on to 5th year a few days to finalize their subject grouping for Senior Cycle. Consider your Leaving Cert subject choice very carefully. Start thinking about your college course options and the related careers because, this time next year, it will be your turn to apply for college. Congratulations to all candidates, who received Junior Cycle exam results.

CHECKLIST

- 70,727 candidates, including 2,148 (1,095 female/1,053 male) from Kerry received Junior Cycle results
- Junior Cycle exam results in Kerry were superb
- Six grade descriptors are used - Distinction, Higher Merit, Merit, Achieved, Partially Achieved, Not Graded
- The Junior Cycle exams were cancelled in 2020 and 2021
- English, Irish and Mathematics were examined at both higher and ordinary levels
- All other subjects were examined at common level
- Junior Cycle students are awarded the Junior Cycle Profile of Achievement (JCPA)
- The JCPA confirms the level of achievement in learning, under five descriptors - exceptional, above expectations, in line with expectations, yet to meet expectations and not reported
- Junior Cycle is a passport to Senior Cycle education- LC, LCVP or LCA
- Congratulations to all candidates, who received Junior Cycle exam results.

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Killarney Community College Students who received their Junior Certificate Results on Wednesday. From left: Laura Bradley, Grace Foley, Aisling O Connor, Rebecca McCarthy



Killarney Community College Students who received their Junior Certificate Results on Wednesday.



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Principal's Address @7pm in the school gym.

Please note the last opportunity to tour the school is 6.30p.m.

Important Information & Dates:

Number of places available: **144**

Closing date for receipt of completed applications: **Friday 27th October 2023 at 4pm.**

Application form is available on our website: **www.stbrigidskillarney.ie**





The team at Kelliher's Toyota from left: Adam MacMaghnuis, Niall Sheehan, Tommy Hayes, Akeem Molloy

KELLIHERS TOYOTA MOTORSHOW MAKES ITS ANNUAL TRIP TO THE GLENEAGLE FOR 241

All motoring roads lead to the Gleneagle Hotel this Sunday, October 22nd where the Kelliher's Toyota 241 Motorshow will be in full swing from 11am until 4pm. If you are in or around Killarney on Sunday, be sure and give a drive out the Muckcross Road, where you will spot the Kelliher's Toyota dome with up to 20 cars on show. Kelliher's, the main Toyota dealer in the county will have a great selection of new and demo models across the Toyota range for you to view and explore on the day.

When it comes to iconic car models they don't get much bigger than the Toyota Corolla, the most popular car make is available in hatchback, saloon and now as a very stylish and exciting SUV – the Corolla Cross which is proving so popular and in high demand for 241 orders. Come and see the Yaris Cross, just after winning the Best Small Crossover Award at the AA Car Awards for the 2nd year running for yourself in Killarney this Sunday.

So, if a new car for 241 is on the cards, don't make any decisions without first paying a visit to Kelliher's Toyota at The Gleneagle between 11am and 4pm, Sunday October 22nd and view the full Toyota range for yourself. The team from Kelliher's look forward to meeting with you.

Applications Open for KERRY ARTIST IN RESIDENCE PROGRAMME

Kerry Council County, supported by the Arts Council, and Creative Ireland Kerry are seeking applications for a Kerry Artist in Residence panel. This panel will be in existence for four years from the date of establishment. Kerry County Council's Arts Service has successfully hosted an Artist in Residence programme for several years. There is great interest across the county in this aspect of the Arts Service delivery, with a high level of demand for the Artists' time.

Following on from public consultation for the forthcoming Kerry Arts Strategy, there is a clear demand in Kerry to retain support to grow the artforms of film making, creative writing, dance, and visual art. Therefore filmmakers, writers, dancer, and visual artists are invited to apply for the panel. In terms of shortlisting for interview, priority will be given to professional artists making their living from their artform.

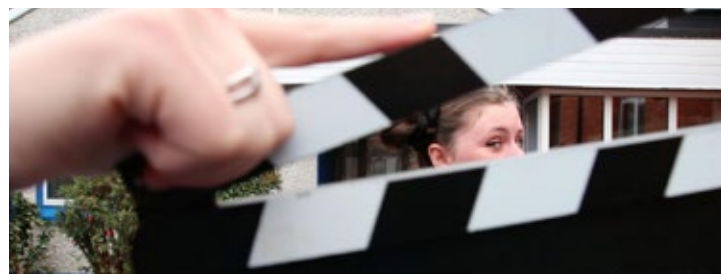
The residency work is co-funded by Kerry County Council and the Arts Council and supported by Creative Ireland Kerry. Kate Kennelly, Arts Officer advised that, 'In recent years the demand for the Artist in Residence's time always exceeds time available, demonstrating a huge interest and enthusiasm in the county for the arts. The Arts Service makes every effort to ensure a countywide spread of arts activity, in response to demand. 'We always ensure the artists has every opportunity to lead their residency time in a targeted way, ensuring they can work where they are most comfortable in terms of working with adults or children and young people etc'.

Importantly the residency affords the artist time to develop their own



work, often inspired by Kerry and its people for the duration of the residency. It is intended that the residency contacts will run from 26-30 weeks annually, subject to funding availability.

The closing date for receipt of applications is 1pm on Thursday 17th November 2023. Interviews will be held in December. Application details are available directly from arts@kerrycoco.ie or phone 066 7183541.



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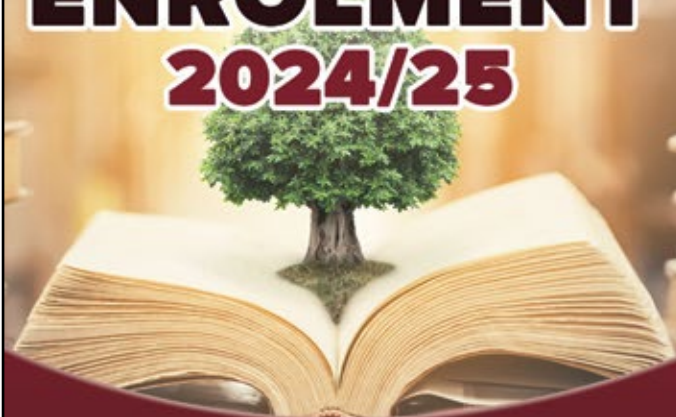
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NEW NCT CENTRE AT AHERNS CASTLEISLAND

A brand new NCT Centre has just been opened at Aherns Castleisland, at their site on Tralee road.

"Both Pat and I and all the team here at Aherns are delighted to get the NCT opened", Paul Ahern told Killarney Outlook. It is a big investment which we are proud to add to the site. The Kerry motorist has supported us over the years and we are glad to give something back", he added.

"This new NCT facility will bring down waiting times for an NCT in the county dramatically", he added.

"We have a lot to offer now on site with sales, service, parts and tyres for new and used cars and vans with great brands like BMW, Opel, DACIA, Renault and SEAT along with Profix accident repairs and our own Commercial CVRT centre - so it really is a motoring one stop shop", the Head of Business said.

The NCT will also be a great boost to the many great businesses we have in Castleisland and feedback from customers has been very positive, I have to say a big thank you also to Michael T Broderick Construction, Energywise Ireland and Kingdom structural steel for their help in building this fantastic new facility, Paul added.

Booking are now available for the new Castleisland NCT centre on www.ncts.ie



Lissivigeen NS says *'Bonjour'* to French....



Students from Lissivigeen NS who have been learning French with Madame Long.

Children in 4th, 5th and 6th classes at Lissivigeen NS have been broadening their linguistic horizons through learning French language in recent weeks. It's all thanks to a short-term Department of Education programme called 'Say Yes To Languages'. The programme aims to give children in the senior classes a 'taster' of a modern European language in school time over 8 weekly one-hour sessions.

They learn the language through an active approach which includes games, video, drama, music, French songs and rhymes. In addition to learning greetings, numbers, colours, body parts, days of the week in French, the children also become aware of the geography and culture of France, thereby linking in with many other subject areas of the primary school curriculum.

Furthermore, the 'Say Yes To Languages' programme also aims to raise the children's awareness of other languages and cultures in their surroundings, which is a very constructive means of awakening their curiosity and heightening their acceptance and inclusion of the many people from other countries who now live cheek by jowl with us in our beautiful town. The teacher who delivers the programme to the children is Mrs Miriam Long or Madame Long, as she now prefers to be called! Miriam was a member of staff at Lissivigeen until her retirement in 2020.

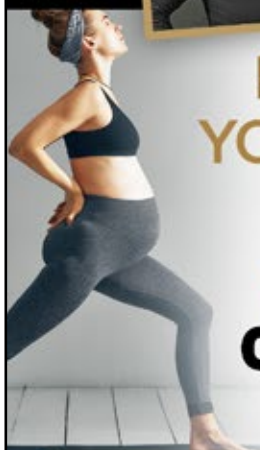


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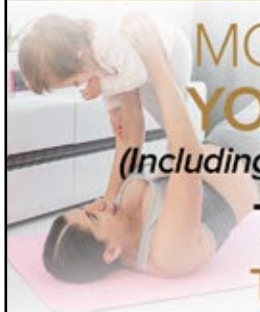


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BUSY YEAR FOR TOWN TWINNING ASSOCIATION

Chairman Sean Counihan looks back on a busy year for the association

Killarney Town Twinning association have had a busy year with visits and contacts from all our twin towns in Europe and sister cities in America. The season will finish next week when the return leg of a tremendous opportunity for junior golfers from Killarney Golf & Fishing Club visit the beautiful golf courses of Scottsdale in Arizona.

The initiative of Killarney Town Twinning association and in conjunction with the junior section of Killarney golf club Killarney hosted students under the beautiful Killarney skies last June. Now in return the students will get to play some famous courses in Scottsdale. One of the golfing capitals of the world. Killarney town twinning association would like to thank the junior committee in Killarney for there involvement in what is a huge opportunity for the students as they get to play with students who represent colleges in Scottsdale. They will also get the chance to visit the Grand Canyon and visit city Hall.

We are grateful to Shane Horgan, Junior Officer and Meg Dalton Marketing Manager at Killarney Golf & Fishing Club and Micheal O



Student Golfers from Killarney Golf & Fishing Club who are heading to Scottsdale Arizona as part of the Town Twinning Association: Evelyn Mc Carthy, Aoife O Sullivan, Ryan Mc Carthy and Alex O Callaghan pictured with Mike O'Leary Eugene O'Sullivan, Mary Tuite, Christine McCarthy, Sheila Dickson, Eileen Whelan, Sean Counihan

Donoghue O'Donoghue Ring Hotels for his enthusiasm and support for this initiative. We believe in Killarney Town Twinning Association that our cultural and sporting and people exchanges are good for Killarney. We hope in future to engage with our own clubs schools and citizens to encourage them to visit our twin towns. We just finished, with Sheila Dickson at the helm, the first of a 4 year cycle Erasmus programmes with Our German twin town.

We would like to acknowledge Eugene O Sullivan and Christine McCarthy from the Junior Committee of Killarney Golf Club who at there own expense will chaperone the students and we wish them a wonderful trip.



The superb Amy Winehouse Band performs this weekend, October 22nd in the Gleneagle INEC Club.

In this exceptional & unique show - Amy's Original band led by her long term Musical Director/Bass player Dale Davis and Amy's close friend from the very start of her career, celebrate her era-defining music and live performances with this, the only completely authentic reimagining of the Amy Winehouse sound. Fronted by the incredible young vocalist Bronte Shandé and featuring onscreen visuals - this unique show has become an unforgettable experience and celebration for audiences around the world which we are delighted to bring to you.

THE AMY WINEHOUSE BAND to Perform this weekend

Amy Winehouse was the greatest female voice to have ever come out of the UK, and for so many simply the greatest artist of her generation, missed by everyone who loved her and her music - join us on a joyful and emotional journey celebrating Amy's incredible songbook with the musicians

and band who knew her best, who stood alongside her on stages all around the world and helped create her timeless sound, both onstage and in the studio. Bringing you all of Amy's hits and masterpieces from the multi award winning albums, Back To Black, Frank and Lioness 'Rehab' 'Valerie' 'Back To Black' 'Love Is A losing Game' 'Tears Dry On Their Own' 'I'm No Good' and many more.

Tickets from €31.25 are available now from www.inec.ie or at the Gleneagle INEC Arena box office in person or 064 6671555.

Sadness at the Passing of Victor Mulcahy

The death has taken place of Killarney man Victor Mulcahy this week.

Well known in golfing circles, Victor was a regular contributor to the Souvenir Edition of Killarney Outlook when he shared stories of famous Killarney golfers over the years.

Victor passed away peacefully at the Palliative Care Unit in University Hospital Kerry surrounded by his loving

family,

He will be sadly missed by his wife Margasister, Marguerita and brother Brian, his parents-in-law Jerry and Frances Looney, brothers-in-law Danny, Jer, Seán and Denis, sister-in-law Maria, nieces, nephews, grand nieces, grand nephews, cousins, relatives, neighbours and a wide circle of friends. Victor was predeceased by his parents Moss and Peg and brother-in-law Ernie.

Victor will repose at O'Shea's Funeral Home, Killarney, today, Friday, 20th October from 4.30pm to 6.30pm followed by removal to St Mary's Cathedral. Requiem Mass on Saturday morning at 10.30am, followed by cremation in the Island Crematorium, Cork.



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CALL FOR EMERGING ARTISAN FOOD PRODUCERS TO COMPETE IN THE 2023 LISTOWEL FOOD FAIR

One of Ireland's longest running food festivals, the Listowel Food Fair, now in its 28th year of celebrating culinary excellence will once again take place from Thursday 9th – Monday 13th November 2023 in the North Kerry culinary and literary town of Listowel.

The Listowel Food Fair is delighted to announce the eagerly anticipated '2023 Best Emerging Artisan Food Competition' -In Association with Kerry Local Enterprise Office. This competition supports the finest emerging artisan food producers across the country and is a celebration of the rich and diverse culinary talent found in the Irish food sector today.

Speaking at the launch of the competition, Chairman of the Listowel Food Fair Jimmy Deenihan said:

"As part of the festival's commitment to support and promote emerging talent, the Listowel Food Fair is delighted to present the '2023 Best Emerging Artisan Food Competition'-In Association with Kerry Local Enterprise Office. The Listowel Food Fair '2023 Best Emerging

Artisan Food Competition' is a well established and long standing feature of the festival and it highlights the exceptional talent and dedication of our artisan food producers, who bring innovation and flavour to Irish food. This competition aims to recognise and support up-and-coming artisan food producers across the country, fostering innovation and excellence".

Speaking about the initiative, Listowel Food Fair committee member and Project Coordinator for the '2023 Best Emerging Artisan Food Competition' – In Association with Kerry Local Enterprise Office Lisa O'Flaherty said:

"Listowel Food Fair has always been a special occasion, but this year, we've pulled out all the stops to make it truly extraordinary. We're extending a warm invitation to artisan food producers from all corners of Ireland to join us in this celebration of flavours and culinary craftsmanship. It's not just an event; it's a platform for talented artisans to showcase their creations. Register for the '2023 Best Emerging Artisan Food Competition' -In Association

with Kerry Local Enterprise Office, share your passion, and be part of the 2023 Listowel Food Fair - an experience you won't want to miss!"

The 2023 Listowel Food Fair is supported by Kerry Group, Bord Bia, Bord Iascaigh Mhara, Teagasc, Fáilte Ireland, Kerry Local Enterprise Office, Kerry County Council, Tipperary Crystal, Garveys Supervalu and Eno Wines.

COMPETITION DETAILS

The competition features five distinct categories, providing a platform for artisan food producers to showcase their exceptional creations. The categories are as follows:

Baking & Baked Goods

Beverages – Alcoholic & Non-Alcoholic

Dairy – Cultured milk, Cream products, Ice Cream, and Cheese

Condiments – Jams, Chutneys, Sauces, and Food Ingredients

Free-from and Health products

ELIGIBILITY

To be eligible, entrants must ensure that their food products are not mass-produced and have been in production for two years or less.

REGISTRATION

Registration for the competition is entirely free and can be completed by filling out the online form available on the Listowel Food Fair website –www.listowelfoodfair.ie

KEY COMPETITION DETAILS

Entry Deadline: Friday, November 3rd, 2023

Judging Date: Tuesday, November 7th, 2023

Venue: Listowel Arms Hotel, The Square, Listowel, Co. Kerry, V31V962

The overall winner of the Best Emerging Artisan Food Competition will receive a grand prize of €1000, while category winners will be awarded €200 each.

All entrants are required to deliver their submissions to the Listowel Arms Hotel by 9 a.m. on Tuesday, November 7th, 2023.

For further information, competition guidelines, and online registration, please visit the Listowel Food Fair website at www.listowelfoodfair.ie



Conor Slattery, Kerry Local Enterprise Office, Mairead Moriarty, Listowel Food Fair Committee, Billy Keane, John B Keane's Bar, Savstida Harikrishnan, Ellie Mai McMahon, Mia Nolan and Elza Mortimer at Lynch's Bakery & Coffee Shop, Listowel for the launch of the 2023 Listowel Food Fair.

KILLARNEY ORDER OF MALTA HOLD REGIONAL TRAINING DAY



Order of Malta Units from the South Wdest Region gathered at Killarney Racecourse on Saturday 14th October last where the Killarney Unit of Order of Malta Ireland held a Regional Training Event in partnership with Horse Racing Ireland. The event brought together seven Order of Malta Units from around the South West Region (Killarney, Cork, Limerick, Cashel, Shannon, Thurles and Carraigaline).

There were over 60 members who worked in teams with various qualifications to treat ten different simulated patients. The teams treated many different injuries from spinal injuries and head injuries to chest pain and a simulated cardiac arrest.

The training day allowed all members to practice their lifesaving skills and ensure they can provide the highest level of care for the

jockeys and the public on race days in Killarney and across the South West. The teams partnered with local Doctors Dr Kevin Brennan and Dr Rosemary Kelliher and Dr Adrian McGoldrick from the Irish Horse Racing Regulatory Board.

This made for a very enjoyable learning experience, with lots of fun and friendship development. All members learned from the event and look forward to more Training events in the future.





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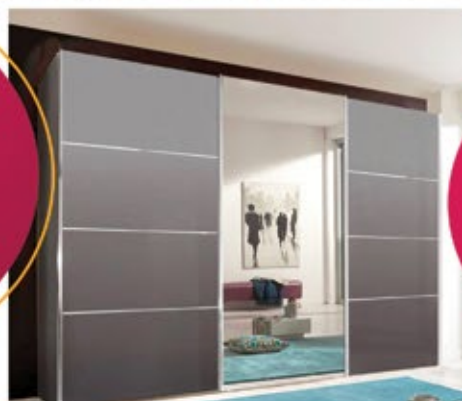
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A Chara,

I'd be grateful for the opportunity to let readers of Killarney Outlook know about a forthcoming webinar being organised by Brain Tumour Ireland to mark International Brain Tumour Awareness Week (October 28 to November 4).

The free webinar, "Brain Wise: living well with a brain tumour", will take place on Tuesday October 31 at 6.30pm and feature special guest, Wild Youth's Conor O'Donohue. Conor's mum, Jackie, sadly passed away arising from a brain tumour in 2011. Conor will speak about how he navigated that time and how his mum continues to inspire him.

We will also have contributions from a dietitian on eating well following treatment for a brain tumour and from a social worker and occupational therapist on managing relationships at a time of great emotional trauma.

It is estimated that there are over 150 types of brain tumour, with latest figures from the National Cancer Registry (2018-2020), showing that there are approximately 823 people diagnosed with a brain, or other central nervous system tumour, in Ireland each year.

Brain tumour symptoms can include headache, visual problems, speech difficulties, seizures, personality changes, memory loss, nausea and vomiting, and I would always encourage readers to visit their GP if they have concerns.

For full information on all the events taking place as part of International Brain Tumour Awareness Week, and to register for the webinar, visit www.braintumourireland.com

Yours sincerely,

Fiona Keegan

Chief Executive Brain Tumour Ireland

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PADDY HITS THE TOP THREE WITH NEW NOVEL



Native Dubliner and Killarney resident, Paddy Osbourne pictured at the Mansion House in Dublin. From left to right, Councillor Eimer McCormack, Lord Mayor Daithí De Róiste, author Paddy Osbourne & Senator Mary Fitzpatrick.

Killarney resident, but true and true Dubliner, author Paddy Osbourne is delighted with the news that his new novel, *When Your Number's Up* recently made it to number #3 on the Amazon bestsellers list for the UK & Ireland.

"After a successful launch in the Killarney Brewery, Fossa it was onto the Dublin launch with the Lord Mayor, Daithí De Róiste in the Mansion House where I met with a leading Irish Director in Dublin recently and he's very interested in the possibility of turning *When Your Number's Up* into a feature film", Paddy told Killarney Outlook.

"The whole process can take forever but it's a great feeling to know that someone likes your writing and wants to try and bring it to screen", he added.

Paddy's debut novel, *Baxter's Boys* which the Irish Independent likened to Roddy Doyle's *Barrytown Trilogy* also has an offer on the table to buy the movie rights. "I've been writing for over twenty years now but things seem to be really gathering momentum of late. I'm over in the UK next week, meeting a literary agent so we'll see what happens", he added. *When Your Number's Up* is available from Eason & O'Connors in Killarney, priced €13.99.

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- Week 1 Results -

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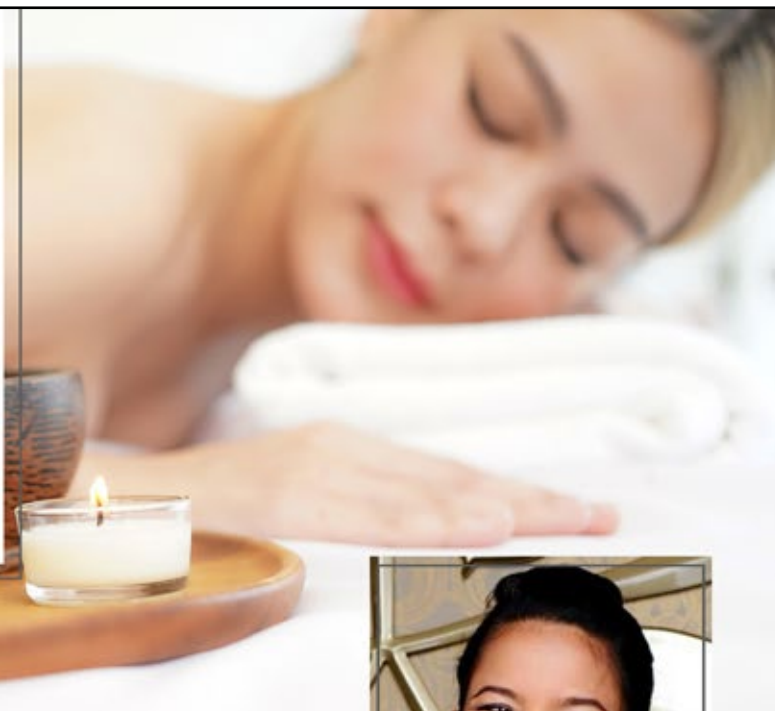
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Hayley Murphy and Shannon Hanafin coaches of Legacy Elite who attended Future Cheer coaches conference in the UK October 14-15th and met Paul Greaves, coach of double Olympic medalist Byrny Page



Killarney Men's Shed is a hive of activity and Pictured here is Vincent Keogh with his key worker Batt Brosnan, operating a busy board designed and made by Pat Somers Killarney Mens Shed. The busy board features all the skills Vincent employs during his time in the Mens Shed.



Killarney National Park, Autumn talks series continued in Killarney House Auditorium on Thursday night, with another full house. Speaker, Owen O'Shea, Author and Historian, took to the stage, with his sightful and somewhat brutal history of the Civil War in Kerry. His lecture was entitled 'Terror, Turmoil and Trauma: The Civil War in County Kerry and its legacy'. From left, Dieter Gogsch, Author Owen O'Shea, Patricia Gogsch and Sean O'Brien. Photo: Valerie O'Sullivan



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By Dermot Cronin,
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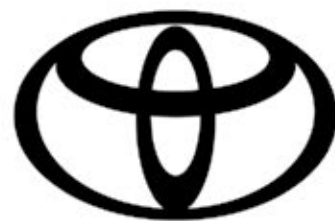
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BEAUFORT

By Bridget Hartnett

➤FIXTURES

Good luck to Beaufort players and Mid Kerry senior men who will play Dingle in Garvey's Co Senior football Championship semi-final on Saturday, 21st October at 5.30pm in Austin Stack Park. Beaufort senior men will play the winner of Laune Rangers v Cromane in the 2023 Mid Kerry senior championship semi-final.

➤RESULTS

Beaufort 2.09 Glenbeigh/Glencar/Cromane 6.06 in Mid Kerry Minor championship

Congratulations to Beaufort players, Saoirse O'Sullivan, Eabha McEvoy, Keeva Riordan, Ruby Mae Breen, Avril Rooney, Lily Riordan and Donal McEvoy, Selector, who were members of Mid Kerry U15 District Co Championship football winning team of 2023.

➤LOTTO

There was no winner of Beaufort G.A.A. Club lotto jackpot of €15,200 on Sunday, 15th October. Numbers: 5, 8, 9, 11. Consolation Prizes: €80 Paddy Breen, London. €50 Frankie Hallissey, Alohert.; Mary Coffey, Beaufort c/o Carson's, Tara Carolan, c/o D.D. The next draw for a jackpot of €15,400 will be on Sunday, 29th October. Thank you for your support of the lotto

➤EXERCISE CLASSES

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

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Yoga mixed class by Ondata-Well-Being. Please contact 085 1350417 for details or the Club at 087 9975737.



Beaufort U15 Girls and Selector, Donal McEvoy, members of the U15 Girls Mid Kerry team, Co Championship winners, 2023

➤LOST PROPERTY

A number of items have been left in Beaufort G.A.A. Club during the year. These are mostly tops and jackets. Enquiries to Club at 087 9975737.

➤BEAUFORT RAMBLING HOUSE

Beaufort Rambling House will take place on Saturday, November 11th. Details later.

RATHMORE GNEEVEGUILLA

By Michael O' Mahony

➤TUREENCAHILL COMMUNITY CENTRE SENIOR CITIZENS BENEFIT CONCERT

on 27th Oct. from 8pm (a voluntary contribution). All proceeds to Tureencahill Senior Citizens Fund. Music: Sheila Fitzgerald, The Cronins & Guests. All welcome.

➤CONGRATULATIONS to the Rathmore Ladies & Management & players their win in the quarter finals. Semi finals v Limerick Saturday 28th October Venue tbc.

➤GARVEYS SUPER VALU SENIORS CO CHAMPIONSHIP SEMI FINAL

Rathmore v East Kerry in Fitzgerald Stadium on 22nd October Sunday at 2-30

➤SHARE THE BUCKET

Gneeveguilla Community Facility Group reminds you that Share the Bucket takes place weekly. The draw is every Friday evening in Teach Fáilte @8.30 pm and can be viewed live on our Gneeveguilla Community Facility Group Facebook Page. This week's jackpot was €202 and the winner was Paddy O'Donoghue. Tickets cost €2 each or 3 for €5..They are available at Teach Fáilte and can be bought online at <https://tinyurl.com/y2ade5om>. or in local businesses where you see the Green Share the bucket. Your support is greatly supported and all funds will go towards our new proposed community facility. We would like to thank our local businesses who continue to support our project.

➤FASHION SHOW FUNDRAISER

Knocknagree Community Development Group CLG will host a Fashion Show Fundraiser on Thursday 26th October in Rathmore Community Centre. Cheese and Wine reception at 7.30pm. The show starts at 8pm. Please contact Noreen on 0876270806 or Mairead on 0876427520 for tickets.

➤SYMPATHIES to the family of Marguerite Feeney (nee O'Sullivan) & West End, Rathmore & Glasgow who died on the 5th October in Glasgow. May Marguerite rest in peace

➤HOLY ROSARY

October being the month of the Holy Rosary, it will be prayed at the grotto, Gneeveguilla Village @ 8pm each evening weather permitting otherwise in the Church. The Wednesday Rosary will continue in the Church and will be live streamed on MCN Gneeveguilla @ 8pm

➤FIXTURES

Garveys super vale Seniors Co. Championship semi final, Rathmore v East Kerry in Fitzgerald Stadium on Sunday at 2-30

➤NOTES

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

Cllr Marie Moloney, Adam Harris AslAm, Louise Byrne and Denis Doolan at the Launch of the Autism Friendly Towns AFT by AslAm in Dublin last Saturday.



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KILCUMMIN

Written by: Helen Moynihan

➤KILCUMMIN NATIONAL SCHOOL

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➤POP UP VINTAGE SHOP

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➤AUTUMN STATIONS

Station masses for your area will be celebrated in the coming weeks. The priest will offer mass for the intentions of all from the station area beginning on Thursday 19th Oct. for the Parish Centre station area and townlands of Clashnagarrane, Cockhill, Rathanane, Glebe, Knockataggle, Ballinmanagh, Inchicullane, Mountain View, Pairc Chúimin. Coolick School Area will be held on Thursday 26th October; Mastergeeha Station area, Monday 6th November and Anablaha School area Thur 9th Nov. Many thanks for your ongoing support for our priests.

➤LITTER PICKING

Due to all the hedge strimming along most roads a lot of rubbish has been exposed. If you would like to volunteer to keep the roadside free of litter within close proximity to your home it would be of great help. Please be mindful of your safety in doing so. Bags are available by contacting the Rural Development Office on 064 6643357.

➤KILCUMMIN GAA

LOTTO

There was no winner on 9th October 2023 of the Jackpot for €7,250.

Mastergeeha U14 in action last weekend.



Numbers drawn were 01,02,12,14. Consolation prizes of €50 went to Timo & Cathy O'Sullivan; Carmel O'Riordan; Denis O'Connor; Kelvin & Laura Teahan The next draw will be Monday 23rd October for Jackpot of €7,500.

➤MASTERGEEHA FC

MASTERGEEHA FC U14 PREMIER RESULT

Mastergeeha FC U14 team beat Killarney Athletic 3-1. Huge performance all over the pitch and 3 points were sealed with Daragh Keane's hat trick.

LOTTO

There was no winner on 13th October 2023 of the Jackpot for €5,000. Numbers drawn were 08,12,16,26. Consolation prizes of €50 went to Patie Nagle, Mastergeeha; Robert Kerins, Mastergeeha; Mick Daly; Tara & Anissa Flemming, Dereen. (c/o Reeks). The next draw will be Friday 20th October for Jackpot of €5,200.

SPA

Written by: Leanne Cronin

➤COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP

Hard luck to our Senior men's side after ending their County Championship at the quarter final stage having been defeated by Rathmore on Saturday. Final score on the day Rathmore 0-14 Spa 1-08. This side have displayed some great football throughout the competition and have had the members of club behind them all the way. After finishing second in their



Spa U15s who played Gneeveguilla in the East Region Coiste Na nÓg Division 3 final

group in this competition, and retaining Senior and Division 1 status overall it was not a bad year for the lads. We wish them the best of luck in their preparations for the O'Donoghue Cup.

➤EAST REGION COISTE NA NOG

Our U15 boy's side were unlucky on Sunday when they played Gneeveguilla in the U15 Division 3 final. After displaying some great football the lads were unfortunately defeated 2-10 to 10. Well done to the lads for showing some great team spirit and management Patrick Crowe, Eoin O'Riordan, Peter Wickham and Dave Devance for guiding this side to a final

➤SCOR

Well done to the Scór Sinsir teams that competed in the County Final on Friday last. The Set Dancing group took first place and the Tráth na gCéist came third on the night.

➤LOTTO

Spa lotto 16/10/23. Jackpot €3800. Numbers drawn: 6, 8, 12, 17. No winner. Lucky Dips: €50 each to Arthur and Angela Coakley, Susan Hayes, Maureen Murphy, Moss Keeffe. Next weeks draw is for a jackpot of €4000

➤ITEMS FOR NOTES

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



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GLENFLESK

Written by: Seamus Healy

➤CONDOLANCES

Sincere condolences to Geraldine, Eamon, Jonathan and Kevin Bowler and the extended family on the passing of Geraldine's mother Kitty Foley. May her soul rest in peace.

➤LOTTO

There was no winner of Glenflesk Lotto which took place on 16th October 2023 in Glenflesk Hall. Jackpot €5,800. The numbers drawn were : 9, 10, 21, 25. Consolation Prizes of €50 each to 1. John Wall (online ticket). 2. Brendan O'Sullivan D'Arcy (Annual ticket). 3. Barry O'Sullivan (Annual Ticket). 4. Dan Murphy (Sellers' Prize). Next draw will take place in Glenflesk Hall on Wednesday 1st November 2023. Jackpot will be €6,000. Thank you to all who support our Lotto and to our sellers.

➤END OF SEASON

Our u11s had a wonderful end to their season last week with some indoor sport & pizza in Spa. Well done to a great group who showed great football skills, dedication and fun throughout the year. Thanks to all involved. The club would also like to acknowledge the great work done this year by the coaching team of Eugene Bowler, Marlene O'Donoghue, Tom Murphy & Micheál McGillicuddy. Gleann Fleisce abú

➤O SULLIVAN CUP SEMI FINAL

Well done to the Sem and Glenflesk lads Callum Cronin, Jamie Moynihan, Gearoid Healy, Darragh O Connell and Brian O Connor. St. Brendan's College 4:14 Pobalscoil Chorca Dhuibhne 1:15.

➤COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP QUARTER FINAL

Well done to East Kerry senior team and management defeating St Kierans last Saturday in Austin Stack Park. Our Glenflesk players putting in great performances as usual. Daniel O'Brien, Darragh Roche, Cian Lynch, Patrick Darcy, Killian O Sullivan and Luke Crowley. Well done also to Ollie Favier (The Shire Cafe and Bar) who kindly presented the East Kerry Senior team with jersey's, windbreakers, shorts and socks in Killarney last week. Best of

luck to the team and management in the semi final against Rathmore on Sunday at 2.30 in Fitzgerald Stadium.

➤GLENFLESK GIRLS U16

Congratulations to Our U16's who beat MKL last Sunday in Glenflesk. Glenflesk are now through to the final against Fossa Time & Venue to be confirmed

➤CEOL AN GHEIMHRIDH 2023

Ceol an Gheimhridh Kerry County Finals will be held on Saturday the 25th November in MTU and Dúchas Comhaltas Centre, MTU. Entries to branch secretary by 22 October.

Age Groups are U11 and 11-14. All dancing competitions will be on Saturday the 25th November in Dúchas Comhaltas Centre. Music, singing, storytelling and recitation will be on Saturday the 25th November. There is a new competition this year: Polka/Slide playing, Competitors must perform one polka and one slide from the Munster tradition. Entries to branch secretary by 22 October. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT MARTINA 0872966644.

➤BARRADUFF COMMUNITY FIELD ORGANISATION

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➤THE SOCIAL ACTION GROUP

The social action group will undertake their October Challenge this month. They will commence their annual door to door collections this weekend. Proceeds from the collection will go to the continual development of our care programme for older people in the community. A portion of the funds raised will also go to support the humanitarian aid appeal for civilians affected by the recent outbreak of conflict in the Gaza Strip. If you have any queries please contact (064) 7758588. Your support is greatly appreciated.

LISTRY

Written by: Colette Leslie

➤LISTRY GAA

LOTTO

5, 14, 24, 25. €100 Dio Buckley, Rockfield. €50 Gene Daly, Milltown. €50 Pearl Riordan, Listry. €25 Suzanne Scannell. €25 Pati Hope c/o Teddy Counihan. Next weeks jackpot €7,500

U15

Our U15 team awaits the replay of the Mid Kerry final V Laune rangers time and date tbc.

U13S

Our U13 Keel /Listry team played GGC in the Mid Kerry A final in Milltown

last weekend =. Following a ding dong battle, our lads came up just short, on a scoreline of GGC 3.07 to Keel/Listry 2.07. Congratulations to GGC.

END OF YEAR PARTY

All groups from U11 down enjoyed the end of year party in Allman Park on Friday evening last. Thanks to Peter and the Keane family at PKs Supervalu for sponsoring party bags for all the children present again this year.

OUR U9S travelled to the Mallow GAA complex on Saturday to take part in the Munster blitz. They fielded 2 teams and played other clubs from around Munster.

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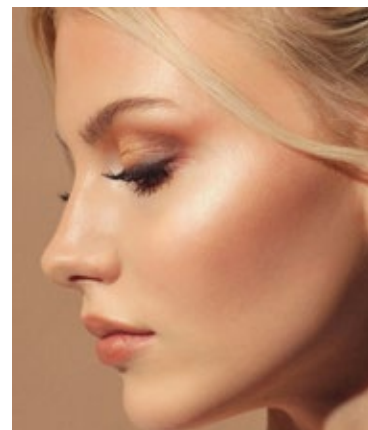


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Most people think of weights when it comes to resistance training but there are bodyweight exercise options and TRX for example which is a suspension based exercise system. With regard to diet there are many ways of increasing your calcium intake and also your Vitamin D, but as always before making any significant changes to either your exercise routine or diet it is best to discuss with your GP as they will offer the best advice based on your medical history and what medications you might currently be taking.

Other options such as yoga and pilates are also beneficial, especially if new to exercise or have not done much exercise for some time as they are low impact but will help maintain healthy muscles and joints.

As mentioned already if you are experiencing symptoms of menopause or are thinking or making changes to your diet or exercise routine then please discuss first with your GP, and if you then want help with your exercise or nutrition/diet routines then give us a call at B Well Fitness Club on 087-7643449 and see how we can help you.



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less, which may make your eyes dry and uncomfortable.

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- There are no distracting reflections, e.g. from a window.

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Winners of the scramble very kindly sponsored by Helen O'Donoghue. Cathy Crowley, Doreen Brosnan and Lady Captain Mary Burns. Doreen Brosnan also won the Sahara Cup for best putter.



In second place in the scramble very kindly sponsored by Helen O'Donoghue. Kathleen Fitzgerald, Betty O'Farrell, Lourda Kelly and Susan Good with Captain Mary Burns

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RESULTS

On Oct 14th & 15th we held the Sahara Cup Stableford Competition, kindly sponsored by Pdraig Bruton.

The winners were:-

- 1st: Cormac O Donoghue 41 (13)
- 2nd: Kieran Murphy 40 (30)
- 3rd: Michael O Connor 39 (8)
- 4th: Jonathan Casey 38 (8)
- 5th: John Prendergast 38 (19)

SYMPATHY

We offer our sympathy to John Joe Healy on the recent death of his sister, Anne R.I.P.

KILLARNEY GOLF CLUB - LADIES

LADIES RESULTS

October 15th, Killeen 18 holes stableford sponsored by Pat O'Neill

- 1: Anne Moynihan 38 pts (03)
- 2: Amy Arthur 37 pts (05)
- B/G: Mairead Martin 37 pts
- 3: Elizabeth O'Farrell 35 pts (16) Last Nine Holes
- 4: Fidelma O'Connor 35 pts (12)
- 5: Susan Tong 34 pts (15) Last Nine Holes

FIXTURES

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CASTLEROSSE GOLF CLUB (LADIES)

RESULTS OF END OF YEAR SCRAMBLE PLAYED ON 15TH OCTOBER.

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A.N. Other

2nd

Claire Horgan
Finola Geary 47-9= 38
Frances Flynn

3rd

Catherine Woods
Annette Galvin. 49-9=40
Nuala Ward

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for the month of November. Sign in on BRS.

KILLARNEY GOLF & FISHING CLUB

- MEN'S

SINGLES STABLEFORD Sponsored by CRL Oil

Played on Mahony's Point; Saturday 14th & Sunday 15th October 2023

Winner: Seamus Doheny 43pts (21)

2nd: James Jones 42pts (10)

Best Gross: Paud O'Donoghue 73 (3)

Category 1

Winner: Derry McCarthy 38pts (7)

2nd: David Moloney 37pts (9)

3rd: Declan Kelly 36pts (7) bk9.

Category 2

Winner: Donal O'Sullivan 40pts (9)

2nd: Paul Twiss 39pts (11) bk9

3rd: Daniel Kelly 39pts (14).

Category 3

Winner: Michael Casey 42pts (17)

2nd: Ted Aherne 40pts (15)

3rd: John Horgan 39pts (14) bk9.

Category 4

Winner: Shaun O'Connor 39pts (21)

2nd: David Neeson 39pts (23)

3rd: Leo Casey 38pts (18)

OCTOBER MONTHLY MEDAL SINGLES

STABLEFORD Sponsored by Duggan Steel
Played on Killeen: Saturday 7th & Sunday 8th October 2023

Winner: Michael D O'Neil 68 (8)

2nd: Derry McCarthy 69 (8)

Best Gross : Paud O'Donoghue 72 (3)

Category 1

Winner: Alan Kelly 70 (8)

2nd: George McKenzie Vass 71 (3) bk9

3rd: Peter Head O'Brien 71 (7).

Category 2

Winner: Pat Carroll 69 (13)

2nd: Adam O'Reilly 70 (13)

3rd: Brian Regan 71 (10).

Category 3

Winner: Donie O'Shea 72 (15)

2nd: James O'Meara 73 (17)

3rd: Maurice McCarthy 74 (17).

Category 4

Winner: Edmund Meyer Schwickerath 72 (20)

2nd: Jimmie Smith 73 (19) bk9

3rd : Ciaran Brosnan 73 (22).

ROSS LADIES GOLF CLUB NOTES

RESULTS

Saturday 14th October 9 hole Scramble very kindly sponsored by Helen O'Donoghue

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Helen O'Donoghue.

First place went to Captain Mary Burns with Kathy Crowley and Doreen Brosnan. Doreen also won the Sahara Cup for her outstanding putting this morning. Congratulations Doreen. In second place Kathleen Fitzgerald, Betty O'Farrell, Lourda Kelly and Susan Good. Third place Elaine Casey, Mary B O'Sullivan and Margaret O'Donoghue.

COMPETITIONS

Christmas Hampers Competition very kindly sponsored by Bricin Restaurant Saturday 21st October

9 HOLE SCRAMBLE

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MEET AND PLAY every Wednesday morning. Meet in the Club House no later than 10.00am. All members welcome.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING ROSS LADIES GOLF CLUB

Annual General Meeting to be held on Saturday

11th November at 11.00am in the Club House. Motions & Nominations must be received by 1st November to the box in the locker room. All new members welcome. There will be a 9 hole scramble after AGM at 12.00 noon.

GOLF LESSONS

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

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CHRISTMAS HAMPER

Thanks to those who took part in our Christmas Hamper last weekend (sponsored by Daly's Supervalu) as it was a significant day for the Ladies side of our club as Eileen McCarthy won the Overall Nett by some distance!

Results: Overall Nett: Eileen McCarthy 78, Overall Gross: Connie O'Sullivan Jnr 97, Second Nett: Bobby Kelly 86, +3-4 Nett: Adam Kelly 93 (B9), 5-9 Nett: Hugh O'Sullivan 87, 10-16 Nett: Niall O'Loughlin 94 and Ladies Nett: Margaret C Looney 102.

CHRISTMAS TURKEYS

These events (sponsored by Tim Jones Butchers) will begin now this Sunday with draws at 9am and 10.45am. Entry €5 per draw. Full rules will be posted on the club's Facebook page prior to the weekend.

CHAIRMAN'S PRIZE

Our Chairman Damien Fleming will host his prize on Sunday November 12th. Further details in the weeks ahead.

PRIZEGIVING

Please note all prizegivings for the year will take place on Friday December 1st. Further details in due course.

PAUL O'SULLIVAN SCRATCH CUP

Please note that this event will now take place in Castleisland on the October Bank Holiday Monday and will be played as a straight 36-hole event. Please contact County Board Competition Secretary Christy O'Mahony to book a tee-time.

BUSINESS OUTLOOK

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Anticipation is mounting following the unveiling of the finalists, and the winners of the SEAI Energy Awards 2023 with Randles Hotel on Muckcross Road announced as a finalist in the 2023 SEAI Energy Awards. The stunning hotel in Killarney is a historic 116-year-old building. The Randles family vision and commitment to the sustainability plan drove the transition to renewable energy systems. The projects include installing heat pumps, solar panels, LED lighting, a pool cover, upgraded air conditioning and an energy monitoring system. Grant aid from SEAI through the Better Energy Communities (BEC) scheme facilitated the successful implementation of the projects.

These measures resulted in significant cost savings of 50%, energy usage savings of 55%, and carbon savings of 55%. The transition to energy-efficient systems made the business leaner and encouraged staff to embrace sustainability. The improvements allowed the hotel to employ additional staff, enhancing overall operations.

The transition to renewable energy systems showcases the hotel's dedication to being eco-friendly and efficient, reducing its carbon footprint and benefiting the environment in the long term. This distinguished contender exemplifies Kerry's spirit of innovation and dedication to creating a sustainable and energy-efficient future. Randles Hotel's recognition underscores the county's dedication to sustainability. In this year's outstanding lineup, Randles Hotel stands out as a finalist in the SME Category, underscoring their remarkable contributions to sustainability and energy efficiency within the small and medium-sized business sector.

Recognising exceptional achievements in sustainable energy and

KILLARNEY'S RANGLES HOTEL UNVEILED AS FINALIST IN THE 2023 SEAI ENERGY AWARDS



decarbonisation across various sectors, these awards celebrate individuals, organisations and businesses that are leading the charge in Ireland's energy transition.

All finalists represent a wide spectrum of sectors, each passionately contributing to a sustainable energy low carbon future. The high quality of entries for the SEAI Energy Awards 2023 reflects the innovation and dedication prevalent in Ireland's sustainability landscape.

Category winners will be announced at an event on 16th November 2023

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MotorClub Hold Prodrive Celebration Charity Night



Champion Rally Drivers, Mickie Galvin, right, Martin O'Riordon, Robert Duggan, left, Noel O'Sullivan and Joe O'Leary, member of Killarney District and Motor Club at the Prodrive celebration charity night at the Killarney Racecourse. Iconic rally car driven by the late Bertie Fisher was on display, and speakers Alistar Fisher and Phil Mills and local rally drivers Rob Duggan, Mikie Galvin were at the event. All proceeds were donated to the Jack and Jill Foundation which provides support and special care to children across the country. Photo: Valerie O'Sullivan



Shiny Bonnet... Stalwarts, Pat Healy, left and Pat O'Sullivan, members of Killarney District and Motor Club at the Prodrive celebration charity night at the Killarney Racecourse. Photo: Valerie O'Sullivan



Members of Killarney District and Motor Club at the Prodrive celebration charity night at the Killarney Racecourse. Iconic rally car driven by the late Bertie Fisher was on display, and speakers Alistar Fisher and Phil Mills and local rally drivers Rob Duggan, Mikie Galvin were at the event. Photo: Valerie O'Sullivan

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MUCKCROSS ROWING CLUB**EVENTS**

Next weekend the club returns to the River Shannon for the Castleconnell Head Of the River on Saturday, October 28th. Later events include the Skibbereen HOR, Sat Nov 11th at the Cork marina. Our own Muckcross HOR is scheduled for Sat Dec 2nd at the National Rowing Centre (NRC) in Farran.

BEST MALE CLUB AT SMHOR

There was some welcome news received from Limerick last week following the club's successful outing to the St. Michael's Rowing Club Head Of the River held on Saturday, October 7th. With the final tally of all results, Muckcross RC secured the honour of best overall male club with its accumulation of 191 points based on the results from each category. This earned the club the honour of the Jim 'Monty' Ahern Cup which is presented annually by St. Michael's RC to the best male club at their HOR event. Jim is fondly remembered by the Limerick club as an outstanding rower, coach and club administrator with a long involvement in rowing up to his passing in 2016. Enniskillen Royal Boat Club were the winners of the Ailish Sheehan Cup for best female club.

CLUB BBQ

A reminder for our end of season barbeque (which was postponed in August) - the BBQ is going ahead this Sunday, October 22nd at 4pm in the Muckcross Park Hotel. Special thanks to our hosts in the Muckcross Park Hotel.

KILLARNEY RFC NEWS**U10'S ENJOY AVIVA BLITZ**

A huge well done to our U10's who enjoyed a trip to the sunny southeast last Sunday and took part in the Aviva Minis Munster festival at Dungarvan RFC. A wonderful day of rugby with 25 teams from right across the province taking part. Our lads were in a group which included Cork Con, Fermoy, Cashel and Richmond and played some lovely rugby and had a wonderful day out. Thanks to all who traveled to support the kids, to our fantastic coaches and our amazing minis who took part!

U16'S BOYS HEADING TO LIMERICK TOMORROW

Best of luck to our U16's boys who head off



Killarney Rugby Club U10's who took part in a blitz in Dungarvan.

to Thomond Park tomorrow to watch Munster take on the Sharks following their own fixture in Newcastle West. This promises to be a cracking day out for all involved!

MINIS TRAINING CONTINUES

Minis training continues every Saturday and new players are more than welcome. No experience necessary and fun guaranteed. Open to boys and girls aged between 5 and 11. Contact Dave on 087-2546290 for more.

RESULTS

Seniors: Dungarvan 40 - 7 Killarney

U18 Boys: Killarney 15 - 22 RCD

U16 Boys: Killarney 27-17 Killorglin

FIXTURES

U18 boys V Charleville away, Sat @ 12

U16 boys V Desmond's away, Sat at 12

U14 boys V RCD home, Sat @ 12

U18 girls V Midleton/Youghal/Fermoy home, Sun @ 12.

KILLARNEY VALLEY ATHLETIC CLUB

The Munster Novice, U23, Junior and Juvenile Even Age Cross Country Championships is on Sunday 22nd October at 11.30am in Clonreddan, Cooraclare, West Clare. Best of Luck to everyone competing.

The final day of the County Cross Country Competition was in Killarney on Sunday 8th October with Juvenile Relays. Winning gold, were our U14 Boys Team of Conor Duffin, Tunde Smith, George Lenihan and James Sheehan, our U16 Girls Team of Dara McCarthy, Kirsten

Kenny, Megan O'Reilly and Tara O'Sullivan, and our U16 Boys Team of Gabriel Ortega, Oran Kiely, Jack Culloty and William Fogarty. Winning Silver were our U12 Boys Team of Daniel Smith, Fionn Culloty, Aaron O'Sullivan, Olamide Smith and Luke O'Sullivan and our U10 Girls Team of Sadhbh O'Reilly, Lucy Devane, Carolena Kelly, Chloe O'Sullivan and Lily Horgan. Winning Bronze were our U12 Girls Team of Seodhna O'Sullivan, Saoirse O'Shea, Brid O'Connor and Alannah McGlynn and our U10 Boys Team of Charlie Kelliher, Fionn O'Donoghue, Cian Vaughan and James Doody. Great running by everyone.

All information on Training Schedules are on our website www.killarneyvalleyac.ie.

FOSSA BRIDGE CLUB

Congratulations to our winners from our recent competitions played in Fossa Bridge Club.

RESULTS:

Thursday, October 12th

1st Mai and Tim Corcoran

2nd and Best Gross: Anne Looney and Maura G. Moynihan

Thursday, October 5th

1st and Best Gross: Mary Gleeson and Evelyn O'Leary

2nd: Anne Looney and Maura G. Moynihan

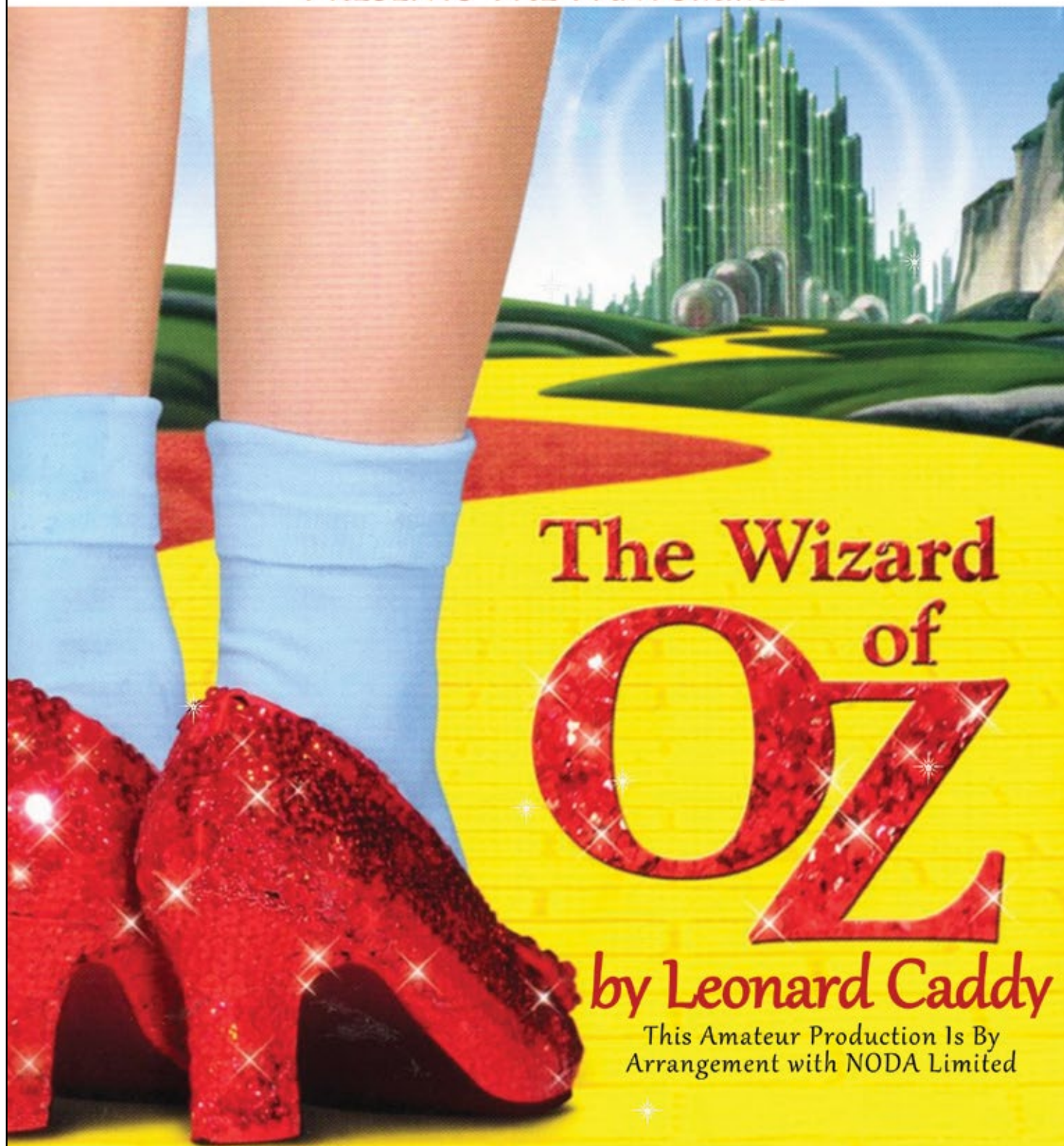
FOSSA BRIDGE CLUB MEETS every Thursday morning at 9.45 am. We welcome our Members, new Members and Visitors.

Brendan Caffrey, Killarney, taking part in the 2023 Amsterdam Marathon on Sunday 15th October. Finishing here in the iconic Olympic Stadium, cheered on by his wife Tracy and children Danny and Ellie. Brendan finished strong with a new personal best time of 2hours 46mins.



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InsureMyVan.ie Mens Basketball League

Saturday October 14th

**SCOTTS LAKERS ST PAULS 88
TITANS BC 82**

Despite a five minute barren run at the start of the fourth quarter Scotts Lakers still made it two wins from two at home in the InsureMyVan.ie Mens Basketball League. That scoreless run almost threatened the outcome but they regained their composure on schedule to see out the game. When fielding a young side you always run the risk of some inconsistencies and this was probably most apparent in that final quarter but credit where it's due they also provided some memorable moments. Braden Bell stuffed the ball home three times, including a spectacular finish from a missed Terion Moss shot while Jack O Sullivan hit a breakaway dunk to excite the home crowd.

Coach Brian Clarke knows these players inside out and will be keen to further their basketball education. He hailed the influence of American duo Bell and Moss. "There are two very grounded lads who understand exactly what the team needs. It's a learning experience for our young lads and we couldn't have two better people than Terion and Braden to help us out", he added. The Titans came South on the back of two defeats but their performances in those reverses will have given them plenty of encouragement. Samuel Mensah definitely arrived in good order. He was an early thorn in the Lakers side, hitting often and helping the visitors into an 8-4 lead. Joseph Coughlan, son of the legendary Joe (former St Pauls coach), also had his guns loaded and they helped the Galwegians into a 26-21 first quarter lead. Paul Clarke was influential again for the Lakers alongside Moss and Bell and between the trio they accounted for nineteen points in the opening quarter, Jamie O Sullivan netting the other two. The undoubted highlight of the half came from Coughlan, his near full court length effort beating the buzzer.

Eoin Carroll and David Gleeson, making his comeback from injury, freshened up the Lakers line up and the Moss / Bell combination had the game tied at 29-29 apiece, answering Deontae Robertsons three pointer. Carroll nudged the Lakers clear before Bell took delivery of a long Moss pass to dunk it home. Moss, Carroll, Bell and Clarke made it 42-37 with Coughlans radar still in working order. The Titans had now run up five team fouls, the Lakers found scores easier to come by and Mensah's influence was under control, all of the above crucial factors in the 55-42 half time lead. Eoin

Carroll finished off a sublime team move and Bell and Moss were scoring freely and the home side retired to the changing rooms in control.

The Titans came out for the second half recharged, upping the ante on defence and cutting the lead to nine. Robertson, Mensah and Jackson Soper were instrumental in their renaissance, three pointers from Bell and Moss keeping the Lakers noses in front, 65-55. Declan Gbininge, off the bench, gave good support to Robertson and Soper but another Eoin Carroll basket and a crucial three from Jamie O Sullivan made it 73-63 with seconds to play in the quarter. O Sullivan then went down the other end to put in a big stop to preserve that ten point lead, heading into the final period.

A big Coughlan three was the opening salvo with Mensah, Robertson, U18 international Victor Tashev and Coughlan again putting the Titans up by one, 74-73. With 4.50 left in the game the Lakers needed some inspiration and it was Moss who provided it. He first sank two free throws, then stole from the Titans to set up Jack O Sullivan for a dunk. Not finished at that he netted a neat basket and it was 79-74 to the Lakers. Soper with a three made it twitchy again but Bell answered with two baskets, the latter a spectacular dunk, rebounding a Moss effort. Having worked so hard to get back into the game the Titans again had run up team fouls which were duly punished by Jack O Sullivan, Moss and Bell. Not even five late points from Robertson could dissuade the Lakers from victory on a 88-82 scoreline.

Happy with the win Coach Clarke acknowledged the absence of the injured duo Ronan Collins and Mark Sheehan. "Ronan and Mark are both good shooters and we missed them tonight. Had we them we may have played a little differently. But it's always good to win and we look forward to the challenge of UCD Marian next weekend." Definitely a case of "a lot done, more to do" for the Lakers. Braden Bell led the scoring on 34, Terion Moss had 27, Paul Clarke 11, Eoin Carroll 8, Jamie O Sullivan 5, Jack O Sullivan 2, David Gleeson, Mark Sheehan, Oisín Spring, Chris Healy, Ronan Collins. For the Titans Samuel Mensah hit 24, Joseph Coughlan 20, Deontae Robertson 18, Jackson Soper 12.

That challenge will be very interesting considering UCD Marian have dropped down from the Superleague after a long stay there. Like the Lakers they lost their opening game but have responded well winning two local derbies against Moy Tolka Rovers and Malahide. They count amongst their troops former Laker Toby Christensen and have reliable scorers in Sasha Feench and Mathew McGrath while Conor Meaney has buckets of

experience. Tip off in the UCD Sports Centre is Saturday evening at 7pm.

Miss Quote.ie Womens Basketball League

Saturday October 14th

**Tolka Rovers Sports Complex
UTILITY TRUST ST PAULS 75
MOY TOLKA ROVERS 69**

Utility Trust St Pauls made it three wins from three in the MissQuote.ie Womens Basketball League but they were pushed all the way by a diligent Moy Tolka Rovers side on Saturday afternoon. It was a week of change for the St Pauls with pre-season signings Alexa Naessans and Jessica Huber released, with Sofia Paska making a return to the club and Khiarica Rasheed also signing on. Paska, who was very impressive last season, wasn't cleared in time to make her "second debut". Rasheed did line out and comes with a big reputation. She accounted for 24 points but a drill down into her contribution showed she was 11 / 12 from the free throw line. Tolka Rovers were obviously wary of Paul's offence but they were so at a price with the visitors going to the charity stripe 39 times in the game. Rasheed and Lorraine Scanlon were pivotal inside, Scanlon hit 22 points, while Denise Dunlea was very productive.

Rheanne O Shea, Scanlon, Rasheed, Meabh Barry and Lynn Jones were the starting five and Scanlon hit early from the free throw line. Tazsa Hamett was a big factor in the game for Tolka and she needed a lot of attention from the Pauls defence. Rasheed helped Pauls into a slender lead when Rheanne O'Shea took advantage of a steal to run in an easy basket. Denise Dunlea made her entrance and was industrious, hitting a three to open up a 17-13 lead. Hammett hit ten points in the quarter but a late Meabh Barry basket made it 19-16 by its end.

Hamett picked up from where she left off with an early second quarter basket but Rasheed and O Shea pushed the lead out to 24-18. But Julie McEvoy and the well contained Bria Dent whittled it down to two. Lorraine Scanlon hit a purple patch with eight points on the spin but Hamett, Dent and Julie McEvoy replied again. A neat Lynn Jones assist for Rasheed helped close out the half with a five point advantage, 36-31.

Good work by Rasheed under the boards sent her to the line again, both successful, to begin the second half on a positive note. Bria Dent hit a three before Scanlon, who was a strong force offensively, made two from two. Just as Tolka was battling to get back into the game Rheanne O'Shea hit a big three which was followed by Scanlon and Rasheed baskets to open up an eleven point gap, 47-36. Hamett and Dent rallied



but Scanlon and Dunlea, again from a Jones assist, put the boot down again. Rasheed finished the quarter with a big three, which was a nice cushion considering Elaine Kenny and Mae Creane had hit back for Tolka.

Early points from Scanlon and Rasheed made it 60-47 and Denise Dunlea again popped up with a basket to push Paul's fifteen clear. Although her influence was waning Hamett combined with Dent to keep Tolka within touching distance. Leah McMahon, who did a fine defensive job when asked, made way for Siobhan Burns, making her National league debut while Niamh Ni Chonchuir gave the hard working Scanlon a break. Ni Chonchuir hit for a basket straightaway but Claire O'Brien was very influential at this juncture for the home side. Rasheed and Lynn Jones, with her obligatory three pointer, punctured some of O'Brien's good work but Tolka were chipping away at the scoreboard. Cliona Coffey and O'Shea made points from the free throw line and the game was safe at 74-62 although Tolka Rovers had a late scoring run, with Dent, O'Brien and Hamett on target.

So St Pauls make it three from three, sitting alongside Swords Thunder, Limerick Sport Huskies and Templeogue with 100% records. An early season blockbuster is in the offing next Saturday when they travel to Limerick to face the Huskies in a game where somethings gotta give. The Huskies have made a shrewd acquisition in the pre-season signing of Scout Frame. She was outstanding in the league last season lining out with SETU Carlow and has settled into her new club seamlessly. They are bouncing into the game on the back of a Derby win

over the Celtics, where Ashling McGann, Ashley Harte and Orlaith Woods were all prominent. The UL Arena plays host to the game with tip off pencilled in for 5pm.

Top scorers on the night for St Pauls were debutant Khiarica Rasheed on 24, Lorraine Scanlon shot 22, Denise Dunlea 10, Rheanne O'Shea 9, Lynn Jones 5, Niamh Ni Chonchuir 2, Meabh Barry 2, Cliona Coffey 1, Leah McMahon, Liadh Tobin.

For Tolka Rovers Tazsa Hamett had 24, Bria Dent 22, Julie McEvoy 6, Claire O'Brien 6, Rebecca Hynes, Mae Creane and Patricia Mirt had 3 each, Elaine Kenny and Niamh Gibney 2 apiece.

Insuremyvan.ie Basketball Ireland MENS NATIONAL LEAGUE DIV 1 **SETU CARLOW 120** **KILLARNEY COUGARS 73**

The Cougars travelled to Carlow on Sunday afternoon for a meeting with SETU Carlow and despite a strong start to the game by the visitors the home side proved too strong for the young Cougars team. The Cougars opened the scoring with a three pointer from Oleh Drahanchuk and a basket by Darius Hopkins to lead 4-0 and continued to hold the upper hand to lead 10-7 with another three pointer by Darius Hopkins giving Cougars a deserved lead after 4 minutes. The Cougars continued to lead when Ryan Sanders added a further basket and one from the line to see Cougars ahead 15-14 after 6 minutes.

A timeout by the home side had the desired effect with stronger defence and a fast

scoring run through the remaining minutes of the quarter had the home side in front 32-19 at the end of the quarter. The Cougars battled hard to stay in touch with Carlow but five three pointers by Xabier Arriaga and Micheal Wallace had them well in control by the break with Cougars Olen Drahanchuk in foul trouble and Ryan Sanders carrying an injury not helping the cause, Cougars baskets coming from Sanders 10, Hopkins 7 and Jack Lynch 5 not enough to stop Carlow increasing the lead 60-41 at half time. The free scoring home side were unerring with their shooting through the second half and put the game out of Cougars reach during the third quarter as the home side's strength from the bench proved decisive to ensure no comeback was possible, as Carlow continue their strong home record and their unbeaten start to the season at home. The Cougars despite a number of injuries in the squad will need to regroup quickly to face Limerick Sport Eagles next Saturday evening at the Presentation Gym. Best for the Cougars on this occasion were Ryan Sanders, Jack Lynch, Peadar Cronin and Darius Hopkins.

Top scorers

SETU Carlow: Micheal Wallace 27, Xabier Arriga 15, Armand Vaillkuls 15, Lawrence Sommers 15, Kevin Donhoe 15, Gary Morrissey 12, Elvis Omorusi 8

Killarney Cougars: Darius Hopkins 25, Ryan Sanders 23, Oleh Drahanchuk 11, Jack Lynch 8



Scotts Lakers St Pauls team: Front Row l to r: Terion Moss, Chris Healy, Mark Sheehan, Oisín Spring.
Back Row l to r: Brian Clarke, Tracey O'Shea, Jack O'Sullivan, Eoin Carroll, Braden Bell, Paul Clarke, David Gleeson, Jamie O'Sullivan, Theresa O'Neill.




Utility Trust St Pauls Ladies Team: Front l to r: Leah McMahon, Lynn Jones, Siobhan Burns, Rheanne O'Shea, Niamh Ni Chonchuir.
Back l to r: Sofia Paska, Meabh Barry, Lorraine Scanlon, Liadh Tobin, Cliona Coffey, Khiarica Rasheed, Denise Dunlea

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BALLYHAR DYNAMOS FC

TEAMS

The Club U12 Division 1 team welcomed Camp Juniors to Murt Scott Park on Saturday last with the visitors taking the points on a 1-3 win.

Daragh McLaughlin was the goalscorer with Adam Quirke, Ollie Kirwan, Tiarnan Scanlon & Elliot Lyne putting in impressive performances. The U14s premier team 1 had an excellent 0-3 away win to Castleisland, a Ryan Vickers goal having Ballyhar 0-1 up at half time. Second Half goals from Dylan Fitzgerald & Ryan Vickers with his second sealed the win. On the Day Dan Duggan, Diarmuid Casey, Sean Griffin O Leary, Gearoid Moynihan, Daire Cornally & Calum Templeman were excellent.

The U14 Team 2 Division 2 had an a great 2-2 away draw to Mastergeeha FC with two excellent goals by Alan Mrotek with Noah Browne, Peter O Callaghan, Luke Bartlett playing well in a good squad effort.

The U16s were at Home to Mastergeeha B in Division 1 with the Ballyhar taking the points with a 2-1 win. Anthony Cremin & Lee Crillo on the scoresheet with Eoin Mahony, Ross Lally, Patrick Levy, Tom Costello, Conor Regan, Davin Quilter, Marcus Clifford & Eoghan O Sullivan putting in a great effort throughout the game.

TEAM OF THE WEEK

Well Done to Alex Finn on making last week's KSB team of the week on the back of good u13 performances.

SYMPATHY

The club offers its condolences to the Bowler, Foley & Carroll families on their family bereavements over the past week. May Donie, Kitty & Denis rest in peace.

MEK GALAXY NEWS

U15 GIRLS

MEK Galaxy 4 Castleisland 5

A Solid performance from the girls. A great game with both teams going hammer & tongs. Well done to Castleisland on a great game and thanks to the man in black, Tom Kerrisk.

Scorers: Anna Allen 2, Izzy Lyons 1 plus own goal POTM: Anna Allen

BOYS U12 NATIONAL TROPHY

MEK 0 - 5 Newport Town (Tipperary)

Second best on the day but the scoreboard paints a harsher picture than their play deserved. Nobody was found wanting for effort



MEK Galaxy U15B who defeated Killarney Celtic

and endeavour.

Nice touch by the visitors presenting a pennant to our captain on the day, Ned O'Donovan

U15B BOYS

Killarney Celtic 2 MEK Galaxy 3

A strong first-half with some impressive link up saw MEK go in at the break 2-0 up thanks to goals from Ivan O'Shea, who converted a Dara Whelton corner, and Barth Flynn following supply from Cade Jameson. Celtic came out strong in the second-half to draw level and it took a wonder goal from Dara Whelton, direct from a corner, to break the deadlock.

MOTM: Corner-kick specialist Dara Whelton

UNDER16 PREMIER

Castleisland AFC 1-1 MEK Galaxy (half time 1-1) Scorer Jayden Fennell.

Man of the Match: Dylan O Meara at centre back with very strong displays also from Michael Griffin, Corey Campion and Kevin Coffey.

KERRY SCHOOLBOY/GIRL SOCCER

RESULTS SATURDAY 14TH OCTOBER (AND WEEK PREVIOUS)

U12 Girls North

Fenit Samphires 5 -5 Camp Juniors

U13 Premier Girls

MEK Galaxy 2 -0 Killarney Athletic

Iveragh UTD 5 -1 Killorglin AFC

U13 Division 1 Girls

MEK Galaxy B 3 -2 Killarney Athletic B

Listowel Celtic A 6 -3 Tralee Dynamos

Fenit Samphires 4 -4 Castleisland AFC

Mastergeeha 2 -3 Camp Juniors

U15 Premier Girls

MEK Galaxy 4 -5 Castleisland AFC

Killarney Celtic 5 -1 St Brendans Park

Camp Juniors 1 -6 Listowel Celtic

U12 Division 1 Boys

Ballyheigue AFC A 0 -6 Killarney Athletic B

Killarney Celtic B 1 -0 LB Rovers

Ballyhar Dynamos 1 -3 Camp Juniors 12

Division 2 (South) Boys

Iveragh UTD B 4 -3 Killorglin AFC C

Killarney Celtic C 7 -2 Camp Juniors C

St Brendans Park D 4 -2 Killarney Athletic C

U12 Division 2 (North) Boys

Castleisland AFC B 3 -2 Listowel Celtic C

St Brendans Park C 2 -7 Camp Juniors B

Killorglin AFC B 3 -6 Tralee Dynamos B

U13 Boy's Division 1

Killarney Celtic 5 -0 Fenit Samphire

U13 Division 2 (North) Boys

Ferry Rangers 3 -2 Dingle Bay Rovers

U14 Premier Boys

Castleisland AFC 0 -3 Ballyhar Dynamos

Mastergeeha FC 3 -1 Killarney Athletic

U14 Division 1 Boys

Ballyheigue AFC 6 -0 Killarney Athletic



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LB Rovers 6 -0 Camp Juniors

U14 Division 2 Boys

Mastergeeha FC B 2 -2 Ballyhar Dynamos B

Killarney Celtic B 5 -1 Castleisland AFC B

Castleisland AFC C 2 -2 Inter Kenmare B

U15 Boy's Division 2

Killarney Celtic B 2 - 3 MEK Galaxy B

U16 Premier Boys

Castleisland AFC 1 -1 MEK Galaxy

U16 Division 1 Boys

Ballyhar Dynamos 2 - 1 Mastergeeha FC B

Killarney Celtic A 2 -1 Iveragh Utd

U16 Division 2 Boys

Ferry Rangers 6 -0 Castleisland AFC

Killarney Athletic B 1 -2 Inter Kenmare B

U12 BOY'S NATIONAL CUP ROUND 2

Iveragh United 3 - 1 Aisling Annacotty 2 AET

Dingle Bay Rovers B 0 - 6 Caherdavin Celtic

Listowel Celtic 6-1 Shannon Hibs

Killarney Celtic 3 - 3 Newcastle west town 3

Killarney win on penalties.

Killarney Athletic 1 - 0 Killorglin AFC

Tralee Dynamos 2 -3 Ballymackey AET

Dingle Bay Rovers 7 -0 St. Nicholas

Inter Kenmare 2 - 4 Shannonside

U12 BOY'S NATIONAL TROPHY ROUND 1

Moneygall FC 0 -6 Castleisland AFC

MEK Galaxy 0 -5 Newport Town

Milltown FC 5 -4 Kildysard Celtic

U14 BOY'S NATIONAL CUP ROUND 2

St. Brendans park 8 -2 Lough Derg

St. Brendan's Park B 3 -5 Moneygall

Killarney Celtic 2 -3 Pike Rovers A

Murroe FC B 0 -6 Killorglin AFC

Listowel Celtic 1 - 7 Avenue UTD

U14 BOY'S NATIONAL TROPHY ROUND 1

Killavilla 1 -5 Inter Kenmare

U16 BOY'S NATIONAL CUP ROUND 2

Killarney Athletic 6 -0 Lough Derg

Ballynanty Rovers 2 -3 St. Brendan's Park AET

Killorglin AFC 1-3 Nenagh AFC AET

Corbally United 6 -3 Tralee Dynamos AET

U16 BOY'S NATIONAL TROPHY ROUND 1

LB Rovers 1 -2 Charleville FC AET

U13 GIRLS DIVISION 1

MEK 3 - 2 Kill Athletic

This was a very close game where both sides went hammer and tongs and Killarney Athletic went 2 -0 up but MEK Galaxy kept pushing and scored 2 goals to level it up 2-2 at the end of the first half. MEK Galaxy scored towards the end of the second half. Killarney Athletic kept pushing and were unlucky not to grab an equaliser. Scorer for Athletic: Croi Carroll O'Connor & Amelie Andre. Person of the match: Kaitlin Horan for Killarney Athletic

U16 DIVISION 1

Killarney Celtic 2 Iveragh Utd 1

Goals in the first half by Alex Borrell and Ignacy Truchan gave Celtic a deserved lead and despite multiple chances created in the second half Iveragh were in it until the final whistle. Motm for Celtic was Gabriel Ortega.

U16 NATIONAL CUP

Killarney Athletic Lough Derg 0

A clinical display by the Killarney boys led by captain Mark O Carroll at the back and Liam O Brien in midfield whose passing was a joy to watch, three wins from three games gives this team the prospect of a long season in both the national cup and local league. Scorers: Pa O

Brien, Jake Nash, Finan Blackwell, Alex Doolan and Dara O Sullivan all scored for Killarney Athletic

KILLARNEY CELTIC

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FAI JUNIOR CUP ROUND 2

Killarney Celtic 1, Newcastle West Town Fc 1

AET Newcastle West win 3-1 on Pens

Terry Sparling

Celtic bowed out of the FAI Junior Cup last weekend. Celtic led early but failed to put the game beyond the reach of Newcastle West and were caught at the end by an equaliser. Newcastle West won on pens.

PREMIER B

Killarney Celtic B 2, QPR 1

Adam Grzesiak, Krystian Wielgus

Celtic played some lovely football in the opening 20 minutes and went 1 up with a brilliant individual goal from Adam Grzesiak. Celtic had a good few more decent chances but couldn't extend the lead and went in at half time at 1nil up. Celtic started strongly in the second half but couldn't break down the QPR defence until brilliant work down the wing from Manu and Grzesiak who delivered a ball into Kristian Wiegus to make it 2-0. QPR came back to make it 2-1 but Celtic saw out the game well to take the points.

YOUTHS LEAGUE

Iveragh 0, Killarney Celtic 1

Keelan O'Shea

In a tight and well contested encounter Celtic came out on top after a great run and finish by Keelan O Shea in the 38th min.

U16 DIV 1

Killarney Celtic 2 Iveragh United 1

Alex Borrell, Ignacy Truchan

Great performance by the U16s. Goals in the first half by Alex Borrell and Ignacy Truchan gave Celtic a deserved lead and despite multiple chances created in the second half Celtic had to work hard to see off a very game Iveragh side.

15 DIVISION 2 BOYS RESULT

Killarney Celtic B 2 MEK Galaxy B 3

Brian White,OG

SFAI U14 BOYS NATIONAL CUP ROUND 2

Killarney Celtic A 2 Pike Rovers 3

Marco Mosca 2

Celtic and Pike both had half chances in the opening 10 minutes but both were well organised in defence. Celtic took the lead from an excellent corner which was finished to the net by Marco Mosca. Pike were level within 5 minutes, after a nice finish by their centre forward. Celtic again showed great courage and got in front from another corner which again was finished to the net by Marco Mosca. Pike got an equaliser with 5 minutes to half time after an excellent cross was finished to the net from close range. Celtic were unlucky not to get back in front with an effort that just went wide of the post. Pike took the lead with 15 minutes to go

with a great solo effort.

U14 DIVISION 2

Killarney Celtic B Boys 5 Castleisland B 1

Ben O'Sullivan, Jason Harrington 2,Tristan Murphy A fine performance by the U14b who had a clear cut win last Saturday.

SFAI U12 BOYS NATIONAL CUP ROUND 2

Killarney Celtic Green 3 Newcastle West Town FC 3 aet

Killarney Celtic win on Penalties.

Jack Kissane, Cillian Scannell, Dylan McCarthy Celtic started very brightly and could have been 1 or 2 up in the first few mins, Cillian Scannell breaking through and hitting the crossbar, before Jack Kissane burst through to put Celtic up 1 nil and a minute later could have made it 2 but his effort came back off the post. Celtic 1 up at the break. Second half started like the first and Cillian Scannell was brought down in the box. Cillian Scannell slotted home the penalty. Newcastle West then came back at Celtic and got 1 back before they equalised from a penalty. The game finished 2-2 and into extra time. Newcastle West really upped the tempo and scored to go 3-2 up. Evan O'Donoghue, Jack Kissane and Cillian Scannell drove Celtic on before Dylan McCarthy equalised with a super strike to send the game to penalties where Celtic came out on top after a fantastic encounter.

U12 DIVISION 1

Killarney Celtic White 1 LB Rovers 0

Cathal O'Donovan

Celtic entertained LB Rovers on a beautiful morning in Killarney. Celtic started well and played lovely football. They just couldn't find the final ball or the back of the net. Cian McGill, Keenan McCarthy and Josh O'Donoghue all playing well. It was 0-0 at half time.

The second started pretty much the same, Celtic on top. Josh Buckley, Robbie O'Sullivan and Richard Ivan all had great second half. Not long left and super ball by Cian McGill into Cathal O'Donovan to get the winner. Marc Van Der Merwe could have made it 2 with a super strike that came off the post.

U12 DIVISION 2 SOUTH

Killarney Celtic Gold 7 Camp Junior's C 2

Conor Randles, Nathan Cronin 2, Rowan Murphy, Evan Mulhern, Ryan Casey, Rory Salvador

Celtic got off to the perfect start with a goal straight from the kick off when pressure put on Camp by our midfielders led to Conor Randles scoring. Chances followed with great football being played all over the pitch. Celtic led 4-0 at HT with goals added by Nathan Cronin, Rowan Murphy & Evan Mulhern. The 2nd half continued in the same pattern as the first with midfielders Oliver Reczetar & Conor Randles bossing midfield. More goals were added by Ryan Casey, a 2nd for Nathan Cronin & a cracking headed goal by Rory Salvador after a great team move.

GIRLS

U17 LEAGUE

Killarney Celtic 1 Inter Kenmare 0

Casey Mulry

Celtic U17 played their 1st league game at home to Inter Kenmare, it was a cracking end to end game with both defences standing strong. Half time 0-0. The 2nd half continued in similar fashion but credit to the Celtic girls who pushed hard, won a corner and the bravery Casey Mulry



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Killarney Athletic and MEK U12 girls with their referee last weekend.



Killarney Athletic Girls U12 Division 1 Team

showed to get her head on the ball to score a super goal which ultimately won the game was outstanding.

U15 GIRLS PREMIER RESULT

Killarney Celtic 5 St. Brendan's Park 1:

Ali Bowler 2, Sadbh O' Halloran 2, Amelia Carroll Kelly

Killarney Celtic played solidly on the night against a brave Park FC who had only a bare 11. The opener came after a good run up the wing and strike by Amelia Carroll Kelly with a great assist pass from Jessica Leggate after 25m. Park FC equalised with a brilliant shot by Nessa Kirby. In the second half Ali Bowler after 8 mins got in behind the Park FC defence to finish well to give Celtic the lead. Park FC suffered a couple of injuries and with space opening up Killarney Celtic were clinical and increased the lead with a further Ali Bowler run and shot in behind a tiring Park FC defence. Sadbh O' Halloran added 2 more well taken goals to close out the game.

KILLARNEY ATHLETIC AFC

U16 NATIONAL CUP

Killarney athletic 7- Lough Derg 0

A clinical display by the boys led by captain Mark O Carroll at the back and Liam O'Brien in midfield whose passing was a joy to watch 3 wins from 3 games from these lads who should have a strong season.

Scorers: Pa O'Brien, Jake Nash, Finan Blackwell, Alex Doolan, Dara O'Sullivan

Special mention to panel members Ben Kelleher making the Kerry minor panel and Brian (Beano) Macarthy representing Ireland at u16 in Spain at pitch and putt this week.

GIRLS U12 DIVISION 1

MEK 3 - Killarney Athletic 2

This was a very exciting game between 2 evenly matched teams. Athletic got off to a fast start and led 2-0 midway through the first half. However MEK kept pushing and despite some good defending by Athletic the first half finished all

square at 2-2. The second half was tense with both teams having their chance to pull ahead. MEK finally got the breakthrough towards the end. Athletic had their chances but couldn't quite grab the equaliser. Scorers for athletic Croi Carroll O'Connor & Amilie Andre

U12B BOYS DIVISION 1

Ballyheigue A 0 v Killarney Athletic B 7

Trey Hurley, Tommy Curran, Freddie Glinwood, Darragh O'Toole, Dominic Moriarty

The U12B boys team secured an away win to Ballyheigue A in Division 1, on a chilly Saturday morning in Ardfert. Athletic started strongly, creating numerous chances led by Trey Hurley, who scored an impressive first half hat-trick. The boys grew in confidence as the game progressed and went on to score four more in the second half. There were strong performances across the pitch and great effort all round. Thanks to Ballyheigue for a sporting game.



Action from the Kerry FC V Waterford FC game as Kevin Williams heads clear.
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Kerry FC goalscorer Leo Gaxha
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Action from the Spa V Rathmore game. Photo: Fitzgerald Stadium PR



Action from the East Kerry V St. Kierans game. Photo: Seamus Healy

COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP

Rathmore 0-14 Spa 1-8

Rathmore always had the power here and took command early on. They took control of the scoreboard quickly, the excellent Brian Friel firing over and Shane Ryan kicking into early gear. He did miss a few chances that he would normally get, but he did keep the scoreboard ticking over. Cian Murphy kicked a good point for Spa but they were struggling to impose themselves around the field. Cathal Ryan and Paul Murphy made it 0-4 to 0-1 before Evan Cronin trimmed the margin. Dara Moynihan fisted over to make it a one point game, but that wasn't a fair reflection on Rathmore and a brace each from John Moynihan and Shane Ryan (if) made it 0-8 to 0-3. Michael McCarthy kicked two great points on the trot to keep Spa in contention but an equally fine kick by James Darmody gave Rathmore a 0-9 to 0-5 half-time lead and they would have the wind in their favour in the second half.

Shane Ryan and John Moynihan quickly stretched the lead. Evan Cronin pointed from play but Shane Ryan replied in kind. Ciarán Spillane struck through a mass of bodies with a precision strike that gave the keeper no chance and suddenly Spa were just a goal behind again. Cian Murphy cut the gap to two. Rathmore needed to take back momentum and Mark Ryan and the impressive Moynihan did so with scores. Cian Murphy with a free. Two point game again. Rathmore were trying to kill the clock now, while Spa were pushing for a goal to snatch an unlikely victory. Deep in injury time, Eoin Fitzgerald was caught by a high hand from Mark Ryan. I'd have said it was a textbook black card and nobody near me, whether from Spa or Rathmore, was disputing that. But referee Seán Joy deemed it a dangerous high tackle and, much to everyone's surprise, showed a red card. It looked harsh from my vantage point, but the referee was closer than me and it's his call to make. Rathmore have showed impressive form to reach the last four, but losing Paul Murphy to injury and Mark Ryan to suspension? That would hurt a divisional team, let alone a club side.

East Kerry 4-19 St. Kierans 0-12

It'll sound like the most counter-intuitive thing I've ever said, but I think East Kerry have it tough. They have immense power and can afford to have county players on their bench, but that means that every game is a banana skin. It's like Brazil in soccer or New Zealand in rugby; supporters assume that you will never be less than brilliant. Mere efficient victories are for ordinary mortals. Meanwhile you have players on the bench who would be starting on any other team in the championship; no matter the selflessness, that's walking on eggshells.

I didn't really expect St. Kierans to beat them, but I've had St. Kierans as dark horses for the past number of years. They have great individual talent, but just can't seem to blend it cohesively into a sixty minute display. They hung on in this one, though, showing an admirable appetite for battle.

Paudsie Clifford and Paul Walsh exchanged early scores. The Cliffords combined to put Dara Roche in on goal and the Glenflesk man doesn't miss those. Ronan Buckley added a point before Maurice Hickey pointed for St. Kierans, and they needed that one. East Kerry led by 1-7 to 0-4 at half-time and it felt ominous for St. Kierans. Brave underdogs but still underdogs.

Both sides scored well in the third quarter. St. Kierans added five points to their tally, but East Kerry added 1-7 of their own. The goal came from a stunning David Clifford pass and fine finish for the in-form Patrick Darcy. At 2-14 to 0-9, there was never realistically going to be a way back for St. Kierans and Dara Roche and impressive sub Emmett O'Shea added further goals to close it out. St. Kierans actually acquitted themselves well here, but East Kerry had nineteen points to spare in the finish. That says it all, really.

Dingle 0-20 Templenoe 0-9

Templenoe were always going to be underdogs against the Club Champions, and so it proved – eventually. Templenoe are a stunning championship team – talk about maximising your assets. They were under the cosh early on, especially with the absence through injury of the influential Adrian Spillane. Cathal Bambury

hit the post with an early goal chance. Daniel and Aidan Crowley soon got the scoreboard working in Dingle's favour. Cathal Bambury and Paul Geaney (f) soon had Dingle back on level terms and points from Dylan Geaney, Cathal Bambury, and three from Paul had Dingle 0-7 to 0-3 ahead, Colin Crowley on target for Templenoe. 0-7 to 0-5 at half-time. Dingle had a slight edge, but there was plenty of opportunity for things to get interesting...and they most certainly did.

Each side added two points to their score before Templenoe went dramatically ahead, Brian Crowley picking out Stephen O'Sullivan for a great goal.

The very top teams can just lift things another gear when the chips are down, and Dingle did exactly that. Matthew Flannery clipped over an equaliser and Conor Geaney snapped off two good points. Aidan Crowley replied, but Dingle were rising fast and hard now and four different Geaneys, Brian O'Connor, and Tom O'Sullivan all pointed. Templenoe never gave up – they never do – but Dingle were just that bit sharper.

Mid Kerry 1-19 Na Gaeil 1-7

For most of us, including me, Na Gaeil were more likely to be relegated from the County Championship than to win it, after a fairly toothless club campaign. But they completely turned that around and were worth every bit of the knockout stages. In fact, I heard plenty of people suggest that this game was primed for a shock. Not for me. I think people underestimate Mid Kerry. There's a reason they have reached County Finals in recent years and they have great talent coming in.

Dan Goggin opened the scoring but Mid Kerry responded quickly, with Seán O'Brien, Éanna O'Connor (2), and Liam Carey putting them ahead. A great turnover by Gavan O'Grady, who is looking sharper with every single game, led to a well-worked Éanna O'Connor goal. 1-4 to 0-1. Na Gaeil are running cold and Mid Kerry are accelerating. David Roche, Seán O'Brien, and Éanna O'Connor (f) stretched out the lead. Na Gaeil were actually getting their hands on the ball, but weren't able to turn it into scores. Jack Sheehan did pick off their second point in the



Action from the East Kerry V St. Kierans game. Photo: Seamus Healy

17th minute, but Gavan O'Grady replied with a free. The loss of Mike Breen for ten minutes for a black card did interrupt the momentum of the game, with points from Devon Burns, Darragh Reen, and Jack Barry bringing Na Gaeil into the game. Morgan Madden's neat finish to the net really put the cat among the pigeons. Éanna O'Connor had the last say of the first half, though.

Mid Kerry led by 1-10 to 1-5 at the break. They came out hunting, but three wides on the trot proved costly, with Darren Houlihan and Éanna O'Connor stretching Mid Kerry's lead to seven. Dara Devine did pull one back with a free but Mid Kerry took over completely, Fiachra Clifford slotting three points. Niall O'Mahony did hit a rasper off the crossbar and Darragh Reen did kick a Na Gaeil point, but in all honesty, it was fairly academic by then anyway.

SEMI-FINALS

Mid Kerry v Dingle, Saturday 21st October, 5:30pm in Austin Stack Park

This should very much be one to savour. Dingle, even without Barry Dan, have been the best club side this year and last year, and to be honest a club team brings more vibrancy to the spectacle of a game that a divisional team can. And we may as well face the fact at this stage. So far, the Kerry County Championship has totally failed to ignite. The quarter-finals were the first knock-out games, and I thought the low crowds would double at that stage. Instead they have dwindled even further. The fact that one team have simply been hot favourites from the word go isn't doing anybody any favours. In truth, though neither dressing room will ever say it aloud or even think in those terms, this feels a little bit like a second place play-off. Of course, Dingle need to reach the final to be sure of representing Kerry in Munster in the Senior Club, but that spice isn't exactly harissa in these circumstances.

The Geaneys have been shooting the lights out all year. Personally I have no doubt that Paul Geaney will be back with Kerry next year and he'll have family beside him on the training ground at least. Mark O'Connor is a big addition

beside the always excellent Billy O'Connor in midfield. Mark isn't looking to make headlines, just to do a job for the team, and it's working. The thing is, there's a real likeability about Mid Kerry football. Of course the Milltown lads have to balance things just the same as Fossa with East Kerry, but the likes of Emmett O'Shea and Matt Rennie are obviously relishing the games and so are Cillian Burke, Éanna O'Connor, and Gavin Horan. The latter isn't as big a name as the other two, but he's a lock on my team of the year; I think he has been amazing for club and division. Keith Evans and Seán O'Brien absolutely flying as well. Gavan O'Grady, shaking off a bit of an injury in earlier rounds, is more like his formidable self again. Likewise with Mike Breen. We all know what Liam Carey can do; Jack O'Connor can do the same thing if he can get an injury-free run. My best guess would be Dingle by two points, but if Mid Kerry get in for goals, my guess could be way off.

East Kerry v Rathmore, Sunday 22nd October, 2:30pm, in the Fitzgerald Stadium

In all fairness, this one isn't exactly a hard riddle to work out. Rathmore were a part of East Kerry last year – I honestly don't think they would have won it without that superb Paul Murphy point against Dingle. Rathmore are a good team, even with Chrissy Spiers out injured. Of course, Paul will inevitably be missing after coming off in the quarter-final, but you are still looking at the flying Ryans, the experienced Brendan O'Keeffe, John Moynihan. Some ostensibly lesser lights have come to the fore this year, with Alan Dineen excelling as a driving full back, Dan Murphy thriving as a utility player, Fionn Murphy settling in comfortably to a senior berth, Fionn Holohan, James Darmody. To be honest, having watched it on video again (clubber) I remain expectant that Mark Ryan's red card will be overturned, but of course that's very much a layman opinion.

I really like the brand of football that Rathmore play. And with that said, I'm sorry, but just look at the players that East Kerry have on their bench. Not the starting fifteen, the bench. Like

pretty much everybody else, I can only see one winner here.

PETER KEANE TO MANAGE TIPP?

It's not quite confirmed yet, but looks a virtual certainty, and I think Peter Keane would be a huge asset for Tipperary. People think I'm joking, but go back to around 2012 to 2015, Tipperary were definitely the second best team in Munster overall and were winning regularly at minor and U21 to supplement a senior team that had serious talent anyway.

Of course hurling is always going to be number one in Tipp, just like football is always going to be number one in Kerry. That's simply a fact that any incoming manager has to accommodate. But a guy who brought Kerry to a replay with the greatest team of all time knows how to cut his cloth to measure. Tipperary are down a bit as a football force (that covid Munster victory dissipated surprisingly quickly) but I could see Peter really turning that around. Expectations for success need to be clearly laid out – look, getting to a Munster Final would be a colossal achievement. Getting out of Division Four has to be a priority and that's simply going to be a nightmare for any incoming manager. Seriously, Laois, Leitrim, Wicklow, Carlow? Those are going to be really hard, dog-eat-dog games. Don't think it's less ruthless or less important in the lower divisions; it's the exact opposite. Either way, the very best of luck going forward to Peter.

WORLD CUP

Ireland V New Zealand

This was a big one. This was a very big one indeed. And I don't think that the waves of confidence from the Irish supporters and the pre-match media helped anybody. I don't think it seeped into the team's mentality, but it certainly doesn't help. Yes, we had beaten New Zealand in tests, and doing it in New Zealand is a real marker. Add in the Six Nations....that's a great Irish team. It was before that game and it is after it. They were just a fraction behind what has always been the strongest team in world rugby. Absolutely no shame in that at all.

Both sides made tentative enough starts. New Zealand made the early press. Ireland defended well, very well in fact, but eventually Tadhg Beirne is penalised for not rolling away and it's a handy three points on the board for New Zealand from the penalty. Alright, no big deal. Let's get back to business, keep the focus. Ireland win a penalty themselves. Johnny opts for the corner....in a game this tight and tense, I'd be taking those early points. But sure, I've said it before, you fit all of my sporting medals in a matchbox, and you wouldn't have to take out the matches.

New Zealand obviously feel the same as me about points on the board. The influential Savea wins another penalty and Jordan Barrett stands over it. It's very long, but he reads the wind perfectly and it curls over. Six points. Ireland are attacking New Zealand, but they are controlling their defence nicely and forcing Ireland into traps. Our breakdown, usually a

strength of ours, isn't there tonight.

New Zealand with a try. It's made by Barrett with a great burst and they calmly spread it wide for Fainga'anuku to go over. Mo'unga slots the conversion. We are definitely in trouble here. To be fair, the Irish crowd are singing. They still believe in this team, and rightly so.

At the end of the first quarter, Ireland get on the board. New Zealand coughed up a needless penalty and it was a handy one for Johnny. Ireland cough up another line-out. Johnny Sexton chases down a very good break forward. It's neck and neck with Jordan Barrett. These are among the very best players in the world....and this time it's Barrett who gets there that vital millisecond faster.

Ireland come again. Lowe hits Aki Bunde with a pass. He has a lot to do, but Bunde has been one of the players of this tournament and shows why, with a beautifully balanced sidestep before going over. Fantastic try. Johnny converts and we are right back in the mix. Just three points in it now.

New Zealand are almost in again but Gibson-Park makes a brilliant tackle and Ireland manage to clear. New Zealand have more tricks in their bag than us, and the line-out....well, by now we all know that Ireland have issues there. New Zealand win another one and here they come, and this time Ireland can't stop Ardie Savea (I thought he was excellent) gets over.

Aaron Smith heads for the sin bin. Ireland have a penalty and Johnny again opts for the corner. I dunno....we aren't winning those line-outs.

Savea coughs up another penalty. New Zealand have a certain ruthlessness about them. I don't mind, it's only to be expected at this level. Johnny opts again for the corner.

This time Ireland win the line-out and there is Jamison Gibson-Park, wriggling through like a freshwater salmon. They can't hold him. Johnny converts and once again, Ireland are right back in the game. It is sapping energy, though. We are working very hard for everything we get.

Half-time New Zealand 18 Ireland 17

I'm hopeful now. We have been second best for the most part but one point behind with forty minutes to go, having come back from a 13 point deficit? Honestly, I'm kind of liking our chances. Keep controlling the ball and going through the phases. Don't get suckered into being over-ambitious. Tighten the line-out and start dealing with those chip passes that New Zealand are using to such deadly effect.

Peter O'Mahony rises high over Mo'unga and it's a real chance, but he can't quite hold it. Good sign, though. Hansen kicks beautifully to Dan Sheehan, who is wide open in space. It's just inches too high, unfortunately. That was a bad lapse by the All Black defence. Are they feeling the strain?

Our turn for a mistake as Mo'unga gets way too much space and breaks the line. We're on the back foot straight away and a good effort by Keenan can't stop Will Jordan getting over. Jordan Barrett converts and Ireland have a lot of work ahead if they want to win this.

It could be a lot worse. Aaron Smith intercepts a careless pass and should really have gone over, but he slipped at the crucial moment.

Another penalty for Ireland. With two scores

between the teams, it's obvious that Johnny is going to go for the kick now. Except that our talisman, inarguably one of the greatest players of all time, sees his effort pull away to the left. His last game, and this is not how he would want to go out, but sport is more than fickle; it can be downright cruel.

We need a break and get it. Ireland's maul makes good ground and New Zealand have no option but to bring it down. Penalty try and another All Black is off for ten minutes. One point in it again.

New Zealand with a penalty, once again Ireland are just out of angle in the tackle. Jordan Barrett steps up but, just like Johnny, his effort tails off to the left.

Barrett with another one. He actually fouled Keenan, but was only late because he had been impeded by Peter O'Mahony on the way. It's tight but that's actually good refereeing. This is an easier kick and Barrett makes no mistake. Ireland have to score a try.

They have a great chance. Johnny takes it forward. Murray kicks ahead towards Bunde Aki. Barrett gets there but Bunde wins the penalty. Johnny has no choice now, he has to go for the corner. Three points won't do.

Great attack by Ireland. Ronan Kelliher drives over the line and starts to plant down....Jordan Barrett, man of the match, literally gets under it and stops him touching it down. You literally cannot get closer to a try than that and be denied.

New Zealand are slowing the tempo and keeping bodies back. Of course they are. In these circumstances, wouldn't you?

One last attack. Ireland probe and prod. It's good rugby, but so is New Zealand's defence. Over thirty phases of play, and not once did New Zealand cough up an opening. In the end they get the penalty and that's it. New Zealand are in a semi-final and Ireland are going home. They did us proud.

IRELAND NEW ZEALAND DAYS OF YORE

Rugby is openly and honestly professional now, and it simply had to go that way. Too much demand as the sport grew popular and too many brown envelope operators back in the day. Things weren't necessarily better back in the day – far from, actually, there were a lot of medical bluffers for one thing and too much machismo – but there was also more opportunities for humour. The following are just a few of the anecdotes that the All Blacks and Ireland have shared together over the years. I've left out Munster's famous win; that story has been told by better storytellers than me.

1966 Des O'Brien was the manager and known for his calm demeanour. When Welsh centre Ken Murphy disappeared for a few days, players were getting worried and suggesting reporting a missing person. Des, who knew his man, told them to relax. Sure enough, on the night before the game, Ken strolled in for dinner, having enjoyed a few two days in a hunting party with some new friends. O'Brien looked up, said

"Hello, Ken. Will you be joining us for the game tomorrow?" Murphy, who had simply assumed that a grown man in an amateur game didn't need anyone's permission to go anywhere, agreed and did. He played well, too.

O'Brien was an interesting figure in his own right. A key player in Ireland's first Grand Slam in 1948 and former Irish captain himself, he was capped for Ireland in squash and played professional tennis.

1976 Brendan Foley was a Munster legend and his son Axel would become even more so. In 1976 he was an automatic selection for Ireland's tour to New Zealand. At one stage a slightly worse for wear Foley decided he'd had enough pints and decided to go fishing. He did, and it did relax him.....but he didn't actually catch anything, since he was fishing in the fountain in the foyer of the team hotel. Hence the rather bizarre nickname of "Foley-never-caught-a-fish".

1977: Phil Bennett was captain of the touring Lions in New Zealand. At half-time in a game, Willie Duggan got so battered that he had to go off before half-time to get his battered face attended. At half-time the Lions came into the dressing room to find Willie with a bottle of beer in one hand and a lit cigarette in the other, blood oozing from his cuts. "Hard luck but well played," said Bennett, one of the all-time Welsh greats. "Hah?" queried an equally great if unorthodox Irishman. "Soon as I get my face stitched, I'm coming back on!" He did, too.

Moss Keane is probably the most larger-than-life figure in Irish rugby. Those who knew the man tell me that the vast majority of the stories told about him were comic exaggerations; Keane was not some kind of 'wild man' by any means. He had a certain stubborn self-sufficiency though. On that 1977 tour, roommate Peter Wheeler woke up to see Moss Keane awake and opening a beer. "It's five o'clock in the morning," exclaimed the surprised Wheeler. "Aye," replied Moss calmly. "But it's five in the evening back home, and I usually have a beer at this time."

Moss was interviewed by Nigel Starmer-Smith of the BBC. He was asked his favourite moment of the tour so far. "When I heard that Kerry beat Cork in the Munster Final" was the reply

EUROPEAN QUALIFIERS Ireland 0 Greece 2

They think it's all over. Well, it is now. Once again Ireland, despite the boost of Evan Ferguson restored to the line-up, were absolutely toasted by Greece. This isn't Poland in 2016; this is far worse. At least the supporters were behind the team in Poland; this time there were boos ringing out around the stadium well before the finish. And I don't ever like that, but it's fully understandable because this was a toothless display. Even on our bad days there was always a bit of snap and snarl in us, but in this one Ireland faded out of the game after ten minutes and never ever looked like getting back into it. You can talk about the lack of player development or investment by the FAI (and rightly so) you can talk about mismanagement (and while I've always had sympathy for the

awful hand that Stephen Kenny was dealt, this was a bad night for him and by him – he got tactically out-manoeuvred from start to finish) but even these players are better than the showing that they put up. They can talk about how much they support the manager and want him to stay on, but I need to see that on the pitch and ye just didn't do it.

Ireland did start well, with a good ball from Ogbene to Smallbone forcing the keeper into a solid save, with debutant Liam Scales putting the rebound over the bar. Just two minutes later Evan Ferguson went agonisingly close, his skillful curler hitting the butt of the post and away. And that, basically, was that. Ireland didn't really raise another gallop. The second goal was a killer blow, but the truth is that Greece were always that class apart. We could still be playing now and we wouldn't have scored.

There is no way at all for Ireland to qualify now, which isn't actually a bad thing. We need a revamp. Sure, there will inevitably be a new management team coming in, but that's not going to change anything at all. I have no idea who would actually want the job, no top manager is committing suicide by taking on a team where playing standards have dropped way below supporter expectations. Our players, respectfully, just aren't very good. Smallbone has talent, but he's half a nine and half a ten, and half of anything isn't much good. He doesn't quite finish chances. Ogbene came in for a lot of praise for his work-rate – and in fairness he did work his socks off – but you understand that the game is about end product, and he just doesn't have enough of that? I'm not being mean. These guys play their hearts out and I do appreciate that. It just isn't enough. The nicest thing I can say about our midfield is that it would be great to have one. I'll make allowances for Johnston; he did look lively, but I watched Irish teams with the likes of Kevin Sheedy and Damien Duff on the wing. McClean wasn't quite that, but he was just one level below. Mikey just isn't that. Not yet, and possibly (I'm genuinely saying it with respect) not ever. I think a lot of people just don't realise how high the standard is. You need at least half your team to be regular starters in the likes of the English Premiership and four or five who can genuinely be expecting to feature in the champions league more years than not. Plus a 25% goalscorer. As in, 25% of decent chances are converted. Does 25% sound low to you? The likes of Robbie Keane or Ian Rush used to score a lot of tap-in goals. The kind that make you think you can do that – I absolutely guarantee that you can't. Do you know what Erling Haaland's shot to goal conversion rate is in the English Premiership? It's 28%. Now, that's the most targeted striker against the toughest defences, but that gives you a measure of how difficult it really is. The last I looked, he was on almost a goal per game (23 in 24) for Norway. Every now and then you could hear somebody saying, "oh, this gaelic footballer or that hurler would be worth millions if they played in England." No. Sorry now, but they actually wouldn't. Watch that Wrexham documentary (ignore the bits about Ryan Reynolds modestly explaining how truly great he is and dear God,

Beckham's stuff is worse than Michael Jordan's hagiography) and ask yourself if Shamrock Rovers would regularly be competing at that level.

Greece aren't world beaters. I'm sorry, but they just aren't. They are reasonably solid and have gelled well as a unit, and that's more than enough to beat us with ease. A new manager isn't going to change the fact that we simply don't have enough high level competitors. I'm not seeing any real investment in changing that on the ground either.

Ireland 4 Gibraltar 0

It's a ray of sunshine, but with the greatest of respect, Ireland celebrating a win over Gibraltar is a bit like Shamrock Rovers celebrating a win over Rattoo Rovers. Gibraltar, the entire population, could not fill Lansdowne Road. Look, any win is better than a loss and it's not nothing. Ireland somehow managed to dominate possession against that interesting 7-3-0 formation. Look, I know I've written a fair bit about Ireland's loss and I'm running through a win fairly quickly, but one of them genuinely had far, far more significance than the other. Evan Ferguson opened the scoring with a fine finish after a good cross from Doherty. Matt Doherty also set up the second with a good cross, Mikey Johnston initially hitting the post but following up on his own rebound from 2-0. In the second half a nice flick on by McGrath saw Doherty put one in himself (he deserved it) and Callum Robinson got a fourth – a good confidence boost for a player whom I suspect needed it. All very well, Ireland did show some nice touches, but you know yourself, you will honestly get more intensity in a training session.

We do still have a chance of getting into a play-off; but it's roughly the same chance as me winning millions in the National Lottery tomorrow night – it wouldn't improve the odds all that much if I actually bought a lottery ticket. There is a technical thing whereby if we lose to the Netherlands, it actually works in our favour because Greece (despite thoroughly outplaying us twice) are actually ranked lower than us so we are better off if the Netherlands qualify in their own right, freeing up a qualifier spot for the higher ranked losers....i.e. us. That's all a bit ridiculous. I still think that UEFA will squeeze us in as an automatic qualifier as joint hosts – they know what Irish fans can bring to tournaments and the whole idea of expanding the competition was to increase revenue. For me, though, having weaker teams in the mix at the finals stage dilutes the quality and makes for too many games that are too predictable. I know people won't like me saying, but either be good enough to actually qualify for the tournament or don't be there. Earn the right, whether it's Ireland or anybody else, but



Martin Coughlan with a well timed intervention. Photos by Adam Kowalczyk.

don't cheapen the standard. That just hurts everybody.

LEAGUE OF IRELAND

Kerry FC 1 Waterford FC 1

It was Kerry's last home game of the season, with their final competitive game this year coming next week away to Cobh Ramblers, wasn't a full house but deserved to be. Fair enough, Waterford, having already qualified for a promotion play-off, didn't travel at full strength, but they had dismissed Kerry with almost contemptuous ease in previous games, so I think a draw is a commendable result in these circumstances.

A strong tackle right at the start by Martin Coughlan saw the midfielder pick up a yellow card but there really are such things as 'good' yellow cards to get or 'bad' ones. This was a good one; it set a tempo and sent out a message that the Kerry team that were completely outplayed by the league runners-up earlier in the season? This is not that Kerry team.

Neither side really opened up any clear-cut chances in a first half that had more effort than quality. It was ten minutes into a livelier second half that the deadlock was broken, and it was the relatively small home crowd that were cheering as Leo Gaxha pressure the keeper in possession, the attempted clearance was blocked, and Gaxha had the poacher's instinct to rise high and nod the looping ball into the net for a 1-0 win.

Waterford were running their bench now and bringing on some of their more seasoned players, most notable Division One top scorer Ronan Coughlan, and it was he who slipped behind the defensive cover to be picked out by a perfectly measured pass by Shane Griffin before lobbing it over Lee Axworthy for an equaliser. In fairness, Coughlan always looked dangerous and forced some more saves out of Axworthy as they pressed for a winner, but Kerry held out, with the defensive core and the keeper doing really well.

Kerry FC: Lee Axworthy, Nathan Gleeson, Samuel Aladesanusi, Kevin Williams, Ethan Kos, Rob Vasuu, Sean McGrath, Martin Coughlan, Leo Gaxha, Ryan Kelliher, Daniel Okwute. Subs Ronan Teahan (for Rob Vasuu, 5 mins), Cian Brosnan (for Martin Coughlan, 78 mins) Kennedy Amechi (for Daniel Okwute, 89 mins)



KILLARNEY LEGION

O SULLIVAN CUP

We made our exit in the quarter final of the O Sullivan Cup when we were beaten by Fossa in the quarter final. Playing well against the wind we went in at half ahead by 2-4 to 0-8. The second half was nip and tuck but a strong Fossa outfit finished the game stronger, winning by 1-16 to 2-11.

U15 BOYS

The U15 boys season goes on after a highly dramatic East Kerry Championship semi-final in Glenflesk on Sunday morning. Played in glorious autumnal sunshine the hosts took control of the game early, hitting the first two scores of the game. The lads responded well and the game was open with a mix of good play and handling errors on the dewy grass leading to scores for both teams. Jack Culloty was quickest off the mark to pounce on a rebound to score a crucial goal which saw us with a half time lead of 1-6 to 0-8.

The game continued in an exciting fashion with Legion raising another green flag from Eoin Murphy but Glenflesk were not out of the game, making lots of dangerous runs, drawing frees and kicking good scores to narrow the deficit. Following a turnover late in the game the hosts kicked a deserved equaliser point. On into extra time it went - again a great sporting contest that was nip and tuck throughout. Legion took the lead on three occasions only for Glenflesk to peg them back. A last free kick from well out brought the game to the lottery that is penalties. Legion won the toss and elected to shoot first. Jack Culloty, Eoin Murphy and Bryan O'Connor all scored while James Murphy made two great saves. Jack O'Grady slotted home the fourth and final penalty to bring Legion to an U15 final against Firies who defeated Dr Crokes in the other semi final.

Final Score AET: Legion 2:11 Glenflesk 0:17 (Legion won 4-1 on penalties).

U12 GIRLS

On Tuesday evening last our Legion U-12 Girls White team took on a strong MKL U-12 Girls C team in the final of their East Kerry campaign. With teamwork from the goalkeeper to the subs that interchanged, they focused on the job at hand and put in the hard work required to earn the win. Thanks to our opponents who battled with us all the way - on another night the scores may have fallen their way. Thanks to our extra team player - our supporters - for cheering us on, the Referee for officiating and all who helped out on sidelines and endlines. Special thanks for the small gift bags made up for the girls - nice touch on the evening.

MEMBERS MEETING

On Monday October 9th chairman David Randles held a very healthily attended members meeting where a number of club issues were discussed and debated. It was felt by all present that such a meeting should be held more regularly as it keeps everyone abreast on club matters. Another one will be called before the Club AGM which is being pencilled in for late November.

LOTTO

Congratulations to Carmel O Connor who scooped 14,200 in the Lotto last week. Carmel

successfully matched up 11, 14, 24, 28 and received her winning during the week from Lotto coordinator Justin Healy.

DR. CROKES

SCOR SINSIR

Our senior ballad group, made up of Saoirse O'Sullivan, Cillian Hickey, Jean Foley and Lillie Foley were crowned Co. Champions in Currow on Friday last after they impressed the judges with a haunting rendition of 'Mise Eire' as well as 'You couldn't have come at a better time'. They now go on to the Munster Final on October 28th. A special mention must be given to Rachel Foley, our Scor Officer who organised and drove this group on, and also to the group themselves who preform so effortlessly together.

FIRST RESPONDERS

21 club members have completed First Aid and Defibrillator training in recent months and have received certification by Pre-Hospital Emergency Care Council in conjunction with Order of Malta Ireland and Killarney unit. A huge thank you to Eamonn Fitzgerald and Ann Nagle for organising the training, and to all of the OMIKU members who gave up their time to provide the training.

FR. PADDY'S CARD'S continue every Wednesday at 8pm in the clubhouse. All you need is €5 and a partner. All are Welcome.

CROKES FOR ALL continues each Saturday. The sessions are open to all children in the Killarney area aged 7-12 with a disability or additional support need. All are welcome to attend any Saturday 9:15am-10am.

LOTTO took place October 16th. Numbers drawn were 1, 4, 7, 8 Jackpot of €7,700 was won. Jackpot for draw on October 23rd will be €5,000. We have made a number of alterations to make things easier for members to play the easiest one being to play it online by following the link below and follow instructions attached https://play.clubforce.com/play_newa.asp?Il_id=734#Anchor

BINGO

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

CONDOLENCES to the family and friends of Noel Browne, Woodlawn. Noel is grandfather to underage players, Aoife, Saoirse, Roisin O'Donoghue. Ar dheis Dé go raibh a anam.

NOTES

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

EAST KERRY GAA NEWS

by Michael Healy

EAST KERRY O SULLIVAN CUP JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP QUARTER FINALS

Sponsored By Killarney Carpet Furniture Centre.
Gneeveguilla 3.08 Listry 0.13
Fossa 1.16 Legion 2.11



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TATLER JACK EAST KERRY MINOR CHAMPIONSHIP DIVISION 1 FINAL

Kenmare V Kilcummin – Sunday 22nd October 12noon. Venue TBC

DIVISION 2 QUARTER FINAL

Dr Crokes v Cordal/Scart – Sunday 22nd October 12noon

SEMI FINAL

Glenflesk v Rathmore – Sunday 22nd October 12 noon

Dr Crokes/Cordal/Scart v Legion Sunday 29th October 12noon

FINAL 4/5th November

DIVISION 3 2 / 2 SEMI-FINALS

Fossa V Spa, Sunday 22nd October 12noon
Gneeveguilla v Dr Crokes/Cordal/Scart, Sunday 29th October 12noon

DIVISION 4 FINAL

4/5th November
Firies V Kenmare B Sunday 22nd October 12noon
Venue TBC

First named team at home. All finals neutral venue. Extra time and winner on the day in all games

GARVEYS SUPER VALU COUNTY SENIOR FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

Good luck to Rathmore and East Kerry in next Sundays County Senior Football Championship Semi final, at Fitzgerald's Stadium at 2.30.

MDOSHEA EAST KERRY U15 CHAMPIONSHIP Division 1 Semi Finals

Dr Crokes 2.08 Firies 1.14
Glenflesk 0.17 Legion 2.11 AET
Legion win 4 1 on penalties.

Division 2 Semi Finals

Kilcummin 4.14 Fossa 2.04
Kenmare Shamrocks 2.15 Rathmore 4.14

Division 3 Final

Gneeveguilla 2.10 Spa 0.10

JUNIOR COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP

Congratulations to Fossa ladies on their great win in the Bon Secours County Championship 2023 Junior Final.

MUNSTER INTERMEDIATE CHAMPIONSHIP

Congratulations to Rathmore on their great win over Milltown Malbay in the Quarter Final of the Munster Intermediate Championship.

CONDOLENCES



Patrick O'Sullivan and Stephen Brosnan pictured at the Fitzgerald Stadium. Photo: Seamus Healy



Darragh Lyne vying for the ball at the Action from the East Kerry V St. Kierans game. Photo: Seamus Healy

Sympathies to the families of Anne Healy Muckcross Grove, Killarney and late of Kilbreen, Killarney, Kerry, Denis Carroll Aglsih, Ballyhar, Killarney and late of Knocknaskeha, Killarney, Kerry, Kitty Foley (née McKenna) Mounthenry, Furies, Kerry, Patsy Lenihan and Michael O Driscoll.

KEEL GAA CLUB

KEEL GAA CHRISTMAS BONANZA

We have major plans for pitch and facilities development in 2024 where we aim to make our club a safer and easier place to access. These plans will also improve the environment for players, spectators and everyone using or visiting the club. Every euro we raise in our Christmas Bonanza will be put towards these extensive plans. Tickets are now on sale in all local shops, bars as well as local sellers. Each ticket costs €10. First prize will be €1,000. There will be many more prizes on the night. The draw will take place in Murphy's Bar Boolteens on the 29th of December. Save the date! A night not to be missed. Your support is greatly appreciated.

CLUB LOTTO

Keel GAA Lotto Draw Monday 9th October. Numbers drawn: 8, 10, 14, 16. There was no winner of our jackpot of €4,750. Lucky dip winners of €50 were Gavin Evans, Keel and Padraig Flynn, Keel. The jackpot will be €4,800 for the draw on Monday the 16th of October. 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.

MID KERRY

Well done to the Mid Kerry senior team and management who were victorious over Na Gaeil on Sunday. Special mention to Keith, Shane and Liam Evans who are all part of the squad. Best of luck to them in the County Championship semi-final versus Dingle.

UNDER 13S

Our U13 A team lost out narrowly in a very competitive Mid Kerry A final in Milltown on Saturday evening. A special thanks to all the parents for their continued support during the year. Although it was tough to lose, the boys

showed great spirit during the game and there was only a kick of a ball in at the end. Thank you to our U13 coaches who have put in numerous hours of training and matches with these boys. It is greatly appreciated by the club, children and parents.

UNDER 11S

Our U11s travelled to Kenmare on Saturday for Training with the Stars. Thank you to all involved in Training with the Stars. Many thanks to all the intercounty footballers who gave of their time to our U11s. They really enjoyed the day. A very well organised event in aid to St. Francis Special School in Beaufort. Well done to all involved!

MILLTOWN/CASTLEMAINE CLUB

LOTTO

Sponsored by Almas Takeaway, Milltown
The fortnightly club lotto draw took place on Monday, October 16th at the club grounds. There was no jackpot winner on this occasion. The numbers drawn were 1, 6, 14 and the bonus ball was 23. Congratulations to our match 3 winner (€200) : Seamus Burke. Our next club lotto draw is scheduled to take place on Monday, October 30th at 19:30pm in the Clubhouse where the jackpot will be €13,000. Get your draw tickets or renew your yearly tickets online on Clubforce or get your tickets for the next draw from all the usual local outlets.

MID KERRY: O'SULLIVAN CUP: SEMI-FINAL FIXTURE (SENIORS)

Milltown/Castlemaine face Laune Rangers in this weekend's Mid Kerry O'Sullivan Cup Semi-Final on Sunday, October 22nd at 12 noon in J P O'Sullivan Park, Killorglin.

GARVEYS SUPERVALU COUNTY SENIOR FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP: QUARTER-FINAL RESULT AND SEMI-FINAL FIXTURE

Congratulations to the Mid Kerry Senior Footballers especially our Milltown/Castlemaine representatives on the panel who advanced to the County Semi-Final last weekend after an impressive 1-19 to 1-07 victory over Na Gaeil in Fitzgerald Stadium, Killarney.

They will now face Dingle in the Semi-Final on Saturday, October 21st at 5:30pm in Austin Stack Park, Tralee. The match is also being broadcast

live on RTE 2 Television. We would like to wish the players and management all the very best and would ask our club members to get behind the lads this weekend and show your support.

U7 BOYS: END OF SEASON

Well done to the Milltown/Castlemaine U7 boys team who finished their 2023 season on Sunday with a medal presentation. A special thanks to Senior Star Cillian Burke who took time out before his big match to present the medals.

U8 GIRLS: END OF SEASON

Congratulations to the Milltown/Castlemaine U8 Girls who finished their 2023 season last week with a medal presentation at the Paddy Burke Memorial Park, Milltown.

A sincere thank you to Emma Costello (Kerry Senior Ladies) for presenting the girls with their medals. We would like to send our very best wishes to Emma for the upcoming All Star awards as she is one of 13 nominees from Kerry. The 2023 TG4 All Star team will be announced at a gala banquet at The Bonnington Dublin Hotel on Saturday, November 18. Huge thank you to all our coaches who gave so generously of their time all year.

U12 GIRLS: END OF SEASON

Our U12 Girls season has drawn to a close after an impressive & heroic performance last Tuesday evening in Kilcummin in the Group 4C Final, earning a draw in a familiar setting for our group. A tough battle from the first whistle to the last, the determination and heart our girls showed was a testament to their character and resilience they have shown this year. From Cahersiveen to Croke Park, Ennis and Fitzgerald Stadium to name a few as a team we have travelled and experienced some wonderful days together since we began our journey in February this year. A historic year for our club, being the first competitive team to line out in LGFA ranks.

MID KERRY MINOR FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP: ROUND 3 RESULT (ROUND-ROBIN) Milltown/Castlemaine 0-7 Keel/Listry 0-7

The team have now qualified for the Mid Kerry Minor Championship Semi-Final which will take place on Saturday, October 28th at 2:00pm with the opponent and venue to be confirmed following this weekend's draw.

LEGISLATION FOR ATM CHARGES CALLED FOR

Kerry Fianna Fáil Councillor, Michael Cahill has laid down a marker for banking in Ireland, by calling on the Minister for Finance, Michael McGrath to urgently introduce legislation, outlawing future charges for the withdrawal of cash from Automatic Teller Machines (ATMs) by their operators. This is a controversy that raised its head before, when one of the pillar banks was forced by public opinion to pull back from introducing such transaction fees. Councillor Cahill has submitted a Notice of Motion to a full meeting of Kerry County Council to this affect "We are swiftly being catapulted into a cashless society by those who would like to control and charge for every single transaction" stated Councillor Cahill.

"I want our national legislators to be ready and prepared to stop this slide into total plastic transactions. We are already struggling to purchase

tickets for entertainment events, particularly sporting, as we have witnessed here in Kerry at GAA games with cash. Those without bank card facilities are being excluded and that is not right or ethical and it is our Senior Citizens who are affected most and this is not right" said the Fianna Fáil man.

"This is Ireland for heavens sake, we are still a highly rural community and our local shops and services survive because local people support them and deal with them in cash. If the online frenzy takes over completely, the local businesses will be no more" said Councillor Cahill.

"Charging for cash withdrawals at ATMs is just another way to discourage the use of cash and can only lead to the wipe out of all local retailers" added Councillor Cahill.

ST. MARY OF THE ANGELS RAISED WITH MINISTER

Deputy Danny Healy Rae has raised the matter of St Mary of the angels in Beaufort with Minister Anne Rabbitte.

"As you are well aware we have a lack of residential care places for people with disabilities in Kerry, there was some mention in the Budget that there would be 90 new centres opened. We have a centre for many years in Kerry in Whitefield Beaufort known as St. Mary of the Angels, a place that was donated by the Doyle family and an awful lot of fund raising has gone on through the years to help this place develop and keep going, but sadly now it is being closed by stealth and as a patient dies that bed is being closed down and is not being used anymore.

I am asking that St Mary of the Angels is redeveloped, there is alot against dormitory style beds and I am asking for new separate units to be built on the grounds, there is acres of land there and the peace and tranquillity of the place, the expertise of the care workers that are working there,

couldn't be touched anywhere else, it has been handed down to them back over the generations. I am appealing to ye, whatever about the de-congregation model, there is a need for a place like this, where there are pools and therapies of all types to be had there and it's being closed by stealth. I am asking ye not to do that on these grounds, St. John of God's, the workers have been doing great work and are doing great work as we are talking today but it is being closed down by stealth. If ye are talking about new Residential care places, I am asking that Whitefield in Beaufort be developed and make it a state of the art place because as I said in the first place it was donated by the Doyle and a whole lot of voluntary work has gone on and fund raising has gone on over the years, we can't let that place close down Minister and I am appealing to you now, you are saying it won't, I am asking you to address it, will it be one of the places ye talked about in the Budget because it has to be.



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Richie McAuliffe's, Gneeveguilla

1st Wednesday

8.00 PM
8.30 PM
9.00 PM
9.30 PM

Killarney Area

Torc Hotel, Lissivigeen
The Village Inn, Kilcummin
Old Killarney Inn, Aghadoe
The Golden Nugget, Fossa

1st Thursday

8.30 PM
9.00 PM
9.30 PM
10.00 PM

Glenflesk & Barraduff

The Kerry Way, Glenflesk
Spillane's Headford
Murphy's Bar, Barraduff
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1st Friday

9.30 PM
10.00 PM
10.30 PM

Tuosist & Lauragh

Sailors Bar, Killaha West
Helen's Bar Kilmacalogue
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3rd Monday

8.30 PM
9.00 PM
9.30 PM
9.45 PM

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Walsh's Bar, Knocknagoshel
Kate Pat's Bar, Brosna
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3rd Friday

7.30 PM
8.00 PM
8.15 PM
9.00 PM
9.30 PM

Castleisland Area

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The Crown Hotel, Castleisland
Hughes Bar, Cordal
Lyon's Bar, Scartaglen

4th Thursday

7.00 PM
7.30 PM
8.15 PM
8.45 PM
9.15 PM
9.45 PM

Killorglin Area

Golden Nugget, Fossa
Galvin's Bar, Beaufort
O'Grady's Bar, Killorglin
Larkin's Bar, Milltown
Griffins Bar, Castlemaine
Anvil Bar, Boolteens

4th Friday

8.30 PM
9.30 PM
10.00 PM
10.45 PM

Kenmare & Sneem Area

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Last Monday

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A Word of Victory

Welcome back dear student, "when I discovered Your words, I devoured them. They are my joy and my heart's delight, for I bear Your Name, O LORD God of Heaven's Armies" (Jeremiah 15:16). So dear friend, how is your personal Bible study journey going? Like anything consistency brings results. It's natural for us to falter at times when life takes over, but that's easy to rectify by simply re-adjusting priorities to get back on track. Some think that God is not important. That may be so now while they're flying high, but everything can change in a moment, and it's when the proverbial hits the fan that people suddenly realise they don't have the answers, His Word becomes relevant.

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Many people may be carrying extra weight in their natural body yet be severely malnourished and emaciated in the spirit. They have no knowledge of God's Word and thus, no defence against the snares of the enemy, so he can knock them down like a feather. Others can fancy themselves as fit and super healthy, yet spiritually they are totally out of shape - broken and sick - again because of their lack of knowledge of the Word they are sitting ducks for Satan's traps - easy to beat and thus knock out of the fight.

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Perhaps its just as well
For we could not have said goodbye
To someone we loved so well.*

Always remembered, forever in our hearts
Your Mum Ann & Dad Anthony

*Time slips by
and life goes on...
But from our hearts
you're never gone.
We think about you always
We talk about you too...
We have so many memories
But we wish, we still had you.*

Your brothers Shane & Anthony

Anniversary Mass on Saturday 28th October
at 6.15pm in St Mary's Cathedral, Killarney.

POWERFUL NOVENA TO THE SACRED HEART

O my Jesus, you have said:
"Truly I say to you, if you ask anything
of the Father in my name, he will give it
to you."

Behold, in your name, I ask the Father for
the grace of...

(Mention your Intention Here)

Sacred Heart of Jesus,
I place all my trust in you.

2ND ANNIVERSARY

IN LOVING MEMORY OF OUR
DEAR FRIEND

**DAVID
BREEN**



COUNTRESS GROVE, KILLARNEY
WHO DIED ON THE
26TH OF OCTOBER.

*Though life continues on
It will never be the same
without you
You will never be forgotten.
You will always be the light of
direction to guide us.*

*Always in many hearts
Forever in ours you will be
loved and remembered.*

Jackie, Fiona and the girls
Xx

24TH ANNIVERSARY

IN LOVING MEMORY
OF OUR DEAR SISTER

**ANNE
O'DONOGHUE**



LATE OF HOLY CROSS,
FIRIES, KILLARNEY.
WHO DIED ON THE 18TH
OCTOBER 1999.

Sister

*We think of you with love today,
but that is nothing new,
we thought about you yesterday,
and the day before that too,
your memory is our keepsake,
with which we'll never part,
God has you in his keeping,
we have you in our hearts.*

Sadly missed by your loving sister
Caroline, brother-in-law Malcolm,
Godson Eanna, nieces Alianne and Leah xxx.

THANKSGIVING

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

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT.

WALSH

14TH DECEMBER 2022.

The brother Pat, sister-in-law Eileen
and Nephew Denis,
of the Late

**JOHN JOE
WALSH**

GLOUNAKNOCKANE
NAAD, BANTEER.

Wish to thank most sincerely all who
sympathised with them on their sad
bereavement.

To family, neighbours, friends, and all
those who called to the house, phoned,
sent condolence messages, mass cards ect.
We thank ye.

To all those who travelled to Mallow for the
removal and Donoughmore for the funeral
mass under very difficult, treacherous road
conditions. We thank ye.

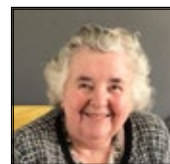
A special word of thanks to Killarney District
Motor Club for travelling to Donoughmore
on the morning of the mass.

The Holy Sacrament of the Mass has been
offered for your intentions.

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2ND ANNIVERSARY

IN LOVING MEMORY OF
BETTY CROSBIE



COOLCLOUGH LODGE,
MILL ROAD, KILLARNEY.

*Betty passed away peacefully on
23rd October 2021 after an incredible
life filled with hard work, compassion,
determination and fun.*

Loved and missed by
Aisling, John, Keelin, Seán and Abbie.

The Anniversary Mass for Betty will take
place in The Church of the Resurrection on
Monday, 23rd October, 2023 at 9.30am.

2ND ANNIVERSARY

IN LOVING MEMORY OF
SANDRA RYAN



WELL ROAD, DOUGLAS, CORK
AND PORT ROAD, KILLARNEY
WHO DIED 21ST OCTOBER 2021

*Dearly missed by her family, friends,
colleagues and clients. Always in our hearts
and thoughts - Sandra's wisdom and
kindness continue to guide all who loved her.*

Anniversary Mass will be at 10.30 a.m.
on Sunday 22nd October in St. Mary's
Cathedral, Killarney.

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NOVENA TO ST. CLAIRE

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

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

N.T.

THE MIRACLE PRAYER

Dear Sacred Heart of Jesus, in the past, I
have asked for many favors.

This time I ask for a very special one.

(Here mention your request.)

Take it, dear Jesus, and place it within your
own broken heart, where your Father sees
it. Then, in his merciful eyes, it will become
your favor and not mine. Amen.

Say for three days and promise to publish.

M.K.



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Departs	Abbeyfeale	Opposite Church	00:35	03:35	07:35	11:35	18:35
Departs	Newcastle West	Opposite Longcourt Hotel	00:55	03:55	07:55	11:55	18:55
Departs	Adare	Main Street	01:15	04:15	08:15	12:15	19:15
Arrives	Dublin Airport	T1 & T2	04:00	07:00	11:00	15:00	22:00

Dublin Airport to Killarney

Departs	Dublin Airport	ZONE 12	06:00	09:00	13:00	17:00	00:30
Arrives	Adare	Main Street	08:45	11:45	15:45	19:45	03:15
Arrives	Newcastle West	Longcourt House Hotel	09:05	12:05	16:05	20:05	03:35
Arrives	Abbeyfeale	Church	09:25	12:25	16:25	20:25	03:55
Arrives	Farranflore	Aherns Pharmacy	09:45	12:45	16:45	20:45	04:15
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