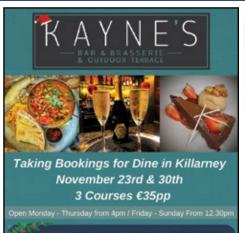
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### FROM THE EDITOR

Dare I say it.... It's beginning to feel a lot like Christmas and the 100 pages of this week's Killarney Outlook have plenty of festive cheer. From details of Christmas In Killarney to fantastic Christmas offers from our loyal advertisers, this week's magazine is a one stop shop for everything that's Christmas in our wonderful town.

The first of the magic parades kicks off Christmas In Killarney this Saturday night and organisers are expecting a massive turnout, then it's the turn of Killarney Rotary Club who are hosting their 20th Wine and Art night in The Great Southern Hotel this coming Wednesday night.

Aisling Crosbie.

The Tree of Light is being dedicated to a man who was involved in every facet of life in Killarney, exceptional care of their patients has won two Killarney dentists a top award and Charlie the Bear is supporting Down Syndrome Kerry this year. There was music, laughter, stories and songs at Glenflesk Rambling House, Spa dancers are

There was music, laughter, stories and songs at Glenflesk Rambling House, Spa dancers are celebrating All Ireland success and the countdown is on to the end of the Pieta Cold Water Challenge.

There was awards for both Kerry Ladies and Gents at the All Stars, Killarney Valley AC are celebrating their most successful year ever and we have all the sports action that took place in the town and surrounds over the past week. Hope you all enjoy this week's Killarney Outlook!

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Celebrating 20 Years

## of the Killarney Rotary Clubs Annual Wine & Art Night

#### Killarney Rotary Club will hold their Annual Wine and Art Night in Aid of local communities and charities on Wednesday the 29th November 2023 in the Great Southern Killarney.

The Killarney Rotary Club Wine and Art Night is run in conjunction with Daly's SuperValu and Killarney Brewing & Distilling Company. This year Killarney Credit Union have also become involved as sponsors of the event. The event begins at 7.15pm and Patrons can view and buy Art and Crafts from local artist's around Kerry and further afield.

Wine, Beer & Cheese tasting opportunities will be available on the night. All proceeds raised from the evening will go to local charities and community projects. Tickets are now available at a cost of  $\in$ 25. For further details contact killarneyrotaryclub@gmail.com.

Now in its 20th year, the Rotary Club's Annual Wine and Art night remains one of the highlights of the Killarney social calendar with hundreds expected to attend on the night. President of Killarney Rotary Club, Barry Murphy said "Hopefully this year will be another huge success and all the beneficiaries will benefit. This event supports a lot of local groups to carry out projects they couldn't otherwise proceed with".

This year's beneficiaries are Anabla National School, Coolick National School, Faha National School, Knockanes National School, Tiernaboul National School, Loreto National School, Gaelscoil Faithleann, The Killarney Cardiac Response, Castleisland Day-care Centre, Kerry Stars, Killarney Cougars Basketball Club, and the Irish Pilgrimage Trust.

There will also be a raffle in aid of the Irish Pilgrimage Trust on the night. The Irish Pilgrimage Trust is a group that brings children and young people with special needs on a week-long Pilgrimage holiday to Lourdes every Easter.

Many of the schools applied for funding through the Wine and Art event as they have projects they wish to complete on the school premises. Principal of Coolick National School, Gearóid O Sullivan said "We are delighted to be a beneficiary this year in the Killarney Rotary Club's annual Wine and Art night. We will use this funding for the modernisation of our classrooms to provide child-friendly, full of colour, atmospheric learning zones for the children."

30% of any sale goes to the fundraiser and the remaining 70% goes to the artist. Local Killarney Artist Betty Rohan (Neeson) plans on exhibiting her art at the Killarney Rotary Club Annual Wine and Art Evening. Betty

By: Grace Foley

Rohan usually works in oil and watercolours and Exhibitions of her work range through Ireland, New York & Chicago. Artist Betty Rohan said "The Killarney Rotary Club Wine and Art Evening is а great Killarney night. A gathering of creatives and like-minded people who love the buzz and entertainment of a fantastic local night!"

Entertainment will also be provided by well-known Kerry musician Mike Neeson in the lobby. Mike Neeson who has been plaving mus



Will Will Karina McCarthy, Killarney Credit Union, Barry Murphy, President of Killarney Rotary Club, Marie Keogh, Killarney Rotary Club, Michael Jacobi, Managing Director Hayfield Kerry Family Collection, Denis Tucker, Daly's Supervalu picturted Mike with Members of Killarney Rotary Club at the launch of the obby.

has been playing music in Killarney for over 55 years, will entertain the crowd with some 60's tunes. Mike Neeson encouraged Patrons to attend by saying, "It's a brilliant charity event, in the month of November where nothing else is happening, so why not come along!"

There will also be an auction later in the evening for various paintings from exhibiting artists on the night who have donated their pieces. 100% of any monies raised in this auction will go to this Rotary Club fundraiser. The aim of the Rotary Club is to bring together people across generations who wish to create lasting change in the world, in their communities, and in themselves.

## Don't leave your keep cups at ho-ho-home!

#### Members of the Killarney Coffee Cup Project met with Santa's elves ahead of this year's Magic Parade to celebrate the first single-use coffee cup parade.

Members of the Killarney Coffee Cup project met with some of Santa's elves earlier this week, ahead of this year's Magic Parade.

Now one of the most celebrated traditions of Christmas in Killarney, this year's Magic Parade will be proudly participating in the town's internationally recognised sustainability initiative, the Killarney Coffee Cup Project, by encouraging all attendees to bring their own keep cup to the Magic Parade.

Killian Treacy, owner of Luna Coffee and Wine Bar and a spokesperson for the Killarney Coffee Cup Project said:

"We met with some of Santa's helpers this week ahead of this year's Magic Parade, to tell them about the new single-use free initiative, and to remind them to tell Santa to bring his keep cup along for his post-parade hot chocolate. They were very excited about the project, so fingers crossed it earns the people of Killarney a spot on the Nice list!

"We also want to remind everyone coming along to the parade to remember to bring their keep cups.

"Hot drinks are always popular for those enjoying the parade, so if you're one of the many people who plans on having a hot chocolate to stay warm, remember to bring along your keep cup!"

For anyone who does forget their cup at home, the deposit return scheme will continue to operate, meaning you can buy a reusable cup on the night, and once washed, return it for a full refund to any of the participating coffee shops the next day.

The Magic Parade starts at 7pm at Fitzgerald Stadium, making its way down Lewis road through the centre of Killarney town and finishing again at Fitzgerald stadium.



Pictured with Santa's elves are Killian Treacy (Luna Coffee and Wine Bar), Alan Oliver (Lir Café) and Ray Walters (Reidy's).



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he family of a much loved mum, wife, daughter and sister are planning to honour her in the most amazing way. Killorglin woman, Aoife Kingston lost battle with her cancer on October 14th last. Along with her husband Erwin, couple the ran

Kingston's Townhouse in Killorglin.

Aoife, passed away peacefully in the arms of the couple's three daughters, Molly, Lucy, and Anna. "Aoife's journey through illness was marked by courage, grace, and an unwavering love for our family. The exceptional care she received at the Specialist Palliative Care Unit at Kerry University Hospital in Tralee, Co. Kerry, Ireland, played a pivotal role in making her final days as comfortable and dignified as possible", Erwin said.

In honour of Aoife's memory the family have embarked on a mission to raise €50,000 to transform the children's area within the Palliative Care Unit into a haven where families can find solace and joy amidst the challenges they face.

"I'm deeply touched by people's generosity, however big or small, it all impacts our goal. we are overwhelmed by the amount donated so far", Erwin told Killarney Outlook.

"The current children's room, while wellintentioned, falls short of providing the welcoming and supportive environment that children need during this difficult time. The space is small and dimly lit, with a limited selection of outdated toys and games. We envision a transformed area that is bright, spacious, and equipped with ageappropriate activities, sensory experiences, and technology to cater to a wide range of needs", he added.

"The fit out costs in a healthcare environment can be very high and our aim is to target specific needs and wants for children who unfortunately need to enter this environment and to maximise the outcome that can be achieved by money raised", Erwin added.

"Our fundraising target is €50,000 and these funds will go towards the children's area in the unit. The team in Tralee were instrumental in making sure our family got through this incredibly difficult time, an important part of which were the facilities that allowed our three gorgeous girls the opportunity to spend time with their mother while she was in hospital".

However, with that said, based on my own experience, the feedback from my kids and general conversations I have had with Palliative Care Staff, we all feel that there is room for improvement in the facilities available for children day to day, particularly the currently allocated 'children's room'.

This space should be an area where children can feel, even temporarily, carefree. But the current space is gloomy, insufficient in size and the toys and supposed distractions available for children are largely outdated. We hope the money raised would allow for, but not be limited to:

Aoife's Memory will live on.....

## Loved Ones to Create A Haven for Families in Palliative Care



Erwin Kingston right, pictured with Colm Conway (left), Sean Costello (middle) when they conquered Carrauntoohil in aid of the Palliative Care Unit and in memory of Aoife.

• Expansion of the physical space as the room is quite small and we feel the area should aspire to be a space that multiple families could enjoy without encroaching on each other.

• The extra space would also benefit from a desk/computer. area. Our eldest daughter was trying to balance spending time with Aoife while also not falling behind in school, access to a computer or area where she could keep up with schoolwork could give a feeling of normality and routine in day-to-day life.

• A larger variety of toys and games, catering to all ages, as my own girls (12-16 years) found the facility a little futile and too childlike for them.

Sensory facilities for children with additional needs, bar being wheelchair friendly it isn't very well equipped for a child with additional physical or emotional needs which is an added stress for a parent or person who is already dealing with uncontrollable life changing circumstances.

• Updated technology. In our own situation there were often times when Aoife and I needed privacy with a consultant or doctor, and we had to send the girls out of the room. They would have been easily occupied had they had access to movies, Netflix, games console or even a tablet which unfortunately isn't available in the room right now.

These are merely suggestions from our own experience with the facility, and while we as a family will drive the fundraising initiative, we do hope that the money is spent in a way that will benefit as many families as possible through collaboration between those who need it most and the amazing people who work there day to day.

We invite you to join us in this heartfelt endeavor to transform the children's area at the Specialist Palliative Care Unit into a beacon of hope and comfort for families facing difficult times. Your generous contribution, no matter the size, will make a profound difference in the lives of countless children and their families.

Together, we can create a haven where children can find solace, engage in play, and create cherished memories amidst the challenges they face.

Please share this campaign with your loved ones and encourage them to join us in making a difference.

Erwin was joined by friends Colm Conway and Sean Costello on the Bank Holiday Monday 30th October when they climbed 14 peaks in honour of Aoife, for the Pallative care unit.

They started and finished in the dark with the climb taking over 13 hours. The group of three conquered: Cnoc lochtair; Skregmore; Stumpa Barr na hAbhann; Beenkeragh; The Bones; Carrauntoohill; Cnoc na Toinne; Cnoc Na Chuillinn; Maolán Buí; Cnoc na Peasta ; The Big Gun; Cruach Mór; Cnoc an Bhráca; Strickeen.

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The feature star on the spectacular Tree of Light in Killarney will take on an extra special meaning this Christmas when it is dedicated to a man who did so much for the town and worked tirelessly as an ambassador for Killarney on a national stage.

The late Paul Coghlan will be remembered in a special way during the festive season with the giant star on the magnificent 100ft Californian Redwood tree in the grounds of St Mary's Cathedral to be illuminated in his honour.

The 1,000ft Tree of Light, which is adorned with over 3,500 energy efficient bulbs, will be officially switched on following the 6.15pm Mass in St Mary's Cathedral next Tuesday, November 28, and it will create a magnificent focal point during the Christmas in Killarney celebrations.

Parish Administrator, Fr Kieran O'Brien, said there will be a short prayer service at 6.45pm and everybody is welcome for the ceremony to switch on the lights and to offer prayers for the late Paul Coghlan.

The Chairperson of the Christmas in Killarney Festival, Cllr Niall Kelleher, said Paul Coghlan was a larger-than-life character who contributed enormously, over a long period of time, to local business and political life and he always had the interests of Killarney to the forefront of his agenda.

"I know he was particularly proud of the two terms he served as Mayor of Killarney and he represented the town and its people with great purpose and eloquence when he wore the chain of office," Cllr Kelleher said.

He described Paul Coghlan as a real driving force in the local business community and a long-time member of Killarney Chamber of Tourism and Commerce executive, serving as its President in 1980.

"Paul was great company and he was blessed with a great sense of humour. He is missed by so many people, not just here in Killarney but throughout the entire country, given that he was so widely known and respected," ClIr Kelleher added.

A statement issued by Chamber of Tourism and Commerce joint presidents, Pádraig Treacy and Johnny McGuire, said Paul Coghlan

deserves to be recognised in a very special way by Killarney and its people given that he was involved in almost every facet of life in the town and his contribution was as enormous as it was valued.

"He was a true and loyal supporter of the Killarney brand and took great pride in playing his part in ensuring the town was a great place to live and to visit.

"His was a strong voice and

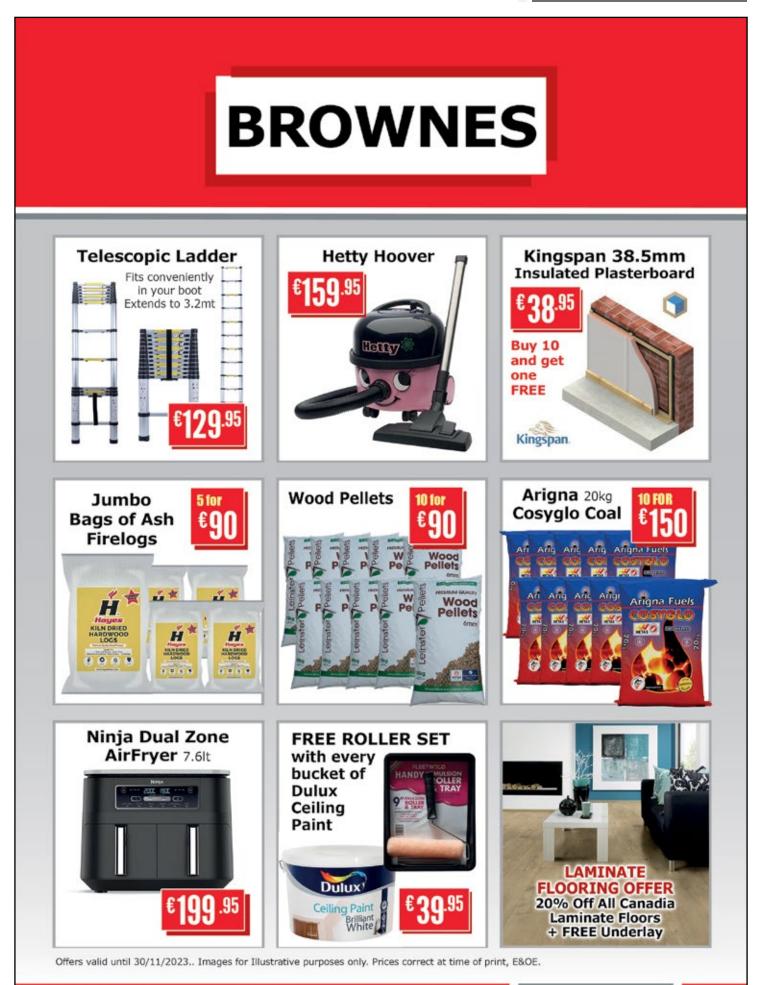
he was a great advocate for the town and county along the corridors of power. "Paul spearheaded several projects that improved the town and its

environs and he played a significant role as a Trustee of Muckross House," the statement from the Chamber statement read

Paul Coghlan, who passed away last June, at the age of 79, had been a two-time Mayor of Killarney who served locally as a councillor and as President of Killarney Chamber of Tourism and Commerce.

An auctioneer and an astute businessman who was always forwardthinking and energetic, Paul went on to make his mark in national politics and he was a long-serving member of Seanad Éireann from 1997 to 2020. At a local level, he served as a member of Killarney Urban District Council from 1985 to 1999 and on Kerry County Council from 1991 to 1999.

Paul will also be remembered by many for his huge contribution to Killarney Golf and Fishing Club, as captain, director and as a playing member and he took every opportunity to showcase the wonderful local courses to visitors.



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With Anne Lucey

### Get Kerry's Rail network back on track, please!

While the country celebrates more rail links and plans for an all-Ireland networks - rail journey times are to be cut and inner city routes could run every 30 minutes and Donegal will have rail as well as new lines in the east in Wexford ad Waterford and increased Cork services - Kerry has been left on the sidings. With no new connections and nothing to report and no plans for new lines internally. It gets no mention in the plans in the first All-island rail scheme published this

### KERRY COUNCILLORS GET ON THEIR BIKES

Eight councillors from Kerry took part in a cycling study in the Netherlands recently, organised by a body called The Dutch Cycling Embassy. The cost for the two full days Euro 1,000 was and the study fees Euro €472 were

per person. All of it was paid for, ultimately, by the National Transport Authority. Councillors from all over the country are being sent and

200 from Carlow to Wicklow, so far, have gone. Cork, city or county, has sent no one. Perhaps Cork people can't cycle!

Part of the study is cycling tours of Utrecht, Ede and Wageningen. Cllr Niall Kelleher was the only Killarney councillor to have got on his bike in the Kerry deputation. He thinks the packed two-day trip was worthwhile. 'Not so much for the things that work, but for

the things that don't work, Niall says.

It was valuable so that we don't make the same mistakes, he said.

A big mistake in the Netherlands is their love of roundabouts. The roundabouts make cycling exceptionally complicated, Niall said, because cyclists are given priority over cars and even over pedestrians.

(Imagine trying to go around the Cleeny roundabout where bikes had priority. People I know liken Cleeny to Russian roulette, and that is with a car).

It was a valuable trip because of all the cycleways planned for Killarney. The Park Road and the Lewis Road cycleways are approved in planning terms - but alas the money is not on the table, Niall says.

There is no money at all for the Lough Léin cycleway and pathway, Mayor of Killarney

summer.

We have raised this rail matter previously in this column. I had it earmarked for this week again - after my third delayed rail journey from Dublin in a few weeks. (It seems the 7 pm return, the Cork train change at Mallow, is most often delayed).

Meanwhile, rail Kerry matters have hit the headlines thanks to a lady who was left without any access to a toilet in Tralee's Casement station last week and who put up a post on social media.

Others followed with complaints to Radio Kerry that there is no toilet at all in Farranfore

Brendan Cronin has been told.

'Kerry County Council has an extensive project list of Greenways and Active Travel Schemes throughout the County which are at the various stages between feasibility study, design, planning and construction. All of these projects have funding commitments either from the TII or the NTA. The Lough Lein walkway/cycleway has not been funded and at present our resources are committed to those schemes which have funding. This walkway can be considered for inclusion in future projects / funding submissions,' was the reply he got from council management. (Please note the council love of acronyms).

Brendan had asked "for an update report on progressing the the Lough Lein walking/ cycling route from the Gap Cross to Tomies and Gap Of Dunloe."

Let us hope that Minister Ryan doesn't just send councillors away to look at what might be possible and releases money soon for what is possible. And that Kerry County Council management get on their bikes pretty quickly with Killarney.

#### A Constitutional Right

The silent dignified march last Saturday was an important step in the interests of democracy. Most councillors did not agree with the march. And just two turned out on the day - Martin Grady and Maura Healy-Rae. (No march would have been needed if people listened to ClIr Niall O'Callaghan last year, but they didn't!) I fully understand the misgivings. It is not easy to go on a protest march. And there is the fear for the image of Killarney which depends so much on tourism.

Talking to the Minister should take precedence, people think. However, that horse has bolted and people need to be given an opportunity to express themselves . When it comes to damage to tourism, Jarvey Laura Tangney told the meeting in the East Avenue of being in London on a marketing campaign and how tour operators are bypassing now. The station alongside the airport is automated now, much like a lighthouse, perhaps.

I could add how we have no paper/coffee shop in Killarney. And how the overflow parking is far from the station and there are too many ramps. I do wonder though why none of our public representatives and even Green party members make the case for light rail links in the county, onto Listowel and down to Kenmare, for instance?

New and revamped rail lines for Kerry is another one for our Dear Politician Santa list.

Killarney already because they cannot find accommodation.

Anybody participating or watching Saturday's march could not but be impressed. This was no so-called rise of the right extremists, to quote the largely unfounded fixation by some commentators and ministers politicians on concern about the numbers of refugees.

Rather, this was a cross section of business, professional, and ordinary decent Killarney people. And not just native Irish either. Several Polish and other nationalities who have made their home in this town were present to say Killarney has taken its fair share.

Full marks to those in high-viz vests, and to those who stomped out anything that might be even regarded as unpleasant such as waving the tri-colour, like Sinn Fein do at elections. But Sinn Fein were not present. Nor were they at the public meetings in Killarney. That party takes a very strong proimmigration/asylum /refugee seeker policy, and like to keep their heads down on this controversial subject.

It was actually the gardai who reminded everyone of their right to march. I had asked them about any particular arrangements. The reply from Garda Press Office reminded us all that this is a democracy, still, in spite of all the labels that are going around to stomp out debate and conversation.

'There is a constitutional right to the freedom of assembly and freedom of speech, subject to statutory provisions.

An Garda Síochána respects the right of citizens to exercise their constitutional rights and to carry out peaceful protest,' they said.







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# Exceptional Care wins KILLARNEY DENTISTS TOP AWARD

Dr David Fuller and Dr Declan Fuller have been announced as Colgate's Caring Dental Team of the year 2023.

The brothers were recognised for going above and beyond in order to care for their patient with chronic pain syndrome and arthritis.

Dr David and Dr Declan Fuller distinguish themselves by offering a level of compassionate and understanding care that goes beyond the standard dental practice.

In nominating, their patient said: "Their exceptional patience and flexibility in accommodating the patient's unique challenges, set them apart. In addition, their commitment to providing emergency care during the pandemic showcases a dedication to the well-being of their



patients."

Dr David Fuller and Dr Declan Fuller, along with their dedicated team in Killarney, have been announced as the Colgate Caring Dental Team of the Year 2023. The brothers



Award winning dentists, Declan Fuller and David Fuller

received the award in recognition of their extraordinary commitment to patient care, as highlighted from a long-term patient.

The patient, who battles chronic pain syndrome and arthritis, expressed gratitude for the exceptional care they received from the Fuller brothers and their team over the course of many years.

"Despite facing the challenges of managing chronic pain and utilising crutches for mobility, the team's unwavering patience and understanding is greatly appreciated.

"There were instances when I had to cancel appointments on short notice due to the immense pain, the team always displayed remarkable compassion. During the pandemic, the team ensured I received the necessary emergency care that I needed."

The four-person judging panel found that the dedication to maintaining the patient's oral health, showcased their commitment to going above and beyond standard expectations.

The winners were announced at a gala awards ceremony that took place at the Intercontinental Hotel, Dublin on Saturday night.

# Share A Smile This Christmas for Down Syndrome Kerry



Front Row: Siobhan Looney, Down Syndrome Kerry Member, Anthony O Connor, Down Syndrome Kerry Member, Joe Burkett, Employment Support Specialist Down Syndrome Kerry

Back Row: Michael Brennan, Managing Director of Killarney Hotels Collection, Siobhan Walsh, Operations Manager of Down Syndrome Kerry, Michelle Diggins, Sales & Marketing Executive & Adrian Stehr, Managing Director of Killarney Hotels Collection

This Christmas, The Europe Hotel & Resort is delighted to welcome back Bertie Bear and his cousin, Charlie Bear who always come to stay at the five-star hotel for the festive season! As well as the families getting together, the two cousins like to do something to help others and this year, they have chosen to support Down Syndrome Kerry as the hotel's annual Christmas charity.

"The debate was a short one as everyone quickly agreed, what Down Syndrome Ireland is doing is very important indeed! commented Charlie Bear. "The world's home to all kinds of people, everyone of us has our own gift, and we hope that your little donation, will help to give someone a lift."

Charlie Bear makes for the perfect house guest this Christmas and can be purchased for €25 with all proceeds going to Down Syndrome Kerry. Keep Charlie Bear for yourself or why not give the gift of the cute cuddly teddy bear to a loved one, family member or friend. Those who purchase a Charlie Bear will also be entered to win an Overnight Stay at The Europe Hotel & Resort for 2 people sharing.

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Anthony O Connor and Siobhan Looney pictured with Charlie the Bear

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## SELLING SAMMY'S..... Sherry Brings An Iconic Property to the Market

Sherry O'Callaghan has hit the ground running with her new business, O'Callaghan Town & Country Real Estate.

With one year in business under her belt at her premises on New Street, Killarney, Canadian native Sherry has just been chosen to complete the sale of an iconic Kerry business - Sammy's at Inch Beach.

"When I got a call to "throw my hat in the ring" to represent the sellers to market and ultimately sell Sammy's Restaurant, Café & shop located on Inch beach near Annascaul, I did my happy dance!", Sherry told Killarney Outlook.

"This is a remarkable project and one I could really sink my teeth into and do what I do best: SELL!", she added.

With over a decade of experience, Sherry has sold numerous commercial

properties in the past but this presented a real boost to her budding real estate career in Kerry- and indeed Ireland!

"Every time I think or talk about Sammy's I get excited! It is the best opportunity Ive come across since arriving here from Canada 2+ years ago. Sammy's offers 3 business under one roof- Sammy's Restaurant, Sammy's café and Sammy's Shop. With a bit of imagination and some good work ethic what one could do with this business is limitless", Sherry said.

Sammy's was established in the 80's. It has been a longtime favourite of locals in the area and visiting tourists alike (including motor coach tours). The entire business was reimagined & renovated to a high standard and re-launched in recent years. It's seen as a



Sherry O'Callaghan. Photographer Ciara O Donnell



tourist "hotspot" and the "place to go" to enjoy a memorable beachside experience. And rightly so! There are not too many ocean front restaurants around that sit directly on the blue flag beach. moving items between floors. The kitchens are complimented by 2 walkin fridges & 1 walk in freezer. There is a dry storage room, a stock room, other storage rooms, staffroom & staff canteen and ample office space; there

"The location of course has to be mentioned- A wild and wind swept dune system stretches along this amazing sand spit as it reaches out into Dingle Bay towards the northern shores of the Iveragh Peninsula, creating a mesmerising panorama. Sammy's is located right in the thick of it and offers the most exciting opportunity to own a gorgeous, meticulously maintained & well-run oceanfront commercial property", she said.

Sammy's is being sold as a going concern, it is being sold fully fitted with just about everything you will need to keep these business' running smoothly.

Sitting proudly on c.0.31 hectares, Sammy's is a 3 story, double fronted property, which offers more than ample space (nearly 4000 square feet to be exact) for the day to day business that's in place and still more room for more ideas, this creating even more potential for interested purchasers. Behind the scenes at Sammy's, you moving items between floors. The kitchens are complimented by 2 walkin fridges & 1 walk in freezer. There is a dry storage room, a stock room, other storage rooms, staffroom & staff canteen and ample office space; there are washrooms on all 3 levels, There is an heating/ air conditioning system in the building, a solid fuel stove in the main dining room and there is fibre op installed. It couldn't possibly be better presented- just put a big red bow on it!

This building is well thought out & well laid out. It has enjoyed many years of success and presents a rare and exciting opportunity for local investors and businesspeople; it is bursting with potential, come talk to me about it!

Interested parties may contact me for further information or to view the property- contact details below." Sherry O Callaghan

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Behind the scenes at Sammy's, you will find 2 kitchens, a lift on site for

## Vintage Tractors ready for SANTA'S CHRISTMAS PARADE



The members of the Killarney Valley Classic & Vintage are pulling out all the stops for the first Christmas In Killarney Parade.

The members are flat out decorating tractors of all ages, which were a huge attraction at last year's parade.

"It's all systems go again as we are delighted to be taking part in this year's Christmas in killarney parades", Tom Leslie told Killarney Outlook.

"There will be some tractors of all ages covered in lights which is sure to be a spectacular sight.

Our members have been working hard over the past weeks, washing and polishing tractors", he added.

The 5 upcoming Christmas in Killarney parades start this Saturday November 25th.

"All these fabulous lights are kindly sponsored by Cyril Wharton Plant Services so be sure to keep an eye out for our tractors all lit up", Tom added.





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## **Lifetime Achievement Award** for Dan Tim O'Sullivan

At the Kerry London Annual Banquet at Hilton Wembley London at the weekend, UK based Kerry businessman Dan Tim O'Sullivan was awarded with a Lifetime Achievement Award.

Dan Tim was joined by family and friends, along with members of the Kerry Association in London and many who travelled from Kerry for the occasion.



Tara, Eoin, Margeret and Jerry Cronin with Michael and Nora Moran and Ger O'Gorman at the Kerry London Annual Banquet in the Hilton Wembley London on Friday night. Photo by Michelle Cooper Galvin



Dan Tim O'Sullivan (third from left) who received a Life time Achievement Award from the Kerry London Association with (front from left) Margaret Rochford Secretary, Sheila Harty Tres., Sheila O'Sullivan, Noel O'Sullivan Chairman, Belinda Kissane (back from left) Johnny Walsh, Orla Harty, Noreen Buckley, Vincent Digham, P J Crean, Daithí O'Sé MC, Jerry McCarthy, Paul O'Connor, Liam Kearney, Pat McGillycuddy, Denise and Jerry Rochford, and Brid Harty at the Kerry London Annual Banquet in the Hilton Wembley London on Friday night. Photo by Michelle Cooper Galvin

# MAGICAL SANTA EXPERIENCE AT KERRY CREAMERY

Magical Christmas memories will be made at The Kerry Creamery Experience this year when non other than Santa Clause makes a visit on four different dates in the run up to Christmas.

Based in the old Creamery at Listry Bridge on the Milltown Road, the owners have pulled out all the stops to ensure that the little ones in your life will have a wonderful Christmas experience. When you arrive you will be welcomed into the tearoom by one of Santa's helpers where the children will be entertained with arts and crafts and some Christmas movies to get into the holiday spirit.

With the aroma of freshly baked goods in the background, Santa will meet and greet families and present each child with a gift. There will also be the opportunity for you take your own photos to keep the memory of this fabulous Christmas experience forever. Later the family get the opportunity to explore the farm themed playground and animals outside. To finish off your visit, you can call into our tearoom where tea, coffee, hot chocolates and homemade baked goods can be purchased on the day.

Santa will be at The Kerry Creamery Experience on Saturday 9th, 10th, 16th and 17th December and the cost is €20 per child and €15 for under twos.

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#### Maire and Danny Healy Rae playing for the crowd at Glenflesk Rambling House last Saturday night.



Donie O Doherty Knocknahoe singing The wildflower of the Laune at the Glenflesk Rambling House last Saturday night.



Anthony, Aoife and Pat Favier at the Rambling House



Marian Favier, Danielle O Halloran and Pauline O Halloran at the Glenflesk Rambling House last Saturday night. P



Michael Healy-Rae singing Tooraloo at the Glenflesk Rambling House last Saturday night.



The outstanding Sean O Keeffe doing the brushdance at the Glenflesk Rambling House last Saturday night.

## Music, Laughter, Stories & Songs at Glenflesk Rambling House

Glenflesk held a Rambling House in the GAA Hall on Saturday last in memory of two much loved characters, Dan Favier and Johnny O Brien who passed away recently. They were loyal supporters of the Rambling House and enjoyed the fun and great entertainment at these events. The night was filled with music, laughter, stories and songs there was plenty of tea and barm brack for the full house who enjoyed a great evening.

Photos: Seamus Healy



Lifelong friends Mike Allen and Dan Dwyer at the Glenflesk Rambling House last Saturday night.

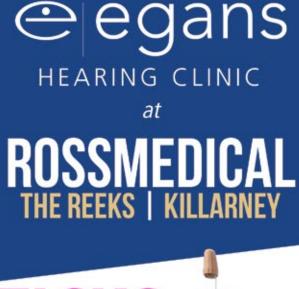


Meabh Darcy was so busy helping out at the Glenflesk Rambling House last Saturday night.



Gearoid Dúinnin of Cúil Aodha gave an amazing rendetion of The coast of Malabar to open Glenflesk Ramblimg House last Saturday night.

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# A Night Full of Stars at the RDS

David Clifford was Icrowned the undisputed king of football when he was voted by his peers as the PwC GAA/GPA Footballer of the Year at the PwC All-Stars at Dublin's RDS in Ballsbridge. Also announced live on the night of a gala blacktie event were the PwC Football All-Stars for 2023 which saw All-Ireland champions Dublin head up an impressive five county spread with five places and with provincial champions Kerry and Derry claiming four slots each and one each for Monaghan and Roscommon.

The PwC GAA/GPA Hurler and Footballer of the Year have been announced.

Both members of their respective full forward lines, Aaron Gillane and David Clifford enhanced their reputations posing a lethal threat for the Limerick hurlers and Kerry footballers in another high-profile season for the Treaty County and the Kingdom.

Fossa's David Clifford is now a five-time PwC Football All-Star after a season that saw him maintain his prolific high standards, not only in scoring but, also as exemplified by his deft overhead pass against Tyrone or visionary goal creating ball in the All-Ireland final against Dublin, as a supplier of sublime passes to others. Clifford is the first ever footballer crowned back-to-back Player of the Year and he joins fellow nominee Brian Fenton and Meath legend Trevor Giles as a modern-day two-time winner.

Dublin's dominance of the team is not without significance. Their history-making trio of Stephen Cluxton, Michael Fitzsimons and James McCarthy, who moved out on their own as winners of a record nine All-Ireland senior medals last summer, are also now PwC Football All-Stars for 2023.

In the case of Hill 16 hero Cluxton, he is now a

seven-time All-Star with only Pat Spillane (nine) and Colm Cooper (eight) ahead of him and with Mikey Sheehy for company on seven in football's roll of honour.

He was the GAA's most decorated goalkeeper in All-Star history when he moved onto six awards ahead of John O'Leary and has an astonishing haul of achievements. The Parnells clubman holds the record number of championship appearances (119), with 71 clean sheets, was the first football goalkeeper to score the winner in an All-Ireland final (2011) and is the oldest winner, standing just a couple of weeks off his 42nd birthday. All this at the end of a year that began with Cluxton not part of the panel until his dramatic recall during the Leinster Championship.

Derry's defensive rock Conor McCluskey and Kerry stalwart Tom O'Sullivan flank Dublin's man marking ace Mick Fitzsimons. Gareth McKinless is acknowledged for his heavy workload and powerful running at centre back – so too, Monaghan star Conor McCarthy on the left wing with Dublin's All-Ireland winning captain James McCarthy named on the right wing and collecting a fifth All-Star in the process.

Dubliner Brian Fenton's All-Star tally moves to a remarkable six in midfield with Derry and Slaughtneil star Brendan Rogers a popular companion for him in the middle.

For the third year in a row, Paudie Clifford keeps it a family affair for the All-Stars by joining his brother in the team. Seán O'Shea's importance to the Kingdom is recognised with the centre forward shirt, and at left half forward, Roscommon talisman Enda Smith is honoured as the first Rossie All-Star since 2001.

The sharp shooting inside line has David

Clifford top of the right, joined by first time winner Shane McGuigan after his prolific year with Derry, and in the left corner Colm Basquel wins a first after his sensational season with the Dubs.

### **PwC Football All-Stars 2023**

(Previous winning years in brackets)

1. Stephen Cluxton (Dublin) (2002, 2006, 2007, 2011, 2013, 2019)

2. Conor McCluskey (Derry)

3. Michael Fitzsimons (Dublin) (2017, 2019, 2020)

4. Tom O'Sullivan (Kerry) (2019, 2021)

5. James McCarthy (Dublin) ( 2014, 2017, 2018, 2020)

6. Gareth McKinless (Derry)

7. Conor McCarthy (Monaghan)

8. Brian Fenton (Dublin) (2015, 2016<u>, 2018, 2019, 2020)</u>

9. Brendan Rogers (Derry)

10. Paudie Clifford (Kerry) (2021, 2022)

11. Seán O'Shea (Kerry) (2019, 2022)

12. Enda Smith (Roscommon)

13. David Clifford (Kerry)

(2018, 2019, 2021, 2022)

14. Shane McGuigan (Derry)

15. Colm Basquel (Dublin)





## Kerry's Louise Ní Mhuircheartaigh named as

## 2023 TG4 Senior Players' **Player of the Year**

KERRY star Louise Ní Mhuircheartaigh was named as the 2023 TG4 Senior Players' Player of the Year at the annual TG4 All Star banquet, in association with Lidl, at The Bonnington Dublin Hotel on Saturday night.

The coveted individual accolade capped a memorable night for the 32-year-old Corca Dhuibhne player, who also collected a fourth TG4 All Star award, to add to her previous successes in 2012, 2013 and 2022.

Ní Mhuircheartaigh finished as leading scorer in the 2023 TG4 All-Ireland Senior Championship with a haul of 3-31, including 1-7 in the Final against Dublin on Sunday August 13.

For the Senior Players' Player of the Year award, Ní Mhuircheartaigh held off stiff competition from Dublin duo Leah Caffrey and Jennifer Dunne to win the award which was voted on by fellow inter-county players.

TG4 All-Ireland Finalists Kerry have been rewarded with five All Star award winners, namely defenders Eilís Lynch and Cáit Lynch, midfielder Lorraine Scanlon, and Louise Ní Mhuircheartaigh of Kerry with her TG4 Senior Players Player of forwards Niamh Carmody and Louise Ní Mhuircheartaigh.

The 2023 TG4 All Star team also contains three players from the Castleisland Desmonds club in Kerry – Eilís Lynch, Cáit Lynch and Lorraine Scanlon.



the Year award during the TG4 All-Ireland Ladies Football All Stars Awards banquet, in association with Lidl, at the Bonnington Dublin Hotel. Photo by Brendan Moran/Sportsfile



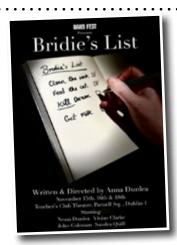
Kerry TG4 LGFA All Star award winners, from left, Eilís Lynch, Cáit Lynch, Louise Ní Mhuircheartaigh, Lorraine Scanlon and Niamh Carmody during the TG4 All-Ireland Ladies Football All Stars Awards banauet, in association with Lidl, at the Bonninaton Dublin Hotel, Photo by Brendan Moran/Sportsfile

# Future is bright for talented Anna

Anna Dunlea, a fifth year student at St. Brigid's Presentation Secondary School, has had a remarkable success as her play Bridie's List which she wrote this year has been chosed for RARO, a new theatre festival in Dublin.

She was invited to direct and produce the play for three performances this week, alongside four other plays by theatre professionals. She has been working on casting, directing, rehearsals, tech, props and sets for the past couple of months.

"We are sure that great things lie ahead for this talented young woman", Jer Lyons, PRO for St. Brigid's told Killarney Outlook.







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## COUNTDOWN TO THE END OF THE PIETA COLD WATER CHALLENGE

There is hardly a cold water dip in the county that Grainne O'Sullivan and Michelle O'Connor haven't experienced since the 1st of November.

The brave Killarney ladies have taken to the waters of Lough Lein and the sea at Cromane, not to mention O'Sullivan's Cascade to raise funds for Pieta House November Cold Water Challenge.

The girls were joined by family and friends this week to support them in their final week of the challenge. With a goal of raising  $\in 2,000$ , the girls had their chilly dip at the Fire Station on the Bypass yesterday morning and the Killarney Fireman were delighted to both soak and support the girls!

The Pieta House November Cold Water Challenge helps the charity maintain their free, nationwide services for people who are experiencing suicidal ideation, engaging in self-harm or those who have been bereaved by suicide.

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## UISCE ÉIREANN'S LEAKAGE REDUCTION PROGRAMME CONTINUES IN KERRY AS FOSSA SET TO BENEFIT

Uisce Éireann, working in partnership with Kerry County Council, is replacing over 1km of aged water mains in Fossa, County Kerry.

These essential works are due to commence next week and will be completed by February 2024. The section of works will take place along a section of the N72 from The Golden Nugget Bar & Restaurant and end just before Fossa Guest Accommodation. Once completed, customers in Fossa will enjoy an improved water supply with less disruption caused by bursts and leakage.

Commenting on the project, Programme Manager at Uisce Éireann, Jack Cronin said: "The section of water main that we are replacing has burst several times recently, so we are delighted to progress these upgrades for the local community, providing them with a more reliable water supply. To deliver the works safely and efficiently, short sections along the N72 will have a stop-go traffic management system in place."

The works may involve some short-term water interruptions and the project team will ensure that customers are given a minimum of 48 hours' notice prior to any planned disruption. The works also involve laying new water service connections from the public water main in the road to customers' property boundaries and connecting it to the customer's water supply. Where the existing service connections on the public side are lead these are being replaced.

Customers can phone Uisce Éireann on 1800 278 278 if they have any questions about the project or check out the Water Supply Updates section of the Uisce Éireann website for regular updates.

Grainne and Michelle on their many dips around the county, and joined by family and friends for their cold water challenge at Dundag.



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# **Season to be jolly** IN THE CHRISTMAS CAPITAL

I t's beginning to look a lot like Christmas and Killarney will this year further enhance its fully deserved reputation as the most spectacular festive season town in the entire country.

Extra spectacular Christmas Magic street parades, magnificent street lights and decorations, a really unique Santa's Grotto experience at a very special and magical location, sensational shopping and all the fun of the season of goodwill will ensure Ireland's tidiest large town will also become the country's Christmas capital for 2023.

The incredible hour-long Christmas Magic parades, with Disney-style floats and characters and, of course, Santa Claus himself, will wind their way through the packed streets with the first parade and the switching on of the street lights by Mayor of Killarney, Cllr Brendan Cronin, taking place this Saturday night, November 25.

The parade will commence at 6.00pm from Lewis Road and it will pass through College Street, Plunkett Street, Main Street and High Street. Further parades are planned for December 2nd, 9th and 16th and what promises to be an emotion-charged and charming added attraction this year will be the gala festive Welcome Home Parade at 7.00pm on Friday, December 22nd with a very special greeting lined up for those returning to Killarney for Christmas from wherever they are in the world.

In addition, on December 23rd, there will be a special welcome home get-together in the newly opened Pig's Lane which is located beneath the well-trodden streets of Killarney.

There is no place quite like home, particularly at Christmastime, and everybody from Killarney knows that only too well.

This colourful, feel-good celebration showcases Killarney in a truly magnificent light and the parades attract people from all over the country and beyond.

If you haven't been in Killarney for a Magic Parade at Christmas, you really don't know what you're missing.

## Santa has a Special Base this year...

Santa's Grotto at this Christmas in Killarney Festival promises to be a truly memorable experience given that the man in red will take up residency in the landmark Deenagh Lodge, the beautiful thatched cottage in Killarney National Park at Knockreer.

Excited children and the equally enthusiastic young at heart will get an opportunity to meet Santa and Mrs Claus in a very special environment and where better than the heart of Killarney National Park?

Just follow the magical illuminated pathways and Santa will have his list with him to ensure that everybody is included so be sure to have your wish list prepared well in advance.

Given the huge demand anticipated, advance booking is essential and places, which are exceptionally limited, can be secured on www.christmasinkillarney.com.

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# Wander wild in the park for Christmas

Something very special to look forward to this year will be the Wanderful Christmas Trail which is a free, family-friendly digital treasure trail from Deenagh Lodge through the national park and Killarney town.

Participants can enjoy the fun and the great outdoors while on the lookout for Christmas tags on the route and they will get to see some amazing characters come alive.

This is a free, daytime family activity with the 2.7 km buggy-friendly trail starting at Deenagh Lodge, through the national park and Killarney town.

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pectacular festive lights display

The streets of Killarney will be illuminated like never before this year thanks to the most elaborate festive lighting display the town has ever seen.

It was already one of the most spectacular restive season exhibitions in the country but this year an extra €35,000 has been invested on the street lights thanks to the finance received through the Ukrainian Recognition Fund.

With the lights and the magnificent street decorations, including giant baubles

and toy soldier lined streets, Killarney will sparkle right through the festive season, creating the perfect backdrop and atmosphere for locals and visitors to enjoy the season to be jolly.

In addition to everything else there will be magical sleigh rides in the park and throughout the town, musicals, live bands, festive concerts, food events and a real party atmosphere as Killarney pulls out all the stops to ensure Christmas 2023 is a real cracker.



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# We're off to see the Wizard.... SELL OUT SHOW WOWS THE AUDIENCE

Once upon a stage, in a land not far away, the pantomime "The Wizard of Oz" unfolded with whimsical display. Dorothy and Toto, off to Oz they did go, encountering a funny scarecrow, a tinman with no woe. With wicked witches and ruby slippers aglow, laughter and applause did surely grow. A magical journey that stole the show! And that's a wrap! What a show in KCC!! After two sold out shows and a daytime performance for the local primary schools, the cast and crew of the KCC Production of The Wizard of Oz can finally take a bow.

As the curtain comes down we look back on a journey that started with auditions as far back as September. The actors, dancers, musicians and chorus gave up numerous hours and weekends to perfect the performance they expertly brought to stage. Let's not forget and thank their amazing teachers who also gave up their time, precious energy and experience to the whole process. The cast will forever be grateful.

Two staff in particular we have to give them a like, we have to give a huge thanks to Music Teacher Joanna Hughes and Maths Teacher Mike Lynch, for the yellow brick road would have been closed, and without their help Dorothy wouldn't have found her way home!!! Thank to everyone you didn't see in the background who helped bring the whole thing together. You know who you are and we appreciate what you did. You made this Panto a dream come true!!!

Thank you to all our generous sponsors, production team and most importantly, thanks you to everyone who came to the show and purchased a ticket. We hope you enjoyed it as much as we enjoyed putting it on.

"A heart is not judged by how much you love, but by how much you are loved by others." - The Wizard of Oz







## **KILLARNEY VALLEY ATHLETIC CLUB** celebrates their most successful year ever

An event to celebrate the most successful year ever at Killarney Valley AC will be held on December 10th at The Great Southern Hotel, Killarney.

As part of this celebration we will hold a Premier Screening of Man on a Mission Documentary on High Jumper, Jordan Lee and his training into the Tokyo Paralympic Games during the challenging Covid times. All donations for the showing of this screening will go towards the Killarney Cardiac Response Unit. We will also showcase our national champions and international athletes on stage on the night amongst other successful athletes in Killarney Valley Athletic Club. 2023 has been our most successful year ever, with our athletes winning collectively over 45 National medals, 90 Provincial medals, 1 European Team medal, 4 athletes in Tailteann Games and 2 in European Youth Olympics. The Club is also the Kerry County Senior and Juvenile Team Champions in Track & Field Athletics, Senior Road Racing Champions & Juvenile Cross Country Champions.

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# On the trail of moths..... **STEPHEN DISCOVERS NEW SPECIES**



A new moth not previously recorded in Ireland was confirmed this week from Killarney National Park by amateur moth enthusiast Stephen Cotter. Photo: Valerie O'Sullivan

Orthodontist by day Moth-er! by night... A new moth not previously recorded in Ireland was confirmed this week from Killarney National Park by amateur moth enthusiast Stephen Cotter. The moth is named Scoparia Ancipitella or "Northern Grey". It is very small and is a light grey mottled colour: Perfect for camouflaging against tree trunks during the day.

Stephen roams the quieter parts of the National Park at unearthly hours of the morning and night to catch a glimpse of these rare and beautiful species

Speaking about his new recording, Stephen remarked, "People may not appreciate the incredible moth diversity we have in Ireland. We have over 1500 different species and new species are being recorded every year by a small but dedicated network of so called moth-ers!. Some of the new species recorded are related to weather and winds, some due to transportation of plants and foodstuffs, some like this moth are probably always present but in low numbers and simply not recognised."

The caterpillars of this moth feed on Lichens and mosses. "People think that caterpillars only eat leaves but in reality, they feed on a



Scoparia Ancipitella or "Northern Grey".

huge range of items including plants, mosses, fungi, rotting leaves and wood; even the hides and feathers of dead creatures! Moths are in this way incredibly important in the recycling of nutrients. And, of course, everything wants to eat them, they can be thought of as the "plankton of the forest", and in this way support a huge diversity of creatures." Earlier this year, Stephen recorded a rare 'White Prominent Leucodonta' - thought to be extinct in Ireland. Stephen has recorded over 400 different species in Killarney National Park and Kerry County.

The fact that enthusiasts and Conservation Rangers are still finding new species is a sign of the richness of our moth fauna. Killarney National Park is an astounding area of rich biodiversity and this is further evidence of that.

# Embrace Your Colours

### At Presentation Secondary School, Castleisland

Embrace your Colours and Stand Tall, was the message given to students in Presentation Secondary School in Castleisland, as they recently celebrated Stand Up Awareness Week, with the charity Belong To. The school is currently working towards achieving an LGBTQ+ quality mark status for the school with the charity organisation. This is an eighteen month programme which provides a comprehensive approach to developing an LGBTQ+ safe and supportive school. It is a reflection and recognition process designed to support post primary schools in their LGBTQ+ inclusion work. This year the school wanted to make the celebration bigger and better in order to create awareness in a positive and uplifting way.

Throughout the week in their SPHE classes, students learned about the importance of supporting the LGBTQ+ community and how it is vital to speak up and have a voice to support them. The theme of the awareness week with Belong To this year was 'to be an ally'. Colours Festival at the end of the week really showcased this in abundance. Through interaction, connection, fun and bonding experiences on the day students got a real feel of the importance of being there for each other. Students were asked to embrace their colours and dress up in whatever colours they wished. It was a celebration of identity, and students were taught throughout this awareness week that in celebrating pride it is a powerful movement that embraces respect, acceptance, and equality for all. Students and staff were asked to stand tall and unapologetically embrace who they are, inspiring others to do the same. St. John's hall was a hive of colour and activity, with something for everyone to enjoy and do. The creation of loom bands, nail painting, rainbow art, hair dye, face painting, giant jenga, table tennis and Just Dance fun were to mention just a few of the activities that students who take part in. The interaction of students and teachers together made it all the more a worthwhile experience, as everyone seemed to gain from the fun of the day. There were prizes for best dressed student and teacher.

The school also ran an art competition for students to design a mural which will feature on a wall in the school during the New Year. The buzz and excitement overall made it a fun day for everyone and one that will be memorable for a long time. Our mission will always be that we are inclusive and supportive of everyone. The aim ahead now for the rest of the school year is to work hard to achieve the important quality mark status for the school, so watch this space!



1st year students Lucy Matassa, Melissa Horgan and Seana Walsh





Labhaoise Mansfield, 6th year student

Anna McSweeney, 6th year student





## **SHEEP MOPS** for Killarney National Park

An ingenious system to reduce the prevalence of ticks that carry Lyme disease, in Killarney National Park, has been put forward by Fianna Fáil Councillor, Michael Cahill at this month's meeting of Kerry County Council.

Councillor Cahill has proposed that the Minister for Agriculture urgently investigate the effectiveness of a scheme introduced in the Scottish Moors, whereby sheep, having been regularly dipped to eradicate the ticks that carry Lyme disease were allowed graze there. This would reduce the spread of these dangerous ticks to humans, he said.

"These 'Sheep Mops' as they are known,



could be used in Killarney National Park

as a method of preventing this horrible, debilitating disease. A man, who describes himself as a 'Lyme Survivor', recalled to of when there were 3,000 sheep in the National Park. I believe it could be a very simple, cost effective project to introduce and apparently it has been an amazing success on the Scottish Moors" stated Councillor Cahill. "Dr John Lambert who is an expert in the area of Lyme disease in Ireland,

informed me that many GP's are not aware or informed of the symptoms of Lyme. He said that the HSE do not keep records of those effected in this country, in the United Kingdom, in Germany or any other known location. Dr Lambert said that the figure may be as high as 2,500 affected every year but we don't know" said the Rossbeigh based Councillor.

"The figure is 70,000 in both Germany and France every year. Testing is not perfect and there is not a good understanding of it. Dr Lambert said that prevention and early intervention is critical. He said that wooden 'Beware of Ticks' signs should be erected in all Parks and areas where deer are present" said Councillor Cahill.

"Finally, I would like again to call on the HSE to introduce testing and treatment at University Hospital Kerry as the numbers of cases are continuing to rise in both Kerry and Cork and from what we know the figures are higher in the Southern part of Ireland than the rest of the country" added Councillor Cahill.

## New Venue for Dóchas Drama Group Series of Short Plays

Theatre was created to tell the truth about life" (Stella Adler).

n their forthcoming production Dochas Drama Group will be doing just that, although some truths maybe tongue in cheek!

So, if you are fed up with the incessant rain and constant bad news. Do you need a break? Are tired of listening to advice about your Christmas



cake recipe? There is a perfect solution!

Come along to Dóchas Drama Group's series of short plays at the Muckross Schoolhouse on Dec 5th, 6th and 7th at 8pm.

Muckross Schoolhouse you ask? And very understandably so, as Dóchas normally performs at Killarney Avenue Hotel. We have been very lucky to have been able to perform there since the closure of Aras Phadraig.

The Function Room at the Killarney Avenue Hotel is being refurbished but luckily we have been given the opportunity to perform at Muckross Schoolhouse.

We will present six short plays and some of the questions you may ask yourself:

Why is Jane suddenly so honest?

What did happen on December 9th. Will Tiffany be promoted? Will Mags eventually find love?

Can lost love be re kindled? What do grandparents get up to when they're babysitting?

For answers to these questions and more, come along to Muckross Schoolhouse Dec 5th,6th and 7th.

Tickets are 15 euro and bookings at Eventbrite.ie

# FINAL CALL to get your free HPV Catch-up Vaccine



Cork Kerry Community Healthcare invites eligible males and females to get their free HPV vaccine before the end of the year.

The Laura Brennan Catch-up HPV Vaccination programme comes to an end in December, so if you haven't had the vaccine yet - please book a vaccination clinic appointment now.

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You can make an appointment on the online booking portal which is at this LINK although walk-ins are also welcome. The catch-up clinics are held across Cork and Kerry. Confirmed dates with appointment times available include:

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### NEWS BITES...

#### KILLARNEY PARISH SILVER CIRCLE

- Week 6 Results -1st Prize €500: Maura Breen, Ferndale Avenue. Seller: Joan Coffey 2nd Prize €250: Helena Martin, Tiernaboul Seller: Maisie O'Sullivan Winners of €100 each are as follows; Ettie & Tony Horgan, Killeen Seller: Noleen Mackessy Maria Prendergast, Newlands, Woodlawn Rd. Seller: Elizabeth O'Mahoney Tara Quirke, Anne St, Clonmel Seller: Anne O'Leary O'Sullivan Séamus & Mary Darcy, Whitebridge. Seller: Mary O Sullivan Darcy Aoibhe Coghlan, Ballydowney Seller: Eileen O'Connor Winners of €75 each are as follows; Caroline & Joe Hurley, Whitebridge Manor Seller: Caroline Hurley Aine OO'Connor, Beawn, Knocknadurath Seller: Josephine Coleman The Gleneagle Hotel, Muckross Road Seller: Parish Office Maureen Steinback. Countess Grove Seller: Mary O Sullivan Darcy Pat & Marie Buckley, Rookery Road Seller: Mary Kelly Thomas & Noreen O'Sullivan, Minsh Seller: Alice O'Sullivan Abbey & Ryan Casey, Screggan, Tullamore Seller: Dan Casey James & Eileen Twomey, Dromhall Seller: Patricia Lyne Grace, Daniel & Aoife O'Sullivan Seller: Tim Doona Laura Murphy, Artigallvin

Seller: Sean O'Brien Congratulations to all winners, and thanks to all who supported, promoted and sponsored the draw this year. Tickets are still available from the Sacristies and Parish Office

This week's prize money is sponsored by: Randles Garage, O'Brien, Coffey & MacSweeney Accountants, Killarney Oils Ltd, Martin Walsh Construction & Leanes Fitted Furniture

#### FOSSA BRIDGE CLUB

#### Results Thursday November 9th Ist and Best Gross:Joan Culloty and Eileen Crehan 2nd: Anne Looney and Maura G Moynihan Thursday November 16th Ist and Best Gross: Mary Shanahan and Ciaran Broadbery

2nd: Finola Spillane and Ger Foley

## HOSPICE TO BENEFIT FROM Santa's Visit to Kates

This week Santa Claus paid a flying visit on his sleigh through the Gap of Dunloe and pulled into Kate Kearney's Cottage to promote his visits during December. He will be in attendance on Saturday 2nd, 9th and 16th between 2pm and 6pm. He hopes to meet as many children as possible and will be bringing presents for each and everyone. This came about through the good offices of Ronan McGregor, Head Chef at Kate's, the management and staff there in association with the Dungeon Book Shop. The Gap Ponymen are also helping out. The aim of all is to raise as much as possible for Kerry Hospice through donations. The launch was attended by Pat Doolan, Dermot O'Reilly and Cathal Walshe of Hospice, Ronan McGregor (Head Chef), Management and staff of Kate Kearney's and Santa of course.



Members of the Kerry Hospice Foundation are joined by staff members from The Dungeon Book Shop and Kate Kearney's Cottage for the launch of Santa at the Gap.

All roads will lead to Glenflesk on Sunday when the annual Parish Bazaar will take place 3.00pm in St. Agatha's GAA Hall, Glenflesk. Join locals for a Family Fun Day with games & prizes for all.

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"There will be a coffee cart, Barrell of Fortune and plenty of spot prizes. Our Monster draw includes 500 litres of home heating oil a Dell Laptop and a weekend away amongst other prizes", Mary McCarrick told Killarney Outlook.

"All funds raised will be used for the upkeep of the three churches in the Parish. Many Thanks for your generosity and support", Mary added.

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## PARISH BAZAAR FOR GLENFLESK



#### Killarney Lions Club plan STREET COLLECTION FOR CHRISTMAS HAMPERS



The Killarney Lions Club are organising our annual appeal for the support for our Christmas Hampers.

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On December 1st and 2nd we'll be holding a collection at Dunnes Stores in New St to collect money to fund the hampers.

The support can also be done by donating some non perishable foods to our Lions Trolly in Dunnes . We will also hold a further collection on December 15th at other outlets in Killarney.

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#### NEWS



At the last of the very successful Killarney National Park Autumn Talks Series 2023 in Killarney House Auditorium, on Thursday night. The talk was presented by Lorcán Ó Cinnéide, Manager of Ionad an Bhlascaoid Mhóir - entitled 'The Blaskets: Past, Present, and Future' Éamonn Meskell Divisional Manager NPWS presented Lorcán with a copy of Louis O'Toole's new book 'Fungi of Killarney National Park' also included were staff of OPW and NPWS, from left, Diana Fawsitt, Jean Hamilton, Padruig O'Sullivan, Brid Culhoun, Nicola Meskell, Niall Foley, Éamonn Meskell, Lorcán Ó Cinnéide, Martin Connolly, Pat O'Donovan, Louis O'Toole, Cormac Foley. Photo: Valerie O'Sullivan





Orla Lehane, Lissivigeen Killarney who graduated with a Bachelor Degree in Science Education at UCC. Orla is the daughter of Patricia and Pat Lehane and is a former pupil at St. Brigid's Presentation Secondary School.

#### Tour de Munster 2023 raises €417k in aid of Down Syndrome Ireland

The 2023 Tour de Munster charity cycle has raised €417,077.72 in aid of the Munster branches of Down Syndrome Ireland (DSI). The grand total was revealed at a cheque presentation on November 17th which saw cyclists, supporters and DSI Munster branches come together to celebrate the achievements of this year's Tour.

Domninique, Gerard and Yann O'Carroll from DSI Kerry Branch with Paul Sheridan, Tour de Munster founder and organiser, at the official cheque presentation of the 23rd annual Tour de Munster charity cycle on Friday, 17th November. Picture : Diane Cusack



Jacinta and Meghann Cronin smile with joy

## ALL IRELAND SUCCESS For Spa

Scór Sinsear 2023 All Ireland took place in the INEC on Saturday last, November 18th.

Congratulations to Spa, Killarney Rince Seit team who reclaimed the All-Ireland status after 15 years.

Dancers were, Katie and Anna O Connor, Meghann Cronin, Áine Brosnan, Kianan O Doherty, Gary O Sullivan, Cian O Sullivan and Liam Spillane, mentors Triona Leahy and Mairéad Quinn and Scór office Eileen Aherne



The Spa GAA club Rince Seit team named Scór Sinsear All Ireland winners for 2023



Noreen, Cian, Roisin and Tom O'Sullivan enjoying the celebrations



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#### **NEWS**



IHF Kerry Branch names Maria Maye 'Employee of the Year'. Maria was nominated by their employer Killarney Avenue Hotel based in Killarney Co Kerry . IHF , Branch Chairperson, Bernadette Randles presented the award on behalf of the IHF. Photo By : Domnick Walsh © Eye Focus LTD

#### aria Maye has been announced as the 2023 Irish Hotels Federation Kerry Branch 'Employee of the Year' at a lunch in The Rose Hotel, Tralee.

Over 60 guests attended the event to celebrate and recognise the 15 nominees from hotels and guesthouses across Kerry who have made an outstanding contribution to their workplace.

Congratulating Maria on their award, Geraldine Rosney, said the judges highlighted Maria Maye's Kind and caring approach with a great sense of humour, Maria brings out the best in colleagues and guests alike, when selecting her as the winner. 

## **IHF Kerry Branch names Maria Maye** 'Employee of the Year'

Maria Maye has worked in the Avenue on three different tenures over the last three decades.

Working as part the restaurant team she is the epitome of warm and genuine hospitality and goes above and beyond to ensure that all guests experience the best that the Killarney Avenue hotel has to offer.

At the event, Branch Chairperson, Bernadette Randles, spoke about the importance of recognising excellence, and 'Shaping Brighter Futures' for people in the sector by supporting future leaders and keeping teams motivated with opportunities for career progression and development. George White, Parknasilla Resort was selected for a life time contribution to the industry award by the Irish Hotel Federation with almost 50 years of service.

IHF Kerry Branch extends its gratitude to the expert judging panel comprised of Michael Vaughan (Vaughan Lodge Hotel and IHF Past President), Mary Rose Stafford (MTU Tralee) and Geraldine Rosney (formerly of Killeen House Hotel and Rozzers Restaurant), who had the difficult job of selecting a winner from the nominees.

The members of the IHF Kerry Branch now wish Maria Maye the very best of luck as she goes on to represent them at the upcoming National IHF Employee of the Year Awards which will be held during the IHF's Annual Conference in February 2024.

## **UNFORGETABLE EXCHANGE PROGRAMME FOR YOUNG KILLARNEY GOLFERS**

Killarney Golf & Fishing Club in conjunction : with Killarney Town Twinning Association recently explored the beauty of Scottsdale in an unforgettable exchange programme.

A group of enthusiastic young golfers from Killarney Golf & Fishing Club embarked on an extraordinary journey, immersing themselves in the breathtaking landscapes and warm hospitality of Scottsdale, Arizona.

The journey began with a heartwarming reception by parents, students and organisers upon the group's arrival at Phoenix airport, Arizona.

The adventure began with an epic 8-hour round trip to the Grand Canyon, where the group, led by a knowledgeable tour guide, marveled at the awe-inspiring natural wonders. Following the Grand Canyon expedition, the Killarney delegation visited the Vista del Camino Community Centre, engaging in local charity activities and gaining insights from Jonathan,

their gracious host.

Expressing gratitude for the outstanding support received, a special presentation was made to Matt Barr, the General Manager of We-Ko-Pa Golf Club, featuring a Killarney Golf and Fishing Club flag and a picturesque photo of the 18th hole on Mahony's Point Golf Course.

Mayor David Ortega extended a warm welcome to the group, inviting them to his office for an exclusive tour of City Hall. The photo captured a memorable moment with Mayor Ortega, the Killarney representatives, Dale Balvin, the junior golf coach from Scottsdale and JoAnn Garner from Scottsdale Sister Cities Association.

The experience wasn't just about sightseeing; but included a valuable insight from Mr. David Antone, member of Salt River Maricopa Community Council into the Indian Reservation on which Talking Stick golf course is built and a valuable golf lesson from one of the Golf Performance Coaches at Vision54 at Talking Stick Golf club, setting the stage for the muchanticipated match between Killarney and Scottsdale, which ended in a thrilling draw. Killarney Golf & Fishing Club (KGFC) expressed profound gratitude to the Scottsdale Sister Cities Association (SSCA), Killarney Town Twinning Association and Synergy for their unwavering support in fostering junior golf development in both Killarney and Scottsdale. This exchange programme was not only a golfing adventure but a cultural exchange that left a lasting impact on the junior golfers from Killarney. As they bid farewell to Scottsdale, the memories created during this experience are sure to resonate with them for years to come. The Killarney delegation is grateful for the friendships formed and looks forward to future collaborations between the two vibrant communities.

A valuable golf lesson from one of the Golf Performance Coaches at Vision54 at Talking Stick Golf Club











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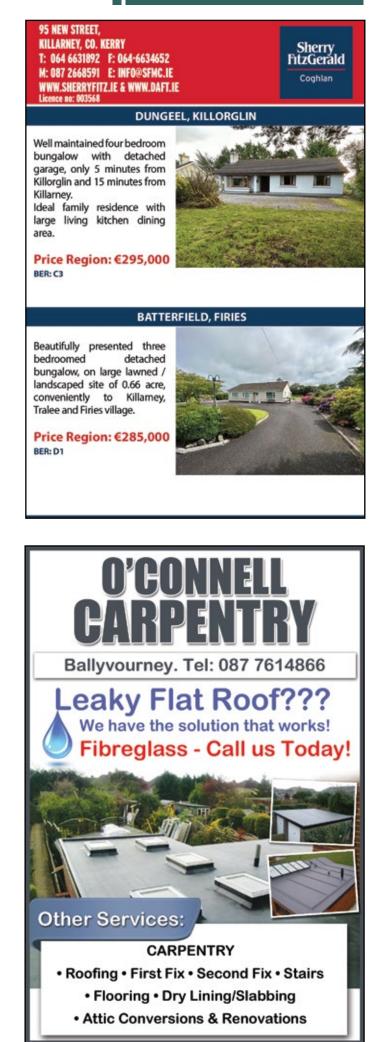


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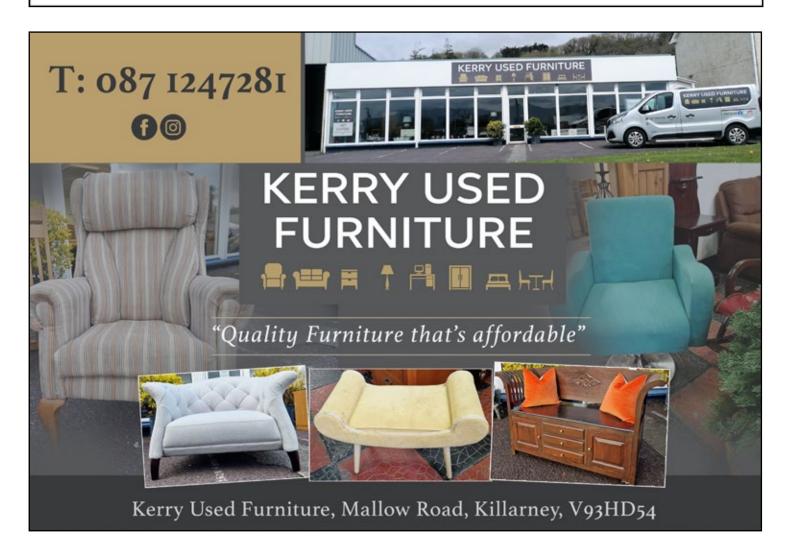
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#### BEAUFORT

#### **>FIXTURES**

Beaufort senior men will play Laune Rangers in the Mid Kerry senior championship semi-final. Date to be decided

#### ►RESULTS

Well done to Beaufort Under 16 Ladies and management on their East Region, Division 3A win over MKL Gaels B team.

#### >OFFICIAL OPENING

Everyone is invited to the Official Opening of Beaufort G.A.A. Club Allweather surface and upgraded walking track on Friday, 1st December at 7pm by Kerry T.D. and Minister for Education, Norma Foley. Light refreshments will be served. The Club wish to thank everyone who helped in any way in the development of these two projects. These facilities will be there for use by present and future generations from Beaufort and beyond.

#### **≻LOTTO**

The next draw for a jackpot of  $\leq 15,800$  will be on Sunday, 26th November in Beaufort Bar. Thank you to everybody who supports the lotto. Tickets are available from usual sellers, shops, and public houses and online at www.beaufortgaa.com.

#### >CHRISTMAS SHOP

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U16 girls. East Region, 2023, Div 3A winners

Mary 086 0640065, Moss 087 8234319, Nora 086 1556181. Beaufort G.A.A. Club, O'Neill's online shop is also open for orders. The link is on the right hand side of www.beaufortgaa.com Home page.

#### RATHMORE GNEEVEGUILLA

SONCEVEGUILLA CHRISTMAS MARKET this sunday November 26th 10am to 1pm in Gneeveguilla Community Centre, In attendance will be a large number of trade stalls and information stands, where there will be a big display of local produce.

On the day you will be guaranteed to find that ideal Christmas Gift. If you or anybody you know who wants to participate in this event please contact any of the following Eileen 087 9760203, Ailish 087 6812182, Jane 086 1087725, as there is number of limited spaces available. Admission to the public is FREE.

#### **>WEBINAR - SHAPING THE FUTURE OF PARISHES**

The Diocese of Kerry will host a webinar, "Moving Forward in Hope – shaping together a future for our local church communities, parishes and pastoral areas" on Monday, November 27th @ 7.30 pm. The speaker, Dr Jessie Rogers, will explore God's call to us as Church today. This will prepare us for parish meetings to be held throughout the diocese in February 2024, where we will plan together for the future of our parishes. To register, www.dioceseofkerry.ie

>CHRISTMAS CARDS featuring local scenes and festive artwork by Laurence Hickey are on sale now. Packs of 5 for €10. All proceeds go to Cork Penny Dinners. For information contact me at 086-3402852.

#### >EUCHARISTIC MINISTER TRAINING

If you are a Eucharistic Minister who takes communion to nursing homes or private homes of non-family members you must attend training. This training is on zoom, Tuesday 28th Nov, 7-9pm. Please contact Jacklyn McCarthy jacklynmccarthy@dioceseofkerry.org | 0646631168 to book a place. If you take communion to direct family members you do not need to attend this training.

>SYMPATHIES to Geraldine, Aeneas O'Leary & family, The Village on the death of Geraldines father Donal Coffey, Gap of Dunloe who died recently. May Donal rest in peace and may all who mourn his loss be comforted.

SIGLENFLESK PARISH BAZAAR will take place on this Sunday 26th November in St. Agatha Community Centre, starting at 3pm. There will be lots of spot prizes and hampers to be won on the day. Everyone welcome.

STAR TRAX MUSIC VENUE SUNDAY AFTERNOON DANCING 3pm – 5.30pm, Knocknagree Co Cork P51HH2Y, Sunday December 3rd, Muriel O'Connor & Fran Curry. St Stephens Day Dec 26th, Paudie McAuliffe & Shades of Country & Guest (When the Robins come home)

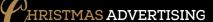
#### **>SHARE THE BUCKET**

Gneeveguilla Community Facility Share the Bucket takes place weekly. The draw is every Friday evening in Teach Fáilte @ 8.30pm and can be viewed live on our Gneeveguilla Community Facility Group Facebook Page. This week's jackpot was £265" with winner Oisin Hurley.. €265

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.



IHF Kerry Branch names Maria Maye 'Employee of the Year'. Maria was nominated by their employer Killarney Avenue Hotel based in Killarney Co Kerry. IHF, Branch Chairperson, Bernadette Randles presented the award on behalf of the IHF. Also pictured were the nominees from hotels and guesthouses across Kerry. Photo By : Domnick Walsh © Eye Focus LTD.







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#### KILCUMMIN

#### >HOLY SOUL MASS

Date for the Holy Soul's Mass, Tues 28th Nov @ 9.30am. The November envelope is in your yearly box and there are extra envelopes in the Church porches.

#### >KILCUMMIN COMHALTAS

Kilcummin Comhaltas would like to wish good luck to all their singers, musicians and dancers who are participating in the various array of disciplines and competitions at Ceol an Gheimhridh next weekend.

#### >THE MORIARTY SCHOOL OF DANCING AND MUSIC

We would like to wish the best of luck to all our dancers who are competing in Ceol an Gheimhridh next weekend.

#### **≻WEB SITE**

Help family and friends keep in touch with the parish from abroad: tell them to log onto the parish website on www.kilcumminparish.com for the weekly newsletter, parish news etc.

#### **>OSKARS NEWS**

Committee members will be in the Club bar on Thursday 30th from 7.30 to 8.30 pm for anyone who needs to purchase OsKaR tickets for December 7th in INEC. It's fast approaching so don't be disappointed. Tickets can be bought online at GAA website or by scanning the code on advertising posters.

#### >KILCUMMIN GAA

#### **CLUB AGM**

The AGM will take place on Friday 24th @ 7.30 pm in the clubrooms. O'DONOGHUE CUP

Kilcummin are at home to Rathmore in Rd1 on Sunday 26th @ 2pm. >MASTERGEEHA FC

#### **U12 GIRLS NATIONAL CUP R3**

Mastergeeha won 3-2 on penalties against Newmarket FC. in Newmarket



U12 GIRLS NATIONAL CUP R3: Mastergeeha won 3-2 on penalties against Newmarket FC. in Newmarket on Fergus on Saturday 18th November.

on Fergus on Saturday 18th November. They are now headed for the last 32 stage of the National Cup.

#### LOTTO

There was no winner on 17th November 2023 of the Jackpot for €6,000. Numbers drawn were 8, 9, 10, 21. Consolation prizes of €50 went to Fiona Nagle, Headford; Micheal O'Connor, Glounonea; Larry Healy c/o Jimmy's; Darby Mangan, Knocknahoe. The next draw will be Friday 24th November for Jackpot of €6,200.

#### LISTRY

#### >LISTRY GAA

#### LOTTO

LOTTO NUMBERS DRAWN 10,13,18, 21. €100 Kerry Richardson c/o Kieran Hobbins. €50 Phil, Miriam and Susan Aherne. €50 Rosie Kennedy c/o Kieran Kennedy. €25 Josie O Sullivan, Beaufort. €25 Linda Mannix, Keel, Faha. Jackpot next week November 26th €8,250

#### **Christmas at Listry GAA**

Join us in Listry GAA ground Friday 24th November at 6pm for turning on the lights of our first ever Christmas tree. Wear your Christmas jumper, late late toy show goodie bags for juvenile members.

#### **≻SENIORS PARTY**

The Listry Community Council are preparing to host a Christmas Party for the seniors in the area.

The return of the Seniors Social Group has been welcomed by everyone in the area and the date for the party is November 28th.

Activities will begin with a mass by Fr. Broderick following by a Christmas Dinner. The talented students at Faha National School will entertain everyone with some beautiful Christmas Carols.

and transport is also being provided for



Sth year students from Presentation Secondary School Milltown were presented with their Gaisce Bronze Award this week. The students completed their Personal, Physical and Community challenges before completing a 2 day Adventure Journey along the Kerry Camino in May. Pictured at the presentation of the awards are front row from lft, Ava Houlihan, Aoife O'Sullivan, Sarah Fitzgerald, Ms Veronica O'Donnell, Ellie Mai- Nugent and Lily Clifford.

 Second row, Katie Doe, Freya Samuelson, Sarah Casey, Caoimhe O'Sullivan, Ciara Murphy and Shauna Courtney.
 Back Row, Ms Lisa Kerfoot, Grace O'Sullivan, Meadhbh Daly, Niamh Anderson, Colm Riordan, Danny Breen, Cian O'Brien, Tristan Jasinski, Mr Connor Standen.

Everyone is welcome to join on the day Missing from photo: Cathal Lynch and Ellie Byrne. Photo: Don MacMonagle

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the seniors in the area.

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#### GLENFLESK

#### >LOTTO

There was no winner of Glenflesk Lotto which took place on13/11/2023 in Glenflesk Hall. Jackpot €6, 200 The numbers drawn were: 2, 6, 21, 26 Consolation Prizes of €50 1. Michael A. O'Shea, Barradubh. (On Line) 2. Johnny Gleeson, Curraglass, (Annual Ticket). 3. Jacinta Roche, Kilquane. 4. Corner Bar (Sellers' Prize). Next draw will take place in Glenflesk Hall on Monday 27/11/2023. Jackpot will be €6,400 Thank you to all who support our Lotto and to our sellers. Lotto tickets including annual tickets can be bought from our ticket sellers, in local pubs and shops or online before 6pm on the date of the draw at: https://play.clubforce.com/play\_newa. asp?ll\_id=2534#Anchor

#### >O DONOGHUE CUP QF

Lewis Road was the venue on Saturday afternoon for the O'Donoghue quarter final between Dr. Crokes and Glenflesk. The winterish conditions eased somewhat just before throw-in with Glenflesk choosing to play with the strong breeze in the first half. Both teams started cautiously, applying large numbers in defence. Charlie Keating opened the scoring for Dr. Crokes after two minutes and David Shaw scored a free to settle the home team early on. It took until the seventh minute for Glenflesk to register a score, with a 30m free from Darragh Roche. This was then followed by another Glenflesk attack where Luke Crowley found Dylan Roche, who was then pulled down inside the square. Referee Eddie Walsh didn't hesitate and pointed to the spot. Darragh Roche stepped up and blasted past Shane Murphy in the Dr. Crokes goal. Dr. Crokes replied with a point free and point from play by David Shaw. (Dr. Crokes 0-04 Glenflesk 1-02) Glenflesk responded with a direct attack and Charlie Keating committed a cynical foul, where he had to head for the sideline for 10mins. Darragh Roche pointed the free and four minutes later took a mark 35m out and pointed. Glenflesk continued to apply the pressure with Jeff O'Donoghue fielding a kick out and driving straight through the middle of the Crokes defense and kicking an inspirational score from 35m out. (Dr. Crokes 0-4 Glenflesk 1-04). The home team needed a reply and David Shaw pointed a 25m free to narrow the visitors lead once more. Glenflesk held good possession of the ball and Conor O'Donoghue played a long ball up the wing to Luke Crowley, who was fouled but took a quick free and found Patrick D'arcy who fired over. There was to be one last attack in the first half for the home team and this lead to a them being awarded a 13m free, which David Shaw tapped over. At the break, the away team were ahead 1-05 to 0-06

Dr. Crokes decided to it was time to bring on more assistance up front to David Shaw and introduced Tony Brosnan. Glenflesk knew that they would have to work harder playing into the challenging breeze for the second half. This is exactly what they did and created two scoring chances, one of which was a rasping shot from Darragh Roche, which was superbly saved by Shane Murphy in the Dr. Crokes goal. Down the other end, Tony Brosnan got on the end of a well worked move by the Crokes and registered his first point of the day. Darragh Roche replied with a free for Glenflesk, only for Tony Brosnan to cancel it out up the other side, also with a free. (Dr. Crokes 0-08 Glenflesk 1-06) Glenflesk rallied once more and some fantastic defending by Cian Lynch, who found Daniel O'Brien, who drove forward and found Darragh Roche, who passed to Patrick D'arcy who popped it over the bar. Dr. Crokes then called on some of their experienced campaigners with the introduction of Kieran O'Leary and Daithí Casey. Dr. Crokes then went on to score four unanswered points, two from Brosnan and once each from Micheál Burns and Brian Looney. Patrick D'arcy was then fouled on the 21m line and Darragh Roche scored the resulting free. Unfortunately, it was Dr. Crokes who finished the stronger, with points from Brosnan, Burns, M O'Shea and Hennigan. Darragh Roche scored another free also in the remaining minutes. The full-time score Dr. Crokes

Mary Kelly, Noreen Cashman, Elaine Dineen, Mary O Sullivan and Joan Bowler with the important job of dishing out the tea and brack at the Glenflesk Rambling House last Saturday night. Photo Seamus Healy

#### 0-18 Glenflesk 1-09.

That brings an end to this year for our senior team but we want to thank all the players, management and backroom team for all their efforts throughout the year and we look forward to the year ahead and division one football being played again in Glenflesk once more! A special thanks to all our supporters who have travelled both locally and throughout the county this year backing our team. It is greatly appreciated and we look forward to seeing you all in the new year. The future is certainly bright for this Glenflesk team. Report: Pádraig O'Sullivan.

#### ►PARISH BAZAAR

Glenflesk annual Parish Bazaar will take place Sunday, 26th November starting at 3pm in St Agatha's Community Centre, Glenflesk. There will be lots of spot prizes and hampers to be won on the day. Everyone is welcome. >GLENFLESK RAMBLING HOUSE

A huge thank you to everyone who made last Saturday's Rambling House (in memory of Johnny O Brien and Dan Favier) such a brilliant night with the best of talent on display, thanks to all the people who worked so hard on the night and the days and weeks leading up to it, thanks to all the entertainers and supporters who turned out and made the night so magical. Johnny and Dan would be proud for sure. Looking forward to the next one already!!!

#### >GLENFLESK LADIES FOOTBALL CLUB

AGM of Glenflesk LGFA will be held on Tuesday 28th November at 8.30pm in Glenflesk Hall. In order for any club to be successfully we need help from parents. We would encourage all players, parents and trainers to attend on the night.

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## >EAST KERRY SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIP DR O DONOGHUE CUP 2023 Round 1 Spa versus Gneeveguilla this Saturday 25th November at 2pm in Spa >SCOR UPDATE Scór Sinsear 2023 All Ireland took place in the INEC on Sat November 18th

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To implement domestic violence leave effectively, it is recommended that employers embed this support measure within a wider organisational response to domestic abuse, outlined in a workplace domestic violence policy. The policy should offer clarity and support to both employers and co-workers in responding to the needs of an employee subjected to domestic violence.

The purpose of domestic violence leave is to enable the employee to, for example, seek medical attention or legal assistance, obtain counselling or relocate, without impacting on their employment and income. Any employee, including part-time and fixed-term employees can seek to avail of domestic violence leave. The entitlement also extends to relevant persons, meaning employees may use the leave to aid a relevant person in obtaining support. A relevant person may include a spouse, civil partner or cohabitant of the employee, a person with whom the employee is in an intimate relationship, a child of the employee who has not attained full age, or a person who, in relation to the employee, is a dependent person.

If an employee has taken domestic violence leave, they must, as soon as reasonably practicable, send a notice to their employer confirming they have taken this leave and specifying the dates on which it was taken. The employee will not be required to provide any evidence to their employer.

If your workplace requires help and support in implementing such a policy, please contact us at HR Buddy.

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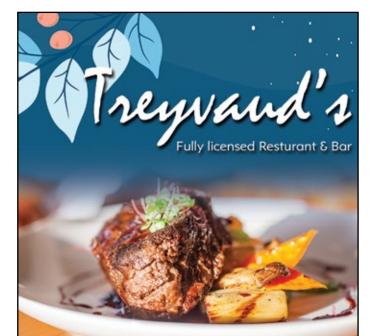


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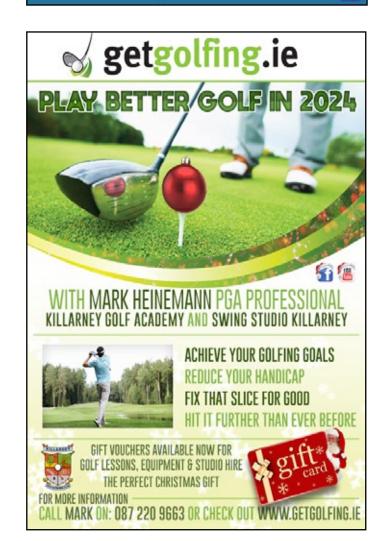
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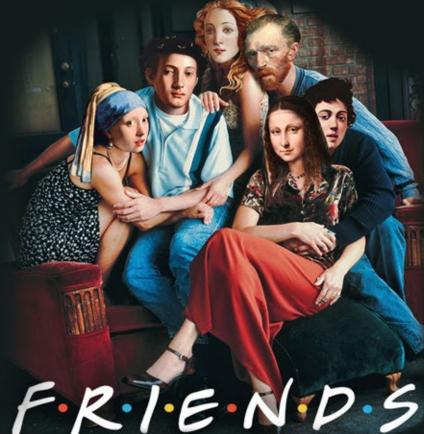
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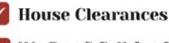
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: Swap carbs for veg. Ditch potato for carrot and parsnip. Eg swapping potato mash for carrots & parsnip mash or chips for carrot and parsnip homemade chips. Or another example is swapping rice for cauliflower rice or spaghetti pasta for courgetini

: Filling your meals with veg to bulk up & fill you. Eg filing a curry dish up with loads of veg and you can save on meat, sauce and rice. Chilli con carnie and stews are also hot favourites to bulk up on veg to save cals and fill you

: Make a large salad bowl with dinner & serve to fill up your plate. And you can use leftovers for lunch next day. If you are full after dinner you are less likely to snack.

: Use spices to add punch to your stir fries instead of heavy sauces .... We love using balsamic vinegar, chilli flakes paprika and a drizzle of honey to whiz up a stir fry and save on calories.

: Make sure you add protein to your meals & a small portion or fats as this mix of macros is sure to keep you fuller for longer rather than relying on carbs all the time. (cont next week)

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

#### **Risk factors**

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

Symptoms

The danger with open-angle or chronic glaucoma (slow



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

Open-angle glaucoma is usually treated with eye drops which

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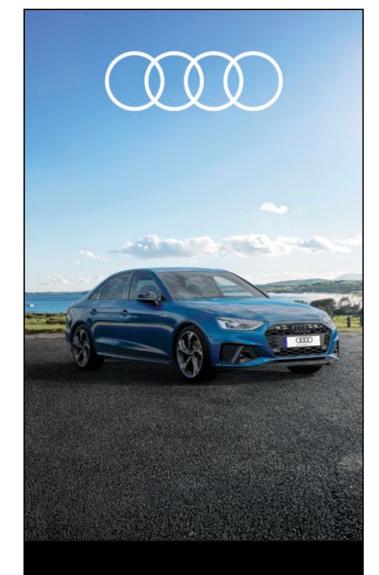
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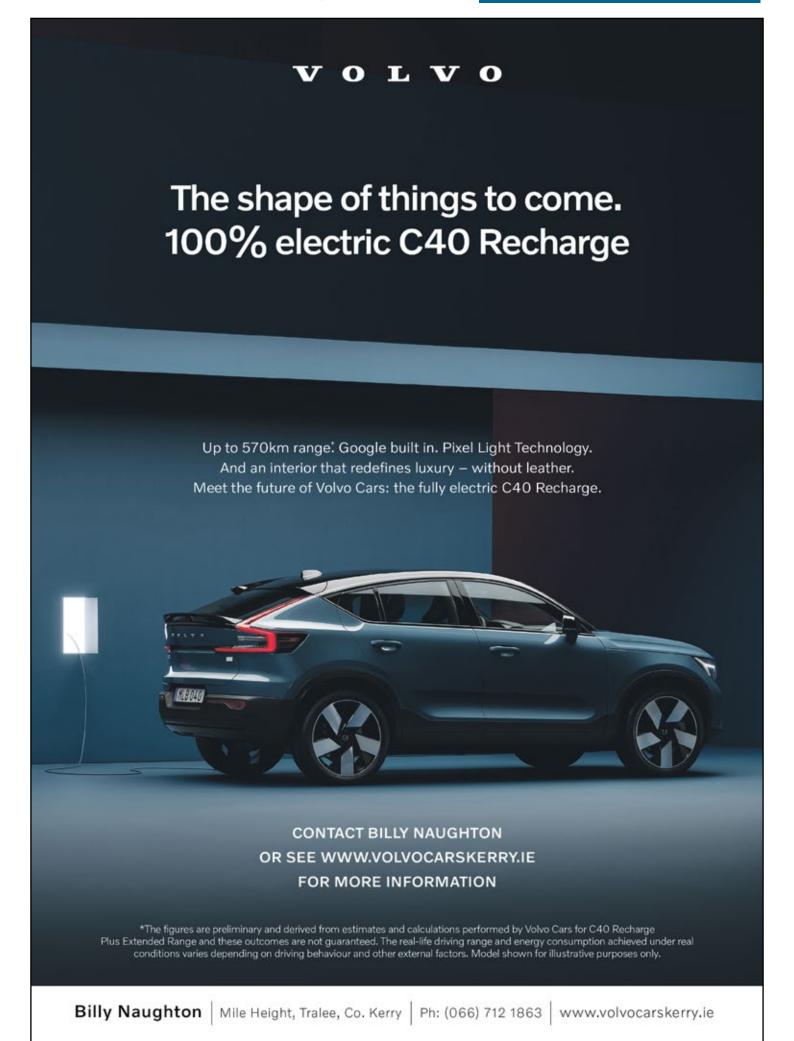
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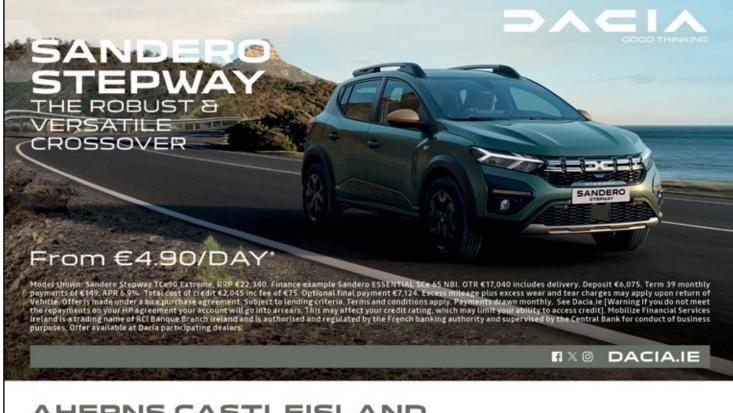
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Photographed at the presentation of prizes for the Denis McCarthy Memorial Cup Competition at the Ross Golf Club are :-

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#### DR CROKES GAA CLUB GOLF SOCIETY

RESULTS OF DR CROKES GAA CLUB GOLF SOCIETY CHRISTMAS HAMPERS OUTING SPONSORED BY TATLER JACK AT MAHONYS POINT KILLARNEY

- 1. David Byrne 20 38pts 2. Shane Horgan 2 - 38pts 3. Brendan Keogh 10 - 37pts 4. Karl McMahon 11 - 36pts 5. Alan Kelly 7 - 36pts 6. Johnny O'Connor 23 - 36pts Cat I 1. James Jones 9 - 35pts 2. Keith McMahon 10 - 34pts Cat II 1. Ciaran Brosnan 18 - 36pts 2. Brian O'Regan 12 - 34pts Cat III 1. Brian O'Callaghan 23 - 34pts 2. Mike O'Leary 30 - 33Pts Front Nine : Liam Hartnett 18pts Back Nine: Vincent Casey 17pts TOKEN PRIZES FOR THOSE WHO DIDN'T GET **A PRIZE THIS YEAR** 1. Der Brosnan 33Pts 2. Denis Coleman 31pts 3. Maurice O'Donoghue 29pts 4 and 5. Allan O'Connor, Kieran O Sullivan
- **GOLFER OF THE YEAR** David Byrne wins Golfer of the Year

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

#### UTILITY TRUST SINGLES

Results of last Sunday morning's Singles 18hole event First Nett: Bobby Kelly, Gross: Noel Moynihan, Second Nett: Sean O'Brien and Third Nett: Aidan O'Keeffe. Please note these prizes will be presented in Murphys next Friday December 1st.

**CHRISTMAS TURKEYS** 

We return to these (sponsored by Tim Jones Butchers) next Sunday with draws again at 9am and 10.45am. Entry €5 per draw. Handicaps will be as per adjustments after last event on Sunday November 5th.

#### MURPHYS

Looking forward to seeing everyone next Friday night December 1st in our Club Matchplay sponsors from 9pm. A reminder again of the prizes being presented namely the Club Matchplay, the Club Strokeplay, the Captain's Prize, the Willie Parker and the Utility Trust Singles. Please note all Christmas related prizes (including the Hamper) will be presented after the final Turkeys on Sunday December 17th.

#### AGM

This has been set for Monday night January 15th 2024. Further information to follow. **CONGRATULATIONS** 

We would like to wish Conor McCarthy well on his appointment as Head Coach of Kerry FC in the League of Ireland next year.

#### **DEEPEST SYMPATHIES**

The club offers its sincerest condolences to the family of Pitch & Putt Ireland Patron Vincent Allen on his death in the past week as well as his club St Annes along with the Cork Pitch & Putt Community. May he Rest in Peace.



At the presentation of prizes of the Dr Crokes GAA Club Golf Society Christmas Hampers outing sponsored by Tatler Jack at Mahonys Point Killarney on Saturday were from left, Martin Byrnes (President), Patrick O'Sullivan (Tatler Jack, sponsor), David Byrne (overall winner and Golfer of the year award winner) and John Lynch (Captain). Picture: Eamonn Keogh



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#### FOCUS ON GOLF



Deerpark Pitch & Putt Club U16 Officers Gearoid Cronin and Derry McCarthy presenting Ben Kelliher winner of the 2023 Trophyworld Tralee sponsored U16 Club Matchplay Championship event with both his prize as well as the Claret Jug at a recent presentation held in the Deerpark clubhouse.



Deerpark Pitch & Putt Club U16 Officer Gearoid Cronin presenting the U16 Club Matchplay Plate Winners prize to Fionn McMonagle at a recent presentation in the Deerpark clubhouse.



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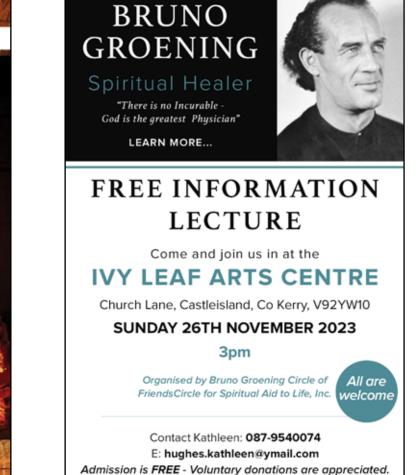
Seated in centre row from left, Wayne McDonald, Martin Byrnes (President), Patrick O'Sullivan (Tatler Jack, sponsor), David Byrne (overall winner) and John Lynch (Captain). Back from left are Paudie Sheahan, Brendan Keogh, Der Brosnan, Brian O'Callaghan, Alan Kelly, James Jones, Kieran Brosnan, Karl McMahon, Matt O'Neill, John O'Leary, Liam Hartnett, Eoin Brosnan, Vincent Casey and John McEnery. Picture: Eamonn Keogh



"Killarney past Captains outing held recently on Mahonys Point."

Included are Sheila Crowley, Ann Duggan, Lady Captain Kathleen Brosnan, Maureen Somers, Eileen Whealan, Mary O Rourke, Breda Duggan, Amy Arthur (Winner), Christine Carroll, Anne Looney, Hazel O Connell, Patsy Hanley, Maura Fitzgerald, Pat Collins, Mary Cronin, Julie O Donoghue, Mary Geaney, Carmel Fitzgerald, Mary Sheehy, Margaret O Donoghue, Louise Langan.





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### **MUCKROSS ROWING CLUB**

#### **SKIBBEREEN HOR**

The Skibbereen Head Of the River, scheduled for last Saturday, was cancelled due to bad weather. It becomes the second casualty on the domestic events calendar for the winter season following the earlier cancellation of the Castleconnell Head Of the River. We will be hoping for some break in the weather ahead of our own time trial event next weekend.

#### **MUCKROSS HOR**

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Our own Muckross Head Of the River is scheduled for next Saturday, December 2nd at the National Rowing Centre (NRC) in Cork. The event was a great success last year and we are eagerly looking forward to welcoming our fellow rowing clubs to the only competitive fixture at the NRC outside of the summer regatta season. Thanks all our members and supporters who have volunteered to help so far. Further information on the event will be shared with members and parents of junior members. **BEGINNER ROWING** 

Our beginner rowing is now up and running and we continue to welcome all boys and girls aged 12+ (born 2011 or before). Check out our social media on Facebook and Instagram for the latest

### **KILLARNEY VALLEY ATHLETIC CLUB**

Our Cross Country Team of Oisin Lynch, Cian Spillane, Ted O'Gorman and Eoin O'Reilly will be our first team ever to compete in the National U20 Cross Country Championships in Kilkenny last Sunday. Congratulations to Oisin Lynch finishing in 10th position. Also well done to Jack O'Leary who ran fantastic to come 28th in the U23 race.

The Schools All Ireland Multievents finals took place on Sunday in Athlone Indoor Arena. Well done to Selina Collins who came 7th in the Senior Girls, Tunda Smith came 10th in the Minor Boys, Jason O'Reilly came 7th and Oisin O'Regan came 10th in the Intermediate Boys.

Our C25K participants will graduate this week with a 5K at the Killarney parkrun on Saturday next. If you've missed out this time, keep an eye out on our social media for this program to start again in January 2024!!

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

#### **KILLARNEY RFC**

#### **MINIS HOST IVERAGH**

Well done to our Minis who hosted our friends from Iveragh Eagles last Saturday at Aghadoe. The rain thankfully held off to allow for some fantastic rugby. Teams at all ages played their hearts out before decamping to the clubhouse for well deserved treats after the matches. Thanks to Iveragh for travelling up to us. Training resumes this Saturday before we head to Tralee Killarney Rugby Club U14 boys who were in action last weekend



Pictured above are St. Brigid's students Megan O'Reilly, Tara O'Sullivan, Sophie Duke, Antonya Lejwoda and Selina Thawiset, who represented St Brigid's at the Munster Combined Athletics event recently. The girls were fantastic on the day and competed really well in their respective categories. The events included Shot Putt, High Jump, Long Jump and 800m.

A special mention to Selina, who won gold in her category and went on to finish 7th against some tough competition in the National Combined Event in Athlone.

Credit is due to Killarney Valley AC and to St. Brigid's teacher Mr. Conor O' Keeffe who played an important role in preparing the girls the event

for the second round of West Munster Blitzes on the 2nd of December.

#### **U12 GIRLS TEAM**

Last Saturday we got our U12 girls only team up and running with matches against Iveragh and it was a wonderful morning of rugby at Aghadoe. New players are very welcome and if you have a daughter, neice or sister who is aged 10 or 11 years of age and would like to come along and give rugby a try, simply pop up to Aghadoe any Saturday morning at 9:30am. For details give Dave a shout on 087-2546290.

#### WINTER SOCIAL - TONIGHT!

Our KRFC Winter social will take place at the Killarney Plaza tonight, Friday the 24th of November next at 6:30pm. Tickets are €50 per person which includes a 4 course meal with wine (for those over 18 only) followed by music from Heart and Soul Band. This year we are having a fun theme -'Christmas Character Fancy Dress party (Fancy dress is optional!). All welcome and this promises to be a brilliant night. Youth members aged between 14 and 18 are more than welcome - please note that anyone aged between 14 and 16 must be accompanied by and adult. So book your tickets now before they are gone. Simply purchase the tickets via Clubzap App.

#### **FIXTURES**

U14 Boys Killarney V Castleisland, Sunday @12 Home

U16 Boys: Castleisland V Killarney, Sunday @11am Away

U18 Boys Desmond V Killarney, Sat @12 Away

Seniors Killarney V Killorglin, Sunday @2:30pm Home

#### **KILLARNEY BADMINTON CLUB**

Killarney Badminton Club had a great turnout of participants in sundays tournament in Tralee sports complex, 29 members played across all divisions. Well done to those who played in their very first tournament today!

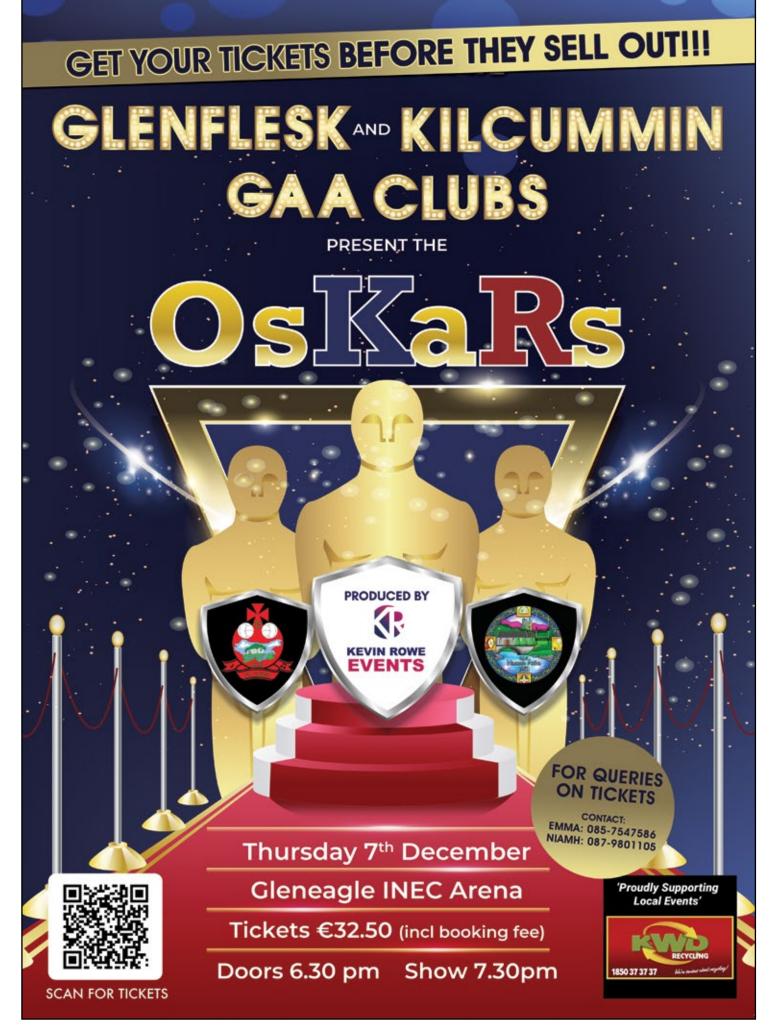
Well done to Div 3 runners up Siobhan ODonoghue and partner and winners Alvin Raham and partner. Div 4 runners up Oleana Paiuk and partner and winners Antoni Paiuk and partner

Div 5 runners up Ailbhe O Connor and partner focus now switches to next Sunday, when the Paddy Drummond/ Waterstones cup mixed tournaments take place in Tralee. Information on notice board in Pres hall, get your entries in. Fantastic well done to division 5 men's team Hasib, Bipro, Driss and Evan who beat Tralee 6-0

## CHANGE IN SENIOR MANAGEMENT TEAM AT KERRY FC

Kerry Football Club can confirm a change in our senior management team for the 2024 season. Billy Dennehy is moving to his original position as Sporting Director to allow continuity for both the club and players. The first team coaching group will consist of Billy's original staff of Conor McCarthy, James Sugrue & Del O'Shea with Shane Guthrie joining as Strength and Conditioning coach.

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## OUTLOOK BASKETBALL

#### MISSQUOTE.IE WOMENS BASKETBALL LEAGUE

#### UTILITY TRUST ST PAULS 73 PHOENIX ROCKETS 71 (after one period of overtime)

With Templeogue losing to the Limerick Sports Huskies the only unbeaten record in all four divisions, Mens and Womens, belongs to Utility Trust St Pauls. But only just !! They had to fight tooth and nail to eventually get the better of the Phoenix Rockets, after a period of over time. The Rockets landed in Killarney with a slightly weakened hand and a new American, Aaliyah Rice, to bed in. Rice wasted little time settling in, she struck 30 points and gave the home side plenty of problems. Her compatriot Jay Ashby was smoothness personified while Anna Brennan, Charley McGrath, Nichola Rafferty and Rebecca Barker all contributed to a solid effort that fell just short for the visitors. The home side were of course without the outstanding Lorraine Scanlon, who was being honoured in Dublin with a much deserved Ladies football All Star.

They would be thankful for the interjections of MVP Leah McMahon, especially in an untidy first half where the Irish underage International kept the show on the road almost single handedly. She passed the baton onto Rheanne O'Shea in the second half,O'Shea displaying good in game management to hit a crucial seventeen points, including six in overtime. The joint captain was happy with the second half display. " Trailing at half time, we knew we had to dig deep and step up our defence. Our fitness allowed us to go up a few notches on that count and we worked hard for our scores". On her own telling contribution O Shea admitted she changed tack after a frustrating opening period. "Nothing was dropping from the three spot so I decided to move in closer and create inside, either drawing a pass or a lay up". A wise move as it definitely drew dividends for James Fleming's side.

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The opening quarter definitely belonged to the Rockets, ironically though after a scintillating start from the hosts. Lynn Jones hit an early three and Leah McMahon was rampant on the fast break as St Pauls opened up a 7-2 lead. Incredibly they would only muster two more points in the quarter courtesy of Sofia Paska as the Rockets had lifted off through the promptings of Nichola Rafferty and Rebecca Barker. Jay Ashby was also effective and the Rockets finished the quarter 16-9 to the good. St Pauls were struggling to find any fluidity despite running the bench and they looked off colour. The second quarter still saw the visitors in the ascendancy as Aaliyah Rice was starting to find her feet and Anna Brennan with a three made it 23-11. An astute pass from Rheanne O'Shea to Paska yielded a nice basket but even that bit of fuel failed to fire up the engines. Rice and Ashby made it 27-13 and a time out was called to halt the momentum. Khiarica Rasheed hit her opening basket, taking delivery of a Paska assist and McMahon hit a nice jumper to make it 27-17. The home side started to fall foul of the officials with a couple of technical fouls called and it summed up their frustration, more at their own performance than anything else. An incisive pass from McMahon found Denise Dunlea and she made it 30-19 at the break.

The interval saw St Pauls come out in a determined mood and Paska, McMahon and Rasheed immediately went to work on closing the gap. Coach Breda Dick called a Rockets timeout but Rasheed and Paska came out of the chat with further points to narrow the deficit to two. Rheanne O'Shea was walking a tight rope at this stage on three fouls as was Meabh Barry but the secret to Paul's success definitely was their ability to keep going even when things weren't happening for them. Another Lynn Jones three, midway through the guarter, cut the gap to two and when Rasheed had a three point play, it looked as if Pauls were ready to take over. But there was still a kick in the Rockets as Rice, Barker and Ashby all responded. It was at this juncture that OShea lit up. She set up Paska for a lay up, and went on to add seven points herself. Even then the Rockets responded again through the outstanding Rice and Brennan but the home side were certainly clicking through the gears.

The fourth quarter commenced with a Rasheed basket to make it 47-45 but Rice was proving hard to nail down and she helped them clear again at 55-47. Back came Pauls , Leah McMahon leading the charge with further baskets from Rasheed and O Shea and it was down to 57-54. Jones again popped up with a three and the game was level with 4.22 to go. Rice with a smooth three point play pushed the visitors ahead again but Rasheed with a lay up and a three saw Pauls ahead, a lead further bolstered by two O Shea free throws. The script now read Pauls would get out with the win but Rice and Ashby tore that up with late baskets to force overtime.

Rheanne O'Shea was on four fouls at this stage but it didn't withered her input. Her six points and assist play set up Paska for what would be the game winning scores. It was never comfortable as Rice was a constant danger and her contribution sandwiched an Anna Brennan three pointer but the momentum was at last with the home side, who ran out 73-71 victors. A tight scoreline, you could argue fourteen missed free throws made it harder, but a win that could make a team as well.

Top scorers for St Pauls were Khiarica Rasheed with 19, Rheanne O'Shea hit 17, Sofia Paska had 16, Leah McMahon 10, Lynn Jones 9, Denise Dunlea 2.

For the Rockets Aaliyah Rice had a game high 30 points, Jay Ashby 19, Anna Brennan 7, Rebecca Barker6, Nichola Rafferty 5, Charley McGrath 4.

Coach James Fleming was relieved to get the win. "They have very good Irish players and their two Americans were excellent. It was a great win because chasing a game is not a position we find ourselves in too often so I'm happy in the knowledge we can pull it out of the fire if we have to. Lorraine Scanlon was a huge loss, delighted she got an All Star, and she is one of the best players in the basketball league as well ". Lynn Jones , Rheanne O'Shea and Leah McMahon came in for special mention. "In my first coaching job as a 16 year old I had a ten year old Lynn Jones, she's been a great player for me and the way Leah and Rheanne performed tonight, we needed them and they came up trumps."

The big games keep coming for St Pauls as they travel to Dublin next Saturday to meet Templeogue, the same Templogue who only just lost their 100% record in the league. They will be chomping at the bit to get that Limerick Huskies defeat out of their system and will be looking to the likes of Lynn Tunnah, Alisha Lewis and a fully fit Madeline Holland to help them bounce back. Tip off in the Nord Anglia International School is at 5pm.

#### INSUREMYVAN.IE MENS BASKETBALL LEAGUE

#### SCOTTS LAKERS ST PAULS 90 LIMERICK CELTICS 77

#### **Report by Enda Walshe**

The latest win in the Scotts Lakers league programme could probably go down as the most impressive for a number of reasons. The Limerick Celtics came to Killarney on a roll, boasting two high scoring Americans and a strong squad. But they ran into a Lakers side that definitely played its best basketball of the season so far. The scoring load was evenly spread with Jack O Sullivan showing his obvious potential hitting 21 points. But between Oisin Spring, Eoin Carroll, Paul Clarke and Jamie O Sullivan they combined for another 27 points and the seeds of success were sown straight away. It goes without saying that Braden Bell will put up the numbers for you, another triple double, he crafted another 30 point showing grabbed 18 rebounds and provided 11 assists. And although the records would show Terion Moss hit 12 points, he too supplied 10 assists and his ball handling always put the team in a better position.

Sharing the scoring burden is something Captain Paul Clarke feels is key. " The local lads must show up in every game and if you look at our wins the spread of scoring has definitely been key. As amazing as Braden and Terion are, we can't just stand there and expect them to do everything."

They are starting to garner some serious momentum and with the fixture calendar giving them a three week hiatus, it provides Coach Brian Clarke with a window to further implement his ideals. That he can do so in a positive environment will no doubt aid the team's development and the feel good factor that provides.

The Celtics were themselves on the crest of a three game winning run and a big crowd had gathered for this eagerly awaited clash. The Lakers, and Paul Clarke, started brightly with Moss having the key to the door for Clarke to enter. The Celtics shooting guard Michael Hood arrived full of confidence and he got them up and running alongside Martin Frawley to tie up the game at 6-6. Oisin Spring was rewarded with a start and Jack O Sullivan and Eoin Carroll were soon introduced as the game failed to catch fire early. Both players duly obliged with baskets but Justin Motley, all 6ft 10 of him, was starting to impose himself at both ends. He chipped in four points and put in some big stops but he could do little to stop Bell pour in his first three. Miles O Donnell, a seasoned performer for Limerick, stole in for two more but Jamie O Sullivan made sure the home side held sway at 17-16 after ten minutes.

The second quarter saw the Lakers really spring into action. Jack O'Sullivan from three point land set the tone, one that was picked up by Bell who hit a couple of threes, assisted by some Moss razzle dazzle. Bell struck again as did Moss, Clarke and Carroll and a magical five minutes of play saw the lead at double scores 36-18. It was significant too that the Lakers had got to grips with the threat of Motley, some shrewd defence shut him down and it was left to Frawley, Hood and O Donnell to keep their foot in the door. Probably frustrated by falling in arrears they picked up some technical fouls, punished by Bell and with Moss and the O'Sullivans all on target the Lakers retired to the changing rooms 49-33 to the good.

The third quarter was a carbon copy of the second but only in reverse. The Celtics went

on a 15-0 scoring run to put themselves back into the game. O Donnell , Hood and Motley did the damage early doors, forcing Coach Clarke to call a time out. But the break failed to halt the momentum as Hood and O Donnell both hit threes and it was 51 apiece. But The Lakers eventually worked it out for themselves with a Jack O Sullivan basket preceding a Bell three. Oisin Spring helped invigorate the Lakers with some intensity on defence, also adding two baskets and Jack O Sullivan supplied another three pointer to get the mojo flowing again. Motley was starting to escape the clutches of the Lakers' defence again to bring it back to 63-60 before Carroll and Bell pushed it out to 67-60 heading into the final quarter.

O Donnell with a three hit the opening salvo but that was soon answered by Bell and a brilliant pass from Eoin Carroll gave Jack O Sullivan an easy basket. Frawley, Motley and Hood were plugging away for the Celtics but Clarke ghosted in for another basket to maintain the seven point lead. Moss answered a Hood bucket before Bell, with the hot hand .drained another three. Sniffing blood Jack O'Sullivan struck and Moss drove to the basket to make it 85-74. All the while the Lakers really upped the ante on defence and got great energy from it. Bell was being shadowed by Seamus Hickey at this juncture and he was pulled for three quick fouls and that did little to aid the Celtics cause. Hood and O Donnell did throw late threes but Bell and Eoin Carroll put the seal on an impressive 90-77 win.

Captain Clarke lauded the intensity in the team's defence, especially in that final period. " It doesn't matter what size or age you are, you have to be physical in defence. We really upped that tonight especially against their big man Motley. It's the reason we won the game . You have to be able to change your approach sometimes , both in offence and defence, and I'm finding that I'm playing closer to the basket at both ends of the floor." It certainly helped the captain lead the way.

Braden Bell led the scoring with 30 points but Jack O Sullivan was also impressive with 21 points. Terion Moss had 12, Eoin Carroll 10, Paul Clarke 8, Jamie O Sullivan 5, Oisin Spring 4.

Michael Hood was the Celtics top scorer with 26, Miles O Donnell had 21, Justin Motley 19 and Martin Frawley 11.

The Lakers now have a mini break with their next game at home again against Malahide on Saturday December 9th. It may allow time for some of the injuries in the squad to settle with a trip to Tolka on December 16th and the visit of the Drogheda Wolves to Killarney on Saturday December 30th.

## OUTLOOK BASKETBALL

#### BASKETBALL IRELAND NATIONAL LEAGUE DIV 1

#### KILLARNEY COUGARS 80 TITANS GALWAY 82

In a thrilling clash at the Presentation Gym, the Killarney Cougars faced off against the Titans from Galway in a historic first ever matchup in the Basketball Ireland insuremyvan.ie Men's National League Div 1. Titans managed to secure a narrow 82 - 80 victory, captivating the large crowd with a game that kept them on the edge of their seats until the final seconds.

The Cougars made an impressive start, with Ryan Sanders and Darius Hopkins leading the charge, giving them an early 10-4 lead. However, Titans regrouped after a timeout, applying defensive pressure and closing out the first quarter with a 30 - 22 lead. The Cougars fought back in the second quarter, narrowing the gap to 46 - 40 as Sanders and Jackson Soper showcased their scoring prowess. .................

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The second half maintained its intensity, with both teams trading baskets. As the teams entered the final quarter, the Titans held a slim 62 - 57 advantage. The Cougars fueled by the home crowd and a big three pointer by Nathan Cox, mounted a spirited comeback, taking a 71 - 70 lead with four minutes remaining, thanks to another three by the pivotal Darius Hopkins.

In the game's climax, both teams exchanged blows, with Titans regaining the lead through a three-pointer by Deontae Robertson. In the closing minute, the Cougars trailed by one point 81 - 80 after Hopkins sank a crucial three-pointer. Despite a valiant effort to secure the win, the Cougars fell short, and Titans held on for an 82 - 80 victory.

Darius Hopkins led the scoring for the Cougars with an outstanding 41 points, supported by Ryan Sanders with 25 points, other notable contributions on the night came from Oleh Drahanchuk with 7 points, James Murphy with 4 points, and Nathan Cox with 3 points.

For the Titans, Jackson Soper and Samuel Mensah each contributed 25 points, both with strong performances. Deontae Robertson added 11 points to further bolster the Titans' offensive efforts. The Cougars showcased a significant improvement with the return to the team of James Murphy and recent transfer Jarlath Lee adding more experience to the young group, looking ahead, the next challenge awaits with the difficult assignment of the visit of Dublin's UCD Marion to the Presentation Gym next Saturday evening.

#### MEK GALAXY GIRLS

#### U14 NATIONAL CUP ROUND 3

**St Brendan's Park 1 v MEK Galaxy 2** What a night of wind and rain for both teams to play in! It was a close game for the Girls who never let the conditions stop them from stepping up and taking an amazing win 2-1 with Goals from Izzy Lyons and Isabelle O'Conno. POM Clodagh Quirke but a great display by everyone. BOYS

#### **U13 DIV 2 SOUTH**

#### MEK Galaxy B 7 v Killorglin B 7

What a great game! The visiting team made the most of the first half breeze and went into a 5 V 1 lead with our MEK lads pulling it back to 5V3 before the break with Eoin Murphy, Jack Galivan and Eoin McClure scoring for MEK. A sucker punch after all our pressure saw Killorglin go a further goal ahead but our lads scored 3 without reply Eoin Murphy completing his hat trick and a George Nimikos Penalty. Time was almost up and Killorglin broke to make it 7 v 6 in injury time. Then with the last kick of the game Luke Twiss made it 7 each!!! And breathe what a game and a great team performance from all 16 of the lads.

#### UNDER15S DIVISION 2

#### MEK Galaxy 3-4 Iveragh AFC (half 1-2)

Goals scored by Dara Tangney, Ivan O Shea and Cade Jameson. Man of the Match was Cade Jameson, with strong displays also from Harry Murphy, Harry O Mahoney and Dara Tangney. **UNDER 15 NATIONAL CUP** Lough Derg FC 4 MEK Galaxy 1. A tough game in which MEK played well against a well drilled Lough Derg side. Best wishes to them in the next round.

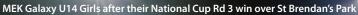
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No.s 18, 19, 22, 27. No winner of the jackpot. 5  $x \in 25$  Sean Collins, Firies. Brendan Quirke, Firies. David Bambury, Dingle .C. Kelly, Farranfore & Katrina McCarthy, Firies. Next draw for a jackpot of  $\in$  13,600 will take place on Sunday next 26th November at Butlers bar, Firies. Thanks to all who support & Help out with the club lotto.

#### TEAMS

The Club u10s boys had a good work out away to Killarney Athletic on Saturday last with all displaying the skills of the game. The u12





Division 1 girls lost 3-1 away in a close encounter to Killarney Athletic.lucy Wynne with the goal with Aoibhinn Daly, Emma o Callaghan, Mollie o Connor, Anna Fitzgerald, Faye O Brien, Aoibhinn Pavlovic & Niamh O Sullivan also starring. The u13 Division 2 boys came out on top in a five goal thriller at home to killarney Celtic with excellent strikes by Charlie Curran, Brian McMahon & Eoin Cremin to earn a 3-2 win with Ruben O Leary Griffin & Callum O Connor putting in big performances.

The Premier u15 squad travelled to Kenmare but were defeated 2-1 by a late Inter Kenmare goal. Ryan Breen was the Ballyhar scorer with Kianin Cronin, Aaron Moriarty, Donnacha Quirke, Jack O Shea & Conor Foley playing well.

The youths on Sunday last had an exciting 3-2 home Win to Castleisland FC with Eugene Deniel, Rian Brosnan & a late winner by Rob Kelly being on the scoresheet. Colm o Riordan & Padraig Regan impressed on the day.

#### SYMPATHY

The club offers its condolences to the Lynch family, Killarney on their recent bereavement. May J.J. rest in peace.

### **KILLARNEY CELTIC**

#### **CELTIC LOTTO**

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#### CHARLEVILLE CHEESE PREMIER B A.C. Athletic 0-6 Killarney Celtic B

Krystian Wielgus, Erin Moloney 3, Adam Grzesiak, Kalvin O'Sullivan

Celtic started strongly and took an early lead after great work down the wing by Dara O'Shea and Adam Grzesiak whose cross was finished well by Kristian Wielgus. Celtic went 2 up after a great spell of possession ended up in Erin Moloney finishing well at the back post. The 3rd was from a brilliant ball out of defence by Robbie Hartnett to Erin Maloney who beat 2 defenders before hitting a screamer from 30 yards into the top corner. Celtic scored a 4th from the penalty spot from Adam Grzesiak after a great run into the box.

Celtic started the second half slowly but gradually grew into the game and Erin Maloney completed his hat trick with a brilliant finish into the corner. Kalvin O'Sullivan came on and completed the scoring after a good move involving Eoghan Crowley down the right wing. **SFAI U15 NATIONAL CUP ROUND 3** 

#### Killarney Celtic 1-2 Aisling Annacotty Samuel Scroope

Celtic faced a strong Limerick outfit in the U15 Cup and gave a good account of themselves.



Ballyhar Dynamos u13 Division 2 squad home Victor's to Killarney Celtic on Saturday last.



Ballyhar Dynamos FC U12 Division 1 girls who lost away to Killarney Athletic on Saturday last in the KSG league.

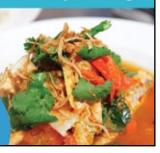
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#### **U15 DIVISION 2**

#### Dingle Bay Rovers 2-1 Killarney Celtic B Andrew Sheehan

Played in a tough wind, Celtic had a lot of possession early but couldn't make it count. Dingle scored a break away goal in the first half and scored another midway through the 2nd half. Celtic kept playing and scored a well worked goal when Nikita Tchachenko played Ryan in down the wing who played a first time cross to Andrew Sheahan who netted.

#### Killarney Celtic A 8-0 Castleisland B

Noah Brosnan, Sean Doyle, Sean Angland,Cillian Scannell

Great approach play throughout the match saw Celtic totally control this game. Castleisland were sporting throughout and did try to get a foothold but due some hard work by Celtic midfield trio of Paul McGrath and Tiernan Cronin and Cillian Scannell. Noah Brosnan had a hattrick within 20 minutes, Sean Doyle had a brace before halftime.

Second half continued much like the first half with Castleisland struggling to get a shot off with a well marshalled defence of which Luke Tucker and James Brosnan starred. Sean Angland scored a brilliant volley from outside the box. Noah Brosnan scored his fourth and Cillian Scannell topped a great performance with an excellent top corner finish.

#### **U13 DIVISION 2 SOUTH**

#### Ballyhar Dynamos B 3-2 Killarney Celtic B

David Cronin, Robbie Paul O'Sullivan The U13B's went down 3-2 after a titanic



#### struggle. David Cronin scored

the first after a great move.After going down 3-1 Robbie O'Sullivan got one back but despite a great push Celtic just failed to draw level.

OUR U9,10 AND U11 SQUADS had games over the weekend. Well done to our players who played for the KDL Oscar Traynor team away to Clare and to our boys who played for the Kerry ETP squads. GIRLS

SFAI SUBWAY U12 NATIONAL TROPHY ROUND 2

Ballymackey FC 0-5 Killarney Celtic Leah Mannix 3, Eliza Mosca 2 Although the clinical finishing of Leah Mannix got the girls off to a good start, it was the tenacity and determination of the centre midfielder Seodhna O'Sullivan that shone through today. Great performance as the girls move onto the next round of the National Trophy.

**CONGRATS** to Conor McCarthy who has been appointed as Head Coach for Kerry FC for the 2024 season.

Congrats to Olga Kumor and Leah Mannix who made the Girls Roll of Honour.





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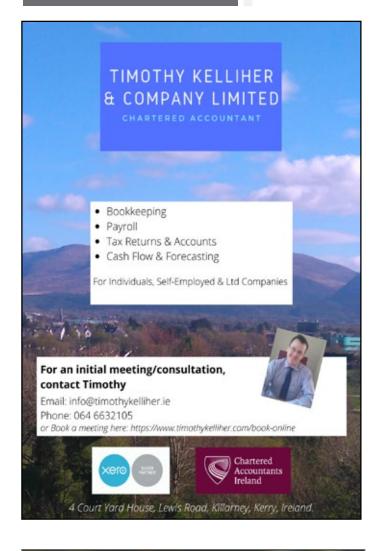
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David and Paudie Clifford with their All Stars and David's Footballer of the Year trophy.

Ladies Footballer of the Year: Louise Ní Muircheartaigh (Kerry)

#### 2023 FOOTBALL ALL STARS

#### GOALKEEPER Stephen Cluxton

Stephen Cluxton is an absolute icon of the game, a nine time All Ireland winner and seven time All Star. He is easily the best gaelic football goalkeeper of all time - yes, I put him ahead of Danno Keeffe, Johnny Geraghty, Johnny Culloty, Charlie Nelligan, Billy Morgan, Paddy Cullen... and of them. So I hope it will not be seen as sour grapes or churlish on my part when I say that I don't agree with this at all. Shane Ryan, in my honest opinion, was the best goalkeeper out there this year. Part of that, to be fair, is because Kerry had tougher games than Dublin along the way - Ryan's saves against Mayo in the Fitzgerald Stadium were top drawer - but check any metric you wish, saves, kick-out retention, control of his area...he tops the bill in all of them. Rory Beggan is an unquestioned talent, but I'm surprised that Derry's Odhran Lynch didn't even rate a nomination.

#### FULL BACK LINE Conor McCluskey (Derry), Mick Fitzsimmons (Dublin), Tom O'Sullivan (Kerry)

No real arguments here. McCluskey was an absolute lock from a long way out. Jason Foley must have been unlucky enough after a very good year, but Fitzsimons All Ireland Final display was always going to swing it his way, so no surprise there. I thought Tom O'Sullivan should have been a contender for Footballer of the Year last year. He should most definitely have received an All Star, despite Shane Walsh's display in the All Ireland Final, and that may well have actually helped his cause this year. Eoin McEvoy of Derry can count himself a little bit unlucky, but Derry were never going to get three defenders in the defence.

#### HALF BACK LINE James McCarthy (Dublin), Gareth McKinless (Derry), Conor McCarthy (Monaghan)

Exactly what I would have picked myself (which I admit is a fairly weak endorsement!). Dublin captain James McCarthy was always going to make it and he was superb in the final. Played a bit on the edge without really crossing the line – I have no problem with that. It's not a game for shrinking violets and we'd praise any Kerry player in those circumstances. McKinless was even more of a lock, surely one of the first names pencilled in, and McCarthy éile was Monaghan's obvious candidate.

#### MIDFIELD Brian Fenton (Dublin), Brendan Rogers (Derry)

This one didn't exactly take a genius. They were both nominees for Footballer of the Year after all. I'd consider Diarmuid O'Connor of Mayo a bit unlucky; he surprised me this year with the quality of his displays, but he would have been a fair distance behind the frontrunners.

#### HALF FORWARD LINE Paudie Clifford (Kerry),Sean O'Shea (Kerry),Enda Smith (Roscommon)

No-one can dispute Paudie's selection. Once again his energy levels are simply phenomenal. His pace, tackling, and decision-making made him the epicentre of everything positive about Kerry. His brother may be the shooting star, but Paudie is the game-changer for the Kingdom. Seán O'Shea came in for a certain amount of criticism earlier in the year, and I'm not sure why. I thought he was as dangerous as ever, especially in the switches between half and full forward. No team out there has a lot of guaranteed scorers in their forward line (frankly, the biggest problem with the modern game is the emphasis on defence over attack) and Seánie is exactly such a guarantee. Enda Smith did play very well for Roscommon and becomes their first All Star since Francie McGrehan in 2001, but I'd have given Mayo's Diarmuid O'Connor that nod myself.

#### FULL FORWARD LINE David Clifford (Kerry), Shane McGuigan (Kerry), Colm Basquel (Dublin)

David Clifford was always going to get one, as was Shane McGuigan. This guy finished as top scorer in the championship and that was with a Derry team that are a lot more defensive than people seem to think. Basquel is more interesting. It was always going to be a Dublin player. Paul Mannion had the proverbial stormer in the final but didn't do enough overall for me. I'd have given that one to Cormac Costello; I thought he really stepped up for Dublin this year. Jordan Flynn and Oisín Gallen can feel a little hard done by, and I'd love to see Darragh Canavan get an injury-free run, but none of them are replacing any of the trio picked.

#### YOUNG FOOTBALLER OF THE YEAR Ethan Doherty (Derry)

Ethan Doherty of Derry beats out team-mate Eoin McEvoy and Conor Carroll of Roscommon to this award.

#### FOOTBALLER OF THE YEAR David Clifford, Kerry

The first player to win back to back since Jack O'Shea back in the 1980s, and no-one would currently bet on David not winning four like the great midfielder. Brian Fenton, who was a nominee, and Meath's Trevor Giles are the only other players of the modern era to win it more than once.

#### HURLING ALL STARS

I didn't see anything like enough of these games to be able to comment fairly. Limerick dominate with seven All Stars - no surprise when a team has done four in a row. Anyone with a heart not made of stone would have to congratulate TJ Reid on his seventh award in twelve years. Still four behind his Ballyhale clubmate Henry Shefflin, but I don't think we'll ever see that again, especially since increased demands and time commitments are shortening hurling inter-county careers. Aaron Gillane was selected as the Hurler if the Year, becoming the third Patrickswell player to win the award in succession, while Clare's Mark Rodgers picked up the Young Hurler of the Year Award.

> GOALKEEPER Eoin Murphy (Kilkenny)

FULL BACK LINE Mikey Butler (Kilkenny), Huw Lawlor (Kilkenny), Dan Morrissey (Limerick)

HALF BACK LINE Diarmaid Byrnes (Limerick), John Conlon (Clare), Kyle Hayes (Limerick)

MIDFIELD Darragh O'Donovan (Limerick), Will O'Donoghue (Limerick)

HALF FORWARD LINE Shane O'Donnell (Clare), TJ Reid (Kilkenny), Tom Morrissey (Limerick)

FULL FORWARD LINE Conor Whelan (Galway), Aaron Gillane (Limerick), Eoin Cody (Kilkenny)

#### **TG4 LADIES ALL STAR AWARDS**

GOALKEEPER Abby Shiels (Dublin) No arguing with this choice. Shiels was excellent all through.

#### FULL BACK LINE Eilís Lynch (Kerry), Leah Caffrey (Dublin), Danielle Caldwell (Mayo)

Delighted for Eilís Lynch. I thought her pace and ability to drive up the pitch this year was a key weapon for us in tight games. Caffrey and Caldwell are two of the most experienced players out there. I did think that Kayleigh Cronin was a bit unlucky.

#### HALF BACK LINE Lauren Magee (Dublin), Martha Byrne (Dublin), Cáit Lynch (Kerry)

Again, no argument. Lauren Magee and Cáit Lynch have been key players for years and among the best around. It's Magee's second award and Cait's third; I'd argue that both of them should have more. Martha Byrne is a more recent luminary but was rock solid all through. Emma Costello is a bit unlucky, but I don't think you can really argue against Byrne's inclusion.

#### MIDFIELD

#### Jennifer Dunne (Dublin), Lorraine Scanlon (Kerry)

Delighted for Lorraine, who becomes Castleisland Desmond's third All Star this year. Jennifer Dunne was simply amazing all year; I really thought she was the Player of the Game in the All Ireland Final (Hannah Tyrell got it) and her semi-final tour de force was as good as anything I saw this year.

#### HALF FORWARD LINE Niamh Carmody (Kerry), Orlagh Nolan

#### (Dublin), Ciara O'Sullivan (Cork) Niamh Carmody has always been one of our

unsung heroines. I think she provides that key link between midfield and the inside line that any great team needs and she always comes up with a couple of points herself as well. Orlagh Nolan was a fulcrum player for Dublin and she was outstanding this year. That said, that injury to Siofra O'Shea, who was absolutely flying at the time....ah, well, ifs and buts are no good to anyone. Ciara O'Sullivan is a super talent and fully deserving of her fifth All Star. Let's be honest, we just couldn't live with her when she opened up the throttle.

### ALL THINGS...SPORT

#### FULL FORWARD LINE

Hannah Tyrrell (Dublin), Carla Rowe (Dublin), Louise Ní Muircheartaigh (Kerry) Again, it picks itself. It would have been a major shock, and a major blow to the prestige of these awards, if any of this trio had been omitted.

#### LADIES FOOTBALLER OF THE YEAR Louise Ní Muircheartaigh (Kerry)

Ask anybody who is Kerry's greatest scoring forward, and pretty much everybody will tell you that it's a certain individual from Fossa. Quite honestly, I wouldn't consider that debate settled just yet. Even in Kerry's darker days, Louise Ní Mhuircheartaigh was leading the way and if anything, she has only gotten better over the years. This year she clocked up 3-31 in the championship to top the scoring list for the second year in a row. This isn't the prize that she was craving as she and the Kerry team prepared to face Dublin in the All Ireland Final, but it's fully deserved nonetheless.

#### MILLTOWN/CASTLEMAINE TRIUMPH IN GAME OF THE YEAR

#### Intermediate Final:

Milltown/Castlemaine 2-13 Fossa 0-18 It was easily the most anticipated domestic game of the year – various figures are being bandied about, but there is general consensus that at least 1000 more people attended it than the actual County Senior Final. No wonder, too, given that it carried long-term implications in terms for said County Championship as well as an All Ireland campaign in its own right.

Cathal Moriarty raised the first flag in the opening seconds and that attacking flair seemed to set the tone as both sides eschewed mass defending for hugely entertaining attacking strategies based around pace. Gavin McKenna notched another before David Clifford won and converted a free to put Fossa on the scoreboard. Éanna O'Connor notched free himself and then pounced to fire over the rebound after Cillian Burke's effort hit the post. A free and a '45 from O'Connor nudged Milltown/Castlemaine's lead out to 0-7 to 0-4. They had a real let-off, though, when Paudie Clifford appeared to have been fouled in the square – he may have taken an extra step or





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### ALL THINGS...SPORT

two and there was a lot of contact, but there was definite contact. Referee Brendan Griffin signalled for a penalty but changed his mind after consulting his umpires and awarded a hop ball that saw Fossa gather and fire over to cut the gap to two points. By half-time, that lead was down to just one point, with Milltown/ Castlemaine leading by 0-8 to 0-7 and the large crowd eagerly anticipating an action-packed second half.

They weren't to be disappointed. This was rollercoaster football. In fact, this was exactly what you want gaelic football to be. Fossa had the wind now and the Football of the Year, and that looked a lethal combination as David Clifford clipped over two great points to nudge his team in front for the first time.

The response was devastating. Gavin Horan (he would share midfield with Rahilly's Tom Hoare on my Club Team of the Year) made a fantastic drive forward and laid off to Brendan Casey, who smoothly rolled it past the hapless Shane O'Sullivan.

Fossa were quickly back on terms through Emmet O'Shea and David Clifford. It was point for point after that. With six minutes left on the clock, David Clifford made a superb overhead catch for a mark to level matters and then pointed off his right to put Fossa in front. The game was in a frenzy of excitement now, but one man who kept his head was Cillian Burke. He made a fantastic run, shaking off a number of tackles, before laying off to Brendan Casey, who cut back inside and once again calmly rolled it home. 2-13 to 0-17, and very little left on the clock. Maybe time enough, though, especially for a team like this Fossa side. If any Fossa team was ever likely to fold, the club itself would simply never have lasted this long, and when you have a one in million footballer. anything can happen. David Clifford converted a free. He had a much more difficult from long distance and just five yards in from the sideline, but it curled wide - his first wide in 62 hectic minutes. He had another from a very tight angle, but Milltown/Castlemaine had their tails up now and were hunting and harrying every sniff of possession. Fossa did have one last chance as a player rose high to grab the ball in the square, but referee Brendan Griffin rightly halted play when it appeared that he might have been injured in the landing. Thankfully the player (I think it was Eoin Talbot, but I'm not sure) was okay, but I'll always support a referee erring on the side of caution. Play restarted with an indirect free kick to the team in possession, but Fossa couldn't generate the room for another shot and that was the last act of a climactic contest.

Milltown/Castlemaine go forward to face Cill na Martra of Cork in the Munster intermediate championship and will look to emulate Rathmore's feats of last year.

Milltown/Castlemaine: Cormac Leane, Gavin McKenna (0-1), Pa Wrenn, Anthony Kelliher, Kieran O'Carroll, David Roche, Jerome Flynn, Donal Dennehy, Gavin Horan, Brendan Casey (2-1), Éanna O'Connor (0-8, 3f, 1'45), Dylan O'Neill, Cathal Moriarty (0-1), Cillian Burke, Donal Kelliher. Subs: Kieran McKenna (for ACTION FROM THE INTERMEDIATE COUNTY FINAL BETWEEN FOSSA AND MILLTOWN/CASTLEMAINE. Photo courtesy: Fossa GAA



Jerome Flynn, half-time), Jonathan O'Sullivan 0-2 (for Donal Kelliher, 40 mins), Seán Hogan (for Donal Dennehy, 52 mins), Donal Kelliher (for Gavin Horan, 60 mins). Cian O'Connor (for Dylan O'Neill, 64 mins).

Fossa: Shane O'Sullivan, Dan O'Connell, Cian McCarthy, Brian Myers, Cian O'Shea, Rian Colleran, Paddy Sheehan, Ruairi Doyle, Eoin Talbot, Matt Rennie, Harry Buckley (0-1), Paudie Clifford(0-2), Cian O'Shea, David Clifford (0-12, 5f, 1m), Emmet O'Shea (0-3), Tadhg O'Shea. Subs: Sam Buckley (for Brian Myers, 24 mins), Fintan Coffey (for Tadhg O'Shea, 42 mins), Dan O'Keeffe (for Rian Colleran, 52 mins) Referee: Brendan Griffin (Clounmacon)

#### MUNSTER INTERMEDIATE SEMI-FINAL

#### Castlelyons 2-22 Crotta O'Neills 2-18 (aet)

The Kerry senior champions simply could not have produced anything better against Cork's Intermediate champions (I agree with the senior champions of weaker counties playing in the Intermediate at provincial level in football, hurling, and camogie). They lost out after a tremendous battle, but I consider this one to be another slighter higher scratch on the bark for Kerry hurling.

Crotta made a superb start with the strong wind behind them. In fact, they led by 1-6 to 0-2, Jordan Conway with the goal after great work by Barry O'Mahony (a player I would love to see throw his lot in with the Kerry hurlers next year; I don't see him getting much game time with the footballers). Castlelyons hit the next three points but Crotta stretched their lead again with 1-2,Seán Weir's clever free catching Castlelyons on the hop and setting up Seánie McElligott for the finish. Crotta led by 2-9 to 0-6 but Castlelyon's Alan Fenton struck for a goal in injury time. That left Crotta ahead by 2-10 to 1-6 after Seán Weir pointed.

With the wind behind them, Castlelyons began to slowly, very slowly, eke into that seven

point deficit. Shane Nolan opened the second half scoring before goalkeeper Jack Barry sent a puck-out clean over the bar (well done to a superb keeper, but these indefensible, uncontestable long distance scores are extremely detrimental to hurling s a spectacle). Seánie McElligott replied with a point but another Barry boomer puck-out was deflected to the net by Leo Doocey. Castlelyons hit the next four points, two from Barry, to nudge in front. Shane Nolan equalised but Crotta could be thankful to Adam O'Sullivan for a great save before the finish. Two Shane Nolan points had the Kerry side in front by one early in extra-time, but that was as good as it got as a strong finishing burst by Castlelyons saw them through. Nonetheless, it was a heroic effort by the Kerry side, backed by a big home support in St. Senans, and a great day for Kerry hurling in general.

Crotta O'Neills: Adam O'Sullivan, Seán McGrath (0-1), Bill Keane, Éamonn Shanahan, Cillian Trant (0-1), Barry Mahony (0-2), Jeaic McKenna, Tadhg McKenna, Tomás O'Connor, Darragh O'Donoghue (0-1), Seán Weir (0-1), Rory Mahony, Seánie McElligott (1-2), Shane Nolan (0-6, 4f), Jordan Conway (1-4, 1 sideline) Subs: Declan O'Donoghue (for Eamonn Shanahan, half-time), Cormac White (for Tadhg McKenna, 76 mins), Eoin Relihan (for Seánie McElligott, 59-full-time)

#### MUNSTER INTERMEDIATE CAMOGIE SEMI-FINAL Clanmaurice 0-10 Blackrock 1-5

It's being described as a shock. I don't know why. Kerry won Division Two of last year's National League, and that Kerry team was 90% composed of Clanmaurice players. They've given Cork's Intermediate team, a great team drawn from many clubs, several frights in the past couple of years. Take a look at their recent club record. These people have literally been writing new standards year on year on pitches all over the country. They lost an All Ireland semi-final after two periods of extra-time in the their last game. So exactly why Clanmaurice defeating Blackrock is such a huge 'shock' is completely beyond me. I'm not going to say that I 'knew' that they would win, but I knew they would be competitive.

I also had a fair notion who was going to be top scorer. Anyone who knows the slightest thing about inter-county camogie knows about Kerry's Patrice Diggins. She had four of Kerry's opening points as they led by 0-5 to 0-1 (Jackie Horgan with the other) after twenty minutes. Danielle O'Leary was effectivelyt the heartbeat of Kerry's engine, while Clanmaurice's defence was as reliable as always. Aoife Fitzgerald did have to make one brilliant save but Clanmaurice led by 0-5 to 0-3 at the break and it could and probably should have been more. Patrice Diggins scored two frees on the resumption but Blackrock replied in kind before Cliona O'Callagahn's goal put the Cork side in front with six minutes left. Aoife Behan pointed a great equaliser after more good play by Danielle O'Leary. Substitute Julianne O'Keeffe was keeping Blackrock on the back foot and a great run by Aoife Behan ended in a penalty. Diggin, showing all her experience, opted wisely to take a certain point and she sealed the win deep in injury time with another brilliant long range free.

#### MOTION TO DEMOTE WEAKER HURLING COUNTIES

I am over-simplifying a bit, but essentially the GAA will be voting on a motion to demote weaker hurling counties (and spare the idea that describing them as 'weaker' counties is some kind of insult; it's an obvious reality in every sport and delineated by borders in the GAA and usually by money in professional codes) to the Lory Meagher Cup (the lowest tier). It's for counties with five or less senior hurling teams and would see Louth demoted, while Cavan, Fermanagh, Leitrim, and Longford already compete at that grade. On the face of it, it's another blow to our oldest organised sport (I'll again quote P.J. Devlin "The Gaels of Erin were hurling when the gods of Greece were young"). The reasoning appears to be that money spent on inter-county teams in those counties, whose playing season would be reduced to three months instead of six, would be instead spent on juvenile hurling development in those counties.

Which is nonsense, because that's an investment promise that the GAA have been making for untold generations now and it doesn't happen. It happened briefly in Dublin around 2010 for about five years and led to a surge in Dublin hurling, but has declined ever since and so has their hurling status. This motion feels – and I am going on instinct and past precedent because I can't tell the future – like a money-saving exercise. It also feels like a bad precedent. We know that Kilkenny and Waterford have given very strong recent consideration to not fielding an inter-county football team. That's not how to grow any game. The GAA, and the media like myself don't always help, tend to mistake an inter-county team for a barometer of that counties' strength. That's mistaking the flagship for the fleet. Participation, particularly juvenile participation, is the lifeblood, but they need a pathway to aim towards and that's the intercounty team. Personally I consider this a shortterm saver and long term disaster, as well as an awful precedent to set.

#### CHANGES TO INTER-COUNTY MINOR FOOTBALL FORMAT

Following a vote by Special Congress at the end of September, the 2024 minor football format will be slightly different. Next year, tiered knock-out competitions will be a part of the All-Ireland minor football series.

Tier 1 will see the provincial winners play the provincial runners-up in the All-Ireland Quarter-Final with the pairings determined on a provincial rota system initially determined by Central Council. Provincial winners can't play the team they defeated in their own provincial final.

A provincial rota system will also apply for the All-Ireland semi-finals. If a provincial championship winning team is defeated in its quarter-final, the team that defeats them takes their place in the provincial rota semi-final draw.

Additional tiered competitions can now also be organised for counties outside of the provincial winners and runners-up in order to provide more games and additional opportunities for those counties. The competition structures and regulations will be approved annually by Central Council based on proposals from Development Competitions Control the Committee. Now, that's more than a little openended for my taste. The last time that delegates voted to centralise the structure of minor football, they weren't informed until afterwards that they had effectively given Central Council carte blanche to reduce the minor grade from U18 to U17. That, in my firm opinion, was a bad mistake that is damaging football at a key grade and I can full understand why counties have been resistant to it ever since. I'd prefer to see actual motions and proposals voted on, rather than any delegation of powers to committee, however well-intentioned.

#### SOCCER

#### European Qualifiers: Netherlands 1 Ireland 0

You know that famous story about the little Dutch boy who stuck his hand in a hole in the dam to save the whole town? Well, that was Gavin Bazunu in Amsterdam. We didn't restrict the Netherlands to a single goal. They restricted themselves. It should have been around 4-0. My favourite moment was Gakpo managing a brilliant goal-line clearance – on the Irish goal-line. To be fair, I think Bazunu had that one covered anyway, but Holland will be disgusted with their finishing. Yes, they were missing a couple of players, but we were wide open for the taking.

Bazunu, who hasn't been in the best of club form, was absolutely superb here, and it was needed. Ireland's defence played a surprisingly high line – I'm sorry now, but ambition has to be matched with a little pragmatism. I suspect that Stephen Kenny, who must know as we all do that his fate is sealed, decided to stick to his principles. Was calling up young Moran from the U21 panel a good move? It's a tough call. A winning manager would have support for promoting a good young player from an underage team – that's the whole point of having underage development teams – but a losing manager is always in the wrong, no matter what.

Ireland actually started decent, but once again our midfield presence just dissolved rapidly. Robinson got sucked into trying to fill that hole and Evan Ferguson...arrah, the poor lad should have brought along his mobile phone so he could watch the game on RTE player and have some hope of glimpsing the ball at some point.

I feel sorry for Stephen Kenny, but this wasn't even a particularly good Dutch team. Ireland were just tame, listless, and completely resigned. It even felt like TV commentators were just going through the motions, trying to drum up some faux outrage, but they said nothing they weren't saying six months or even two years ago. This wasn't out with a bang. This was out with a whimper.

James McClean played his last game for Ireland this week. Not necessarily a great player, but a lionhearted one and I genuinely felt that he was under-rated more often than not. The likes of Robbie Brady and Wes Hoolahan – and no offence to those great servants – got the headlines but McClean was always a fraction better and more reliable to me. I wish him the best of luck. He's currently playing for Wrexham. I enjoyed season one of the Reynolds/McElhinney tv show, but it's getting a little too self-praising for me.

Is there potential maybe on a smaller scale for a documentary series on a League of Ireland club? Of course Netflix wouldn't be in the queue, but globally it has done absolute wonders for Michael Jordan (even rewriting a lot of actual history), David Beckham (no, of course I haven't watched it. I saw his first one and it was tragically bad), golf, AFLW (superb and thought-provoking series that touches on elements bigger than the sport), numerous 'last chance' series, Tim Tebow and the Gators (bland enough, and the musical score is brutally bad as an attempt to dramatise gibberish) ....sports docuseries are huge right now. Galway GAA's 'A Year 'til Sunday' about their 1998 campaign remains a huge benchmark. Imagine a docuseries about Cork City this year, or Galway United, or Bohs? It would be interesting. Probably PG13, but definitely interesting!

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#### **KILLARNEY LEGION**

#### O DONOGHUE CUP

A routine win for our Senior Men as they accounted for a disappointing Listry challenge last Saturday afternoon in Direen. Fast out of the block they racked up eight points to no reply in the first quarter and a Thomas Moriarty goal put the gloss on 1-14 to 0-1 half time lead. James O Donoghue struck for two early goals in the second half while William Shine kicked three points when introduced in the final quarter. The win sets up a quarter final clash with Fossa in Direen on Sunday December 3rd with a 2pm throw in. Final score Killarney Legion 3-22 Listry 0-4.

#### LADIES AGM

The Ladies Department of the club held its AGM on Friday night last. Chairman Ted Healy gave a comprehensive rundown of the affairs for the year highlighting the good playing numbers in the younger age groups while also stating that a watchful eye will have to be kept on the older groups as we tackle player fall out. Tributes were paid to all the ladies players who represented the club at both divisional board and inter county level. The year was deemed successful on the playing front but a s always the hunger for more should be present. Ted paid tribute to two outgoing officers who had stepped down. Oonagh Moynihan was a most conscientious Ladies Secretary who advanced the role no end, always lending great assistance to the chairman. Mike Doody was a very able wingman as Vice chairman of the branch, combining that role with his coaching and mentoring roles. Now the club is fortunate to have found two people to step up to replace Mike and Oonagh. Claire Duke will take up the secretary job, falling into her first role within the club while the familiar and reliable Shaun O Connor is now tasked as the vice chair. John Foran (Treasurer), Fiona Ni Chonchubhair (Registrar), Enda Walshe (PRO) and Linda O'Donoghue (Childrens Officer) have all remained in their various roles. Also great to see Mike Hanrahan back in the fold as the delegate to the Ladies County Board.

#### **THOMAS MORIARTY**

We would like to wish Thomas Moriarty as he heads down under this week for a spell. Thomas has been a mainstay of our Senior panel for the last 13 years and he will certainly be missed. Also a belated bon voyage to Luke O Donoghue, who departed our shores a few weeks back.

#### **CLUB MASS**

We will be holding our annual Club Mass this Friday November 24th at 7.30pm in the Clubhouse. All members are urged to attend. CLUB AGM

The Club's Annual General Meeting will be held on Monday, December 4th, at 8pm, venue to be confirmed in the com8ng week. The close of nominations and motions will pass on Monday November 20th.

#### **MOTHERS AND OTHERS**

Our ever active Mothers & Others gang are starting a Social Walking Group on Tuesdays, commencing this Tuesday 21st November at 7pm sharp. The initial walk will be from the GlenEagle Hotel to the Killarney Cathedral and back, a trek of approx 5km. The route will change weekly. The hope is that in the New Year to bring this on to a starter running group for those who wish to. This is open to Killarney Legion GAA Club associates that are not with Killarney Mothers and Others Legion and would like to join us. Only two little rules.1. Overs 18s only and 2. No pets.

#### **ALL STARS**

Well done to the four Kerry players who picked up Football All Star awards at the weekend. The selection of the dynamic Clifford brothers, David and Paudie couldn't be disputed and they were joined by Seanie O Shea and Dingle defender Tom O Sullivan. David also was a most worthy recipient of the Footballer of the Year, a gong picked up by our own James O Donoghue in a mercurial 2014.

#### **BABY JOY**

Congratulations to Jonathan Lyne and his good wife Adrienne on the birth of their new baby girl, Zoe. Glad to report all doing very well!!

#### LOTTO

Results Monday 13th November. Numbers were 8, 10, 11, 12. Bonus No 1. No Jackpot winner. Match 3s / Lucky Dips: 1. Mike Pigott, Online 2. Maria O Sullivan, Online 3. John B O Mahoney, Muckross 4. Maura Maher, 2 The Lime, Ballydowney 5. Derry Horgan, Coolgrean Park

#### **DR. CROKES**

### O'DONOGHUE CUP

#### Dr. Crokes 0:18 Glenflesk 1:09

We welcomed Glenflesk to Lewis Road this evening where we ran out 6-point winners, in a closely contested game. The result could have gone either way, up until half time. From the throw in, we got our first score of the game through a Tom Doyle point from play. Both teams played a very deference first half with most of the scores coming from frees. 8 of the 12 first half scores came from placed balls. Glenflesk were awarded a penalty in the 8th minute with Darragh Roche slotting the ball passed Shane Murphy in the Crokes goal. Half time 0:06 to 1:05. Tony Brosnan was introduced in the second half and proved to the difference between the two teams, adding 4 points to his name. It was a lively start for both teams and Shane Murphy was forced to make a great save after just 2 minutes. Our backs played defensive football from the throw in and held Glenflesk to just 4 points in the second half. Overall this was a great team performance

**AGM** will take place on Tuesday 28th November at 8pm.

ANNUAL CLUB MASS for Deceased Members will take place on Tuesday 28th November at 7pm.

**GENTLE MOVEMENT CLASSES** with Kathleen continue every Monday at 11am. All are welcome to join, you do not need to be a member of the club.

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

**LOTTO** took place November 20th. Numbers drawn were 20, 21, 23, 27 Jackpot of €6,200 was NOT WON. 4 patrons matched 3 numbers and received €100 each. Jackpot for draw on



Pictured is David Shaw, Dr Crokes getting man of match form Michael O'Mahony Assistant PRO of East kerry GAA Board free membership of AuillaClub of Gleneagle Hotel Group after their win over Glenflesk in East kerry senior championship Dr O'Donoghue cup sponsored By AQuIIA Club & Dr O'Donoghue Family. Photo taken By Seamus Healy

November 27th will be €6,500. Play online by following the link below and follow instructions attached https://play.clubforce.com/play\_newa. asp?ll\_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  $\in$ 2,600 with another  $\in$ 1,650 in prizes to be won in 10 games of bingo. Everyone Welcome.

#### NOTES

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

#### **EAST KERRY NEWS**

by Michael Healy

#### EAST KERRY O DONOGHUE CUP

sponsored by Aquilla Club Gleneagle Hotel Group and Dr O Donoghue Family

Round 1: Killarney Legion 3-22 Listry 0-4 Quarter Final: Dr Crokes 0 - 18 Glenflesk 1 – 09 Spa Vs Gneeveguilla, Saturday 24th. 2pm in Spa Kilcummin vs Rathmore. Sunday Nov 25th, 2pm in Kilcummin.

## COUNTY INTERMEDIATE CHAMPIONSHIP FINAL.

Hard luck to Fossa on their loss in Sunday's County Intermediate Final.

#### ALL IRELAND SCOR

Congratulations to Spa set dancers, on their great win in the Scor Sinsir 2023 All Ireland Final. All Stars 2023

**CONGRATULATIONS** to David Clifford and Louise Ní Mhuircheartaigh on being named player's of the year at the All Star ceremony. Also to Eilís Lynch, Cáit Lynch, Lorraine Scanlon, Niamh Carmody, Paudie Clifford, Tom O'Sullivan and Sean O'Shea for winning places on their respective teams.

#### **LISTRY V LEGION**

Killarney Legion accounted for a disappointing Listry challenge with the minimum of fuss and set up a quarter final clash with Fossa on Sunday December 3rd in Direen. James O Donoghue



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set the tempo early on, kicking two fine points and by the 16th minute he was joined on the scoreboard by David O Sullivan, Finbarr Murphy and David O Sullivan. Listry opened their account in the 18th minute but it only was the catalyst for further Legion points through Eoghan O Sullivan, James O Donoghue and Finbarr Murphy again. Thomas Moriarty then broke forward from the half back line to hit a speculative shot that ended up in the net. That left the half time score at 1-14 to 0-1.

Any hopes Listry had of mounting a comeback were quickly dashed in the opening minutes of the second half as James O Donoghue finished off fluid team moves with two goals as Legion ran the bench. Peader Keane kicked Listrys second point but the introduction of Will Shine yielded three more points for the home side. The final score of the game fell to Peter McCarthy and with that all six of the Legion starting forwards had scored.

#### O'DONOGHUE CUP MATCH REPORT Dr Crokes 0.18 v Glenflesk 1.09

Dr Crokes ran out winners by six points over Glenflesk to book their place in the semi-final of the O'Donoghue cup. The game was played in Lewis road in wintry conditions, cold and blustery but the field was in good condition to support an entertaining sporting contest by these two rivals.

Dr Crokes were behind at half time by two points after conceding a penalty and black card. They brought on a lot of experience and quality in the second half to overturn the deficit and win comfortably.

Dr Crokes opened the scoring with points from Tom Doyle and David Shaw. Darragh Roche got his first free after eight minutes and scored a penalty one minute later after good work by Luke Crowley. Crowley fed a through ball to Roche and referee Eddie Walsh had no hesitation with the decision. Dr Crokes responded well with two points from David Sha, one from a free and one from play. At the end of the first quarter Crokes midfielder Charlie Keating received a black card after a foul on Ian Roche. During the next ten minutes Glenflesk outscored the home team by three points to one. Darragh Roche had a free and a very dominant Mark. Jeff O'Donoghue collected a kick out and replied from play. Crokes kick out was under pressure and they were finding it difficult to get through the Glenflesk defence, even though David Shaw did kick a valuable point during this period. When Keating resumed his place, Patrick Darcy had a point from play while Dr Crokes had a final point from David Shaw. Half time score Glenflesk 1.05 v Dr Crokes 0.06

Dr Crokes brought on county star Tony Brosnan and he wasted no time kicking a total of five points in the second half. Shane Murphy did have to pull off a comfortable save in the first minute but from then on Glenflesk struggled to get the ball to either Darragh Roche or Luke Crowley to mount a match winning challenge. By the twenty second minute Dr Crokes were one point ahead with Darragh Roche getting three points from frees while Tony Brosnan had four points along with Michael Burns and a trade mark Brian Looney free.

From there to the end Dr Crokes outscored

Glenflesk by six points to one. Michael Burns, Charlie Keating, Mark O'Shea, Alex Hennigen along with Tony Brosnan scored for Crokes while Darragh Roche replied for Glenflesk. Final score Dr Crokes 0.18 v Glenflesk 1.09

Dr Crokes look to be is a good position to defend their East Kerry title with two games to play. They have a lot of youth and experience at their disposal. Referee Eddie Walsh was busy, but kept control of the contest and contributed to an entertaining encounter. Afterwards Assistant PRO with East Kerry, Michael O Mahony presented the Man of the Match award, sponsored by the Aquila Club, to Dr Crokes David Shaw.

#### MILLTOWN/CASTLEMAINE CLUB

### LOTTO

Sponsored by Almas Takeaway, Milltown

The fortnightly club lotto draw took place on Monday, October 30th at the club grounds. There was no jackpot winner on this occasion. The numbers drawn were 12, 27, 32 and the bonus ball was 18. Lucky Dip winners were as follows:  $\leq 50$  - Donal Murphy.  $\leq 50$  - Dara O'Brien, Killorglin.  $\leq 25$  - Jack Teahan, Firies .  $\leq 25$ - Aisling O'Shea, Milltown.  $\leq 25$  - Paddy Lawlor, Castlemaine.  $\leq 25$  - Evelyn Twiss, Aghadoe

Our next club lotto draw is scheduled to take place on Monday, November 27th 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. Mile búiochas do gach duine for playing Milltown/Castlemaine Clubs Fortnightly Fundraiser, the money raised is vital to the day to day running of our club and your support is sincerely appreciated.

#### KERRY PETROLEUM INTERMEDIATE CLUB FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP: FINAL RESULT AND MATCH REPORT

#### Milltown/Castlemaine 2-13 Fossa 0-18

Milltown/Castlemaine were crowned Kerry Petroleum Intermediate Club Football Champions on Sunday afternoon in Austin Stack Park, Tralee after a titanic battle against a David Clifford inspired Fossa, played before a bumper crowd.

An epic encounter ensued in Tralee with no shortage of magic moments and 33 scores making it a terrific spectacle.

Milltown/Castlemaine played with a strong breeze in the opening half and started the brighter of the two sides with early scores from Cathal Moriarty and Gavin McKenna giving the Mid Kerry side a 0-2 to 0-0 lead. David Clifford, who would finish the day with a grand total of 0-12 got Fossa off the mark in the 8th minute from a free after Pa Wren was adjudged to have fouled him. Eanna O'Connor and Brendan Casey responded well for Milltown/Castlemaine however and the lead was 0-4 to 0-1 by the 10th minute. David Clifford and Paudie Clifford kept Fossa in touch all through and knocked over two points in the 11th and 12th minutes respectively to cut the gap back to the bare minimum at 0-4 to 0-3. Eanna O'Connor was firing well at the opposite end too and a superb free followed by a '45' stretched the lead once more to three points as Milltown/Castlemaine led 0-6 to 0-3. A Fossa mistake coming out of defence gifted O'Connor a handy point from play in the 17th minute to make it a four point game but Fossa responded emphatically as points from David Clifford (2) and Emmett O'Shea had the gap back at a solitary point, 0-7 to 0-6 by the 25th minute. Eanna O'Connor and Paudie Clifford rounded off the first half scoring to leave just one between the teams at the half-time interval to leave Milltown/Castlemaine ahead 0-8 to 0-7. Fossa no doubt would have been the happier of the two teams at this point having played against a stiff breeze.

Whilst the first half might have been considered cagey as both teams wanted to stay in the contest, the second half was riveting with both sides going all out for the win. David Clifford levelled the contest in the 32nd minute with a close range free and soon after he gave the East Kerry side the lead for the first time all afternoon at 0-9 to 0-8. The Milltown/Castlemaine response was crucial however as a barnstorming run through the heart of the Fossa defence by Gavin Horan was met with an exquisite finish to the top corner of the Fossa net by Brendan Casey. Emmett O'Shea and David Clifford had the sides back level by the 42nd minute with two pointed efforts for Fossa but Milltown/Castlemaine were back in the lead moments later as substitute Jonathan O'Sullivan with two well taken scores and Eanna O'Connor had the lead at 1-11 to 0-11 by the 45th minute. Emmett O'Shea with his third point and Eanna O'Connor with his seventh exchanged points in the 46th and 47th minutes respectively before Harry Buckley and Eanna O'Connor swapped scores in the 48th and 49th minutes to leave a goal between the teams at 1-13 to 0-13. David Clifford with three points on the trot had the teams level at 1-13 to 0-16 by the 55th minute and with his 11th point of the day gave Fossa the lead at 0-17 to 1-13 in the 58th minute. Cometh the hour and cometh the man however as Brendan Casey once again popped up with a pivotal goal in the 59th minute following a superb run through the middle by Cillian Burke to put Milltown/Castlemaine back ahead 2-13 to 0-17. David Clifford reduced the gap to the bare minimum again in the 61st minute as he rounded off his afternoon's work with his 12th point, it was now 2-13 to 0-18 and this was the way it would finish as despite Fossa having two further chances, both went wide, their only wides all game and referee Brendan Griffin called a halt to proceedings in the 66th minute following six additional minutes being played.

An incredible game of football that ebbed and flowed and it could have gone either way. Fossa led twice all day (both times in the 2nd half) but Milltown/Castlemaine got their goals at the right times and ultimately that was the difference. As the saying goes, Goals win games and that was the decisive factor on Sunday afternoon in Tralee. Congratulations to the players and management on a wonderful success. It was the 4th time in the championship that Milltown/Castlemaine beat an East Kerry team and they will now join the Senior County Football Championship ranks for 2024, the 3rd time since 2000! It is the 5th GAA | AROUND THE COUNTY |

time the club have won the Intermediate Club Football Championship (1991, 1994, 2003, 2011 and 2023) and being back in the County Senior Football Championship alongside being back in Division 1 of the County League this season is what dreams are made of. Well done to all involved.

Milltown/Castlemaine Captain Cathal Moriarty collected the cup on behalf of the winning side from County Board Chairperson Patrick O'Sullivan after the match and Eanna O'Connor was awarded Man of the Match following his 8th point haul for Milltown/Castlemaine.

Attention now turns to the AIB Munster Intermediate Club Football Championship Semi-Final on Sunday, November 26th when Milltown/Castlemaine will meet Cill na Martra of Cork away at 1:30pm. One journey ends and another begins!

MATCH TICKET INFORMATION: AIB MUNSTER GAA CLUB INTERMEDIATE FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP SEMI-FINAL CILL NA MARTRA (CORK) V MILLTOWN/ CASTLEMAINE (KERRY) Sunday November 26th at 1:30pm in Cill na Martra. This is an ALL TICKET GAME

Please note, this game in Cill na Martra will have a limited capacity. Due to the limited capacity, there will be a charge of  $\in$ 2 for children/under 16s. All persons attending the game will need to have a ticket.

Tickets will go on sale on Wednesday at 10am

on the Munster GAA website. Link: https:// munster.gaa.ie/event/2023-aib-munster-gaaclub-intermediate-football-championshipsemi-final-milltown-castlemaine-kerry-vcill-na-martra-cork/?fbclid=IwAR356P3th D f - u i 0 V v 0 u d B p a T o P O J n \_ reN0UQje8ADtQUb2zFLj4IF7iARVE

#### MID KERRY SENIOR FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP: SEMI-FINAL FIXTURE

Milltown/Castlemaine will meet Keel in the 2023 Mid Kerry Senior Football Championship Semi-Final in two weeks time following their Quarter-Final/Round 1 success against Glenbeigh/ Glencar at the weekend. Date, time and venue are to be confirmed in the coming days.

#### CONDOLENCES

All involved in Milltown/Castlemaine GAA would like to pass on our sincere condolences to the family of the late Michael (Mick) Casey of Annagh, Castlemaine and formerly of Coolroe, Killorglin. Michael's two sons, Ronan and Gavin represented Milltown/Castlemaine GAA Club for a number of years on the field of play at underage and senior level and Michael was also very involved in community organisations. We all remember him with great fondness.

Our thoughts and prayers are with Michael's family and friends at this most difficult time. Ar Dheis Dé go raibh a anam.

#### **ITEMS FOR THE CLUB NOTES**

If you have any items for inclusion in the weekly notes, then please contact the club's PRO Dara

O'Connor on 086 268 8674 before 20:00 on Sundays.

#### **TEAM UPDATES**

Our underage club teams are finished for the 2023 season.

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

**Team Enquiries:** If you want to join your local club, one of the fastest growing clubs in the county, please contact one of our members below:

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

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

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

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

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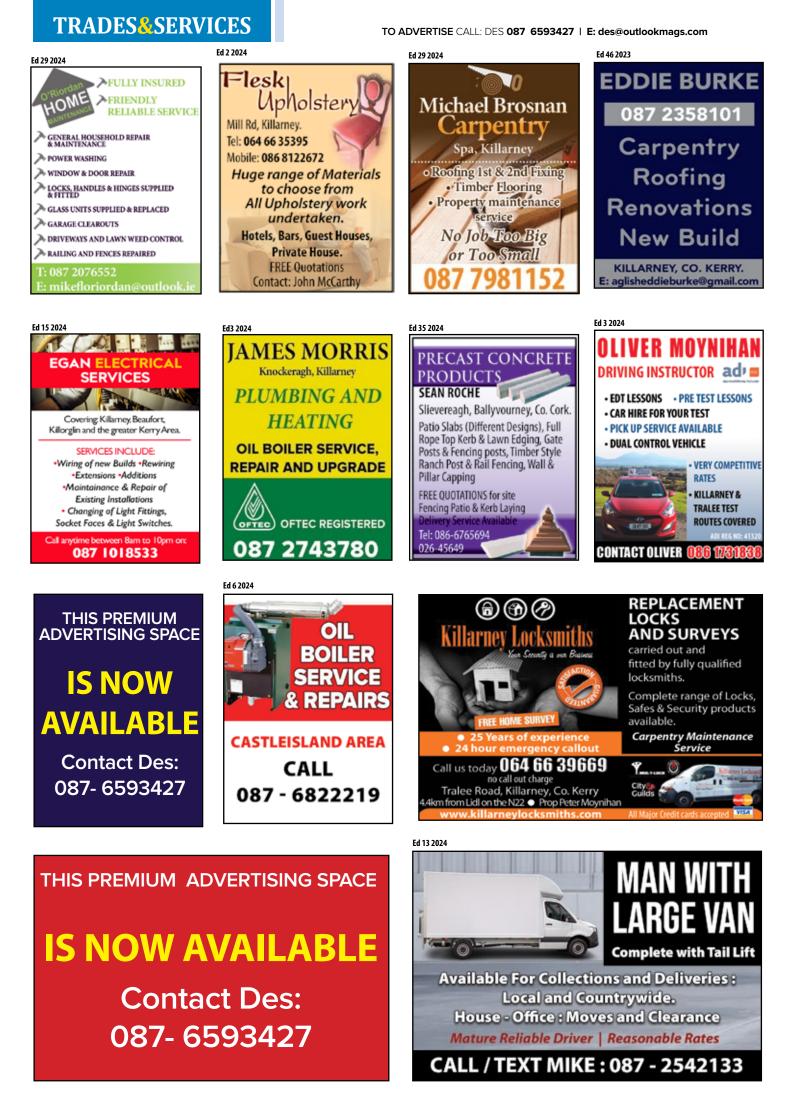
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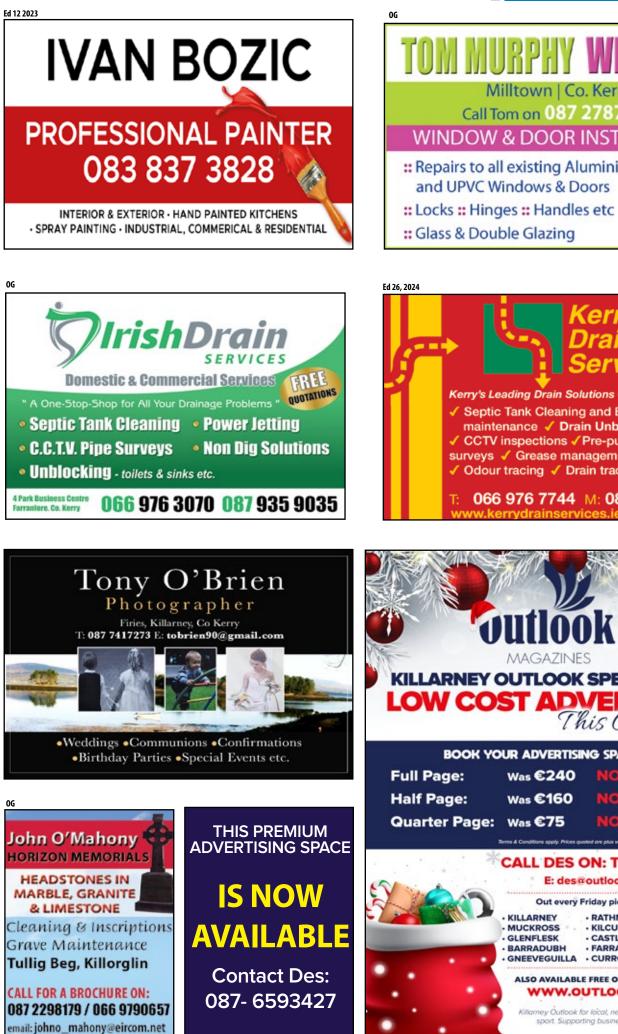
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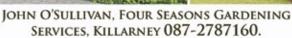
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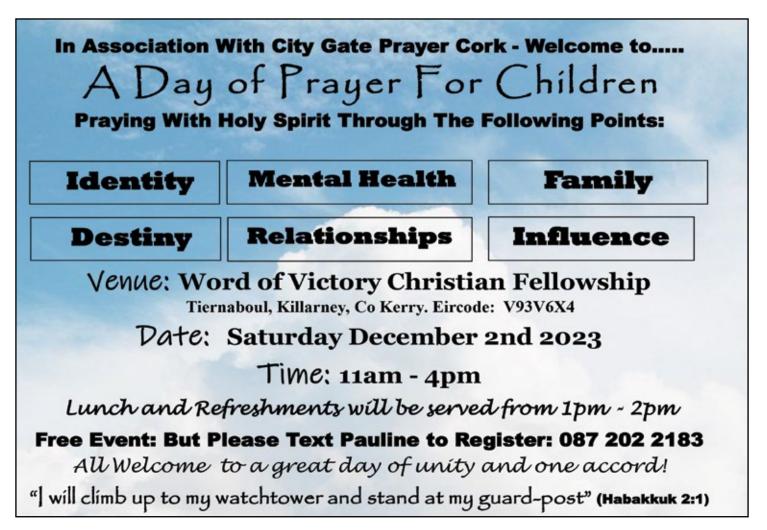
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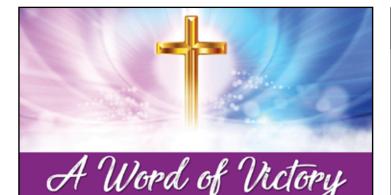
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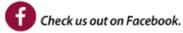
This is the case for multiples of people. And why? Because they have no knowledge of God's Word. The Bible has been replaced by rituals, man's teachings or by mysticism. Life is a battlefield and we each are on it whether we like it or not. Some get taken off the battlefield traumatised, crippled or dead. Others just exist wearily - never gaining ground, and never seeing success. But warriors who succeed in battle learn all about their enemy and strategize how to take advantage of his weakness, while at the same time developing their own strengths, giving them the power to endure and overcome to achieve victory. Our latest podcast on Spotify called 'Picture The Scene' will help to further explain this.

Studying the Bible is not like reading a novel, that's why many fail to understand the Scriptures. Every Word of God contains Power, but it is revealed with the help of the Holy Spirit (John 14:26). Jesus said, 'the Words I speak to you are Spirit and Life' (John 6:63). Life flows from the Word of God. Jesus guoted the Scripture "man shall not live on bread alone but by every Word that comes from the mouth of God" when rebutting the devil's taunts (Luke 4:4). It's not a sin to enjoy your life! Religiosity has groomed people to believe that suffering, sickness, torment and lack are good, and that God likes you better in that state. Nothing could be further from the Truth! Those things give God neither glory nor pleasure. Hence, Jesus healed people everywhere He went (Matthew 8:14-17). Up to meeting Jesus they had no hope, so when He healed them everything changed - lives were restored, and the people rejoiced and praised God! (Luke 13:17; Mark 3:1-6; Acts 3:1-11). This is how life is meant to be lived in God's eyes (John 10:10). People say - 'well why did Jesus say, "take up your cross" then?' The cross he refers to is dying to self, and persecution - people won't like it if you get serious with God's Word, and the enemy will try to bring a backlash but, the Greater One lives in you! (1 John 4:4)

Notice: Saturday December 2nd next - we are hosting a Day of Prayer - to pray for our children. See additional advert this week with details on how to register.

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#### ACKNOWLEDGEMENT & 1st Anniversary

IN LOVING MEMORY OF CHARLIE COLLINS



Lyreacorrin, Gneeveguilla who passed away on 26th November 2022.

As we lovingly remember Charlie on his first anniversary, so dearly missed by his wife, Nellie and their family, we would like to express our sincere gratitude and appreciation to all those who helped and supported us in our sad loss.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all those that sympathised with us, travelled to be with us, sent mass cards, sent letters of sympathy, online condolences and to all those who attended the funeral home, requiem mass and burial.

Thank you to the staff of Cahernane Medical Centre for the care you showed Charlie. Thank you also to the nurses in the medical centre in Rathmore who helped greatly and to the home help who showed great kindness and care in their regular visits. Thank you to the doctors and staff in Rathass ward in UHK, Tralee who greatly helped both Charlie and his family in his final weeks.

A special thank you to Fr. Pat O' Donnell and Fr. Dan Herlihy for the meaningful funeral mass. Thank you to Tessie and Noreen for your help with the communion and Joan and Sheila for the beautiful singing and music. A heartfelt thank you to Sean O' Mahony and Christy Crowley for their professional service provided right throughout the funeral service.

Grateful appreciation to our neighbours and friends who were so kind and helpful during the funeral days in dropping food to the family home and being there for us.

As a token of appreciation, the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass has been offered for the intentions of those mentioned and all others who aided with Charlie.

First Anniversary Mass for Charlie is on Sunday 26th November at 9.30am in the Church of the Holy Rosary, Gneeveguilla.

May he rest in peace.

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### IN LOVING MEMORY OF SHEILA MURPHY



53 Marian Tce, Killarney, Co. Kerry **30/11/2022** 

As we lovingly remember Sheila on her First Anniversary, The Murphy Family would like to thank most sincerely all who sympathized with us on the sad loss of our wonderful mother and grandmother Sheila.

Many thanks to all our relatives, friends, neighbours and work colleagues who were so supportive and also those who travelled long distances to attend the removal and funeral and who sent Mass cards, letters, floral tributes, and online condolences.

To Mary, Magda and the staff of the Killarney Nursing Home for the Care Love respect and Dignitythey showed to mam during her time with them, and the beautiful Guard of Honor by both residents and staff as she left their care. A special thanks to the carers who supported our family at home and in particular Siobhan, Mary and Seanagh, who proved invaluable to us in assisting in Mam's care. To Mike and Mary O'Shea Undertakers, and their team, for their sympathy and professional guidancein the handling of the funeral arrangements.

To Anita and Maura Reen for their support in providing beautiful music for the Mass.

Our gratitude to our extended family for shouldering Mams coffin and to the neighbours of Kilbrean Beg who formed a guard of honor as she left Sheila's house on the Thursday.

To Tadghie our sacristan, altar servers, and most especially Fr. Kieran, Fr. Paddy and Fr. Tom for making the mass a celebration of Mams long and happy life. To the Management and Staff of the Castleheights Hotel for providing refreshments and their facilities for family and friends to gather after the funeral Mass.

As it would be impossible to thank everyone individually, we hope that this will be accepted by all as a token of our deep appreciation. The Helk Sacrifere of the mass will be afford

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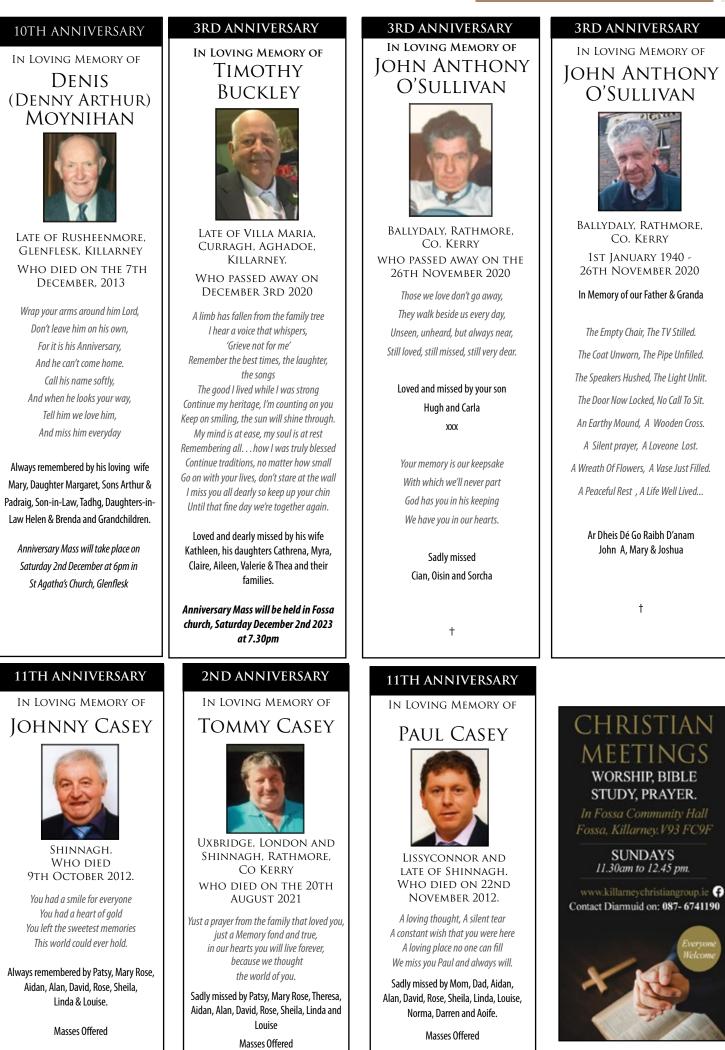
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