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## FROM THE EDITOR

As we look forward to the May Bank Holiday Weekend, we have a busy magazine for you this week.

After 27 years serving the people of Killarney and beyond, Ulster Bank has closed its doors, there was great news from Killarney Athletic with the announcement that their 7-A-Side Tournament is back and the Dawn Chorus will be streamed live from Killarney National Park at 5am tomorrow morning.

The entertainment lineup has been announced for Bikefest 2023, the life and legacy of Vicky Phelan has been celebrated and Lough Lein

Anglers have raised over €275,000 to date for deserving charities.

Sliabh Luachra Boxers are hitting the headlines, Killarney girls are representing Ireland in the USA in the Cheerleading and dance championships and a Killarney Rugby Volunteer has been appointed as Munster Representative on the IRFU Minis Committee.

We have all the action from the pitches, courts and fairways in our sports section along with some great advertising offers from our loyal customers.

Stay safe this Bank Holiday weekend and Keep the Race in its Place.

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*As one door closes, another one opens...*

## ULSTER BANK CLOSES after 27 Years in Killarney

**A**fter 27 years serving the people of Killarney, Ulster Bank closed its doors to the public on Friday last April 21st.

Manager of the bank, Justin Healy spoke to Killarney Outlook this week about the bank's closure and his plans going forward.

'It has been a long two years since NatWest announced that they were closing Ulster Bank down, and even though we were well prepared, this has been a tough week', Justin said.



Current and previous staff members gathered to mark the closure last Friday night at The Plaza Hotel.

"We have had the most loyal customers who trusted us to look after them and I have had the most amazing team in Killarney, leading them has been the honour of my life", he added.

The majority of the current staff at Ulster Bank in Killarney are planning to take some well deserved time off before returning to the workplace, however for Justin, he is planning starting his new business straight away.

Along with friend and colleague



Justin Healy, Manager of Ulster Bank closing the doors for the last time this week.

Mike Doolan, Justin will be opening Healy-Doolan Financial in the family premises of DNG Healy and Healy Insurances on New Street.

"It is the obvious move for me, to continue in the financial sector and I am looking forward to the new challenges", Justin said.

The wind-down of the bank was orchestrated by current staff members including Emma Morrissey, Mark Kavanagh, Aileen Fleming, Kit Cronin, Deirdre Healy, Breda Cosgrove and Mike Doolan.

On Friday night last, the current staff members were joined by previous members at a night out in the Plaza Hotel.

Previous managers of Ulster Bank before Justin took over in 2004 included Derry McCarthy, Sandra Fitzmaurice and Louise McIndoe.

A range of customer services and supports will continue after 21 April, through telephone and online channels, to help remaining customers move and close their accounts. Known vulnerable customers will still continue to be supported in moving to a new banking provider.

Customers can contact Ulster Bank on 0818 210 260 or 00353 1804 7475 if calling from abroad. For customers who need additional support or may be in a vulnerable situation there is a dedicated phone line on 1800 656 001 (lines open 8am-8pm, 7 days a week) and a small field team will be in place to help known vulnerable customers who have not yet completed their account closure journey.

## STUDENTS CLIMBING THE WALLS AT THE SEM

Climbing the walls...First Year Students at St. Brendan's College, Killarney, who were winners of the Munster championships schools climbing competition in Cork. Darragh Forde, Jake Dunlea, on the wall, belayed by Donnacha Kissane-O'Sullivan and Kai McManus, with Instructor Donie Mulcahy. The students will compete in the All-Ireland competition in Dublin at 'Awesome Walls' next weekend.

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Mark Murphy CEO Killarney Kenmare and Cahersiveen Credit Union (seated centre) at the presentation of sponsorship to the Killarney Athletic FC 7-A-Side 2023 Tournament to (left) Donie Murphy Killarney Athletic FC Chairman and Colette Casey Tournament Director (back from left) Karena McCarthy Marketing Manager Killarney Credit Union, Brendan Moloney Senior Coach Killarney Athletic FC, Dara Moynihan Killarney Credit Union and Martin Muldoon Juvenile Secretary Killarney Athletic FC at the launch of the 2023 Tournament in the Killarney Credit Union on Tuesday. Photo by Michelle Cooper Galvin

**K**illarney Athletic AFC officially launched its Annual 7 a side tournament in Killarney/ Kenmare/Cahersiveen Credit Union on Tuesday 25th April after a 3 year absence.

The event will take place on Monday 19th June at the Killarney Athletic AFC Grounds, Woodlawn, and its main sponsor is Killarney/Kenmare/Cahersiveen Credit Union.

Speaking about the event,

Killarney Athletic AFC Chairman Donie Murphy stated "That we are

# It's back....

## Killarney Athletic 7-A-Side Tournament returns after 3 years

delighted to be celebrating our 44th year of this event and after a 3 years absence we hope for an exciting comeback and that the event will be bigger and better than ever. With events for all ages boys & girls from under 10-16

The competition will take place over a few weeks with games Monday to Friday and underage games being played on our new astro turf pitch. The tournament is open to all ages. Senior Ladies (over 16) Senior Men, Over 35s, and underage boys and girls from 10-16 years.

Application forms are available from the Beech Road of Killarney Credit Union and at [www.killarneyathletic.com](http://www.killarneyathletic.com).

The entry fee for Senior Men: €200; Over 35s: €200; Senior Ladies: €150 U 14/16: €100.

U10/12: €100 (this competition takes place on the 30th June and 1st July)

"Killarney/ Kenmare/Cahersiveen Credit Union is proud to be the main sponsor of this event, especially in light of its 44th year anniversary, we would like to wish the organisers and all participants the best of luck in this year's tournament"

There will be a range of accolades as part of the event, the Premier and Reserve Cups, the Kieran Cahillane Senior Player of the Tournament Award will be on offer for the outstanding player on view, while The Johnny Heffernan Underage Player of the Tournament Award will also be up for grabs. Also, there will be free entry to the 2024 tournament for the Premier Cup winners.

The closing date for all ages (to be returned to the credit union) is Friday 2nd June before 5.30pm.

The draw will take place on Tuesday 6th June at Scotts Hotel, Killarney at 9.00pm.

Further information is available from [www.killarneyathletic.com](http://www.killarneyathletic.com).

## €1.5 MILLION IN FUNDING FOR FREE SCHOOL BOOKS FOR KERRY PRIMARY SCHOOLS

**M**inister for Education and Kerry T.D Norma Foley today announces payment of €1,557,504 to provide primary school children in Kerry with free school books.

The scheme will provide free schoolbooks, workbooks and copybooks for all pupils in primary and special schools.

Thereafter the grant should be used to eliminate costs of related classroom resources such as pens, pencils, erasers, sharpeners, colouring pencils and whiteboard markers.

As part of Budget 2023, Minister Foley secured over €50 million in a landmark decision to provide free schoolbooks to primary school pupils within the free education scheme from September 2023.

This free schoolbooks measure will eliminate the cost to families for all schoolbooks, workbooks and copybooks at primary school, including special schools.

The free primary school books scheme will benefit more than 558,000 pupils in approximately 3,230 recognised primary schools, including over 130 special schools.

Minister Foley said: "Schools in Kerry will receive over €1.5 million to provide free schoolbooks in all primary schools and special schools. This ground-breaking, permanent measure will ease some of the financial burden facing families with the back-to- school costs. The scheme will provide, at a minimum, free schoolbooks, workbooks and copybooks for



all pupils enrolled in primary and special schools in the 2023/24 school year. By providing our primary school children with free school books, we are enhancing their educational experience, not just in the classroom but reaching out into the family home."



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## *Celestial sounds in harmony with nature* **DAWN CHORUS** at Killarney National Park

The celestial surrounds of Muckross Abbey, along with the 6th century monasteries of Innisfallen Island and Skellig Michael, Co. Kerry, will provide the perfect amphitheatre to this years 'Dawn Chorus' - presented by the Conservation Rangers of Killarney National Park, National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS) on Saturday 6th May, with live-stream beginning at 5.00am on Killarney National Parks facebook page [www.facebook.com/killarneynationalpark](http://www.facebook.com/killarneynationalpark).

The cloisters of Muckross Abbey (where it will be live-streamed) with its centerpiece 500 year old Yew tree, will come alive with bird song, just before 5.00am - 30 minutes either side of the sunrise in May.

The territorial call begins with a song of a robin, followed by the soft tones of the blackbird, then song thrushes, wood pigeons, wrens, warblers, sparrows, and finches. This years Dawn Chorus is led by Regional Manager Southern Division NPWS, Eamonn Meskell, Regional Manager Killarney National Park, Danny O'Keeffe, and Conservation Rangers, Mary Sheehan, Padruig (Brac) O'Sullivan, Sam Bayley, Jess Burkitt, Sean Forde and Tricia Beecher. The live-stream event will include bird expert Sam Bayley, identifying bird song of Skellig Michael - the popular puffin, kittiwakes, gannets and razorbills. Sean Forde and Jess Burkitt will identify bird song on Innisfallen Island. In addition to the bird song, Live music will be performed by Derry & Rosie Healy and renowned accordion player Bryan O'Leary. INEC Expert audio technicians Kieran Somers and Denis Lovett, will have installed



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*sitting from left, Sam Bayley, Padruig (Brac) O'Sullivan, Trisha Beecher, Jess Burkitt, May Sheehan, Kieran Somers, (Audio Technician INEC), Sean Forde, Denis Lovett and his Son Oscar Lovett (Audio Technician INEC).*

*Photo: Valerie O'Sullivan*

microphones and audio equipment in various locations ready for live-stream at 5.00am in the morning.

Mary Sheehan District Conservation Officer, NPWS, said "It's a great opportunity to showcase our work as Conservation Rangers, choosing the ecclesiastical sites of Innisfallen Island, Muckross Abbey and UNESCO Heritage site of Skellig Michael to record and livestream the bird song is a privilege. It serves as a reminder of how the monks lived their lives in silence and in song - devoted to God and to nature. We encourage people to pop in their earphones and listen to the bird song while walking 'Darkness Into Light' on Saturday morning."

## DAVID LOSES HIS BATTLE WITH CANCER



Just a few short weeks after a gofundme was launched to support Cork based Rathmore man David Saunders, the news has been announced by his sister Sinead that he has lost his battle with cancer.

On a message on the gofundme page which has raised over €160,000 for David's wife Anne Marie and his children Jack (2) and Aoibhín (4), David's sister Sinead said:

It is with great sadness, I have to share the news that David passed away yesterday, April 24th. David fought a valiant battle but now he's finally at peace. Thanks again for your

incredible donations and words of support. Your kindness has been amazing and provided David and his family with so much comfort in his final weeks.

The community of Rathmore and beyond had rallied around David (40) as he faced a mammoth battle against cancer following his third diagnosis with advanced sarcoma.

David was a former pupil of Meentogues National School and Scoil Phobail Sliabh Luachra, and was living in Cork where with his wife Anne Marie, who is from Castleisland, and their two children, Jack (4) and Aoibhín (2)

This was David's third battle with cancer, having overcome it twice as a child. Those battles resulted in him losing his leg but his positivity never waned and lived cancer free for 26 years.

David represented Ireland in the Amputee Football Team and was one of the first players to sign for the club's amputee team when it was launched in 2017, representing Ireland on 38 occasions.

All money raised will to to provide support for David's family.

Speaking about the gofundme before his

passing, David said "While I will continue to fight for every moment I get to spend with my precious young family, I have to face the reality that my time with them is limited. Naturally, as a husband and father, I want to do my utmost to ensure my young family are provided for when I'm no longer here and with that in mind I'm asking for your help".

Any donation, big or small, would be greatly appreciated and help reduce the financial toll that cancer leaves behind.

You can still donate at: <https://gofundme/51d7f9d8>

*Last night you came to see us  
When the darkness had no light  
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## Get your motors running for **IRELAND BIKEFEST 2023!**

**T**he motorcycle festival returns to Killarney from June 2 to 5, 2023 and the fantastic line-up of free entertainment, set to take place at festival headquarters The Gleneagle Hotel, has just been announced.

This year's programme features the biggest and best line-up yet taking in three stages - the Main Stage INEC, the Outdoor Stage in the Bike Village and The Harley® Bar.

Expect all the rock classics on the Main Stage at the Gleneagle INEC Arena where some of the greatest tribute and cover bands on the planet are set to perform including Rock Rising, Metallica Reloaded, JoanOvArc, The Unusual Suspects and festival legends and internationally acclaimed AC/DC Tribute - Hells Bells. New for 2023 – Glasgow's folk supergroup Mec Lir are set to make their Ireland BikeFest debut on the Main Stage on Saturday night.

Outside, in the purpose-built festival Bike Village, the Outdoor Stage will host a marathon of live music with performances by Springsteen – A Tribute, Renovator, Johnny Gallagher & The Boxty Band, The Vibe, All Folk'd Up, Rattle and Hum, No Strings Attached, Cash Returns and Bowtie. And that's not all! Favourite bikers' haunt The Harley® Bar is set to host Two Time Polka, Super Céilí and The Small Hours.

Ireland Bikefest is renowned as one of Europe's premier free open motorcycle festivals and is a firm favourite of bikers, aspiring bikers, families, visitors and locals alike. Thousands of motorcycle enthusiasts from around the world are expected to visit the picturesque town and county to make the most of the fantastic scenery, touring routes,

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*Ireland BikeFest, the country's largest, free open motorcycle festival returns to Killarney this June Bank Holiday weekend. Ireland BikeFest Killarney is supported by Harley-Davidson® UK & Ireland, The Gleneagle Hotel, Fáilte Ireland, Destination Killarney Ltd., Authorised Harley-Davidson® Dealers and Kerry County Council. Photo: Valerie O'Sullivan*



*In honour of National Poetry Day Nicky Barry shares his thoughts with the readers of Killarney Outlook*

### **IN SUNSHINE, WIND AND RAIN**

By Nicky Barry

Poets are a breed apart, for they see things differently,  
From folk who just get on with life, and haven't time to dream,  
For most poets are dreamers, who are romantically inclined,  
To marvel at Mother Nature, and the sad passing of time.  
They see the seasons come and go, with all their rustic charms,  
And blackberries on briars, as sweetness amongst thorns.  
They see farmers growing crops, and saving summer hay,  
And swans that glide on water, in their majestic way.

They see young lovers happy out, walking hand in hand,  
And wonder if they'll marry, and become mums and dads.  
They see old folks on park benches, who once were young  
and fit,

But who now have aches and pains, but make the best of it.

They see the sun arise at dawn, and go down at night,  
And good folk doing what they can, for refugees in flight.

They know life should be better, than the way it is,  
With famine and with warfare, malnutrition and disease.

Poets feel quite helpless, for all they have is words,

To try and raise awareness, of all that is absurd.

They see in equal measure, the wonder and the pain,  
Of the world we live in, in sunshine, wind and rain.





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# It's the talk of the town...

With Anne Lucey



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



The Healy Rae Machine is a family affair. Pictured when they were guests on the Late Late Show are from left Johnny, Michael, Jackie Jnr, Maura and Danny.

## Healy-Raes Rule out Joining a Rural party

Michael Fitzmaurice the Independent TD for Roscommon-Galway has said a new rural party is needed.

It is the last chance for rural Ireland, Michael said, clearly referring to the blanket EU led policies being imposed by all parties here to standardise and bring in "a one size fits all", urban and rural.

He pointed to the success of the farmers' and citizens' party in the Netherlands recent elections, where there are only 50,000 farmers. But one million people voted for them.

Two of our Kerry's five TDs are the Independent Healy-Rae brothers, Michael and Danny. They have ruled out joining a new farmers party and want to retain their independence, saying it works well for them and for Kerry.

In fairness, the Healy-Raes have what amounts to their own family party. They have three Healy-Rae councillors backing up two Healy-Rae TDs, which is more than some parties have. But the Healy-Rae machine is still very much a family affair.

The wider country and indeed the county would benefit from a new rural Irish party which would develop regional links and set down policy.

Such a party would be free of blood ties in more ways than one: The Civil War and the shedding of blood led to the creation of FF and FG, while the guerilla war in the North and the prolonged killings there led to Sinn Féin, it can be argued.

A brand new party would also be free of the historically inordinate influence of Labour and other parties in the public sector and Trade Unions - you could scarcely get a public service job in Kerry at one stage if you weren't tied in some way to Labour or the two other parties.

And let us not overlook how the highest paid civil servant in this country Robert Watt was a Labour party activist in UCD. Howlin appointed him as the first sec general of the

department of public expenditure and reform (of all things) and then wanted him given the job of governor of the central bank. I don't hear much from Ivana Bacik or indeed from Brendan Howlin on the too highly paid Mr Watt!

The Greens though born politically in Kerry have not cut it for rural Ireland and are now a party with an overwhelming large city outlook.

A new party for rural Ireland could set out to act on merit and need and not history, blood, pull or connections or centralised European thinking. It could set out to be a clean sweep with a clean modern outlook.

We fool ourselves into thinking that the differences between urban and rural have been ironed out by broadband. They have not. All the main cultural events and venues are still in Dublin. The health service is better in Dublin.

Cork our second city has not been allowed to develop its potential. If anything Cork is not near as lively as in the 1980s or 1990s.

Dublin is where everything is at now. So we badly need a feisty rural party the south whose TDs will get more attention than dramatic sound bites.

## Lack of public facilities in scenic areas highlighted

There are far too few public conveniences in beauty spots. While blue flag beaches have seen vast improvements, places like Kenmare pier badly need toilets.

This was the gist of what the Councillor Patrick Connor-Scarteen said at the recent county council meeting in Tralee. Kenmare pier has neither a public shower nor public toilet. Yet there is swimming and diving and now Kenmare has cruise ships calling. Patrick who lives in Killarney said it was a "ridiculous" situation and he also pointed out how inadequate the toilet and shower facilities are in the Killarney National Park. He is correct: all you have to do is sit on Dundag on a sunny afternoon and watch as people run for the bushes at Killarney's most popular and often crowded beach.

Elsewhere, mountain walkways could badly do with toilets and showers. These are public health issues and maybe it is time to involve the HSE?

## Dog Ways

The death of Bród the President's dog was one of the most read stories on RTE all last weekend.

There is clear affection for dogs. But the messages are mixed. Dogs are banned from wildlife reserves even in dog loving France; here on Bull Island, an important bird reserve, they are not allowed. They are also banned

from blue flag beaches in Kerry thanks to international criteria.

It will not be long before there are moves to ban dogs from at least the more sensitive deer and bird parts of the Killarney national park, is my guess.

So far the approach is carrot rather than stick, to use the words of senior conservation ranger Danny O'Keeffe last week on Radio Kerry.

Danny called for people to change "their habits" and not leave their dogs off the leash in the park. The policy now across all national parks was for all dogs to be on the leash at all times, he said. They cannot be allowed run wild and out of control because of the risk of disturbing wildlife, apart from the risk to people and especially to those fearful of dogs.

There are a number of offences under the Wildlife Acts to cover dogs worrying deer, birds and other wild animals and these days because there are more dogs than ever before there are more incidents.

However if dogs are kept on leads at all times there problems do not arise, there is no disturbance and the conservation rangers would prefer to change the habits and mindset of people thinking they could walk their dog without a lead, rather than slap them with prosecution and fines.

Meanwhile, a new toilet for dogs is being trialed in Dublin. The dog toilet has been introduced on Sean McDermott Street as part of a new move by the city council to promote responsible dog ownership with chronic dog fouling.

Perhaps it is time to pursue the motion by John O'Donoghue councillor in January for a dog park in Killarney?

John said dog ownership had "soared" during the lockdown and larger breeds of dogs particularly benefited from sealed off areas where they could run freely. He also felt this would reduce the need for people to let dogs off the leash in the national park.

The council in January was not enthusiastic, pointing to problems elsewhere and difficulties in finding a suitable site in Killarney. But it maybe time to look again at the idea.



President Michael D. Higgins pictured with his beloved dog Bród who passed away last week. Photo: President's Press Office.



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## CHAMBER AT IMPORTANT RDI HUB NETWORKING EVENT

**R**epresentatives of Killarney Chamber of Tourism and Commerce joined forces with other chambers in the county for a key business networking meeting held at the state-of-the-art RDI Hub in Killorglin on Wednesday.

The important Chambers of Kerry network provides support and links between the organisations for problem solving and ideas sharing, pulling from the wide range of expertise and experience available through the different areas.

Each chamber is committed to working to support its members while promoting each individual area and working together collaboratively for the benefit of Kerry.

Killarney Chamber Senior Executive, Bridget O'Keeffe, said it was wonderful to meet and share plans and ideas in such an impressive facility as the RDI Hub

In operation since 2020, the €21 million research and development hub is spearheaded by Fexco, Kerry County Council and the Munster Technological University.

A world-class centre for design-led digital innovation, the hub facilitates innovation and supports start-ups in the fintech, climatech, agtech and artificial intelligence sectors, bringing together corporates, SMEs and start-ups to innovate and grow for the future.



*Pictured at the Kerry Chambers meeting at the RDI Hub were, from left, Lee Dowling Griffin, The Reeks District; MJ Kearney, Castleisland Chamber Alliance; John B Sheehy, Dingle Business Chamber; Shane McElroy, Killorglin Chamber Alliance; Pádraig Treacy, Killarney Chamber of Tourism and Commerce; Bridget O'Keeffe, Killarney Chamber of Tourism and Commerce; Nathan McDonnell, Tralee Chamber Alliance; Johnny McGuire, Killarney Chamber of Tourism and Commerce; Oliver Holbein; KMEG Kenmare Chamber; Joan Flavin, Listowel Business and Community Alliance; John Reen, Tralee Chamber Alliance; Catherine Evans, Killorglin Chamber Alliance and Collette O'Connor, Tralee Chamber Alliance*

The hub recently revealed plans to add 50 new spaces by the end of the year, nearly doubling its capacity. The expansion also includes a digital media lab with podcast and video recording facilities, to let businesses create their own media assets on-site.

In the past year, 16 new companies have joined RDI, with members now including Liebherr Container Cranes, Glencar Construction, Helgen Technologies and Taxamo.

## KERRY BIOSPHERE RESERVE BOOKLET LAUNCH

**T**he Kerry Biosphere Officer, Brendan Kirwan, was delighted to launch the Kerry Biosphere Reserve booklet in Killarney Library, this week. Brendan was joined by Matthew Farrell (Municipal District Officer, Killarney Municipal District), Damien Ginty (Senior Planner, Kerry County Council), Mary Sheehan (DCO, Killarney National Park), Patricia Deane (Project Manager, ACRES Kerry and West Cork), and Ger McEnery (Development Officer, Reeks Mountain Access Forum).

The Kerry Biosphere Reserve booklet is a 32-page document which provides useful information on the origins of the Kerry UNESCO Biosphere Reserve. The booklet provides the reader with an in-depth knowledge of the designation, the extent of its range and the significance of the reserve in national and international context. The booklet is beautifully illustrated with a range of photos and images from the Killarney National Park and the MacGillycuddys Reeks mountain range, and illustrations from renowned local artist Katie O'Donoghue.

The rare and wonderful habitats and species of the biosphere are celebrated in the booklet with insights into the wetlands and uplands that occur within the reserve.

The Biosphere reserve is noted for its rare and important habitats and species, but is also noteworthy for its significant cultural heritage. The reserve is home to a range of field monuments, some as early as the Late Mesolithic (c.5,000 BC). The celebrated cultural history of the reserve is also well represented in the booklet.

Practical information relating to activities and permits required within the reserve, and the concept of Leave No Trace are also presented in the Kerry Biosphere Reserve booklet.

For more information about the Kerry Biosphere Reserve please visit [www.kerrybiosphere.ie](http://www.kerrybiosphere.ie) or contact the Biosphere Officer at [kerrybiosphere@skdp.net](mailto:kerrybiosphere@skdp.net) or 087 152 7746.



*The Kerry Biosphere Officer, Brendan Kirwan, was delighted to launch the Kerry Biosphere Reserve booklet in Killarney Library, this week. At the launch were from left, Ger McEnery, Development Officer Reeks Mountain Access Forum, Mary Sheehan, Conservation Ranger and DCO National Parks and Wildlife Services, Brendan Kirwan, Kerry Biosphere Officer, Damien Ginty, Senior Planner, Kerry County Council, Patricia Deane, Project Manager, ACRES Kerry and West Cork, Matthew Farrell, Municipal District Officer, Killarney Municipal District. Photo: Valerie O'Sullivan*



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## TIGHT LINES AS THE CHARITY ENJOYS A SUCCESSFUL DAY ON THE LAKES

The organisers of 'The Charity' annual fly fishing competition, the Lough Lein Anglers' Association, Killarney enjoyed great success on the lakes at the weekend.

Lough Lein Anglers' Association is one of the longest established fishing clubs in Ireland, and last Sunday they celebrated the 35th annual charity open fly fishing competition known as 'The Charity'.

Stephen Hanley, Macroom and John O'Connell, Mallow were presented with 'Top Boat' and winners by Timo O'Sullivan, one of the organisers of the event. Stephen also won 'heaviest trout'. Spearheaded by Timo O'Sullivan, and to date the anglers have raised in excess of €275,000 for deserving charities in Kerry and Cork. The main sponsor of the event is Lee Strand Co-op, Tralee. The charity raised over €15,000 on Sunday for years deserving beneficiaries are Down Syndrome Kerry and Kerry Branch of The Irish Kidney Association.



Stephen Hanley, Macroom, centre and John O'Connell, Mallow, presented 'Top Boat' and winners by Timo O'Sullivan, organiser of 'The Charity' annual fly fishing competition of Lough Lein Anglers' Association, Killarney. Included front row is Corrie O'Flaherty, Secretary, Lough Lein Anglers, back row from left, Pat Curran, Treasurer, Denis Cronin, Mark Treyvaud, Down Syndrome Kerry, Tim O'Connor, Chairman, Lough Lein Anglers Association, Executive Officer at Lee Strand Co-op Gearoid Linnane, Phil Hogan, organising committee, Lough Lein Anglers, Theresa Looney, Kerry Branch, Irish Kidney Association, Padraic Coughlan, organising committee, Lough Lein Anglers Association, Debbie Templeton, Irish Kidney Association. Photo: Valerie O'Sullivan



Boats of all shapes and sizes as Members of Lough Lein Anglers' Association, Killarney, one of the longest established fishing clubs in Ireland, competing in the 35th annual charity open fly fishing competition known as 'The Charity' on Sunday. Photo: Valerie O'Sullivan



Brothers, Kevin and Hugh Healy, Mallow, along with Members of Lough Lein Anglers' Association, Killarney, competing in the 35th annual charity open fly fishing competition known as 'The Charity' on Sunday. Photo: Valerie O'Sullivan



Kevin Healy, PJ O'Brien, Pat Lehane and Hugh Healy, Members of Lough Lein Anglers' Association, Killarney, competing in the 35th annual charity open fly fishing competition known as 'The Charity' on Sunday. Photo: Valerie O'Sullivan



Chief organisers of 'the charity' Pat Curran, left, Timo O'Sullivan, and Corrie O'Flaherty



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## GREATER INVESTMENT CALLED FOR IN MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES

**C**llr. Donal Grady has raised the following notices of motion at the recent meeting of Kerry County Council.

It was agreed that Kerry County Council would write to the relevant Ministers expressing the urgent need for greater investment in Mental Health Services.

There is a severe shortage of Psychiatrists across the country, Ireland has 16 Psychiatrists per 100,000 people while other European countries have 28 Psychiatrists per 100,000 people.

Only 5% of Ireland's Health Expenditure is allocated to Mental Health Services, Slainte Care recommends 10% and The World Health Organisation recommends 12% should be allocated to meet today's demands.

Yesterday I spoke with staff from a number of Mental Health Centres across the county, they informed me there's no vacant space available in any of the centres in Tralee or Killarney, investment is urgently needed as individuals and families are suffering as a result of lack of funding in this sector.



Cllr. Donal Grady

## CALL FOR WAIVER OF CONNECTION FEE FOR KILCUMMIN RESIDENTS

**C**llr Grady has also requested that Kerry County Council and our project partners Irish Water would waive the connection fee to the residents of Kilcummin that are eligible to avail of the new Sewerage Scheme for the inconvenience and disruption caused by the ongoing works and road closures affecting their everyday essential travels.

This is also having a huge impact on the many businesses in the area, the Woodline route isn't fit for the volume of traffic passing through it at present the road surface is in a bad state of repair and when the project is completed I would ask the Woodline would also be resurfaced.

Initially the majority of the proposed pipeline route was to be carried out through private lands, we shouldn't have misled the residents by giving a projected completion time until we were sure we had land secure to carry out the project without such disruptions.

We should:

- Waiver the connection fee or at least
- Reduce the connection fee by an agreed percentage

## A Trip Down Memory Lane as John & Kathleen Celebrate their 60th Wedding Anniversary



John Lyne and Kathleen O'Halloran photographed on their wedding day with Best man Jack O'Sullivan, Flower girl Breda O'Halloran (Kathleen's youngest sister), and Bridesmaid Marie Tuohy

**O**n the 20th of April, 1963, Killarney couple John and Kathleen Lyne were married at Muckross Church and on April 20th, 2023, they were joined by their closest family, their children Danny Lyne, Mary Lyne-O'Toole, Liz Lyne, John Mike Lyne, and Ed Lyne, along with their partners Kathleen, Brendan, Lorraine and Magda, and grandchildren Matt, Aurie and Ylva to celebrate the milestone.

Kathleen (nee O'Halloran) moved from Cratloe West near Athea in Co. Limerick in April 1959 to work in the Muckross Hotel and Bar. It was here that she met local man John, from Muckross, who despite being a teetotaler, liked to socialise with friends in the local hotel bar, and so destiny played its hand! By year end 1959 they had already decided they would marry, and April 1963 was the chosen date. The newlyweds moved to Boston, Massachusetts in November 1963, and started a family there. In 1971 they decided to return to Ireland, and back to Muckross, where they have lived happily ever since, back in the neighbourhood where they first met.

*A beautiful photograph of John and Kathleen on their wedding day.*



The Happy Couple pictured with Best man Jack O'Sullivan, Johanna Lyne (John's mother), John and Kathleen, Mary and Ned O'Halloran (Kathleen's parents) in the garden opposite Muckross Hotel where they held their wedding reception.



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# THE LIFE AND LEGACY OF VICKY PHELAN CELEBRATED AT POIGNANT EVENT IN TRALEE



Recovery Haven held an event at the MTU Nursing building on Friday 21 April to mark the unveiling of a portrait of the late Vicky Phelan. Photo By : Domnick Walsh © Eye Focus LTD

**T**he life and legacy of the late Vicky Phelan was celebrated in poignant style in Tralee at the weekend as local cancer support charity, Recovery Haven Kerry, hosted the Kerry stage of the nationwide Vicky Phelan Campaign and Portrait Tour.

The Tralee-based charity joined forces with portrait owner David Brennan and friends and family of the late cervical cancer campaigner for the two-day awareness raising initiative, which was kindly hosted by MTU Kerry and supported by Tralee Chamber Alliance.

The Sólás Centre at MTU's North Campus was the location for the weekend's activities, which began on Friday night with an emotional, but hugely inspirational unveiling of the portrait by owner and lifelong friend of Vicky, David Brennan.

In front of an audience of over 100 invited guests, including some of Vicky's friends and parents John and Gaby, David gave an empowering insight into every aspect of the stunning portrait, beautifully detailing the symbolism of each section.

Another of Vicky's friends, John Wall, was also there to speak about who he called 'Vicky the person' and, like David, offered a wonderful insight into exactly the kind of woman Vicky Phelan was, away from her media persona.

Deirdre Walsh of Radio Kerry was also on hand to moderate a fascinating

panel discussion with prominent cancer awareness advocates, including 221+ campaigners Lyn Fenton and Caoimhe O'Neill Forde, as well as inspiring 18-year-old Roisín Ní Chadhla – BT Young Scientist and Student Public Health Researcher.

Recovery Haven Kerry Chairperson Tim McSwiney and Dr Brendan O'Donnell, MTU Registrar, both spoke eloquently on behalf of their organisations, in welcoming the tour to Kerry.

As part of the weekend's programme, the stunning portrait was also on public display at the Sólás Centre on Saturday morning, where, once again, David Brennan, explained its origins and meaning behind it. The previous night's speakers and Vicky's parents were once again present for Saturday morning's event, which was attended by over 60 people.

"Given the nature of our work in supporting those with cancer and their families, we are honoured to have been part of this special and very moving event which celebrates the legacy of a remarkable woman and continues her work of raising awareness and the importance of self-advocacy," said Recovery Haven Kerry manager, Gemma Fort.

"We are extremely grateful for the co-operation of MTU Kerry, particularly the Department of Nursing and Healthcare Studies under the leadership of Dr. Gerardina Harnett, and the support of Tralee Chamber Alliance and many other local businesspeople and community groups."

## Sadness at the passing of Billy Kenny

**T**here was great sadness when the news broke that Billy Kenny of Mill Road has passed away.

In a post on social media, Muckross Rowing Club paid tribute to him.

Over many years, Billy was a tremendous supporter of Muckross RC and the tradition of rowing in Killarney. Many will fondly remember Billy from regatta days at O'Mahony's Point where he gave generously of his time as a regatta official, race commentator and also interviewing the winning crews and spectators for the regatta video. Indeed, Billy was often the first to meet and congratulate many winning crews as they emerged triumphant from the lake, capturing very special memories over the years. He is pictured here at the Killarney Regatta of 1998, meeting the Muckross crew following their win in the Junior Ladies Sixes race.

Billy also greatly enjoyed seeing his children continue

the family tradition in the sport of rowing and successfully competing in the Killarney Regatta. Billy played an active role onshore for the committees of both Muckross RC and Killarney Regatta through the 1980s and 1990s. In this time, Billy helped in the club's continued development and renewed success as the numbers rowing swelled and the club returned to winning ways at Killarney Regatta. This success saw the club go on to grow from its annual involvement in Killarney racing to the year round activity we continue to enjoy today.

The club extends its deepest sympathy to the Kenny family. Our thoughts and prayers are with Billy's children Deirdre, Paul, Marie and Elaine, brother Freddie and extended family. At this time, we also remember Billy's late wife Breda and deceased siblings Eileen, Micheal, Pat, Christine and Sheila.

Ar dheis Dé go raibh a anam uasal.

The late Billy Kenny pictured in his capacity as an interviewer at the regatta.









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## KILLARNEY GIRLS REPRESENT IRELAND IN THE USA

**T**wo talented Killarney athletes have represented Ireland at the world cheerleading & dance championships in Orlando Florida.

Under the tutelage of coach Hayley Murphy, Emma Rose Byrne & Katlyn Moynihan competed in the doubles performance cheer section and placed 6th and 11th in the world in two different categories. It was an honour to compete at ESPN sports arena and represent Ireland.

Hayley Murphy coach of Legacy Elite cheerleading and gymnastics club Killarney is very proud of the girls achievements. "Both girls have been training with me since childhood and to see them in their adult years performing on a world class stage representing their country is an absolute honor. It is also fantastic to see women achieving in sport", Hayley told Killarney Outlook.

"On behalf of Emma and Katlyn I would like to thank the town of Killarney and everyone for their constant support throughout including cheer sport Ireland", Hayley added.

What's next for us? Katlyn & Emma will be back to training next week and will be working hard towards their new goals. Hayley will be running a summer camp July 31st-August 4th and all new members are welcome 0863958327.



Coach Hayley Murphy pictured in Florida with Emma Rose Byrne & Katlyn Moynihan.

## Harp Orchestra planning Kerry Concerts



The New England Irish Harp Orchestra

**T**he New England Irish Harp Orchestra USA are preparing to visit Killarney & Tralee on their 2023 Irish Tour.

The New England Irish Harp Orchestra, based near Boston USA, has been performing for over nineteen years under the direction of Regina Delaney. Regina trained in Ireland and is no stranger to these shores, having very strong connections with the "The Gathering Festival" in Killarney and others. The Orchestra performs throughout New England traditional and contemporary Irish and American music. Working with many Irish harps, fiddles, and bodhráns. The Orchestra weaves tunes and songs for a magical performance and a celebration of the Irish Harp. Made up of 6 Harps and other instruments it is a feast

for the ears. Last time they were in Killarney they got the largest crowd ever seen at St. Mary's Church of Ireland. At that concert our local harp builder Tim Carroll, supplied many of the instruments for that concert.

On Saturday 06 May 2023, The New England Irish Harp Orchestra will be performing at St. Mary's Church of Ireland, Main St. Killarney, Ireland at 8pm. Also on Sunday 7 May, they will perform at St. John's Church of Ireland, Ashe St, Tralee at 8:00pm. Special Guests – Afro Trad Ireland, will be joining them. There will be a retiring collection. Donations are accepted at the door and the Orchestra will have their CDs for sale. The New England Irish Harp Orchestra last toured Ireland back in 2014. Their websites at: [neiho.org](http://neiho.org) and [reginadelaney.com](http://reginadelaney.com)

## OUT FOR THE SUMMER....

Over the Moon...Kerry Cattle on the Mooov...cows love a change of scenery, from the concrete floors and straw bedding indoors, to a soft green pasture of Muckross, Killarney National Park. It marks the beginning of summer when cattle were driven out to the summer pastures. In olden times, rituals were performed to protect cattle, people and crops, to encourage growth. Bonfires were lit, the belief they had protective powers. Kerry Cattle are a rare bred - native to Kerry, distinguished its black colour, grazing outdoors in all seasons and is extremely hardy. Descended from the Celtic Shorthorn, brought to Ireland as early as 2000 BC considered one of the oldest breeds in Europe, known for their milk quality and gentle nature. Killarney National Park recognises the importance of conserving the historic Muckross Herd. Photo: Valerie O'Sullivan







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## NEW IRFU ROLE FOR LIAM

A passion for rugby has resulted in Killarney Rugby Clubs PRO and tireless volunteer Liam Murphy becoming the Munster Representative on the IRFU Minis Committee.

Liam, who lives in Listry with his wife Margaret and their four sons is well known in rugby circles for his coordination of training the stars of the future in the Minis Rugby sessions in Aghadoe.

Liam has now been appointed as the Minis Coordinator for Munster Rugby overseeing all Mini rugby across Munster and is the Munster representative on the IRFU Minis committee.

Liam spent last weekend in Dublin where he was involved in helping with the organising and running of the national Minis Blitz at the Aviva stadium, having organised the Munster blitz last October.

"It was an amazing day, and I even got to hold the 6 nations trophy and triple crown trophy," Liam told Killarney Outlook.

"It is wonderful to see so many clubs across the whole country play at the Aviva and you could see the kids faces light up when they went on to the pitch. To be able to get out on the pitch was a dream come true for me. A proud day for me to represent Munster and the IRFU yesterday", a delighted Liam said.



Liam Murphy pictured at the Aviva Stadium with the 6 Nations Trophy and Triple Crown Trophy

## LGFA BEAR A HIT IN RATHMORE

The LGFA Bear is causing quite a stir in Rathmore over the past few weeks, appearing at many of the club's activities.

The local Ladies Gaelic Football Club are on their fourth activity "Give" in the Lidi "One good club initiative.

"We're having such fun with this one!! Everyone is talking about the Rathmore LGFA Bear.

This bear is all about "GIVING" hugs helping to support our mental health",

Jodie O'Sullivan Monson told Killarney Outlook.

"Sometimes in life, we just need a hug, no words, no advice, just a hug to make you feel better", Jodie added.

The LGFA Bear has been busy, calling to all the businesses and schools in Rathmore and visiting the Rathmore GAA Pitch to meet and greet the kids.

He was a major hit", Jodie added.

THE LGFA BEAR GREETING KIDS AT RATHMORE GAA CLUB



THE LGFA BEAR IS A GREAT HIT IN RATHMORE



## GLENEAGLE CONCERT BAND TO PERFORM CHARITY CONCERT

The Gleneagle Concert Band are preparing to perform a charity fundraising concert in the Ballroom at The Gleneagle Hotel on Sunday May 14th

Featuring guest artists St. Brendan's College Choir, all proceeds from the concert will go towards Comfort for Chemo, St. Mary's Church of Ireland Killarney Window Restoration Fund, St. Brendan's College, Killarney and the Gleneagle Concert Bank Music Education Programme Instrument loan scheme.

The Band has previously performed for President Michael D. Higgins on his visit to Killarney and have toured extensively in Europe including trips to Lisbon in 2013, and Monaco and Cannes in the South of France in 2017.

This was the band's 7th foreign tour including visits to Germany, Holland, Sweden, Austria, Portugal and Paris over the past 40 years.

Tickets for the concert which starts at 7.30 are priced at €14 for adults and €10 for children/OAP and are available from the INEC ticket office, St. Mary's Church of Ireland Killarney, St. Brendan's College Killarney, Comfort for Chemo Kerry and from band members. Tickets will also be available at the door on the night of the concert.







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## SUPREME AWARD FOR EUROPE HOTEL & RESORT

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The winners of its highly-regarded awards were announced at The K Club in County Kildare. Kerry businesses receiving some special recognition including The Supreme Award of the Year!

What sets the Good Food Ireland® Awards apart from all others is their cross-sector approach, celebrating the successful collaboration of agri-food and tourism working together for inclusive economic growth. Each award is underpinned by premium quality, exceptional achievement, innovation, agility and resilience, together with a core commitment to local Irish provenance, community, sustainability and a culture where all can flourish.

Award winners were selected through mystery inspections and assessments of those businesses approved by Good Food Ireland and shortlisted by an independent panel of Irish and International leaders. Members of the public also cast their votes online for their favourite places across the island of Ireland in the Food Lovers Choice Awards.

Featuring across a variety of categories, the County Kerry businesses who have been named the nation's best are:

Supreme Award of the Year (sponsored by Kerrygold) – The Europe Hotel & Resort

Hotel of The Year (sponsored by Irish Hereford Prime) – The Europe Hotel & Resort

Producer of The Year, Fish & Seafood (sponsored by Roe & Co) – Realt na Mara Shellfish



*Pictured is Alex Nahke, The Europe Hotel and Resort and Micheal Brennan who won the Supreme Award 2023. Photo by Kevin McFeely FLY media*

## Reflections a winner for Kate



**C**ongratulations to Katie Angland who won the Novice category in the recent Water/Reflections themed competition, with her serene image of the beautiful Gougane Barra church which she took at sunrise on our recent Camera Club outing. Well done Katie and to everyone who entered.

The club continues to meet fortnightly in the Brehon Hotel or alternatively on Zoom until June.

For further information on membership details, please contact [secretary@killarneycameraclub.ie](mailto:secretary@killarneycameraclub.ie)

Alfie Tully with student Doctor Rashid Alghaithi, along with 150 children visited the Munster Technology University, North Campus in Tralee, as it hosts a Teddy Bear Hospital. The event was organised by students and staff from MTU and RCSI (Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland), along with charity partner BUMBLEance, the world's first ambulance service specifically designed and tailored for children.

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# PLAN YOUR STRATEGY FOR THE WEEKS REMAINING BEFORE THE STATE EXAMS



By Billy Ryle

## TIME MANAGEMENT

As exam candidates attend school for the final term before the State Exams begin on the 7th June, they have already done a fair amount of work. Many exam candidates have worked diligently and consistently throughout the year. Others may have been less focussed and motivated as they travelled the road to next June's exams. But the fact remains that every exam candidate has a foundation of work, however solid or precarious, on which to build over the next few weeks. Efficient and careful use of the remaining time will be enough to get you safely over the finish line. No matter how little work you have done to date, you can still achieve a worthwhile result in your exam if you put your best effort into the final few weeks. It's also important to appreciate that you know a great deal more than you give yourself credit for.

## SMART GOALS

The immediate priority now is to reassess your goals and make a plan of action for the run into the exam. The time for procrastination has well and truly passed. It's essential to have clear goals and an action plan to help you to be successful. If you are to achieve your academic goals, they will have to be SMART – specific, measurable, achievable, realistic and time-lined. Your focus must now be on your total readiness for next June's exams. Avail of all the help that is at your disposal during the next few weeks to ensure that you are in tip top shape for the challenge of the exams.

## ATTEND

The subject teacher at school, who after all is the expert, will guide you through the last few weeks in revision, exam techniques and overall subject strategy. Attend school regularly during the final term and maintain a diligent work schedule to give yourself every possible chance of achieving your goals. Be clear in your own mind as to what exactly your goals are. Have confidence in your ability to achieve

them. Have a plan to accomplish your aim and, critically, execute your plan by doing the necessary work.

## REVIEW

Carry out an honest review of your exam programme straight away. Make a decision about the level – higher, ordinary or foundation – of the paper you will answer in each subject. Set down a target grade in each subject. Convert each grade to CAO points and add up your six best scores. Now you have a target grade in each subject and an overall points' target to help motivate you. It's vital at this late stage to set realistic goals. For example, if you feel you may not be able for a higher-level paper in a particular subject, are you not far better off taking an ordinary level paper in that subject where you may achieve a decent grade? Consider what you would like to do after the Leaving Cert exam. A singular determination to achieve enough points to get a place in your course of interest is a great motivator. Perhaps, your primary motivator should be to do yourself justice in the exam and to achieve results that reward your ability and effort. Having clear and focussed goals will make your last term more productive and rewarding.

## CHALLENGE

Regard the next few weeks and the actual exam as a challenge that you will meet headlong and with determination. Approach it with confidence and belief in yourself. Take total control of your life and channel your energy in a positive direction. Every time you have a doubt or a negative thought about yourself replace it with a positive one. You will feel better about yourself if you are in control of your situation. To assume that control set aside some time to make out a plan of action. Decide what topics you need to revise between now and the exam. Make out an overall time schedule, a weekly schedule and a daily schedule. Make out that plan of action over the next few days so that you will hit the ground running.

## CHECKLIST

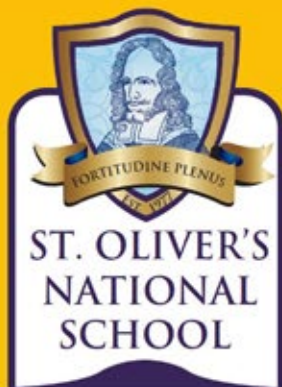
- Every exam candidate has already done a fair amount of work
- Proper use of the remaining weeks will get you safely over the finish line
- Procrastination is the thief of time
- You know much more than you give yourself credit for
- It's essential to have clearly set goals in the final term before the exam
- Set SMART goals – specific, measurable, achievable, realistic and time-lined
- Put a clear plan in place to accomplish your goals
- Have confidence in your ability to achieve your goals
- Implement your plan by doing the necessary work
- Avail of all the help that is at your disposal
- Regular attendance at school during the final term is vital
- Set a target grade in each subject to help motivate yourself
- Set an overall CAO points' total to help motivate you.
- Your primary motivator should be to do yourself justice in the exam
- Regard the exam as a challenge that you will meet headlong
- Exam timetables are available on [www.examinations.ie](http://www.examinations.ie)
- CAO closing date for late applications at €60 fee is 5pm on 1st May
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- The priority closing date for new applications for a SUSI Grant is 6th July
- Apply for MTU Kerry's new BSc in Veterinary Nursing (MT784) by 1st July

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Sean Kelly MEP and Adam O'Sullivan, Politics Student from St. Brendan's College share a joke at the European Parliament. Adam was part of a group of politics students from St. Brendan's College and St. Brigid's Presentation School who visited the parliament recently.







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St. Oliver's NS are asking all families to get behind the school and get involved in the school weekly lotto. It is hoped that the **weekly option of 1 line for €2.50** will encourage everybody to contribute.

*"We are asking past pupils, former staff, local businesses and friends of St. Oliver's to join us in this fundraising initiative and hopefully it will allow us to continue to improve and enhance the school environment and learning experience of all in St. Oliver's".*

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*Pictured here are staff from St. Oliver's NS, Killybeggs who are launching a brand new fundraising initiative. A weekly school lotto draw will take place each week with a maximum jackpot of €3000 to be won. Left to Right Colm Ó Súilleabháin, Catherine Doyle, Sandra Chute, Hannah Mary O' Connor, Aileen Moynihan, Olive Horgan.*

<https://www.ourfundraiser.ie/org/stolivers>



## Seán Kelly MEP welcomes Ireland South constituents to European Parliament



Kerry visitors included - Mary O'Shea, Frances O'Shea, Juliette Kelly, Linda O'Donoghue, Johnny Brosnan, Catherine Brosnan, Noreen Lyne, Pat Lyne, Ann McCarthy, Jack McCarthy, Ina Horgan, Catherine Horgan, Abbie O'Sullivan, Keira Geaney, Alice Willow Boyle O'Sullivan, James Kelliher, Adam O'Sullivan, Cian Murray, Nattagun Ryan, Ciara Irwin Foley, Bridget Grace O'Neill, Mary Teresa Doyle Hickey.

**S**eán Kelly, MEP for Ireland South, recently welcomed fifty constituents from across Ireland South to the European Parliament in Brussels. The group included individuals from Kerry, Cork, Kilkenny, Laois, Limerick, Tipperary, Wexford and Wicklow.

As part of their visit to the European Parliament, the group enjoyed a tour of the Parliament's hemi-cycle chamber and information sessions with MEPs and Parliament officials. Visitors had the chance to learn more about the day-to-day functioning of the Parliament and the variety of work undertaken by MEPs.

The group were particularly pleased to be joined by MEP, and former Lithuanian Prime Minister Andrius Kubilius. MEP Kubilius shared his perspective on how the EU can continue to support the ongoing war in Ukraine.

The group included a group of Politics Students from St. Brigid's Presentation Secondary School and St. Brendan's College.

Kelly said "I am always delighted to welcome constituents from across

Ireland South to the European Parliament. Sponsored visits such as this one are a wonderful opportunity to highlight the work we do here in the Parliament. By its nature, the EU legislative process can be complex and sometimes opaque, having constituents visits the Parliament is a way to bridge the gap between our work here in Parliament, and what is happening on the local level."

"It was also beneficial to speak with the group and to hear their concerns and hopes for Europe. As the voice for members of my constituency in the EU, engagements such as this are extremely important for orientating my work in the European Parliament."

During their time in Belgium, the group also had the opportunity to visit Brugge, Ypres, and historical WW1 battlegrounds known as the Flanders Fields.

If you are interested in applying to take part in a subsidised trip to visit the European Parliament in Brussels, please contact sean.kelly@europarl.europa.eu for further details on upcoming trips.

## CAHERNANE HOUSE HOTEL WINS the inaugural Fáilte Ireland Employer Excellence Awards

**C**ahernane House Hotel in Killarney has won the Best Employer - Small Business Award at the inaugural Fáilte Ireland Employer Excellence Awards which took place in the Guinness Storehouse, Dublin this week. The awards ceremony celebrated businesses who have demonstrated their commitment to making the tourism industry an appealing and rewarding place to work through their participation in Fáilte Ireland's Employer Excellence programme.

Over 170 tourism businesses registered to participate in the first intake of the Fáilte Ireland programme which launched in September 2022. As part of the programme, a survey was conducted with staff of participating businesses, which gave staff the chance to highlight the strengths of their workplace, along with areas for further development. Fáilte Ireland is now supporting these businesses to implement actions identified in their survey to further enhance employee engagement. The winning businesses were chosen based on this employee feedback.



Cahernane House Hotel won the Best Employer - Small Business Award at the inaugural Fáilte Ireland Employer Excellence Awards which took place in the Guinness Storehouse.

Picture shows Jenny De Saulles, Fáilte Ireland's Director of Sector Development; Emer Corridan, General Manager & Joanne Doyle of Cahernane House Hotel Co. Kerry and Paul Kelly, CEO Fáilte Ireland.

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# NEWS BITES...

## SCOR NA BPAISTI COUNTY FINALS

This Saturday April 29th will be a special day for the National School children from around the County who have qualified for the County Finals of Scor Na bPaisti, kindly sponsored by Lee Strand which will be held in the Glenbeigh/Glencar Sports Hall. Competitions will be commencing at 2 30pm sharp with the Quiz getting underway at the earlier time of 11-30am in the C Y M S Hall Killorglin. There will be medals for both winners and runners up; also the Siobhain Cotter Memorial Shield which was introduced in 2008 by the Coiste Scor Chairrai will be on display and presented to the overall Club at the end of the competition. Certainly this competition is sure to draw a huge attendance to the popular Mid Kerry venue. This competition comes to a conclusion at this stage.

## KILLARNEY ACTIVE RETIREMENT

meet every Friday in the KDYS Hall (back of Franciscan Friary Bookshop) from 2 to 4 PM New Members Welcome

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## ACCORD COUNSELLING SERVICES:

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

## GET YOUR COVID-19 VACCINE AHEAD OF MAY BANK HOLIDAY

Cork Kerry Community Healthcare is hosting COVID-19 vaccine clinics for all adults and children over the age of six months, ahead of the May bank holiday. If anyone is unsure of their vaccine status, you can check by contacting HSELive on 1800 700 700.

Dr Anne Sheahan, Area Director of Public Health for Cork and Kerry says: "It's important not to get complacent when it comes to COVID-19. Whether you are due a booster or wish to get your child vaccinated, please come along to a clinic near you. It is a very safe vaccine and will offer added protection, particularly if someone in your household has an underlying condition."

COVID-19 vaccination appointments will be available at the following clinics in Kerry:

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· Saturday, 29th April: 9:15am-1:15pm and 2pm-3pm (12+)

· Saturday, 29th April: 3pm-3:30pm (6 months – 4 years)

# Sophia Physics National Finalists for Castleisland Community College

Castleisland Community College had 3 different projects reaching the National Sophia Physics competition . The school has won the competition for the last three consecutive years. The Transition year students undertook their projects with guidance from their teacher Kellie Sheehy.

The first group consisted of Bella Harmon, Emma O'Donoghue and Amy McCarthy. The girls decided to explore the physics behind soccer. They chose this particular topic due to their interest and involvement with the local soccer club for the last 5 years. They researched the physics behind the curve of a ball depending on how it is kicked. They learnt that when a soccer player kicks a ball off-centre it causes the ball to spin. The direction and speed of the spin will determine how much the ball curves during flight. The curve of the ball during flight is known as the Magnus effect. As the ball spins, friction between the ball and air causes the air to react to the direction of spin of the ball. The second group consisted of Fionn Griffin, Sean McCarthy and Cathal White.

The boys based their project on the sustainability of combustion versus electric engines. 'We learnt that combustion engines use fossil fuels and produce harmful

emissions such as carbon dioxide. Electric engines use lithium ion as their batteries and have no emissions, but the mining of the lithium is very harmful to the environment however. We also illustrated how they worked to show their differences. In conclusion we established that they are both harming the environment in different ways.' concluded Cathal and Seán.

The final group consisted of Bláithín O' Mahony, Leah Whelan and Caitríona Murphy. They based their topic on the physicist Lisa Meitner. 'We picked Lise Meitner as we admired her for revolutionary discoveries and for her determination to succeed despite the odds being stacked against her. Lise Meitner discovered the element protactinium and nuclear fission, which is used in nuclear power plants and atomic bombs. Being a Jewish woman in Nazi Germany was an extremely dangerous position to be in, so she fled to Sweden to continue her scientific work there. After World War II, her research partner, Otto Hahn, won the Nobel Prize for Chemistry for the discovery of nuclear fission. Lise was not awarded this prize, although she was nominated 49 times for Physics and Chemistry Nobel Prizes' stated Bláithín, Leah and Caitríona.



National finalists of the Sophia Physics competition - From left Caitríona Murphy, Leah Whelan, Bláithín O Mahony, Seán Mc Carthy, Kellie Sheehy (Teacher) Cathal White, Emma O Donoghue, Bella Harmon and Amy Mc Carthy.

Peter and Alice Farr with Pamela Farr and Claire Kelly, MTU, along with 150 children visited the Munster Technology University, North Campus in Tralee, as it hosts a Teddy Bear Hospital. The event was organised by students and staff from MTU and RCSI (Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland), along with charity partner BUMBLEance, the world's first ambulance service specifically designed and tailored for children. Photo: Valerie O'Sullivan





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# DANCE STUDENTS ENJOY SUCCESS IN MAJOR CHAMPIONSHIPS

Following on from their success at the All-Ireland Championships earlier in the year, Gneeveguilla based dancers from the Áine Murphy Academy of Irish Dancing brought more silverware back from the World Championships which were held in Montreal, Canada over the Easter break.

Four of the 8 dancers who qualified from the school made the long trip to Montreal to compete with the best in the World and all 4 dancers made it through to their respective final rounds after each competing over 2 days.

To add to the All-Ireland title she won in the INEC in February, Caoimhe O'Halloran finished in 2nd place in the Under 16 category bringing her 4th successive Globe back to her home parish of Kilcummin to a fabulous homecoming from her family and friends.

Matthew Quilter finished in 6th place in the Under 12 boys following up on his 4th place finish at the All-Irelands.

Caoimhe Cawley Under 14 and Katie Heneghan Under 16 both received medals for reaching the final round of their respective competitions in huge competitions.

Aside from the World Championships in Montreal, other dancers from the school who were too young to compete in this years World Championships danced up a storm at the All-Ireland Championships which were held in the INEC last February.

Marcus O'Sullivan joined his classmate Caoimhe in winning an All-Ireland title in the Under 10 boys to add to the many other titles he won in the last year while Brian Hurley was 3rd in the same competition. Both boys are looking forward to qualifying for and competing at their 1st World Championships in Glasgow next year.

Other dancers to compete with great success at the All-Irelands were Rubymay Quilter, Grace O'Sullivan, Laura Cronin, Saoirse Griffin, Sean O'Scanlain Kennelly and Conor Clifford

The dancers are all now back in class training from the year ahead with new goals to work towards.



Caoimhe O'Halloran, All-Ireland Champion with her 2nd place Globe from the World Championships



Matthew Quilter 6th at the World Championships and 4th at the All-Irelands



World medal winners Caoimhe O'Halloran, Katie Heneghan and Caoimhe Cawley



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Brian Hurley 3rd place Under 10 at the All-Ireland Championships



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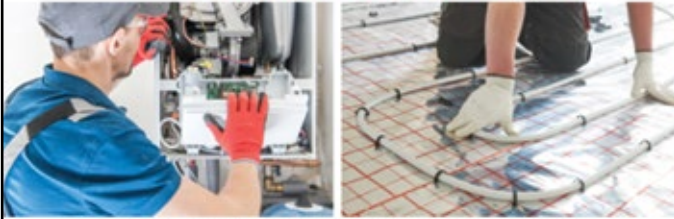


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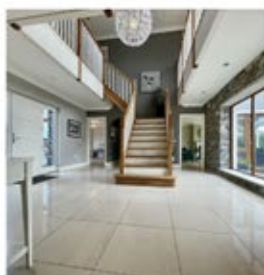
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## MUNSTER U14 A CHAMPIONSHIP FINAL

**Cork 2-11 -v- Kerry 1-16**

Kerry are Munster U14 A Champions for the first time since 2018 in a pulsating encounter in Mallow on Saturday. These two sides met in the All Ireland Final last year in which Kerry were victorious in an encounter that will live long in the memory of players and supporters. While some players from last year were no longer involved for either side this encounter lived up to the same excitement and drama. Both sides exchanged scores from Carla O'Regan and Jessie Lynch before Cork scored two on the bounce from SORCHA O'Rourke and Lily Foskin saw Cork open up a two-point lead by the thirteenth minute. They were looking to be pulling away from Kerry but the Kingdom kept their composure with two points from Jessie Lynch (one from a free) to draw the sides level. Cork struck a purple patch and scored two goals in quick succession to open up a six-point lead. Ava Coughlan & Sarah Galvin raising the green flags. On the basis of watching underage Cork teams this season they have a tendency to pull away from teams. Kerry however didn't let the heads drop and kept their composure for the remainder of the half Gracie O'Sullivan with a goal and Leah Griffin with a point saw the deficit reduced to two. Cork's Carla O'Regan steadied the ship for the rebels from a free to push the lead back out to three. Kerry made one last drive at the Cork goal approaching half-time and where successful scoring two unanswered points from Jessie Lynch & Lily Riordan as Cork went in at the break one point in front in what was a frantic finish to the first half. Kerry would have been happy with the strong finish & response and would take great encouragement going into the second half considering the scoring threat Cork had available and their failure to build on their six-point advantage. Clearly shell-shocked by Kerry's strong finish to the first half, Cork started the second half the strongest scoring three unanswered points and extending the lead back out to four. Both sides exchanged frees Jessie Lynch for Kerry and Carla O'Regan for Cork as the lead remained at four points. Disaster for Kerry shortly after as Cork were awarded a penalty. It was a chance to extend the lead to seven but the attempt at a penalty went wide. It spurred Kerry into action scoring three unanswered points. Two Jessie Lynch frees and a Gracie O'Sullivan point from play saw the deficit reduced to the bare minimum as both sides felt the game was there for the taking. As the sides exchanged points the excitement among the spectators. The sides were level approaching full time and with injury time now in play Kerry went ahead thanks to Louise O'Donoghue to the delight of the travelling support. It was only the second time in the match Kerry went ahead. Victory was assured when Jessie Lynch pointed deep into injury time to the delight of the Kerry faithful.

Kerry: N Mulvihill; N O'Connor, A Brosnan, S Lyons: A Slattery, E Dillane, M O'Reilly; L Griffin (0-01), S Flynn; K Kirby, J Lynch (0-09 7f), L Riordan (0-03), E O'Donnell, G O'Sullivan (1-01), E Evans. Subs: L O'Donoghue (0-01) for E Evans, A Bowler



*Kerry are Munster U14 A Champions for the first time since 2018*



*Kerry are the Munster Minor B Champions for the third year in a row*

for A Slattery, J O'Connell (0-01) for E O'Donnell, F Lynch for K Kirby, A Doyle for N O'Connor.

## MUNSTER MINOR B FINAL

**Kerry 1-14 -v- Tipperary 1-08**

Kerry are the Munster Minor B Champions for the third year in a row with a well-earned victory over Tipperary in Mallow on Saturday. When these sides last met in Bansha earlier in the season there was just the bare margin separating the sides with Kerry coming out in top in touch playing conditions. Conditions were perfect in Mallow with Tipperary registering the first score of the game from Molly Gilmartin. Katie Doe drew the sides level shortly after as there was little to separate the sides in the early exchanges in an evenly matched contest where scores were exchanged throughout the half. A Julia Curtin free in the eight-minute saw Kerry take the lead for the first time. Captain Sarah Ryan pointed for Tipperary to draw the sides level once again. The sides were level on five different occasions in the first half and it wasn't until the twenty-eight minute when Kerry took the lead from a Julia Curtin free that Kerry would stay in the lead for the remainder of the game. Two further Julia Curtin frees and a Tipperary free from Ciara O'Hara saw Kerry's advantage stretched out to two. Tipperary had a chance to take the lead going in at halftime but Aoife Looney saved well in the Kerry goal as Kerry went in eight points to six in front. Kerry started the second half the strongest scoring two unanswered points. Leah McMahon with her first of the afternoon to stretch the lead to four. The crucial stage in this game came five minutes into the second half. Julia Curtin who's free taking had been excellent throughout the

game saw her attempted free drop short. Leah McMahon was quickest to react and her shot ended up in the back of the net to see Kerry's lead extend to seven. Sarah Ryan pointed for Tipperary to reduce the deficit to six. Midway through the half Kerry were dealt a blow when captain Roisín Rahilly was sin binned. Tipperary took full advantage scoring 1-01 in quick succession. The goal coming from Ava Ryan after she intercepted Aoife Looney kickout. The deficit was now down to three but it would turn out to be Tipperary's final score of the game. Two points from Clara Daly and Julia Curtin with her eight point saw Kerry win out deserving winners and progress to the All Ireland Semi Final Stages.

Kerry Scorers: J Curtin (0-08 7f), L McMahon (1-01), K Doe (0-03), C Daly (0-02)

Tipperary Scorers: A Ryan (1-01), C O'Hara (0-04f), S Ryan (0-02) M Gilmartin (0-01)

Kerry: A Looney, K Fuery, R Smith, L Reilly, C Gannon, R Rahilly (C), O McKenna, E Ní Laighinn, K Enright, A Curtin, L McMahon, N Quinn, K Doe, J Curtin, C Daly

Subs: G Reidy for O McKenna, T Murphy for O McKenna, G Gill for L Reilly

## MUNSTER U14 B CHAMPIONSHIP B FINAL

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**KILCUMMIN**

Written by: Helen Moynihan



*Mastergeeha U14 team who won the Cup Quarter Final*

### >KILCUMMIN COMMUNITY SCOR NA B'PAISTÍ FINAL

Takes place on Sat 29th April @2pm in Glenbeigh Sports Hall & Scor quiz final @ 11.30am in Killorglin Hall. Best wishes to all taking part and a word of thanks to their mentors.

### KILCUMMIN COMMUNITY GAMES

Congratulation to Brynn McCarthy who is County champion in U12 solo singing. It was second place all round for Ella Kate Pigott in Recitation, U12 music group and U16 music group. A special word of thanks to their mentors.

### BEST WISHES

Best wishes to the U10 mixed football, U14 girls football and the U12 girls soccer team and their coaches in the upcoming competitions.

### FACEBOOK

Anyone interested in Community games and would like to know more, please go to Kilcummin Community Games Facebook page where all upcoming events & activities will be posted. Please note you must reside in Kilcummin parish to participate

### COUNTY CLEAN UP

The County Clean Up took place on Saturday 15th April. We would like to thank all the volunteers that assisted in collecting rubbish on the roads in their area. Bags, when full, can be returned to the Rural Dev. Office. If you are unable to do so, please contact the 064 6643357.

### >KILCUMMIN GAA

#### CREDIT UNION CO LEAGUE DIV 1

#### Kilcummin 2-10 Milltown Castlemaine 0-8

Well done to our seniors who had a good win over Milltown Castlemaine on Saturday last. Goals in either half by Mark O Shea and Noel Duggan set us on our way inspired by great displays from Sean O Leary, Paul O Shea, James Nagle and Philip O Leary in particular. Next game is away to Kerins O Rahilly's on this Saturday at 7pm, April 29th. Team Keith O Leary, James Devane, Chris O Leary, Kevin McSweeney, James Nagle, Sean O Leary, Donal Maher, Kevin Gorman, Paul O Shea, Mark O Shea, Philip Casey, Danny Cronin, Eoghan O Donovan, Noel Duggan, Philip O Leary. subs used, Andy Lowin, Pdraigh Moynihan, James Williams and Oisín O Leary.

#### CREDIT UNION CO LEAGUE DIV 6 Legion B 1-13 Kilcummin B 0-11

Played in Dirreen on Sunday this was a lively entertaining encounter with great scores and some skilful passages of play. Team Liam Kerrisk, Oran Dwyer, Oisín O Leary, Dara Brosnan, Jack Fogarty, Mikey O Shea, Andy Lowin, Colm Kelleher, James Williams, Cian Lynch, Colin O Leary, Sean Moynihan, Chris Moynihan, Pdraigh Moynihan, Darren Lehane. Next game is at home to Churchill B on Sunday next 20th April.

### >MASTERGEEHA FC

#### U14 KERRY CUP QUARTER FINAL

Our U14A team who entertained Killarney Athletic in the quarter final of the Kerry Cup on a sun-drenched Thursday evening in Kilbreen Park. Final Score Mastergeeha 4 - 1 Athletic  
Con Deally, Jack Murphy, Daniel Buckley & Mark Larkin all on the scoresheet.



*Brynn McCarthy who is U12 solo singing County champion.*



*Community game music group is Colm Fleming, David O'Mahony, Ella Kate Pigott, Emily Brosnan & Aoibhinn O'Connor who came second in U12 group music.*

### LOTTO

There was no winner on Friday 21st April 2023 of the Jackpot for €2,600. Numbers drawn were 16,19,23,25. Consolation prizes of €50 went to Eileen Daly, Knockeendubh, Budge Grady, Firies, Anne O'Shea, Allman's Tec, Rose Maher. The next draw will be Friday 28th April for Jackpot of €2,800.





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## SPA

Written by: Leanne Cronin

## ➤RESULTS AND FIXTURES

When the final whistle was blown in Round 4 of the Credit Union SFL the score was all aboard, Spa 1-7 to Dingle 0-10. Spa currently have 4 points on the Division 1 table. Next weekend on the 30th April in Round 5 of this competition will see our Senior Men take on Castleisland Desmonds. This is an away game, throw in 1:30PM. All support is welcome.

LGFA - Round 3 of the Donal Curtin will take place Sunday 30th when our Senior Ladies play Corca Dhuibhne at home. Throw in 11:00AM

## ➤KILLARNEY CLUB 7S

The Men's and Ladies All Ireland Gaelic Football 7-A-Side Tournament is fast approaching. It will take place on June Bank Holiday Weekend, Saturday 3rd and Sunday 4th. Tickets can be purchased online [www.killarneyclub7s.ie](http://www.killarneyclub7s.ie)

## ➤COISTE NA NOG RACE NIGHT

The second Spa Coiste Na nÓg Race Night was held on 22nd April 2023 in the Great Southern Hotel. There were a great variety of prizes on offer on the night with many happy winners. We want to extend our thanks to all of the volunteers that made the night happen and to each and every person that contributed to supporting the night and to those that came along on the night to enjoy the fun. This is one of the main fundraisers to support the ongoing development of the Juvenile Club covering costs of new footballs, equipment, referees and so forth and it is with thanks to your support we are able to do so. These funds also help us to run events for the kids throughout the year such as the St. Patricks day parade, Easter egg hunt, Halloween party and Santa visit



Spa Captain Evan Cronin and Dingle Captain Conchubhar ÓFlannúra pictured with referee John Enright)

## ➤KERRY GAA

Well done to Kerry Senior Men including our own clubman Dara Moynihan on their defeat over Tipperary in the Munster Senior Football Championship Semi Final. Kerry will play Clare in the Munster Senior Football Championship Final on Sunday May 7th at 4pm, venue TBC

## ➤ITEMS FOR NOTES

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

## GLENFLESK

Written by: Seamus Healy

## ➤LOTTO

There was no winner of Glenflesk Lotto which took place on 18/ 4/ 2023 in Glenflesk Hall. Jackpot €3,200. The numbers drawn were 6, 13, 24, 30 Consolation Prizes of €50. 1. Joe and Maureen O' Donovan (Yearly Ticket). 2. Vincent Donovan (Yearly Ticket) 3. Tim O' Callaghan (Yearly Ticket) 4. Julie Brosnan ( Sellers' Prize). Next draw will take place in Glenflesk Hall on Tuesday 2/ 5/ 2023 ( because of Bank Holiday) Jackpot will be €3,400 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](https://play.clubforce.com/play_newa.asp?ll_id=2534#Anchor)

## ➤CREDIT UNION COUNTY LEAGUE DIVISION 2 ROUND 4

## GLENFLESK 1 - 7 KENMARE SHAMROCKS 2 - 9.

Kenmare were the victor's in this top of the table clash in Division 2 of the County League, with some high quality football played, despite the nasty conditions.

It was the home side who started the better, with the early ball into Patrick Darcy causing the visitors problems. He scored the first point of the evening, and a foul on him allowed Jeff O Donoghue fire over the second. It was Kenmare who dominated the rest of the half. While Glenflesk were reliant on frees from Tommy Bowler and O Donoghue, Kenmare's forwards began to get on top, with Jimmy Lehan, Kevin O Sullivan and Darren Allman all finding the target with well worked moves. There were errors from both teams, caused mainly by the conditions, but Kenmare were worthy of their two point lead at the break.

They controlled the ball well to start the second half, but could not add to their lead. A high tackle from Darragh Crowley then saw him receive a second yellow card, meaning Glenflesk would have an extra man for the majority of the second half. Kenmare were able to get body's back and frustrate Glenflesk, with a superb O Donoghue long range point, the only Glenflesk score in the next fifteen minutes. Kenmare then earned a penalty, that Tommy O Sullivan blasted to the corner of the net. They now had a six point lead, and victory looked secured. Glenflesk weren't going away though. Denis O Connor letting fly with as sweet a strike as you will see anywhere, blasting the ball to the net. They couldn't create another goal chance though, and Jamie O Regan's twist and finish just before the end confirmed the victory. In what look's like it will be an extremely competitive division, this was a big win for Kenmare. They now go top of

the table. Glenflesk's long winning run in the County League was always going to end sometime, and tonight was the night. Three wins from four is still impressive though, and this result should not take away from that. 1. Eoin Moynihan 2. David O Connor, 3. Denis O Connor (1.0), 4. Peter Cronin, 5. Michael Mullane 6. Daniel O'Brien, 7. Emmett Finnan (C), 8. Jeff O Donoghue (0 - 4), 9. Tommy Bowler (0 - 2), 10. Cian Horan, 22. Danny Lucey, 12. Sean Doherty, 13. Ian Roche 14. Patrick Darcy (0 - 1), 15. Kevin Bowler, 18. Sean Lucey, 19. Dara Fleming, 20. Michael O Shea. Report by Michael Healy.

## ➤KERRY U20

Well done to captain Killian O Sullivan, Cian Lynch, Luke Crowley, Dyllan Roche, Seamus Moynihan & the Kerry GAA U20 team & management defeating Clare in the Munster semifinal.

## ➤AINE NI SHUILLEABHAIN

Áine Ní Shuilleabháin has put in over 41 years volunteering as a research biologist, dedicated to the recording of valuable scientific data on waterfowl and water quality in the 26,000-acre park.

Her research has been an invaluable source of material with recordings dating back to 1982 and Áine's contribution, observing ecosystems and reports on her findings will be recognised for generations to come. On retirement Áine returned to Kerry and Glenflesk became her home place. Volunteering with Glenflesk GAA club, serving initially as PRO and currently as health officer, also a previous PRO of the East Kerry Board where she gave many years of dedicated service. She was appointed this year to the role of Kerry County Board children's officer, a role she is very proud to hold. Congratulations Áine from all at Glenflesk GAA.

## ➤KERRY LADIES U14

Congratulations to Megan O'Reilly who played wing back with Kerry In The U14A Munster Final last Saturday in Mallow where they defeated Cork.

## ➤SCOR NA BPAISTI

Best wishes to Olivia and Sean Angland representing Glenflesk in Instrumental music at the weekend in the County final in Glenbeigh.

## ➤WORLD TRIATHLON MULTISPORT CHAMPIONSHIPS

Best of Luck to Declan O'Donoghue of Beheenagh, Headford who will be representing Ireland at the World Triathlon MultiSport Championships in Ibiza on the 7th May 2023. Declan has also been selected as the Irish Triathlon Team Captain. Best of luck to all.



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## RATHMORE GNEEVEGUILLA

By Michael O' Mahony

### >BASKETBALL

Congratulations to Rathmore Ravens Basketball Club are the AICC U16 Boys 1 winners! Last weekend

>SYMPATHY to families of Gerard McCarthy RIP Killarney & Gneeveguilla. Gerard played Gaelic Football in his day with Gneeveguilla. Also served as Chairman & treasurer of Club & he refereed County Final. Gneeveguilla GAA held Guard of Honour form O'Shea's funeral home to St. Mary's Cathedral Killarney. A member of East Kerry Board was in Guard of Honour

>MASS in the City is on Sunday 7th May at 1-30pm in Shrone. No mass on Saturday 6th May in Shrone

>ALLIRELAND FINALS OF SCOR NA NOG 2023 Saturday, 6th May, 2023 will take place in the INEC, Killarney, on May the 6th at 3.00pm.

### >SLIABH LUACHRA MENS SHED

A Shed is place where men can meet to chat, coffee, get involved in a Project, play cards, etc, and generally socialise It hope re organised the sliabh Lachra men's shed formed a committee to re organised men's shed New member welcome for further information contact 087 6676817.

### >FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2023

This Saturday. April 29th at Holy Family School N.S Rathmore. Knocknagree N.S. on Saturday May 6th. Gneeveguilla & Meentogues Saturday May 13th 10am & Shrone 12 noon

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### >RALLY OF THE LAKES 2023

Record Breaking Entry for the Assess Ireland International Rally of the Lakes The 42nd running of the biggest rally in Kerry will take place on April 29th and 30th. So far over 220 crews have entered, setting an all-time record for the event and beyond doubt proving the rally's popularity. Along with a high volume of entries, there is strong representation across all the categories, including the Juniors and Historics who will run separately from the main field, allowing for an extra 50 cars to take part in the event. The rally returns to the Beara Peninsula on Saturday for the first time since 2019 and the route will include the favourites like Cod's Head, Ardgroom and the Healy Pass. Sunday's route also features some new roads, and after two runs over Moll's Gap and Ballaghbeama the rally heads to east Kerry. The sting in the tail includes two runs over Gortnagane and a stage that has not been used for rallying since the 1983 Circuit of Ireland – the last time the famed five-day event visited Kerry. Best of luck to all competitors & safe driving

>RALLY OF LAKES 2023 ROAD CLOSURES IN EAST KERRY on Sunday 30th April. Gortnagane 12-15 to 18-05. Starting Headfort via Droom. Doocarraig Beg. & Gortacarrin. Auniskirtane to the County Bounds.

Knockrower East 12-45 to 18-45

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### >NOTES

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

## BEAUFORT

By Bridget Hartnett

### >FIXTURES

Senior men will be away to An Ghaeltacht, Saturday, 29th April at 7pm, Co League, Div. 2, round 5 and home to Valentia at 2pm on Sunday in round 5.

Div. 6. Beaufort Under 15 Boys will take part in Feile Peile na nOg. The Kerry qualifying rounds are on Friday, 5th May. Finals on Saturday, 6th May. Times and venues to follow.

### >RESULTS

Beaufort 6.13 Annascaul/Lispole 1.13 in Co Minor League, Div. 6 final.

Beaufort 0.14 Templenoe 2.08 in Co League, round 4, Div. 2. Kerins O'Rahillys 3.11 Beaufort 0.09 in Co League, Div. 6. Ballyduff 1.08 Beaufort 4.04 in U13 Co League

### >LOTTO

The next lotto draw for a jackpot of €12,800 will be on Sunday, 30th April 2023. Tickets are €2 each or 3 for €5 and are available from usual sellers, shops, public houses and online at: www.beaufortgaa.com. Thank you to everybody who support the lotto.

>CONGRATULATIONS to Fay O'Donoghue who played in the Kerry Ladies senior B team at the weekend. They were

defeated by Clare in round 1, Munster senior B Championship. Nessa O'Donoghue who played in the Primary game team at the Kerry v Tipperary senior game in Fitzgerald Stadium.

Lily Riordan part of Kerry U14 A team which won the Munster A final. Gráinne Kennedy and Lily Kearins who were part of the successful Munster minor B final team.



Beaufort minor team and management which were successful in Co Minor League, Div. 6 final.

## LISTRY

Written by: Colette Leslie

### >LOTTO

13,15,16, 26. €100 Phil Tangney, Faha. €50 Roman Gallagher, Rockfield. €50 Breeda Tangney, Listry. €25 Kate Murphy, Lahard. €25 Amanda Howe, Rockfield.

### >SENIORS

Best of luck to our senior team and management who are away to Knocknagoshel next Sunday at 2PM.

### >U15

Our u15 A team are away to Austin Stacks on Wednesday the 3rd of May. B team host Kerins O Rahillys/St Pats this Friday 28th at 6.30pm in Keel.

### >U13

Our U13 teams brought the curtains down on phase one of the Lee strand county league with 2 wins against neighbours Milltown/castlemaine on Sunday evening.

### >U11

Our U11 teams are at home to St Pats on Thursday the 4th of May.

### >QUIZ NIGHT

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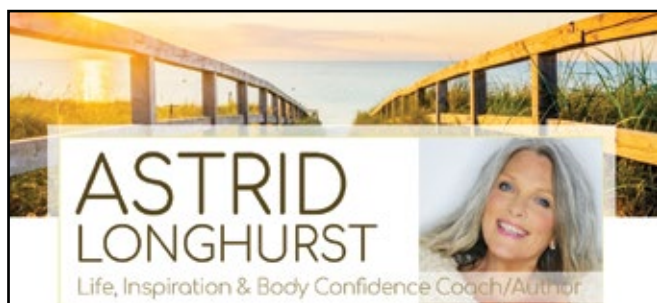


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Some people get retinal migraine every few months, although the frequency can vary.

Retinal migraine is a separate condition and should not be confused with headache-type migraine or migraine with aura, which usually affects the vision of both eyes.

**The symptoms of retinal migraine may include:**

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

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

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

Retinal migraine is caused by the blood vessels to the eye suddenly narrowing (constricting), reducing the blood flow to the eye.

It may be triggered by:

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

Retinal migraine tends to be more common in:

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

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

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Ryan Leslie, Lahard, Beaufort who was Confirmed by Bishop Ray Browne at the Church of The Immaculate Conception, Listry on Wednesday 19th April, with mom and dad Elerena & Kevin, and brothers James and Daniel. Photo by Tony O'Brien 087 7417273

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## MUCKROSS ROWING CLUB

### SYMPATHY

The club extends its deepest sympathy to the Kenny family on the passing of Billy Kenny. Over many years, Billy was a tremendous supporter of Muckross RC and the tradition of rowing in Killarney. Many will fondly remember Billy from regatta days at O'Mahony's Point where he enjoyed many great occasions as a regatta official, race commentator and also interviewing the winning crews and spectators for the regatta video. Our thoughts and prayers are with Billy's children Deirdre, Paul, Marie and Elaine, brother Freddie and extended family. At this time, we also remember Billy's late wife Breda and deceased siblings Eileen, Micheal, Pat, Christine and Sheila. Ar dheis Dé go raibh a anam uasal.

### LIMERICK REGATTA

Last weekend, the club was represented in just one event at the Limerick Regatta. Congratulations go to Aine Sweeney and Denise Casey, who were winners in their straight final of the Womens Masters Eight event as part of a Carlow/Muckross composite crew. The gold medals echoed the success enjoyed by both clubs at Senior level when a composite crew of the same clubs won the Senior Eight title at the Irish Rowing Championships in 2009 - a crew in which Aine and Denise both featured.

### EVENTS

The next events on the regatta calendar for MRC include the Lee Regatta at the Cork city marina on Saturday, May 13th and the Castleconnell Regatta on Saturday, May 20th. Both are 500m sprint events and will turn up the tempo for our crews!

## GNEEVEGUILLA ATHLETIC CLUB

### LOTTO 21/04/2023

No winner of our lotto draw 21/04/2023. Numbers drawn were 5, 12, 19 & 27. Sellers prize winner Margaret Hayes, €50 y/t prize to Tony Moynihan Lacka. €50 to Damien Fenton On Line. €40 each to Tom Fleming Scartaglin, Mary Francis Fleming c/o Mgt Hayes & Katie & Siobhan Buckley Toorbona, Rathmore. Bonus not won, numbers drawn 4, 12, 13 & 291, 9, 10 & 25. Next week's jackpot €11,400 plus €1,000

## KILLARNEY VALLEY ATHLETIC CLUB

The Kerry Athletics Awards Banquet was on in the Listowel Arms Hotel on Saturday night and 7 of our athletes were recipients of Awards for their outstanding and consistent performance in the sport at National & International Level in 2021 & 2022. Sarah Leahy received the Kerry Senior Women Track & Field Award. Sam Griffin received the Kerry Junior Men Track & Field Award. Oisín Lynch, Jason O'Reilly and Jordan Lee received International Awards while Antonya Lejwoda and Keelan Veerasoo received Club Awards.

Meanwhile, at the Irish University Track & Field, Sarah Leahy took gold in the 100m and came 2nd in the 4x100m with her UL Team. Sarah was also awarded Best Female Athlete by National University's. Ciara Kennelly came 2nd in the High Jump while also captaining her DCU Team that came 1st overall.

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## KILLARNEY RUGBY CLUB

### U16 WIN WEST MUNSTER CUP

A huge congrats to our U16's boys who won the West Munster Cup last Saturday in Tralee. A truly cracking game of rugby saw our lads win in front of a fantastic crowd and to the delight of the Killarney RFC supporters who travelled en masse. Very well done to all players, coaches



*Sarah Leahy, National University's female athlete of the year and Kerry Senior Female Athlete of the year 2022*

and team management and thanks to Rugbaí Chorca Dhuibhne for the sporting game. The club is so proud of you all.

### U14 UNLUCKY IN WEST MUNSTER CUP

Hard luck to our U14's boys who narrowly lost out to Rugbaí Chorca Dhuibhne also in Tralee last Saturday. The lads worked their socks off and poured their hearts and souls into the fixture. A cracker of a game with both teams evenly matched. Hard luck to all players and coaches. We are very proud of you all.

### GIVE IT A TRY

Last Saturday our Give it a try got underway at Aghadoe with a fantastic turnout and great fun was had by all. New girls aged between 8 and 14 are always very welcome to come and give rugby a try any Saturday between 12 and 1pm.



*Killarney Rugby Club U14's boys who narrowly lost out to Rugbaí Chorca Dhuibhne.*

*KILLARNEY RUGBY CLUB U16'S win West Munster Cup:*





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Jamesie Casey pictured with his family following his win.

**S**liabh Luachra boxing Castleisland were overjoyed at the weekend when Killarney Native Jamesie Casey Boy 4 50kg was crowned All Ireland Champion at the National Boxing Stadium in Dublin.

Jamesie competed in a Quarter final against Aidan Licaci Dublin champion beating him in a 5/0 unanimous decision he then progressed to the semi-final where he won 5/0 against a boy from Sacred Heart Ulster. Jamesie was very controlled and executed the plan to perfection. moving onto to his final where he stopped his opponent from Galway the Connaught champion in the first 30 seconds of the first round putting on a skilful finish to be awarded gold and number one in Ireland. Jamesie is not the only one from Killarney head coach John Coffey & Jake Kelly are both native of Killarney its no wonder they make a great team. A lot of credit must go to his father James Casey who travels the length and breath of the country to get Jamesie the best spars in Ireland England and Scotland. Jamesie has a very supportive family who are always there to cheer him on. This is Jamesie Casey's 3rd National title so far. Jamesie Casey is the best Prospect to come out of Munster since Calum Walsh who is now

under the wing of Freddy Roach. The club had a total of three All Ireland champions Tommy Murray Boy1 40kg his first year competing whom showed that he deserved to be crowned number one by stopping his opponent in the second round in the semi-final. Tommy boxed a really good boy from Sean Doran's bc in what was an epic final and tommy getting the decision on a 4/1 split decision in Dublin. Mary McDonagh Girl 5 75kg who picked up her 3rd national title for Sliabh Luachra by dominating the 75kg Category. Both are from Tralee, who travel over to Castleisland at least 4 times a week for training in the club and sparring.

We had team of nine boxers entered into the championships and to come away with three all Ireland champions which is a massive achievement for our tea.

All of the boxers who took part in the championships preformed to their best ability and we couldn't ask for any more, all have gained valuable experience for next year and are still in training for up and coming box cups. After winning best club in Kerry last year the success of the club is only growing and we are delighted to say we have beaten last year's club record of 6 Munster champions, Sliabh Luachra boxing had a very successful Munster Championships which were held in Southside BC and Dungarvan BC last month ,we came away with 8 Munster Champions and 4 silver medals. We had a team of 16 boxers in total entered into the Munster Championships which was a tough, with boxers coming from all over Munster. For some boxer's it was their first year competing and did the club so proud as themselves and for our older boxers it's their 3rd or 4th Munster title. A lot of work and preparation is put into these championships and the boxers have to be so dedicated to their

training and weight management. For some of the boxers they had to compete in several consents before winning their title.

Mary & Jamesie are both 2022 European Silver Medallist who were honoured with a civic reception by the KERRY County Council Castleisland district in Feb this year.

The Club is delighted to be in the process of welcoming onto our coaching team, Jordan Coffey, Kenneth O'Connor, Mary Murphy and Anthony McDonagh we are delighted to have their past and present experiences as part of our coaching team. We have now expanded our team to a one star coach, three level one coaches, one qualified judge and four volunteers with boxing experience. We are excited for the future of the club and thank you to all as each and every one of our team gives up their time for free.

Coach Jennifer O'Sullivan-Coffey would like to thank the parents and the coaches for all the hard work they have been putting in to keep the club success going.

"We are looking forward to the rest of the year as our other boxers hope to join Mary and Jamesie on the European stage.

We would also like to thank to Kingdom Truck & Trailer, Kerry Travellers & HSE

Boy 1 40kg Tommy Murray Munster Champion & All Ireland Champion

Boy 1 44.5kg Connie O'Connor Silver

Boy1 56kg Martin Mongans Munster Champion

Boy2 33kg Patrick McCarthy Munster Champion

Boy 2 40kg Jim Mongans Munster Champion

Boy 3 52kg Thomas Mongans Munster Champion

Girl 3 57kg Michelle McDonagh Silver but is defeating her last year title in Dublin

Girl 3 60kg Kayla O'Connell Silver

Boy 4 50kg Jamesie Casey Munster Champion & All Ireland Champion

Boy 5 63kg John Murray Silver

Girl 5 75kg Mary McDonagh Munster Champion & All Ireland Champion

Girl 6 57kg Shauna Riordan Munster Champion



Mary McDonagh Girl 5 75kg who picked up her 3rd national title for Sliabh Luachra



Coaches John Coffey and Jennifer O'Sullivan-Coffey pictured with Jamesie Casey



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## ROSS GOLF CLUB - GENTS CLUB

### RESULTS

#### ON APRIL 16TH WE HELD THE FINAL OF THE M D O'SHEA SPRING LEAGUE

The winners were:-

1. Donie Broderick (17) 69
  2. Ryan McCarthy (5) 69
  3. Maurice Coffey (29) 70.
- Gross Prize: Mike Brosnan 79

#### Division 1 (0-12)

1. Michael J O'Connor
2. Dan Cronin.

#### Division 2 (13-20)

1. Darren Gaffey
2. Johnny Brosnan

#### Division 3 (20 and upwards)

1. Seamus Mc Carthy
2. Mike Moriarty.

#### THE WINNING TEAMS IN THE M D O'SHEA SPRING LEAGUE WERE:-

1st: Michael J O'Connor, Damian Greer, John Ivory, Michael Barrett.

2nd: Mike Brosnan, Ryan Scott, Brian O'Connor, Alius Brazietis

The winner of the 2022 Keanes Jeweller's Gold Medal is Ryan McCarthy.

#### ON THURSDAY APRIL 20TH THE WINNERS OF THE ROSS SENIORS COMPETITION WERE:-

- 1st: Sean O'Brien and John Ivory
- 2nd: Mike Casey and John O'Brien

#### ON SATURDAY 22ND AND SUNDAY 23RD WE HELD A CLUB SPONSORED STABLEFORD COMPETITION

The following were the winners:

- 1st: Donald Mc Sweeney (13) 46
- 2nd: Denis Casey (19) 40

#### Division 1 (0-12)

- 1: Dan Cronin (12) 36
- 2: Ivo O Sullivan (12) 36

#### Division 2 (13-20)

- 1: Jimmy Smyth (16) 39
- 2: Donie Broderick (17) 36

#### Division 3 (20 and upwards).

- 1: Dave Ash O'Neill (24) 36
- 2: Mike Gorman (29) 36

Commiserations to our Mixed Foursomes Team who travelled to Berehaven on Saturday last and after a tough battle in testing conditions came up short on a scoreline of 3:2..

Best of Luck to our Intermediate team who will play hosts to Dooks GC in the Kerry Federation Intermediate Shield on Saturday

Best of Luck to our Pierce Purcell team who will travel to the Ring of Kerry GC on Sunday to take on their hosts .

## KILLARNEY GOLF CLUB - LADIES

### RESULTS OF THE SAFEGUARD SECURITY SINGLES STABLEFORD GOY (22ND & 23RD APRIL 2023) ARE AS FOLLOWS;

- 1: Anita O'Sullivan 41pts (39)
  - 2: Evelyn McCarthy 40pts (27)
- BG: Eimear O'Donnell 29 pts (09)
- 3: Sinead Lynch 38 pts (20)
  - 4: Emma Vinarcik 36 pts (17) last 9 holes

## KERRY PITCH & PUTT

The county Pitch & Putt season got going last Sunday in Tralee with the staging of the



*Pictured at the presentation of prizes for the 2023 Kerry Pitch & Putt Ireland Adult Matchplay Championships at Tralee on Sunday from L to R are as follows: Mark O'Regan (Junior Runner-Up), Jason Cregan (County Board Officer), Michael Creagh (Junior Winner), Dan Broderick (Intermediate Runner-Up), Gavin Carroll (Intermediate Winner), Christy O'Mahony (County Board Competition Secretary), Damien Fleming (Senior Winner), John McGrath (County Board Chairman), Michael Conway (Senior Runner-Up), Lisa O'Connor (Ladies Winner), Jason O'Connor (County Board Secretary), Rosemarie O'Sullivan (Ladies Runner-Up).*

County Adult Matchplay Championships only six months after the previous year's Champions had been crowned at the same venue.

Damien Fleming carried on where he left off in the Senior Mens final last October in winning the competition and setting a new personal milestone for himself in the process. In the semi-finals he defeated Tralee's Tony Blake as his opponent in the final would be another Tralee player, former National Intermediate Mens Strokeplay champion Michael Conway who had defeated Jason O'Regan in the other semi-final. Damien took a commanding 8up lead after the first 18 holes before going on to win 9&8 in the end. This was the Deerpark player's fourth consecutive win in the Senior Mens event, improving on a previous record he set last year.

The Intermediate event saw Gavin Carroll win for the third time. Now back as a registered member of the Tralee club, Gavin defeated club-mate Keith O'Brien 4&3 to advance to the decider where he faced Castleisland's Dan Broderick who had been a 3&2 winner over another Tralee player in Ollie Lynch. The decider saw Gavin lead 4up after the first 18 holes before he continued to dominate the second round winning by 10&8 for a finish. The closest of the four finals on the day was the Junior Mens event but even at that it was a 4&3 win for Michael Creagh from the host club against club-mate Mark O'Regan.

Michael defeated Willie John Buckley from Newmarket in the semi-finals as Mark was victorious over Deerpark's Bobby Kelly in the other semi-final. Michael led by 2up after the first 18 holes over Mark before going on to double his winning margin in the end. The Ladies event meanwhile was an all Tralee affair in the last four as Lisa O'Connor defeated last year's winner Rosemarie O'Sullivan by 6&5. Lisa had defeated Bernadette O'Regan in the semi-finals while Rosemarie was victorious over Catriona O'Connor.

The County Board thanks Tralee for hosting last Sunday's event with only a week's notice and would like to wish them well from here with the

staging of the Munster Matchplay finals on the weekend of May 21st next.

Our next event is the qualifiers for these finals on Sunday May 7th in Newmarket which we will have more details on next week.

## KILLARNEY GOLF CLUB - LADIES

### CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP MATCHPLAY QUALIFIER - SINGLES STABLEFORD

**Sponsored by Aghadoe Heights Hotel & Spa. Played Saturday 22nd & Sunday 23rd April, on Mahony's Point.**

Winner: Padraig G O'Sullivan 45pts (8)

2nd: Kieran O'Sullivan 46pts (21)\*

Best Gross: Greg Lanigan 69 (1)

#### Category 1:

Winner - Peter O'Brien 41pts (7), 2nd - Michael Howard 40pts (5), 3rd - Niall O'Mara 40pts (7).

#### Category 2:

Winner - James Lynch 43pts (10), 2nd - John C O'Connor 42pts (9), 3rd - Michael Daly Jnr 42pts (10)

#### Category 3:

Winner - John King 40pts (13), 2nd - James Coughlan 40pts (14), 3rd - Denis Cronin 39pts (13).

#### Category 4:

Winner - Gary Kerrisk 43pts (17), 2nd - Ronan Twiss 43pts (19), 3rd - Paul O'Donoghue 43pts (17).

## DEERPARK PITCH & PUTT CLUB

### COUNTY MATCHPLAY

Congratulations to Damien Fleming on making it four-in-a-row in the County Senior Mens Matchplay in Tralee last Sunday as he powered to a strong victory over Michael Conway in the final. Special mention also to Bobby Kelly on a good run to the semi-finals of the Junior Competition.

### SINGLES STROKEPLAY

The club are running a series of 36 Hole Strokeplay events throughout the summer starting this Friday April 28th with tee-off from 6pm-6.30pm. Entry is also open to U16 members



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of the club.

#### SCRATCH CUPS

Anyone wishing to book a tee-time for these events are asked to contact Sean Kelly on 086 0508686 to arrange same.

#### CLUBHOUSE

Our clubhouse is back open and operational now for the summer. Currently it is open from 2pm-7pm daily. Outside of it being open, people are asked to contact 087 7823138 for playing enquires.

#### SYMPATHIES

The club wishes to offer its condolences to Tim Falvey on the death of his sister Shelia Crowley in the past week. May she Rest in Peace.

### ROSS LADIES GOLF CLUB

#### COMPETITIONS

9 & 18-hole Single Stapleford qualifying Competition Saturday 29nd April

Tee times from 10.10am. Enter via the ClubV1 app. All Members welcome

9-Hole Competition Wednesday mornings

Each Wednesday morning 9-hole competition everyone welcome. Meet at 9.45am for 10.00am. All members welcome.

#### BEST OF LUCK

The best of luck to our Challenge Cup team when they meet Tralee in Tralee on Sunday 30th April.

#### GOLF LESSONS

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

### CASTLEROSSE LADIES GOLF

#### RESULTS

**RESULTS OF 18 H STABLEFORD COMPETITION PLAYED 21ST/22ND APRIL.**

1. Úna Moroney 34 pts (22)
2. Barbara O Shea 26 pts (38)

Mixed Scramble every Wednesday at 6pm. Visitors welcome.

Get Into Golf 8 week programme begins Monday 24th April. Contact Kieran 087 2748777



*Our Mixed Foursomes proudly representing The Ross Golf Club in Bearhaven. Pictured from left to right Peter Wickham, Margaret O'Donoghue, Alan O' Flynn, Lady Captain Mary Moynihan, Jonathan Casey, Helen O'Donoghue, Niall O'Brien, Ailish Mulcahy, Eileen Fleming, Mike Brosnan, Betty O'Farrell, Michael J O'Connor & Terence Mulcahy Team Manager*



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*Olivia Gaffey pictured on the occasion of her 18th Birthday with her family, Dad Darran, Mum, Jo and sister Ruby.*





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*Ballyhar Dynamos FC u12 girls who were defeated by Iveragh FC on Saturday last in the cup. The squad now concentrate on the shield competition.*



*Ballyhar Dynamos FC u12s who exited the u12 cup at the quarter final stage to Killorglin FC at murt Scott park on Saturday last.*

## KILLARNEY ATHLETIC

### U12 GIRLS CUP RESULT

**Killarney Celtic 3 - 1 Killarney Athletic**

Elizabeth Brosnan

Very good close game today. Celtic got off to a quick start with an early goal but Athletic kept going soaking up some strong pressure in the first to keep it at 1 - 0.

A much improved seconds half but went down 2-0 . Athletic started to get more into the game and brought it back to 2 - 1 with 15 minutes to go. Athletic were pushing hard for the second but couldn't get the goal they needed. Celtic then got their 3rd at the very last kick of the game. Thanks to Celtic a for a great close match.

### UNDER 13 DIVISION 1

**Killarney Athletic B 1-3 Dingle Bay Rovers**

Sam O'Donoghue

A beautiful evening for football in Woodlawn saw our young Blues run high flying Dingle all the way in a great spirited encounter. Player of the match: Sam O'Donoghue

### UNDER 14 CUP 1/4 FINAL

**Mastergeeha 4 - 1 Athletic**

Cian Hegarty

Our young blues traveled to premier division side Mastergeeha in the 1/4 of the cup and came away empty handed. Playing against a strong wind and a physically bigger side we started really slow in the first half our boys conceded 3 goals from set pieces in the first 20 mins. Our lads eventually settled into the game and pulled one back when Alex Doolan beat 3 players and crossed for Cian Hegarty to score past the Mastergeeha keeper. HT 3-1. Our boys started the second half on the front foot but were hit by a sucker punch when the Mastergeeha striker broke away and slotted home. Our boys had the majority of the possession but couldn't really fashion any real chances in the second half. Congratulations to Mastergeeha on a deserved win and we wish them all the best in the semi final. Thanks to Tommy Kerrisk for reffing the game and for all the parents for coming out and supporting.

### U12 SHIELD RESULT

This evening our U12B's hosted Killorglin B's in the Shield competition.

A tightly contested game throughout, resulting in a 1-1 draw after extra time and it was on to penalties once again, same as the last round! Well once again our lads didn't disappoint,

winning the shootout 4-1 and securing their place in the next round!

Big thanks to Killorglin for a very competitive game. Goalscorers: Aidan Hickey. Man Of The Match: Matthew Sanbak

## BALLYHAR DYNAMOS FC

### LOTTO

No.s 11,17, 28, 29. No winner of the jackpot. 5 x €25 Jimmy Foley, Furies. Tom O Sullivan, Furies. Jerry O Donoghue, Killarney. Josh Flynn, Furies & Anthony McKenna, Furies. Next draw for a jackpot of €12,100 will take place on Sunday next 30th April at Henderson's Bar, Furies. Thanks to all who support & help out with the club lotto. Tickets €2 available from committee members & local establishments.

### TEAMS

The club u12 girls were in cup action at murt scott park on saturday last where they welcomed Iveragh FC. The visitors took the victory in a 1-3 result with Lucy Wynne scoring a fine goal for the home side.

Leah Cooper, Leanne Collins, Aoibhinn Daly, Anna Fitzgerald, Emily O Callaghan, Kate O Connor & Maria Scanlan were impressive for Ballyhar in a competitive game. This squad now enter the shield competition.

The U12 boys welcomed Killorglin in the cup quarter final on saturday. The game was scoreless at the break with Noah Browne making two fine saves in the first half & with Fionn Clifford & Daithi Allen excellent at the back. Killian O'Sullivan, Luke Bartlett & Callum Templeman were playing very well in the mid field area. Killorglin being the Premier team upped their effort in the second half scoring early in the second half & with five minutes of the game remaining but in between Ballyhar had their chances with Alex Finn & Patrick o Connor going close in a game that finished 0-2 to the visitors.

### TEAM OF THE WEEK

Well done to Jack Kelly of the club 13s who was selected on the KSB team of the week. Jack has been on the scoresheet for the club in recent weeks as well as putting in great performances in the mid field area.

### BLUE TOKEN

Please support Ballyhar Dynamos FC with your blue token, who are one of the three nominated organisations at TESCO, Park Road, Killarney.

### CONDOLENCES

The club offers sympathy to the Cooper Family, Ballyhar & the O Sullivan Family, Furies Village on their recent bereavements.

## MEK GALAXY FC

### GIRLS

U14 Girls Premier Division - Killarney Celtic 2 V MEK Galaxy 2 A fantastic display by the girls who were unlucky not to come away with all points. Scorers: Ava Harty and Anna Allen who was also player of the Match.

### BOYS

Under14s League/Shield MEK Galaxy 4 v Tralee Dynamos 5 after extra time(3-2 Half time/3-3 after normal time) goals scored by Dara Whelton 2 both from free kicks, Ivan O Shea and Cade Jameson , Man of the Match Dara Whelton with strong displays from Oisín Cryan, Michael Griffin and Breandán Allman. In a match doubling up as a shield and League match, we ended up sharing the points for the league but were unfortunately knocked out of the shield with a goal less than 2 from the end of extra time.

## KERRY SCHOOLBOY/GIRLS SOCCER

### U14 CUP KILLORGLIN V KILLARNEY CELTIC

Celtic travelled to the banks of the Laune, hoping to beat a side that knocked them out of the National Cup earlier this year. Celtic dominated from the off with our midfield trio of Jack O'Grady, Jack Culloty, and Sean Collins combining to create opportunities for our forwards. After a few early chances, Celtic took the lead when Jack Culloty prodded home from a set piece. Celtic added a second when a cross from Luca Mosca evaded the despairing keeper. An own goal gave celtic a deserved cushion at half-time. Celtic created more chances in the second half with Sam Scroop, Ignacy Truchan, and Jack Culloty going close. Luke O'Shea's penalty was well saved after Sam was brought down through on goal. It was the team's best performance of the year. It's hard to pick a man of the match with so many players performing, but Jack O'Grady gets the nod. Goals :Jack Culloty Luca Mosca OG (Killorglin) Captain: Luke O'Shea Thanks to Killorglin for a sporting game and to ref Adrian Quirke for excellent officiating.

**ST BRENDAN'S PARK 5-0 KILLARNEY**



Player of the  
Tournament Neal  
O'Shea



## ATHLETIC

St Brendan's Park FC U12 A had a super win in the quarter final of the cup today at home against Killarney Athletic. Park had another brilliant start with Andy Costello scoring the first goal after 4 minutes. Our outstanding centre back Michael Carmody scored 2 goals in 5 mins from corners to leave the game 3 nil at half time. Park started the second half at the same high tempo and Nathan Anthony scored after 5 mins. Kian Cronin scored our final goal on the 50th minute to leave the final score 5 nil. This was another huge team performance by St Brendan's Park. Having won the league 2 weeks ago St Brendan's Park haven't sat back and played today like a team hungry for more success. The Parks back line once again were outstanding led by Eanna Leahy and player of the match Michael Carmody and ably supported by Conor Maguire, Daniel Diggins and our rock solid left back Daniel O'Leary. Midfield played outstanding with Kian Cronin, Dylan McEvoy, Eoghan O Driscoll and Liam Corkery all working hard. It was great to have Eoghan back today. Andy Costello who captained the team today had a great game up front and Nathan Anthony Our caused huge problems for the Killarney Athletic defence. The Parks bench had an impact again today with Liam Corkery, Daniel Diggins and Blake Bowler all playing well when they came on. Thanks to all the parents and supporters.

## BARCELONA CUP

Last weekend saw two teams leave for Barcelona to play in what is the biggest underage grassroots competition of its kind in Europe. Our U15 team experiencing the tournament for the first time came very close to qualifying for the semi final but to be outdone by a very good French team who won the U15 edition of the tournament this year. Well done to them and their management team of Colm Murray, Danny Diggins and Michael Crosson. The U 16 team managed by Eoin O Mahony and Tom Costello were drawn in a very tight group consisting of teams from Iceland, the UK, of course Ireland and Slovenia .Six games would win this competition over the two days and sure enough they fulfilled their potential as a great tournament team and are now the stuff of legendary status with back to back wins and congratulations to all the team consisted of HARVEY MANGAN, JACK O'DWYER, JACK SWEENEY, JAYDEN DEADY, ALEX KELLY, SEÁN

GRIFFIN, JACK O' MAHONY, DAVID MOORE, MATTHEW ROGERS, DAWID GREBOWIEC, NEAL O'SHEA, LEIGH MEEHAN, AARON HARTY, NOAH O'SHEA, TADHG O' CONNOR and JACK SHEEHY. Neal O Shea was nominated and won the player of the tournament.

## KILLARNEY CELTIC

### CELTIC LOTTO

Numbers drawn 17, 21, 23, 24. No jackpot winner. Match 3 winners received €40 each. Next jackpot €3,600 on Monday May 1st.

### YOUTHS PREMIER A

#### St Brendan's Park 0, Killarney Celtic 1

Jason O'Sullivan

A vital win kept the league ambitions alive after a very good team performance in Tralee.

### U14 CUP

#### Killorglin AFC 0, Killarney Celtic 3

Jack Culloty, Luca Mosca, +OG

Celtic qualified for the Cup semi finals after a fine win in Killorglin

### U14 DIV 1

#### LB Rovers 4, Killarney Celtic B 0

Celtic battled hard here despite injuries forcing them to play a man down for much of the game.

### U13 PREMIER

#### Mastergeeha 1, Killarney Celtic 1

Kiernan Kelly

Celtic finished out their season with a draw away in Mastergeeha. The team came back in the 2nd half to take a share of the spoils.

### U13 SHIELD

#### Killarney Celtic B 3, Killorglin AFC B 2 (AET)

Jason Harrington 2, Tristan Murphy

Celtic advanced in the shield thanks to a very spirited performance at home to Killorglin. It

was nip and tuck in normal time before Celtic grabbed the winner when Tristan Murphy coolly slotted home.

### U12 PREMIER

#### Killarney Celtic 2 Listowel Celtic 3

Noah Brosnan 2

### U11

U11 Green qualified for the John Dowling Memorial Trophy Final , U11 White were defeated in the John Dowling Memorial Cup Semi Final and U11 Gold qualified for the John Dowling Memorial Bowl Semi Final

### U10

U10 Green qualified for the John O'Flynn Memorial Cup final. U10 White qualified for the John O'Flynn Memorial Trophy Final.

### GIRLS

#### FAI U17 WOMENS CUP RD 3

#### Killarney Celtic 3, Macroom AFC 0

Aideen O'Brien 2, Katie Doe.

Celtic advanced to the next round after a good win over Macroom

### U14 PREMIER

#### Killarney Athletic 2, Killarney Celtic 1

Tara Cronin

### U14 CUP

#### Inter Kenmare 0. Killarney Celtic 1

Puttanya Ryan

### U12 CUP

#### Killarney Celtic 3, Killarney Athletic B 1

Aimee Shine, Elisa Mosca, Leah Mannix

**CONGRATS** to Jack O'Grady U14 who made the KSBGL Team of the Week and to Evelyn Grimes who made the Girls Roll of Honour.

Congrats to coach David MacIndoe and our Celtic players who were part of the Kerry Girls U16 squad who defeated Sligo/Leitrim to qualify for the Inter League All Ireland Final.

Barcelona Double Cup Winners



Killarney Celtic U10 Green squad who have qualified for the John O'Flynn Memorial Cup Final.





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

### FACILE FIRST STEP FOR KERRY FOOTBALLERS

**Munster Semi-Final:**

**Kerry 0-25 Tipperary 0-5**

We've been bemoaning the facile nature of the Leinster Football Championship for quite a while now, and with good reason. Dublin have 61 titles, including the last twelve in a row. The exploits of Mick O'Dwyer and Páidí Ó Sé, as well as the great Seán Boylan, feel like a dim and receding memory now. But it's time to be honest about the Munster Football Championship as well. Kerry have won 83 championships, far more than the number of the five other counties combined (51). I genuinely had high hopes for Cork this year – I expected Kerry to beat Cork, but to get a very real battle.

More fool me, I suppose. Cork, admittedly missing their top two shooters, fell at the first hurdle to Clare, who in turn got an unpredictable tough test against Limerick before booking their spot in the Munster Final. I under-estimated Clare once in my lifetime – Seamus Clancy's finest hour is still a vivid memory – but frankly, I can't see it.

Back in those days I feared Tipperary much more than Clare. Declan Browne often ploughed a fairly lone but very deep furrow against Kerry, Browne was as good a forward as there was in the game. For that matter, I feared the Tipperary team of recent vintage built around the nucleus of their 2012 All Ireland minors and the scoring exploits of Michael Quinlivan.

This Tipperary team, although honest soldiers, simply haven't got a fraction of that talent. They won Munster in 2020, but that was a one-off of the covid era, one that both ourselves and Cork left slip. Bookies were giving 500-1 odds last Saturday and I'd say nobody was laying any money anyway. Not with Kerry in Killarney. We haven't lost here now in a decade – I remember that 2012 loss to Cork, but it stung slightly less. They had been better than us and had great players in the likes of Michael Shields, Paul Kerrigan, dual star Aidan Walsh, Colm O'Neill,

and of course Graham Canty. We all knew that this Tipperary team was not of that calibre, and we weren't wrong. In fairness to Tipp, they didn't try any of the oul' plamáis in the build-up. They were the Christians being sent into the lion's den, and it would take a very impressive miracle (I suppose by their definition that all miracles must be impressive) for them to come out unscathed.

The biggest talking point was the traffic on the road in – given that the attendance was listed as 6939 (I know I'm on a nostalgia kick, but I remember when spectators had to shuffle out of the way so that players could take sideline kicks back in the late seventies/early eighties), I suspect that the closure of the Kilcummin road had an impact on cars coming from the Tralee side. The game itself was, however sacrilegious it may sound the Kerry supporters, absolutely flat and lifeless. Sorry, but I was wishing I had brought a book to read. Fair play to the foreign students in the stand, who brought a bit of noise and excitement. Nobody who understands the workings of the new championship format was going to be shouting themselves hoarse – frankly, I suspect that's even true of a lot of the players.

As expected, Tipperary retreated into a shell almost instantly. Kerry stayed patient, recycling the ball before launching probing attacks, some of which led to fairly careless turnovers. It took nine minutes for Paudie Clifford to open the scoring. Kevin Fahey did reply, a great kick from distance while off balance, but it was like the Norse King Cnut hacking at the tide with his sword (Cnut wasn't crazy; he was making a point about the fallibility of kings to his advisors). The water, like this football tide, was only flowing in one direction. With Tipperary pretty much toothless – Templehoe's Teddy Doyle had a good game, but as a supplementary midfielder rather than an actual forward) this was an exercise in patience and ball retention for Kerry. They picked Tipperary off with ease without needing to hit full throttle. It's awful football to watch, let's just be honest about that. Most

training sessions have more intensity.

Kerry had six points from five different scorers before Tipperary added to their tally with another fine score by Colm O'Shaughnessy. Both points came from defenders, no forward had even had a shot in anger yet. I'm not going through this game piece by piece, I stopped noting basic stats (kick-outs, frees conceded, etc.) early on. There wasn't enough analytical meat on these bones to make it worthwhile. By half-time it was 0-12 to 0-2. Kerry did have a penalty, Dara Moynihan and the outstanding Tom O'Sullivan (there's a player who revels in space to roam, and got plenty of it) combined to set up David Clifford. The big man jinked inside but was denied by a foot block. Tony Brosnan had been putting his hand up for responsibility all day and he stepped up to the kick. He went more for precision than power; fair play to Michael O'Reilly to read it well and get a strong hand behind it. That was the closest thing there was to a bit of excitement, though, and the game settled back into mind-numbing inevitability again within minutes as Jason Foley picked off a point.

Seán O'Shea slotted two frees to extend Kerry's lead on the restart..

Look, there are positives. Kerry subs did well and showed that they will be looking for places. I thought the likes of Dylan Casey, Donal Down, and Micheál Burns were unlucky not to get a run. Kerry didn't pick up injuries and didn't have to expend too much energy, I really believe that both those factors will be crucial to the eventual winners of Sam Maguire this year. Having eleven different scorers on the day is a positive sign, even in the limited circumstances. The lurking suspicion that Kerry are a bit too reliant on scores from David Clifford has yet to be really tested (David handled plenty of ball but every team we meet from here on in will be looking to choke him of space to operate) but five points from a livewire Tony Brosnan is very reassuring. I personally prefer Tony as a predator in the danger zone rather than a creative playmaker.



*Paudie Clifford pictured at the Kerry V Tipperary game at the Fitzgerald Stadium on Sunday. Photo: Orla Coyne, Kerry GAA Fans*



*Action from the Kerry V Tipperary game at the Fitzgerald Stadium on Sunday. Photo: Orla Coyne, Kerry GAA Fans*



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Look, Kerry basically learned nothing here and were never going to. These games are never anything more than potential banana skins. Kerry weren't going to set the world alight here. The real news would have been if Tipperary had given us a fright – I honestly believe that would have done us no harm.

Two weeks to a Munster Final with Clare. The Banner have always been able to give us a game in Munster (although those games were closer to the start of our training cycle than nowadays, which made a difference) and were fairly unlucky in Division Two after giving some top teams, including Dublin, very tough battles. I can only see one winner, but it should be a better spectacle than this. Frankly, I really hope so.

Elsewhere Dublin laid down a marker with an overwhelming victory over Billy Sheehan's Laois. No-one expected Laois to win, but Dublin's display and especially goal-scoring ability is ominous. Down had a big win over Donegal, who are in real disarray both on and off the field at the moment. As good as the great Michael Murphy was, his retirement and the injury absence of Paddy McBreary does not explain this total malaise. Tough times for Colm O'Rourke as defeat to Offaly sees them slip into the Tailteann Cup. That might be no harm for them in the long run; despite the hype, I was fairly sure that Colm O'Rourke did not have the talent available that he himself provided in his playing days. As expected, New York's fairytale, which included two Brosnans with their Knocknagoshel roots, Gavin O'Brien of Rahillys, Rob Wharton of Renard, and selector Kevin Moriarty of Castlegregory came to an abrupt end at the ends of Sligo, who feature Pat Spillane in their ranks.

Things are starting to get interesting. To be truthful, they would want to.

## IMPRESSIVE U20S SEE OF CORK IN STYLE

### Munster U20 Final: Kerry 2-12 Cork 1-6

I was worried about this one, and I'm pretty sure I wasn't the only one. Kerry coughed up four goals to Clare, and the truth is that we would always have feared Cork football teams more than Clare. Moreover, we had lost Rob Monaghan, one of Kerry's best players on that night, to suspension. Cork hadn't looked great in disposing of Limerick, but they looked a lot more convincing than Kerry.

I have to eat humble along with several other people. Now, I did say that this wouldn't be a foregone conclusion. I really thought (and still think) that Clare aren't getting enough credit. In the likes of playmaker Rouine and powerful midfielder McNamara, Clare had footballers who would walk onto any U20 team in the country. They were fit, fast, and hungry.

Cork....were not that. I'm not taking away from Kerry's display. This was a Kerry side who showed far more appetite than they did against Clare. Kieran Mackessy, whose questions I had no hesitation in questioning after a very shaky display last week, was hugely improved in both saves and kick-outs (not being mean, but the

kick-outs could still be a small bit finer). He also got more protection from a much more confident defence; I suspect that that hard game against the Banner was a steep and worthwhile learning curve for this Kerry team. Cork, understandably enough having seen us against Clare, went long with their kick-outs and pumped high ball down on the square early on, but Kerry were far more assured than last week. Caolan O'Connell, very quiet last week, was much more assertive. Right from the start he began the move that led to Jack Clifford (a very impressive addition) laying off for Cian McMahon to coolly slot past the keeper. Kerry fetched the kick-out, but Will Shine's radar was just a fraction off. Once again Kerry turned over the kick-out, with Aaron O'Shea making it 1-1 to 0-0. Those kick-outs were significant. Cork had to switch to short kick-outs to defenders, and the good press by the Kerry forwards meant that they could never really get a foothold. It was also noticeable that Kerry's forward kick-passing was much superior to Cork's, who were relying on pace but running into a Kerry defensive brick wall.

Let's not kid ourselves, though. The scoreline was as much about Cork's paucity of scoring instincts as much as Kerry's resolute defence. Darragh Murray got in on goal but it was a poor effort in the circumstances. That would have been a goal at the other end, and Cillian Burke proved it by finishing off another lightning Kerry move. Paddy O'Driscoll finally got Cork off the mark with a point, but Will Shine won and converted a good free. Shine is an apt description of this lad's talent. He added another after Cillian Burke was fouled. Cork were at sixes and sevens; Kerry were ruthlessly purposeful.

Paddy O'Driscoll, who tried very hard for Cork to little enough effect, had a great goal chance but skewed the shot completely. Tommy Walsh, probably Cork's best player, drove forward to win a free for Hugh O'Connor. At the other end Dan Twomey made a great block on Aaron O'Shea, but Will Shine smoothly snapped up the rebound to fire over and he added another after brilliantly spinning to lose Jacob O'Driscoll. Paddy O'Driscoll won a free for Hugh O'Connor to convert, but Cork's hopes were already flagging. They needed a goal but did look capable of it. Joey Nagle dealt superbly under pressure with a high ball down on the Kerry square and Kieran Mackessy denied Tom Cunningham with a great save.

Half-time Kerry 2-5 Cork 0-4

Cork probed at Kerry on the restart but the environmentalists in Kerry's defence forced them to keep recycling until an inevitable turnover and Will Shine showed them how it's done by splitting the posts. Niall Kelly, very effective off the bench for Cork, scored his team's third point from play – he could have gone for goal.

Keith Evans was a fantastic playmaker for Kerry, and the Keel man showed that he is quite comfortable at taking his own shot as well. Joey Nagle, in a rare enough and well-judged foray up the field, slotted over to make it 2-8 to 0-5. Yet again, Cork got through for a goal chance., This one was a great run by Hugh O'Connor,

whose shot beat the emerging Mackessy....only to be caught on the line by Andrew Moynihan. One of those things that looks lucky but most certainly isn't – the Rathmore man had read the situation and moved to close off the danger. Great positioning, great defensive instincts. Niall Kelly did pick off another point, but Kerry were already running their bench and there was a certain inevitability about it now. Kerry simply had a higher gear, as Keith Evan showed by despatching another point. Cian McMahon was just inches wide from goal./ At the other end Mackessy was once again at his best to deny Liam O'Connell.

Will Shine made it 2-10 to 1-5. Luke Crowley, who was outstanding on his introduction, added another point and struck for another before the finish.

Niall Kelly did finally get in for a Cork goal. Had it arrived earlier, it might have changed the narrative. As it is, it was a mere coda.

Kerry will face Sligo in the All Ireland semi-final. That's the Sligo team who beat Roscommon, Mayo, and Galway to win Connaught for the second year in a row. They are the form team of the whole competition so far -although 'form' is too strong a word for a knock-out competition involving teenagers. They feature a number of the Summerhill College players who reached the Hogan Cup Final this year, defeating St. Brendans in a high-octane thriller along the way.

Kerry: Kieran Mackessy, Cian O'Donoghue, Andrew Moynihan, Joey Nagle (0-1), Killian O Sullivan, Armin Heinrich, Paudie O Leary, Cillian Burke (1-0), Caolan O'Connell, Thomas O'Donnell, Cian McMahon (1-0), Keith Evans (0-2), Jack Clifford, William Shine (0-5, 2f), Aaron O Shea (0-1). Subs: Luke Crowley 0-2 (for Aaron O'Shea, 41 mins), Dara O'Callaghan (for Cian O'Donoghue, 47 mins), Cian Lynch (for Killian O'Sullivan, 53 mins), Cian Foley (for Thomas O'Donnell, 56 mins), Rob Stack (for Jack Clifford, 59 mins).

Cork: Callum Dungan, Dan Twomey, Jacob O'Driscoll, Darragh Murray, Thomas O'Mahony, Tommy Walsh, Seán Brady, Liam O'Connell, Seán Dore, Paddy O'Driscoll (0-1), Hugh O'Connor (0-3, 3f), Richard O'Sullivan, Peadar O'Rourke, Olan Corcoran, Tom Cunningham. Subs: Eoghan Nash (for Seán Dore, 25 mins), Niall Kelly 1-2 (for Paddy O'Driscoll, half-time), Ross Corkery (for Peadar O'Rourke, 40 mins), Michael Quirke (for Thomas O'Mahony, 46 mins), Eoin de Burca (for Tom Cunningham, 51 mins).

Referee: Jonathan Hayes (Limerick)

## HIGH-FLYING KERRY HURLERS SEE OFF LILYWHITES

### McDonagh Cup:

### Kerry 1-17 Kildare 0-14

What have the Kerry hurlers and Max Verstappen got in common? They have both turned corners brilliantly in recent times. I saw the Kerry hurlers in the Munster Senior League, and to be truthful we were bad. We stank out the place. We had literally nothing up front. I don't mean poor players; I mean we didn't play



any forward line. The likes of Shane Conway back toiling in midfield....lads, games are won on the scoreboards. It doesn't matter how well you play (and we were playing poorly anyway, albeit without some top guns who have since returned to the fray) if you don't make the umpires bend their backs. The National League was only a little bit more reassuring. Kerry were definitely playing better, but we were still leaving a lot of scoring chances behind and were prone to occasional lapses.

The McDonagh Cup has been a very different story. Kerry look far more assured. That hard-fought draw with a very in-form Carlow spoke volumes, that took real character and no little skill. Kildare, who were really turning heads in the National League, may have peaked too early in the season and have been struggling to repeat that form in the McDonagh Cup, but that's still a big scalp to come away with.

Kildare's Brian Byrne forced John B. O'Halloran into a good save right at the start, and a David Qualter free soon put them ahead. Kerry took over, though, with Fionán Mackessy and Eoin Ross outstanding. Sahne Coway (2f) nudged us in front and a sparkling Darragh Shanahan (his return to action seems to have galvanised his team-mates) and Padraig Boyle had Kerry in front. Cian Boran picked off a good point to settle Kildare, Cathal McCabe pounced on a rare turnover to force another, and David Qualter with two frees left it at 0-6 apiece. Kerry's ferocious defending and pressure on the ball meant that Kildare were having to work twice as hard as Kerry for everything they got – that kind of thing has a cumulative effect on a team. Kerry finished the half strongly with points from Eoin Ross, Pádraig Boyle, and another Shane Conway free to lead by 0-9 to 0-6 at half-time. David Qualter added two frees on the restart. Pádraig Boyle very nearly got in for a Kerry goal but was blocked well by a Kildare defender. Boyle was looking more and more dangerous, while Jordan Conway once again looked superb when he came off the bench, and they racked up three points to have Kerry four in front. The loss of Paul Doran to a second yellow card – Kildare were furious, arguing that he had been substituted before the second card was issued (that's not how it works, people). Eoin Ross went close with a goal chance that would probably have killed the game. Instead a resilient Kildare trimmed the gap with scores from Cathal McCabe and another Qualter free. Kerry had real strength coming in off the bench, though – Niall Mulcahy opened his account just seconds after coming onto the field. At the same time Kildare were still hunting, and John B. O'Halloran had to make a fantastic close range save to deny McCabe a goal. Jordan Conway must be wondering what he has to do to get a starting jersey. He forced a good save out of Kildare's Paddy McKenna but it was a very temporary reprieve as he gathered a good pass from Shane Conway and finished it perfectly to the net. Kildare did bag one last David Qualter free, but it was too little, too late.

Kerry top the table, but face a very, very tough task away to Offaly, who have a game in hand and are just a point behind. With Carlow and

Offaly to meet yet, both of those could still leapfrog Kerry into the McDonagh Cup Final. For that matter, I wouldn't be taking Laois in Austin Stack Park, our last game, for granted either. All the same, Kerry have already surpassed my expectations for the year.

Kerry: John B O'Halloran, Kyle O'Connor, Fionan MacKessy, Evan Murphy, Jason Diggins, Eric Leen, Michael Leane, Paudie O'Connor, Eoin Ross (0-1), Darragh Shanahan (0-1), Colin Walsh (0-1), Shane Conway (0-5, 4f), Brandon Barrett, Padraig Boyle (0-5, 1f), Gavin Dooley. Subs: Jordan Conway 1-2 (for Gavin Dooley, half-time), Dan Goggin (for Brandon Barrett, 54 mins) Niall Mulcahy 0-1 (for Eoin Ross, 58 mins) Mikey Boyle (for Darragh Shanahan, 63 mins), Philip Lucid (for Padraig Boyle, 72 mins)

Kildare: Paddy McKenna (0-1, 1f), Niall O'Muineacháin, Simon Leacy, Cian Shanahan, Paul Dolan, Rian Boran (0-1), Drew Costello, Johnny Byrne, Cathal McCabe (0-2), James Burke, Gerry Keegan (0-1), Paul Divilly, Brian Byrne, Cian Boran (0-1), David Qualter (0-8, 8f). Subs: Declan Flaherty (for Paul Divilly, 27 mins) Sean Christiansen (for James Burke, 42 mins) Sean Whelan (for Cian Boran, 57 mins) Cormac Byrne (for Cian Shanahan, 72 mins).

Referee: Caymon Flynn (Westmeath).

## BOXING

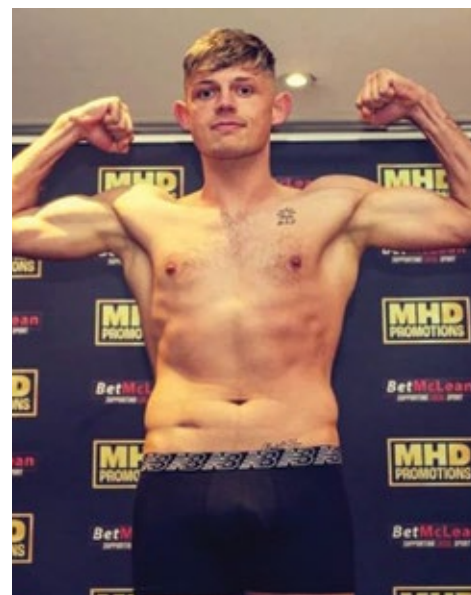
### Kevin Cronin Unlucky Not to Claim Irish Title

The first fight between Kerry's Kevin Cronin and Limerick's Jamie Morrissey for the Irish Lightweight Heavyweight title was a cracker, with the Kingdom Warrior just missing out by a fraction. Calls for a rematch were inevitable and, much to both fighters' credit, there was no messing around, they got a deal done fast. The rematch took place in Galway and it didn't just live up to the billing; it far surpassed it. The fight is up on YouTube, and I strongly recommend that those of you who haven't seen it have a look.

Morrissey came out fast and dominated the first round, with Kevin struggling to get to grips with deadly left jabs that kept him off balance. Round 1 to the reigning champion, but nothing major landed.

It took a minute for things to heat up in round two, but a good right hand from Morrissey saw him start to get on top. Kevin landed a good left in return. Both men were starting to land their shots now, with Morrissey landing a few more and drawing a nosebleed from the Millstreet boxer.

Morrissey landed two good shots early in the third but Kevin replied with a good right. A minute into the round there was an unfortunate clash of heads that led to an interruption. Kevin was trying to get in close but Morrissey still had the dangerous jab going and edged another round. Kevin was slowly starting to read the Limerick man's rhythm, timing his counters a lot better. He was on top but got caught by a good right hand from Morrissey that interrupted his momentum. Late in the round Kevin unleashed a rapid whirlwind of punches. Morrissey hit back with a good right but Kevin probably shaded that round by a fraction.



Kevin Cronin unlucky not to claim the Irish title in Galway.

Kevin was getting more aggressive and it was paying dividends in the fifth, but Morrissey was still that bit more accurate and clinching cleverly any time that Kevin pushed forward. Heading into the final minute of the first half Kevin landed a great punch and, to be honest, I think he needed it. At the break I had Morrissey winning four rounds to one.

Morrissey was clinching again in the sixth but Kevin was visibly growing into the fight and landed some good ones. Morrissey tried to change his tactics and go more toe-to-toe in the sixth, maybe he thought a finish was on the cards. It was a mistake; that's meat and drink to Kevin. Morrissey picked up a point deduction for a punch below the belt and then lost his gumshield for the second time. I don't want to be too cynical, but these delays arrived when Morrissey was on the back foot, never the other way around. And Morrissey did need the delay here; Kevin was really starting to land hard ones now. A great left right had Morrissey reeling but in fairness, he managed to hold on – and it was just holding on, Kevin won that one with plenty to spare. The eighth round was even better, with Kevin looking the fresher of the two fighters and landing repeated punches. This was a complete role reversal, with Kevin now completely on top and, moreover, landing punches with more power than Morrissey had during his own spell of dominance.

It looked as if Morrissey needed a clear win in the ninth to balance the scorecards. The opposite happened, with Kevin catching him repeatedly with his left. Beautiful skill; I wasn't sure if Morrissey would make it to the end of the round. He's a tough customer, though, credit to him.

Last round. Kevin, despite his slow start, was surely ahead on the scorecards now. He also started the tenth much stronger, pursuing Morrissey relentlessly. Three times Morrissey got a respite after losing his gumshield – I'm sorry, but that's a little bit ridiculous.

Kevin clearly felt that he had won, and so did most people watching. Somewhat inexplicably, the judges ruled it a draw. I don't ever go in for this "Kerry was robbed" guff. It was





Sean McGrath in action for Kerry FC.  
Photo: Adam Kowalczyk



Pep-talk... Kerry FC engage in a huddle before the game. Photo: Adam Kowalczyk

certainly going to be tight enough – remember Morrissey dominated the first half. But I genuinely thought that Kevin landed more and better punches overall.

## JAMESIE CASEY WINS U14 ALL IRELAND

Jamesie Casey from Hazelwood Drive, who boxes out of Sliabh Luachra BC had a title fight of his own last week and came back to Killarney with the Boys 4 title after a stunning display, overcoming Galway boxer Martin Sweeney with a first round stoppage. This is Jamesie's third national title.

## RUGBY

Congratulations to Killarney RFC U16s on winning the West Munster Boys U16 Final with a win over Chorca Dhuibhne, and commiserations to the U14s, who lost their won final to the same opposition.

## LEAGUE OF IRELAND

### Kerry FC 1 Galway United 4

Report by David Moriarty

On Friday evening Kerry FC were back home again as they welcomed league leaders Galway United to Mounthawk Park for the first time. Galway came into the game obvious heavy favorites winning nine out of their nine games this season, and Kerry were still looking for that desired first win of the season. The previous meeting between the two sides was on the tenth of March when Kerry suffered their heaviest defeat this season in a game that finished 9-1 to United. With Kerry being at home, a result like that again would be very unlikely. A sold-out Mounthawk Park crowd never disappoints, and the home faithful had their voices heard from minute one. In the program's dugout notes Manager Billy Dennehy did not shy away from the huge challenge that faced his side but said these are challenges that need to be embraced, as these are games and nights the club has dreamed of for a very long time.

Kerry defended excellently last time out away to Waterford, and it seemed if Kerry could keep the same composure at the back on the night as they did last week, they could make it very tough for the top side in the league.

First Half: Kerry started the first half well in possession and equaled Galway's intensity on the ball. They were not being pressured to start off by Galway and seemed to be the more comfortable of the two. The first big chance of the game came in the way of Kerry when a kick out from Wayne Guthrie was flicked on brilliantly by Ryan Kelliher. His header pushed out wide to Leo Gaxha who played the ball inside the box to Seán McGrath. He got his shot off and aimed it for the bottom left corner. The effort, however, was unfortunately saved well by Brendan Clarke.

Kerry were not letting off and kept going at the league leaders. Sean McGrath picked up the ball just over the halfway line and gave a ball over the top which stretched Gaxha to the max. Gaxha picked the ball up down the right close to the byline and drilled a half volley across the box but there was nobody inside to take advantage and Galway narrowly escaped. Galway started to get a foothold on the game and a corner for United was first cleared but the ball back into the box flew through the crowd and was eventually cleared off the line but was ruled to be offside, easing the minds of the home crowd for the time being.

Kerry kept to their game plan excellently in the first half and went toe-to-toe with Galway showing no sign of weakness. They defended well and attacked even better. In the 40 th minute they got their reward for their excellent work and sent Mounthawk into hysterics. A short-taken corner was played in and out with great feet from Leo Gaxha to lose the defender, he chipped his cross deep into the back post for Ryan Kelliher who nodded home to give the Kingdom a hugely deserved lead.

A lead in at halftime would have given Kerry fantastic confidence going into the second half, but the great form and resilience that Galway have shown throughout the course of the season so far to be where they are in the league table was conveyed right on the stroke of halftime. A floating ball into the box by Conor McCormack was attempted to be punched out by Guthrie but he unfortunately mistimed the flight of the ball and David Hurley got there before him to head home into the empty net, closing out the half 1-1.

Second Half:

From the late equalizer in the first half, Galway

really drove on. A free kick from a decent position 25 yards away from the goal was taken by David Hurley. It was laid off for him and his left foot shot whipped around the wall and smashed off the crossbar. It was dealt with by Kerry in the end, but they could not hold off the pressure for that much longer. Maurice Nugent gave the ball to Stephen Walsh inside the box after Kerry gave away the ball very easily. Walsh twisted and turned to open a shot for himself before burying the opportunity to give Galway the lead on the night.

Galway were starting to kick into a new gear and find space in all areas of the pitch. One of those instances came when full-back Colm Horgan went forward well and found some of the said spaces to run into. He gathered enough room and rifled a right-footed shot from just outside the left side of the box into the bottom right corner, giving Guthrie no chance in goal.

Just twelve minutes later things worsened for the home side. A corner swung in from David Hurley at the right corner flag was found by Sean Walsh who headed the ball back the way it came and into the bottom right corner.

Although Kerry found themselves down by three goals they kept pushing and showed great fight. A free kick delivered superbly out from the left wing by Leo Gaxha had his cross flicked on by substitute Trpimir Vrljicak. His header hit the bar and the follow-up acrobatic effort from Samuel Aladesanusi went just wide of the post.

Even with Kerry's late pressure with another chance coming from Kevin Williams, Galway were able to see the game through and they went away 4-1 victors.

Although Kerry were unable to keep up the pace with Galway, they can feel immensely proud of their first-half performance and keep that in their locker as something to build on, especially with a tough week ahead with a double game week. First off, they face Treaty United away in Limerick. Then they have a trip to Cobh just three days later on the bank holiday Monday to face Ramblers. If the Kingdom can put in a good shift in those two games, there is nothing to say that they cannot walk away with maximum points.





# DANNY HEALY-RAE<sup>TD</sup>



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## PASSPORTS

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Contact our office for advice BEFORE applying for your passport.

## Danny Healy Rae TD - Monthly Clinics

### 1st Monday

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### 1st Wednesday

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### 1st Friday

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### 3rd Monday

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### Rathmore & Gneeveguilla

Top of the Hill, Rathmore  
Bridge Bar, Rathmore  
Dennehy's Bar, Rathmore  
Richie McAuliffe's, Gneeveguilla

### Killarney Area

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

### Glenflesk & Barraduff

The Kerry Way, Glenflesk  
Spillane's Headford  
Murphy's Bar, Barraduff  
Sweeney's Bar, Barraduff

### Tuosist & Lauragh

Sailors Bar, Killaha West  
Helen's Bar Kilmacalogue  
The Lake House Tuosist

### Knocknagoshel & Brosna

O'Connor's Bar, Knocknagoshel  
Walsh's Bar, Knocknagoshel  
Kate Pat's Bar, Brosna  
Sportsfield Bar, Brosna

### 3rd Friday

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### 4th Thursday

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### 4th Friday

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### Last Monday

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### Castleisland Area

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

### Killorglin Area

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

### Kenmare & Sneem Area

The Roughty bar, Kenmare  
Riney's Bar, Sneem  
Blackwater Tavern  
O'Connor's Bar Kenmare

### Farranfore Area

Ulick's Bar, Farranfore  
James Daly's Bar, Farranfore  
Cunniffe's Bar, Currow  
John Hendersons, Furies

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## KILLARNEY CAMOGIE CLUB

### UNDER 6, UNDER 8 & UNDER 10

Training Mondays & Fridays from 6-7pm in Spa. Hurleys & helmets can be provided on a rental basis for the season. Football boots, shin guards & water required. All girls aged 5 & upwards welcome. Girls turning 10 in 2023 are also eligible to play U10.

### UNDER 12

Training Mondays & Fridays (match dependent) from 6-7pm in Spa. Hurleys & helmets can be provided on a rental basis for the season. Bring football boots, shin guards & water. All girls with birthdays in 2011 & 2012 are eligible for this age group.

### UNDER 14

Training continues every Friday and Monday (match dependent) from 6-7pm in Spa. All girls with birthdays in 2009 & 2010 are eligible for this age group.

### UNDER 16

Training Mondays & Thursdays in Spa from 6-7pm. All girls with birthdays in 2007 & 2008 are eligible.

### UNDER 18

Training Mondays & Fridays in Spa from 6-7pm. All girls with birthdays in 2005 & 2006 are eligible.

### REGISTRATION

New members always welcome & registration is done on

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

### FACEBOOK

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

### KERRY MINOR CAMOGIE

Kerry contest the Electric Ireland Minor C Championship semi final v Wicklow on Sunday 30th April in Moneygall (E53 TX95) at 2pm. Best of luck to all involved, especially the Killarney players on the panel – Yen Leniston, Kathryn Ryan, Chloe McCarthy, Hannah Ryan, Áine Devlin, Yasmin O'Brien & Anne Hickey.

## KILLARNEY LEGION

### SENIOR MEN

Our Senior Men lost their 100% record in the County League but not their unbeaten record as they drew with local rivals Dr Crokes in sunny Direen on Sunday. The visitors made full use of the breeze in the opening half running into a 0-10 to 0-6 half time lead, cousins Ryan O Grady, Peter McCarthy and Finbarr Murphy sharing the first half scoring load. With the wind to their backs a visible improvement could be seen in the second half with a Ryan O'Grady goal putting them 1-8 to 0-10 to the good. Dr Crokes responded well though, a Kieran O Donoghue black card dovetailing with this period, and they pushed two clear again. But the pendulum swung again as Dr Crokes were reduced to fourteen men coinciding with our return to the

full compliment. Points from Jamie O Sullivan, Ryan O'Grady and crucially Darragh Lyne saw the game end in a share of the spoils.

The Senior B Team had a successful outing with a 1-14 to 0-11 win over Kilcummin in a game played in Direen earlier in the afternoon.

### KERRY U20S

William Shine was the star turn in Kerry's hard fought win over Clare in the Munster U20 Football semi final played in Austin Stack Park last Monday. Operating in the full forward line he chipped in with ten points, half from play, and Tomas O Ses side now head to Pairc Ui Chaoimh to face old foes Cork in the final which takes place on Monday April 24th. Not the only connection to the team, Darragh Fleming picked up an untimely injury when pushing for a starting berth, Brian Kelly is the goalkeeping coach while former Senior team trainer Pat Flanagan has them in peak shape.

### KERRY U14 LADIES

Congrats to the Kerry U14 Ladies who had a fantastic 1-16 to 2-11 win over Cork in Mallow on Saturday to capture the Munster U14A championship. Ali Bowler came on at half time while Jason Stack was a selector.

### JUVENILE BOYS UPDATE

The first of the Under 9 Go Games fixtures started last Wednesday as 28 Legion boys took to the field. The large crowd present were treated to games where skill, effort, and teamwork were to the fore. Thank you to Laune Rangers for making the trip in.

Our Under 11 boys were out again on Thursday last against Austin Stacks. Both clubs had 3 teams playing in the evening, and our own 28 lads tried their best against a strong Austin Stacks side. Thanks to the three referees and Donal O Donoghue and John Keane for getting the fields ready for the evening's action. Thanks also to Austin Stacks for coming to visit us in sunny Direen.

The hive of activity that was Direen on Sunday concluded with two U13 games in the County League. Laune Rangers were in town and in the Division 9 game they played with the wind in the first half and with 3 goals led by 9 points at the break. But the Legion boys came back very well in the second half and got some great scores but were piped by just one point in the end. Well done to Laune Rangers on the win. Our boys finish Phase 1 of their campaign in Tralee this Thursday evening.

A tremendous start to the game for our Division 1 team paved the way for a good win. Some excellent team scores from the boys throughout the game were all needed as Laune Rangers kept going right to the end but we were too strong on this occasion. These boys have now finished Phase 1. We ended up in second place on seven points from 5 games, just behind the winners Na Gaeil on 8 points. We look forward to the Phase 2 of the games.

A mixed week for our U15 Boys. The Division 9 team had a run out against an albeit understrength Fossa side but they came out on top displaying great skill and taking some fine scores against a gallant home side on Wednesday. On Friday the Division 1 side travelled to face what is arguably the strongest team in the group, John Mitchels. When these

sides last met the Tralee club had the upper hand throughout but a much improved showing from our lads saw a far more competitive game. Despite going down on a 1-10 to 0-6 scoreline the improvement was there for everyone to see.

### LADIES UPDATE

The U14 girls were in round 4 action of the County League on Sunday with Na Gaeil visitors to a sunny Direen. The home side got straight down to business and opened the scoring with a green flag from the throw in. Both sides made good use of the open spaces and the visitors registered some nice points with good inside forward play. The Legion girls were just that bit more clinical than their opponents and ran out comfortable winners in the end.

Our U16s ladies were in County League action on Thursday when Beaufort visited Direen in the second round. On what was a beautiful, if a little breezy evening Beaufort won the toss and opted to play with the aid of the wind. The first half was evenly contested with our girls, probably shading the possession stats slightly, but scores were hard to come by. Only 2 points separated the teams at half time. Legion 0-06 Beaufort 0-04. The second half started with Legion taking full advantage of the breeze to work some fine team scores. Beaufort rallied well and battled on, but scores were difficult to come by. Our Legion ladies pulled away as the half wore on and ran out comfortable winners in the end. Thanks to the Beaufort girls and management for a very sporting contest and to referee Sean Courtney. Next up in Round 3 is a trip to Mid Kerry to meet MKL Gaels.

### PRIMARY SCHOOLS GAME

Well done to 4 of our players Sophie O'Shea, Aitana Bowler, Sean Lyne and Conor Moynihan who all played on the Kerry Primary Schools Teams at half time in the Munster Senior Football Semi Final between Kerry and Tipperary in Fitzgerald Stadium. Aitana represented Lissivigeen school, Sean Loreto, while Sophie and Conor represented Lough Guitane. Well done to them all and no doubt they enjoyed the experience of playing in front of a sizeable home crowd in the famed Park.

### LOTTO

Results Monday April 17th. Numbers 6, 10, 13, 24. Bonus 3. No Jackpot Winner. Match 3s/ Lucky Dips: 1. Angela Healy 2. Cian Hegarty 3. Joyce Trant 4. Maura Trant 5. Mary O Doherty.

## EAST KERRY GAA NEWS

by Michael Healy

### MUNSTER CHAMPIONSHIP SEMI FINAL.

Congratulations to the Kerry Team and Management, on their victory over Tipperary, in Saturdays Munster Football Championship Semi final.

### JOE McDONAGH CUP.

Well done to the Kerry hurlers on another superb victory in the McDonagh Cup, this time winning away in Kildare.

### SCÓR NA BPAISTÍ

Best wishes to all the East Kerry contingent involved next weekend, in the Scór na bPaistí county final on Saturday 29th April at 2pm in Glenbeigh.





Sam Buckley being presented the Donie Kissane Memorial trophy for Young Player of the Year 2022 by Theresa & Tim Kissane



David Clifford being presented the John Kelly Memorial trophy for Fossa Senior Player of the year 2022 by the Kelly family.

### ALL IRELAND SCOR NA NOG FINAL 2023

All-Ireland Finals of Scór na nÓg will take place in the INEC, Killarney, on May the 6th at 3.00pm.

### CONDOLENCES

Sympathy to family of Gerard McCarthy RIP Killarney & Gneeveguilla. Gerard played Gaelic Football in his day with Gneeveguilla. Also served Chairman & Treasurer of Club & refereed a County Final. Gneeveguilla GAA held Guard of Honour from O'Shea's funeral home to St, Mary's Cathedral Killarney. A member of East Kerry Board was in Guard of Honour.

Deepest sympathies from all in East Kerry to the Loftus family on the passing of Dr. Mick Loftus, former president of GAA. A GAA legend and All Ireland winner with Mayo in 1951. Gone but never forgotten. Thinking of the Loftus family at this difficult time.

## FOSSA GAA NOTES

### FOSSA GAA - 2022 PLAYER OF THE YEAR & 2022 YOUNG PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Fossa GAA Club held the 2022 Player of the year and 2022 Young Player of the year awards in the The Golden Nugget Bar, Restaurant & Off Licence on Sunday evening. The senior player of the year in honour of Johnny Kelly was won by David Clifford and the Young Player of the year in honour of Donie Kissane was won by Sam Buckley.

On the evening Mark and Caroline Hallissey were presented with a club jersey signed by the All Ireland winning Fossa team and team photo in appreciation of the support and sponsorship by The Golden Nugget Bar, Restaurant & Off Licence as club main sponsors.

A very enjoyable evening was well supported by the Fossa faithful and thanks again to The Golden Nugget for the hospitality and their support.

### KERRY VS TIPPERARY - MUSTER SENIOR SEMI-FINAL

Job well done in Fitzgerald stadium on Saturday - great start by Kerry and for our captain David Clifford with a big win against Tipp. Paudie was excellent throughout and man of the match in a game easily won by Kerry. Our U13 footballer, Eoin Bennett was fantastic in the HT Primary game. Well done to our 3 Fossa boys.

### KERRY LADIES U14 A MUNSTER FINAL

Huge congratulations to Naoise O'Connor, Tara O'Sullivan and Faye Lynch and the Kerry team who are U14A Munster Champions after a mighty victory against CorK. Coming from behind to win it late on a score of 2-11 v 1-16. Well done to these fantastic girls, we are very proud of you all.

### CREDIT UNION SENIOR COUNTY LEAGUE DIV 3 - RD 4

#### Fossa 0-12 Reenard 2-12

Fossa's winning run in the county league came to halt on Sunday, when suffering a home defeat to the much livelier Reenard team.

Fossa started brightly enough with points from the O'Shea brothers, Harry Kelly and Ruairi Doyle but Reenard kept in touch throughout, and a goal just before half time gave Reenard the lead, HT score 0-08 to 1-06. The second half was a tamer affair with Fossa chasing the game, but in an error strewn performance Fossa came out second best.

Next up for Fossa is Annascaul away next Saturday evening.

### CREDIT UNION SENIOR COUNTY LEAGUE DIV 6 - RD 4 Churchill B 2-13 Fossa B 3-13

In a highly entertaining game, played in Churchill on Friday evening, Fossa came out on top in a cracker, Rocco Sheehan came off the bench and scored 1-4 in the second half, the other goals were by Ryan O'Leary in the first half and a screamer by Sam Buckley toward the end of the game to settle the tie. Darren Cronin also kicked some fine points and strong performances from Mark Donnellon, Pauric Talbot, Joe Cahillane and Francis Moran saw Fossa home.

Next up for Fossa B is home to Fries next Sunday.

### FOSSA U13 BOYS - COUNTY LEAGUE RD 3

Fossa u13 boys hosted Kenmare in lovely sunny conditions. Kenmare started brightly taking the first point of the game. It took the Fossa boys time to settle but once they found their range they kicked 2-5 without reply. The goals coming from Ross O'Gorman & Donnacha Vaughan. Kenmare scored a further two points in the half but Luke Clancy replied for Fossa with 1-1 leaving the half time score 3-6 to 0-3. The Fossa boys kicked some lovely points during the half from the boots of Luke

Rennie, Fionn O'Donovan & Eoin Bennet. Again on the resumption of the second half the Fossa boys continued where they left off and added another 2-7. Johnny Myers was rewarded with a well worked goal, a score that his performance deserved. The defence was well marshalled throughout the match by Oisín Cryan & Gerry Moroney, ably assisted by Kevin Breen, who made a superb goal line clearance in the second half, as well as the lively Charlie O'Meara, Ben O'Sullivan and Marc Sheehan. Up front Ross Cronin, Rian Weldon, Aaron Cronin, & Mateusz Golebicki were a constant threat. In what was a great team performance the Fossa team won out 5-13 to 0-4, a scoreline which did not reflect the hard work, skill and effort by the Kenmare side.

**FOSSA U10'S** had a very enjoyable day in the Maynooth blitz on Saturday

### FOSSA U15'S A & B

Fossa U15's were both beaten on Wednesday evening - A's by Ballyduff and the B's by Legion

### LOTTO:

DATE: 23/04/2023. NUMBERS DRAWN: 31,4,15, 23. NO JACKPOT WINNER. 5 \* €40 Consolation Winners: Barbara Doody, Listry. Martina Healy, Knockalibade, Kilcummin. Paul Huggett, Killarney. Breda Griffin, Dalton's Avenue. Norma Myers, Curragh. THIS WEEK'S JACKPOT: €3,600

## DR. CROKES GAA CLUB

### SENIOR FOOTBALL LEAGUE

#### Dr. Crokes 0-14 Legion 1-11

On Sunday last we travelled across the bypass where we faced our local rivals Killarney Legion. This was a highly entertaining local derby game that finished level after 67 minutes of play. Brian Looney opened the game with a fabulous long-range point from play. The first half was largely dominated by Micheal Burns who scored 3 points from play inside the first 13 minutes. With 5 minutes of the first half to be played, we were unlucky not to have added a goal to our tally after a high ball was kicked high into Tom Doyle. This was however cleared away by Brian Kelly in the Legion goals. Half time Dr. Crokes 0-10 Legion 0-06. Legion started the second half the livelier, scoring the first two points of the half, one free and one from play. After





just 13 minutes, Legions Ryan O'Grady stuck a rocket of a ball passed Shane Murphy to give them a lead for the first time in the game. They were however reduced to 14 men, one minute later after a back card incident. Our boys took advantage of the numerical advantage, scoring two points from play during this time. It was legions turn to take advantage of a numerical surplus with 10 minutes left to be played when Mark O'Shea was black carded. In a game that could have easily been ours, legion scored two further points in injury time. Next up is Ballymacelligott at home on Sunday.

### SENIOR HURLING LEAGUE

#### Dr. Crokes 2-17 Causeway 0-21

Our senior hurlers We were away to Causeway in our third league game on last Friday night and came away with a fine win against the current Kerry County Champions. Down three points at half time our team produced a second half of brave and skilful hurling to finish the game on a score line of Dr Crokes 2-17 Causeway 0-21, a two point win. Our goals were scored by David Carroll and Brian O Connor and special mention must go to our youngest players, Nathaniel Doncel, Charlie Keating and the already mentioned Brian O Connor. They were greatly supported by our more experienced players and none of our team took a backward step from start to finish. We have endured many sad days in Causeway over the years but this performance and result eases a lot of pain. The hard gym work over the winter is paying dividends and it's onwards and upwards from here on. Next up is Ballyheigue who we play at Dr Crokes on next Friday night 28th April. Support will be greatly appreciated.

### LGFA U14

Our U14 girls had a great win on Sunday afternoon against Finuge/St. Senans. Our girls dominated from the start with Sabra Hickey lording it in midfield, ably assisted by Ali Lyne. Mia McMahon, Aoife Kelleher, Miren O'Connor, Keva McCarthy, Isobel Cremin and Bethany Byrne keeping the scoreboard ticking. At the back Jessica McCrohan, Cara Lyne, Katie O'Sullivan, Elizabeth Brosnan, Saoirse O'Donoghue and the outstanding Ciara Mulcahy all kept their opposite numbers firmly in check. Evie Kelly played fantastically in between the posts. Off the bench Faye Mannix at the back and Roisin O'Sullivan, with a great point, added greatly when introduced. The girls would like to congratulate teammate Annie Brosnan on winning the Munster Championship with Kerry on Saturday.

### U11

Our U11's took the trip out to Farranfore to take on Firies in the latest round of Go Games on Friday evening. They had two good games on a nice evening. Everyone put in a great effort.

### ACADEMY

Our academy continues every Saturday. We cater for boys and girls aged 4 to 11 from the Killarney area. Hurling from 10 to 11 and Football from 11:15 to 12:15. All welcome, bring a friend! Qualified coaches with an emphasis on fun and making friends. We hope to see everyone there!

**LOTTO** took place on April 24th Numbers drawn were 5, 11, 12, 19 Jackpot of €7,400 was

not won. 23 patrons matched 3 and receive €25. Jackpot for draw on April 30th will be €7,700. We are calling on all members to support our weekly lotto as this represents one of the main sources of revenue for the club. With activity likely to recommence on the fields over the next few weeks we need people's support to maintain our facilities in Lewis Road. We have made a number of alterations to make things easier for members to play the easiest one being to play it online by following the link below and follow instructions attached [https://play.clubforce.com/play\\_newa.asp?l\\_id=734#Anchor](https://play.clubforce.com/play_newa.asp?l_id=734#Anchor)

### GAA HEALTHY INITIATIVES

For the next 3 Mondays there will be various talks in the clubhouse at 7:30pm. Presenters will tell their stories on their journeys from initial shock to recovery and how they coped.

### BINGO

Dr Crokes Bingo continues every Sunday night in St. Marys Parish Hall at 8pm. Doors open at 6:45. This week's jackpot is worth a whopping €2,100 with over €2,000 in prizes to be won in 10 games of bingo. Everyone Welcome.

**CONGRATULATIONS** to Leah McMahon and Annie Brosnan who won their respective Munster Finals with the Kerry Minor and U14 teams in Mallow on Saturday.

### NOTES

If anyone has anything they want to add to our club notes please email [pro.drcrokes.kerry@gaa.ie](mailto:pro.drcrokes.kerry@gaa.ie).

## FIRIES GAA

### LADIES NOTES

Well done to our member Katie Doe who was part of the Kerry Minor Ladies team who were victorious in their Munster Minor B Final. A massive achievement and accomplishment!

### U13 FOOTBALL

Congratulations to our u13 Div 2 Footballers who had a comprehensive victory over Dr Crokes on Sunday. A tremendous all round team performance by the boys in Farranfore to complete their phase 1 fixtures.

Commiserations to our u13 Div 10 footballers who lost out to Dr Crokes in Farranfore on Sunday, The boys put in a tremendous performance in the first half going in at the short whistle leading by 1-06 to 0-02. Unfortunately Dr Crokes controlled the second half and ran out 4-11 to 2-7 in the end. Well done to the boys who continue to improve week on week.

### SENIOR CLUB RESULTS

Div 2 23/04 Firies 0-07 V Listowel Emmets 3-12

Div 6 23/04 Firies 3-13 v Toustist 4-7

### SENIOR CLUB FIXTURES

Div 2 30/04 Na Gael v Firies 2pm

Div 6 30/04/ Fossa v Firies 2pm

### BALLYHAR-FIRIES GAA LOTTO 24/04/2023

Numbers drawn were: 1,7,15,27. No jackpot winner. 5x€30: Sarah Palmer, Clounmellane. Lisa Donohue, c/o Bridie. Olivia Butler. Cathal O'Mahony. Darragh Donohue, Dromore. Next week's jackpot €6300

## KEEL GAA

### CLUB LOTTO

Keel GAA Lotto Draw Monday 17th of April. Numbers drawn: 7, 14, 23, 27. There was no winner of our jackpot of €3,500. Lucky dip winner of €50 were Kathleen Foley and Moira O Shea. The jackpot will be €3,550 for the draw on Monday the 24th of April. Many thanks for all your support this week and thank you to this week's lotto team for facilitating the draw. You can purchase your tickets for the draw via Clubforce or through the local outlets. Thank you for your continued support of our club lotto.

### SENIORS

Our seniors were at home to St. Senans on Sunday in round 4 of the County League. Keel were comfortable throughout but the team and management most likely won't be pleased about their second half performance. Keel converted 1-06 in the first half and with some excellent defensive work they kept the visitors to 1 point. St. Senans worked hard in the second half but were unable to penetrate the Keel defence however, they added two frees and one point from play in the second half. The final score was Keel 1-08, St. Senans 0-04. Well done to the team and management on another win. They travel to Beale next Sunday for round 5. Best of luck!

### UNDER 15S

Well done to our U15 Green team who had a good win on Wednesday last against Churchill. Some good performances and solid passages of play. On Friday our U15 Keel/Listry Blue team who came away from Glenflesk with a very impressive win. Final score Glenflesk 7-10 Keel/Listry 9-07. Well done to all the players and coaches. On Monday of this week, the blue team are away to John Mitchels on Monday and are at home in Keel on Friday night at 6:30pm to St. Pats/Kerins O Rahillys. The green team face Firies on Wednesday evening is Listry at 7pm. Best of luck to all the players and coaches in this week's games.

### UNDER 13S

Our Keel/Listry U13s hosted Milltown/Castlemaine on Sunday evening in Keel. Both teams played enjoyable and competitive games. Keel/Listry came out slightly on top in both games. Thanks to both teams and parents for all their support, Training continues Tuesday and Thursday evening.

### UNDER 9S

Our U9s played their first round of the Go Games against Cromane in Keel on Tuesday last. There was a great turnout of boys and girls. We had 3 teams of 8 aside where all players showed some lovely skill. Our U9s also played an exhibition game during half time of the Senior game on Sunday. Well done to all the boys and girls. The crowd was treated to some excellent scores and play. Training continues Monday.

### UNDER 5S

Our U5's had training on Sunday morning. Training was held in glorious sunshine where everyone enjoyed fun games while building essential football skills. Training continues Sunday from 10:30-11:30.

### KERRY U20

The very best of luck to Keith Evans, his U20





teammates and the management team in on Monday (24th) Munster Final against Cork. Kick-off is at 7:30pm in Páirc Uí Chaoimh. Ciarraí Abú!

#### KERRY SENIOR LADIES

Best of luck to Caoimhe Evans, Ciara Murphy and the Kerry Ladies team who travel to Waterford this Sunday for the Munster Senior Football Championship. Throw in is at 2pm on Sunday.

#### KERRY MINOR LADIES

Congratulations to Tirna Murphy and the Kerry Minor ladies on their Munster Minor B Final victory over Tipperary on Saturday.

#### KERRY U14 LADIES

Congratulations to Erin Evans and the Kerry U14 team on beating Cork in the Munster Final on Saturday.

## MILLTOWN/CASTLEMAINE CLUB

### LOTTO

Sponsored by Almas Takeaway, Milltown  
The fortnightly club lotto draw took place on Monday, April 17th at the club grounds. There was no jackpot winner on this occasion. The numbers drawn were 4, 19, 32 and the bonus ball was 3. Congratulations to our match 3 winner, Gina Lawlor who receives €200. Our next club lotto draw is scheduled to take place on Monday, May 1st 2023 at 19:30pm in the Clubhouse where the jackpot will be €13,000.

#### CREDIT UNION COUNTY SENIOR FOOTBALL LEAGUE: DIVISION 1, ROUND 4 RESULT

Milltown/Castlemaine 0-08 Kilcummin 2-10

#### CREDIT UNION COUNTY SENIOR FOOTBALL LEAGUE: DIVISION 6, ROUND 4 RESULT

Milltown/Castlemaine 'B' 2-14

St Michaels Foilmore 'B' 0-07

#### CREDIT UNION COUNTY SENIOR FOOTBALL LEAGUE: DIVISION 1, ROUND 5 FIXTURE

Milltown/Castlemaine 'A' will host Gneeveguilla

on Saturday, April 29th in the Paddy Burke Memorial Park, Milltown in Round 5 of the Credit Union County Senior Football League with a throw-in time of 7:00pm. All support is welcome.

#### CREDIT UNION COUNTY SENIOR FOOTBALL LEAGUE: DIVISION 6, ROUND 5 FIXTURE

Milltown/Castlemaine 'B' will welcome Dr. Crokes 'C' to the Paddy Burke Memorial Park, Milltown this weekend for Round 5 of the Credit Union County Senior Football League with date and time to be confirmed. Stay tuned to our social media channels for further updates.

#### KERRY U-20S: MUNSTER CHAMPIONS

Congratulations to the Kerry U20s and their management team especially Milltown/Castlemaine's Cillian Burke who lined out midfield and scored a super goal on Monday evening in the Munster Championship Final against Cork in Páirc Uí Chaoimh. A particular mention also to Pat Flanagan who was involved in the backroom team. They will now advance to an All-Ireland Semi-Final against Sligo in the coming weeks.

#### U12 GIRLS:

Our under 12 girls welcomed Furies to the Paddy Burke Memorial Park on Monday evening for a challenge game between the two teams. Huge thank you to Furies GAA, their coaches and team for making the trip to Milltown for what was a great sporting contest.

#### U15 BOYS: LEE STRAND COUNTY U-15 FOOTBALL LEAGUE DIVISION 3A: RESULT

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#### CONGRATULATIONS:

#### MUNSTER CHAMPIONS

Well done to Seoladh Flynn and Rachel Boyle who were part of the Kerry U14 team that won the Munster LGFA U14 A final against Cork at the weekend.

#### CONDOLENCES

All involved in Milltown/Castlemaine GAA would like to pass on our sincere condolences

to the family of the late Sean Horan of Knockaneacoolteen, Ballyfinnane, Furies, Co. Kerry. Sean represented Milltown/Castlemaine as a player and coach and was a very talented footballer, lining out for Mid Kerry and the Kerry Juniors during his career culminating in Sean featuring on the Kingdom side which won an All-Ireland title in 1954, a wonderful achievement and one which was richly deserved.

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#### MILLTOWN CASTLEMAINE GAA CLOTHES RECYCLING COLLECTION

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

#### 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.

## O'Donoghue Clan Gather for Family Reunion



Over fifty cousins from as far away as Mexico gathered at the ancestral home of the O'Donoghue Family, The Salmon Leap guesthouse in Clonkeen over the weekend. Three of the family of thirteen Crothuir Og O Donoghues were present, Agatha, Anne and Florrie. Photo: Seamus Healy.



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## A Word of Victory

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One thing that brings trouble is unforgiveness. Some folks live always offended, thinking that it's ok - but it is sin that opens the door to torment and, death (Romans 6:23). God hates offence because it separates people from Him and from others. Unforgiveness can stem from unresolved past trauma and painful experiences. "Return to your rest O my soul, for the Lord has dealt bountifully with you. For You have rescued my life from death, my eyes from tears and my feet from stumbling and falling..." (Psalm 116:7-8). Jesus taught much about forgiveness - it is a Kingdom principle upon which our Salvation is based. God forgave us our sin because His Son Jesus laid down His life for every man woman and child to be saved and brought back into God's family by taking our sins and offence making us right with Him. The Lord Jesus is the 'Light of the world', and His Glorious Light and Love exposes, and overcomes darkness. "For God so loves the world that He gave His Only Begotten Son so that whoever believes in Him shall not die but have eternal life" (John 3:16-20; John 8:12).

In the same way that God has forgiven you and me, He expects us to forgive others (Mark 11:25). "Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us" (Matthew 6:12). Some people do not like to focus much on this part of Salvation because they find it difficult to forgive. It is natural to want to be vindicated and to protect oneself from being hurt, but at what cost? Jesus often taught Biblical concepts in easy-to-understand parables. Peter asked Him one day how many times did God expect us to forgive someone who sins against us - he cautiously suggested perhaps seven times? Jesus replied 'no, not seven times, but seventy times seven.' Ouch! I see you multiplying inside your head friend.... that is four hundred and ninety times a day! Jesus then went on to teach the parable of the 'unforgiving servant', who was forgiven an enormous debt by the King (equal to a few million euro today) and was saved from prison because of the King's mercy. But this servant then went off and imprisoned a fellow servant because he owed him a measly twenty euro. The King was told of this and severely chastised the unforgiving servant and handed him over to be tortured and tormented in prison until the debt was paid - which, given the amount owed, would be generations (Matthew 18:21-35). Unforgiveness is poison, it imprisons individuals and families in utter torment. It is just not worth it. God wants us to live differently (Ephesians 4:30-32).

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**MASS AT TULLIG GROTTTO:** On Tuesday the 2nd of May at 7.30pm and Rosary each evening for the month of May at 7pm.

**FATIMA FIRST SATURDAY DEVOTIONS:** Church of the Resurrection, Park Road, Killarney, starts at 8.45am with Fatima Prayers, Rosary at 9.00am, Mass celebrated at 9.30am followed by a 15 min Scripture Meditation.

**DIVINE MERCY PRAYER GROUP** meets every Thursday at 10 am in St Bridget's Chapel, Church of The Resurrection Killarney. All Welcome Further information contact Mary 086 0529008

**KNOCK SUNDAY APRIL 30TH:** Peggy Lynch's overnight tour to Knock, Co. Mayo & Lough Derg, Co. Donegal and Sunday July 23rd: Grandparents Day in Knock return day trip If you have any queries, we can be contacted here at O'Callaghan Coach Holidays on 064 6631095.

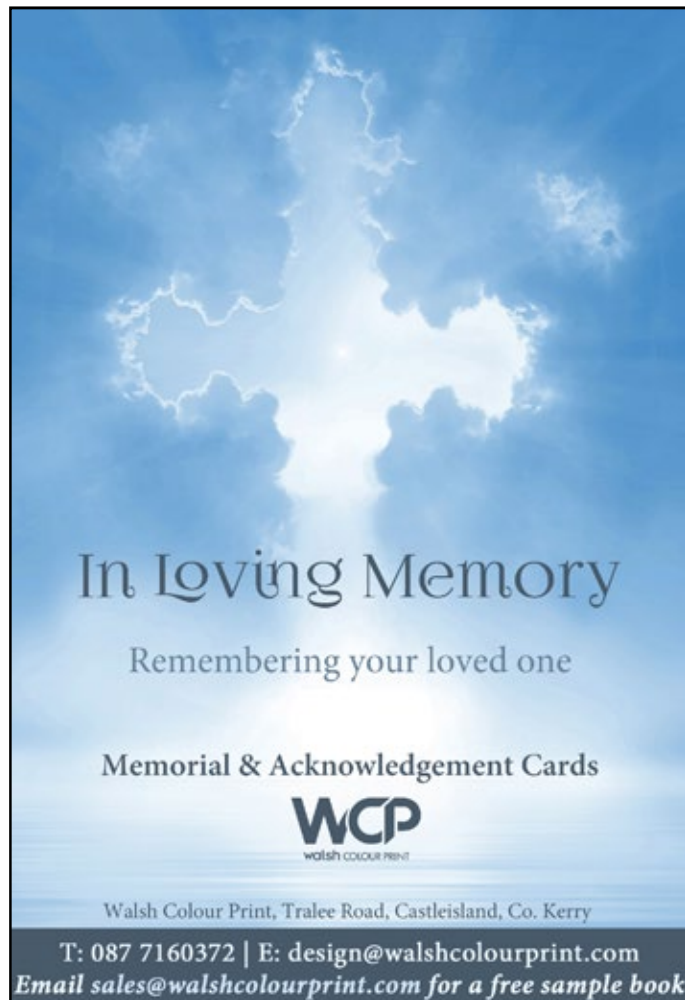
**TRÓCAIRE:** You can be return your gift for Trocaire, to the Parish Office or presbyteries and we will be sending them on your behalf

**CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION CHILDREN'S LITURGY GROUP** would like to invite you to the Parish Centre after 11.00am Mass on Sunday the 30th of April for a cup of tea and a chat. Looking forward to seeing you there. All Welcome

**SYNOD 2021-2024 FOR A SYNODAL CHURCH: COMMUNION, PARTICIPATION AND MISSION** In October 2021 the Catholic Church's synodal process on the theme of synodality began. This was the first time that a worldwide listening process and consultation with parishes and dioceses was attempted and many people in Ireland took part in a listening process during the early months of 2022. Did you take part? Have you been wondering what happened after that? Much has happened since then. Your participation formed part of our national document that was sent to the Synod office in Rome in August 2022. It also formed part of a global document called Enlarge the Space of Your Tent, which was published last October, and then formed part of a presentation given by the Irish delegation that travelled to Prague this February for the first ever Continental Assembly of the Catholic Church's synodal process. Please visit [www.synod.ie/2023update](http://www.synod.ie/2023update) to find out more

**IRISH MEN ROSARY OF REPARATION, REPENTANCE AND CONVERSION** for our nation will take place on Saturday 6th of May at 1pm in The Square, Tralee. Any enquires to John 0876951298





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**NOVENA TO ST. CLARE**

**IN THANKSGIVING**

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

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

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


**PRAYER TO ST. PADRE PIO**

**PRAYER**

O God, You gave Saint Pio of Pietrelcina, capuchin priest, the great privilege of participating in a unique way in the passion of Your Son, grant me through his intercession the grace of ..... which I ardently desire; and above all grant me the grace of living in conformity with the death of Jesus, to arrive at the glory of the resurrection. Glory be to the Father ...(three times)

**MONTH'S MIND MASS NOTICE**

**JOHN JOE (DENJOE) O'CONNOR**



ALOHERT, BEAUFORT, KILLARNEY  
WHO PASSED AWAY THE 27TH MARCH 2023.

We, the O' Connor family would like to express our deepest gratitude to all the kind people who came to support and help us during Denjoe's funeral. The outpouring of love and support was unbelievable.

We would like to thank all who visited our home, attended Denjoe's funeral mass and burial, sent mass cards and flowers, left online condolences and all those who helped in any way they could. We would also like to thank all those who travelled from afar and also those who could not be present but joined us via webcam.

We really appreciate all who provided us with homemade meals and provisions. Our extended families have been an endless support to us and we would have been utterly lost without them.

A special word of thanks to the doctors, nurses, priests and all the staff at Tralee General Hospital.

We would like to thank all at Flynn's Funeral Home, who made this difficult time a little easier and did so in a very caring and considerate manner. To Fr. Fergal, thank you for the kindness shown to us and for providing a beautiful mass. Thank you also to those who provided the wonderful music at the church and at the graveyard.

Many thanks to Sean and all the staff at Kate Kearney Cottage who looked after us so well after the funeral.

As it would be impossible to thank everyone individually, we hope this acknowledgment will be accepted by all as a token of our sincere appreciation. A Mass will be offered for their intentions.

Denjoe's Months Mind Mass will be celebrated on Friday 28th April, in St. Mary's Parish Church Beaufort at 7:30pm.

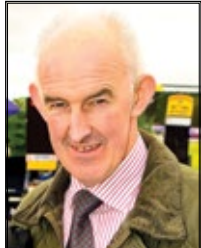
**JESUS**

May your Sacred Heart Lord Jesus, be praised, glorified and honoured throughout the whole world now and forever. Repeat this 3 times.

**11TH ANNIVERSARY**

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

**STEPHEN KENNEDY**



LAHARD, BEAUFORT  
WHO PASSED AWAY ON APRIL 24TH 2012

*We think of you each moment  
Of every single day  
Your smile and your memory  
Will never fade away.*

*I know your right here with us  
I can feel us hand in hand  
And feel your warmth upon us  
Right next to where we stand*

*Please know your not forgotten  
Your in everything we do  
We would not be who we are  
But for the love that came from you.*

Love always  
Mary, Jackie Kieran Aoibhinn and Sarah,  
Kieran Laura Neillidh Róise and Callan, Paul and Paula.

**PRAYER TO THE LITTLE FLOWER ST THERESE**

O Little Therese of the Child Jesus, please pick for me a rose from the heavenly gardens and send it to me as a message of love. O Little Flower of Jesus, ask God to grant the favors

I now place with confidence in your hands . .

(mention in silence here)

St. Therese, help me to always believe as you did in God's great love for me, so that I might imitate your "Little Way" each day.

Amen





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