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Dr. Crokes Stalwarts, Mike Moloney, John Payne, Kieran O'Leary and Brian Looney, who have represented their club at every level and who were crowned County Champions on Sunday last at Austin Stack Park when they defeated Dingle to win the Bishop Moynihan Cup.



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The town turned Black & Amber on Sunday last when Dr. Crokes were crowned County Champions after their emphatic victory over Dingle. We have full match analysis from Jimmy O'Sullivan Darcy and lots of photographs from the celebrations.

Kerry Captain, Paudie Clifford, swapped his football boots for working boots and rolled up his sleeves with the Meitheal during the week. The Ring of Kerry Charity Cycle beneficiaries were presented with their cheques and two new stores were officially opened during the Killarney Shopping Festival.

The coffee mornings continue in aid of the Kerry Hospice, a book looking at Athletics in Kerry is set to be launched and hotels in Kerry were celebrating numerous awards.

The victorious Kerry Ladies are set to receive their All Ireland Medals at a Gala Night of celebrations, The Memory Tree will be lit at Holy Cross Mercy again this year and the Gooch was honoured by the Kerry Supporters Club.

An up and coming film maker from Killarney is just back from the New York Film Festival, Halloween was on the agenda at schools in the area, while the Killarney Outlet Centre was a hive of activity for their annual Fancy Dress Competition.

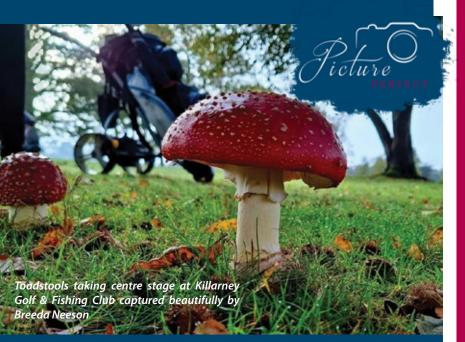
Sem Boys are on a mission to help, Ultra runner, Philip Kissane has raised over €10,000 to the Kerry Mental Health Association and Muckross Rowing Club have paid tribute to rowing legend Noel Casey.

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Hope you all enjoy this week's Killarney Outlook!

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## Kerry Captain Joins The Meitheal at Abbey Wood

VOLUNTARY WORK IN PROGRESS



Volunteer and retired Park Ranger Peter O'Toole talking to the vounteers at Abbey Wood.

Kerry Captain, Paudie Clifford, swapped his football boots for working boots and rolled up his sleeves with the Meitheal during the week. He was joined by his colleagues at Red Chair Recruitment who joined Meitheal volunteers at Muckross Abbey Wood to help with the on going wood land restoration project.

The Meitheal meet every Sunday and Tuesday working on a project that is ongoing in this location where they work in cooperation with the National Parks & Wildlife Service.

The group are inviting any business in Killarney to get involved and spend a day with the vounteers in the Park working on their land restoration project.

If intrested you can get in touch with Killarney National Park Mountain Meitheal on 064-6637928 Picture: Peter O'Toole

## TWO NEW STORES OFFICIALLY OPENED during festival

Killarney's traders are smiling broadly this week after registering one of the busiest October bank holiday weekend breaks in many years.

There was a wonderful atmosphere in the town for the inaugural Killarney Shopping Festival which attracted people from all parts of the country to enjoy the wonderful retail experience the town has to offer.

There was live music on the streets – courtesy of The Three O's and the Killorglin Pipe Band – Disney characters, face painters and balloon makers ensured the children and young at heart were made welcome, themed stalls on the streets proved hugely popular and fantastic in-store promotions ensured that most people went home with a bargain purchase.

To add an extra dimension to the weekend, it also marked the opening of the new Rituals store at 35 Main Street while the stylish new Quill's Irish Jewellery Store, on the New Street-Main Street corner, was also officially opened by Mayor of Killarney, Cllr Maura Healy-Rae.

Festival organiser Bridget O'Keeffe – who coordinated proceedings for organisers Killarney Chamber of Tourism and Commerce – said everybody involved was delighted with the very unique and exciting festival to promote the retail sector.

"It promoted shopping and the fabulous

experience of visiting the town and all it has to give and it really showcased the great retail offering on the streets," she said.

"It also celebrated a favourite family time of the year as only Killarney can with a real focus on the commercial life of the town which has recently become an even more attractive shopping destination," Bridget added. She said there is a great sense of optimism and confidence that Killarney's reputation as a great town to live in, a great town to visit and a great town to shop in was greatly enhanced by the weekend celebrations.

The Killarney Shopping Festival is being organised by Killarney Chamber of Tourism and Commerce and sponsored by AIB, Killarney Credit Union and Kerry County Council.





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## CHARITIES BENEFIT FROM RING OF KERRY CHARITY CYCLE

€1,165,625 was the total raised by cyclists on the annual Ring of Kerry Charity Cycle which was revealed at the cheque presentations to charities in Killarney on Friday night. The fantastic sum was distributed among 35 charity organisations.John Rice, Chairman of the Ring of Kerry Charity Cycle Organising Committee thanked all the Charities and the Volunteers for their hard work and dedication, as without them, the Event simply could not happen. Since the inaugural cycle back in 1982 this event has raised in excess of €20 million for more than 160 charity and voluntary community organisations. Next year's Cycle will be held on Saturday 5th July 2025. Among those who attended on the night are received funds for their charities are: Martin McCarthy from Arus Mhuire Listowel Angela from Bandon Hyperbaric Oxygen Centre Roger from Banna Community Rescue

Garry Galvin from Derrynane Inshore Rescue Paudie from Glenflesk Community Defib Group Dara O'Sullivan from Heartbeat Killarney Triona Sheehy from Holy Cross Mercy Autism unit Mike Leahy from Home from Home Eddie Sheehy from Kenya **Education Project** Breda Dyland from Kerry-Cork **Cancer Bus** Seamus Long from Killarney

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Catherine Foley from Irish Pilgrimage Trust

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Anne-Marie O'Connor and Steve Jones Bru Columbanus Mary Horgan, Cora Walsh and Paul McCarthy from Comfort for Chemo Kerry

Jesse Wieseblatt from Focus Ireland

Nicola McMahon from Irish Cancer Society

Keith O'Brolachain, Fiona O'Carroll, Amy, Breda and Mikey from St Francis Special School.

Applications for next year's event which takes place on the 5th of July 2025 will open for charity applications on the 15th of November and close in mid December. Visit the Ring of Kerry Charity Cycle website to download application forms.

Our photograph shows representatives of the charities with John Rice, Chairman, Ring of Kerry Cycle and Committee members Michael Dowling and Cathal Walshe following the cheque presentations. This year, the Main Beneficiary Charities were Breakthrough Cancer Research, Bru Columbanus, Comfort for Chemo Kerry, Focus Ireland, Irish Cancer Society and St Francis Special School.



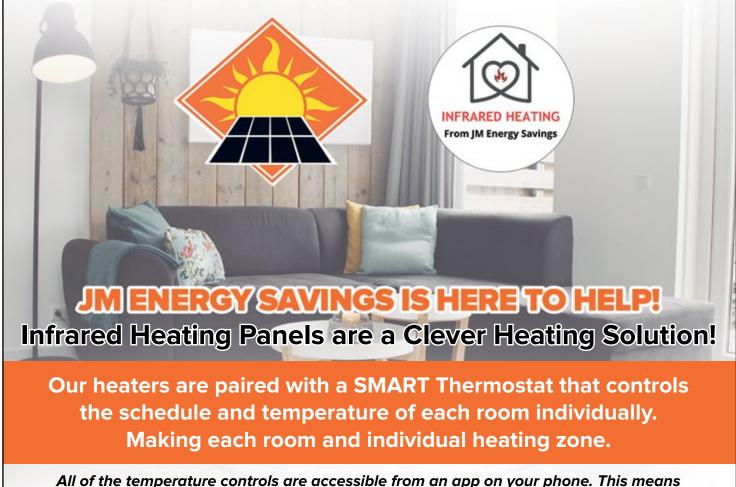
John Rice, Chairman, Ring of Kerry Cycle Committee making a presentation of a cheque to Eoghan O'Sullivan and Edel Towmey from Breakthrough Cancer Research, Anne-Marie O'Connor and Steve Jones Bru Columbanus, Mary Horgan, Cora Walsh and Paul McCarthy from Comfort for Chemo Kerry, Jesse Wieseblatt from Focus Ireland, Nicola McMahon from Irish Cancer Society, Keith O'Brolachain from St Francis Special School from the proceeds of €1,165,625 in total raised by cyclists on the annual Ring of Kerry Charity Cycle, at the cheque presentations to charities in Killarney on Friday night. Also in photo are Michael Dowling and Cathal Walshe. Photos: Don MacMonagle



John Rice, Chairman, Cathal Walshe and Michael Dowling reveal that cyclists on the annual Ring of Kerry Charity Cycle has raised  $\in$ 1,165,625 during the July cycle at the cheque presentations to charities in Killarney on Friday night.



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The Kilgarvan-based company already manages the food offerings at two other globally renowned golf clubs in Kerry, Killarney Golf and Fishing Club and Tralee Golf Club since 2020 and 2023 respectively. Truffle Honey was founded in 2015 by Mike and Collette Hayes who are dedicated to providing the highest quality private chef and personalised dining experiences across Ireland.

The husband-and-wife duo lead a team that is dedicated to ensuring every table is dressed to perfection, the food is expertly cooked and professionally served. Mike Hayes, who heads up the Truffle Honey private chef and kitchen team, said, "The management and members at Ballybunion Golf Club have put their trust in Truffle Honey to deliver a food service product that matches the golfing experience at one of the most famous golf venues on the planet. We are looking forward to serving food that is not only tasty but also comforting while showcasing the local ingredients that are on offer. Shane Edwards became a partner in the company when we branched into golf catering and he already manages the golf catering operations in Tralee and his native Killarney. There's a very good core team already here in Ballybunion that are all coming on board with us. We'll be taking their experience on board with the members and their knowledge of the club and we'll be using that to add to our own experience and standards."

Ballybunion Golf Club is located on the Wild Atlantic Way and the Restaurant overlooks the 1st Tee with a spectacular view of the majestic Atlantic Ocean.

70,000 rounds of golf are played on the Old and Cashen Links Courses every year with 20,000 being visitor rounds, primarily from the USA, and 50,000 from members and their guests.

The General Manager of Ballybunion Golf Club, John Eggleston, said, "We are looking forward to welcoming Mike, Collette and the Truffle Honey team to Ballybunion Golf Club. The catering is the last interaction that a guest has with our golf

## From Tee to Table ....

## Truffle Honey

Lands Catering Contract At Iconic Ballybunion Golf Club



Truffle Honey Directors, Mike Hayes, Collete Hayes and Shane Edwards with Louise O'Donoghue, Group Head Chef, pictured with General Manager of Ballybunion Golf Club, John Eggleston on the 18th Hole at the announcement that Truffle Honey has taken up the catering contract at the world famous Kerry Golf Course. Truffle Honey also manages the food offerings at Killarney Golf & Fishing Club and Tralee Golf Club. Photo: Don MacMonagle

club so it's vital to give a lasting impression at that touchpoint that is fantastic because it is a parting shot for Ballybunion Golf Club. As an experienced operator in the golf industry, with their other clients in Tralee and Killarney, we are confident that Truffle Honey understand our visitors' and our members' needs and will deliver a service and standard commensurate with the standards that Ballybunion has in all other aspects of this operation." Truffle Honey had a team of 65 people on its books during the 2024 summer season and with the awarding of the catering contract at Ballybunion Golf Club, this may grow to 80 staff in 2025.

For more information about Truffle Honey or to make a reservation, visit https:// TruffleHoney.ie or email info@TruffleHoney.ie.

## COFFEE MORNING FOR KERRY HOSPICE at Killarney Community College



Pat Doolan pictured with staff members at Killarney Community College at their recent coffee morning.

A recent mid morning coffee break at Killarney Community College was, once again, in support of the annual "Bewley's Big Coffee Morning for Hospice." Organised by Roisín Casey who was supported by colleagues and staff members, the in-house event raised €580 for Kerry Hospice Foundation.

"This annual event is one of our main fundraisers throughout the year. Being a voluntary organization we rely heavily on the support of the public to fund our services. The people of Kerry have been most generous with their support down through the years." Pat Doolan, Kerry Hospice, Killarney Branch told Killarney Outlook.

People may have heard the recent announcement of planning approval for the addition of 5 new bedrooms to the existing 15 bed Palliative Care in-patient unit at UHK. This is in line with the current Kerry Hospice Foundation policy of expanding its facilities and services.

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## SHOOTING THE STORM

#### Open Black & White Competition Killarney Camera Club



t was great to see such strong entries for Killarney Camera Club's first competition of the year. In total 24 members participated with 24 creative mixed themes photos in Black & White.

Congratulations to Maryann Heidtke on winning Both the Unrestricted and Novice categories with a stormy photograph of the 'Devils Horns' two black rocks under Dunmore Head on the Dingle peninsula.

"Photographing the sea especially in stormy weather is something I love to do. This photograph was taken under Dunmore Head beside Coumeenoole Beach on a Stormy day in September. These iconic rock's are known as the 'Devils Horns' and are probably the most photographed rocks on the peninsula",

Maryann told Killarney Outlook.

"Another name for this formation is 'Na Leach Rèidhe' which means 'The smooth rocks' the complete opposite of what they are! Taking photographs in this type of weather can be exciting but challenging so safety should be top priority", she added

Here are the top three in the Unrestricted category 1st Place: Maryann Heidtke, 'Waiting for the Rainbow" 2nd Place: Julia Deady, 'An Searach' 3rd Place: Michael O Searcoid, 'Ibis' Anyone interested in joining the Camera Club can email

secretary@killarneycameraclub.ie for further details.

## IT'S TIME FOR A COFFEE FOR **St. Francis Special School**

Today is the day (Friday November 1st) for a coffee morning which is taking place at the Great Southern Killarney in aid of St Francis Special School Beaufort. There will be a big raffle on the day along with face painting, art, cheerleading and some more activities to keep the kids entertained on their week off from school. Time is 10am to 12 and all are welcome!



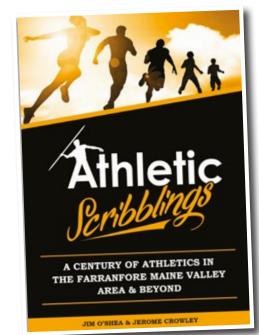
## Athletic Scribblings Recall A Century of Athletics

While reminiscing about sport in days gone by, two of the older member of Farranfore Maine Valley Athletic Club realised that their memories of athletic meetings in the area and county wide were not recorded and decided to do something about it.

Jim O'Shea and Jer Crowley decided to put their memories and experiences on paper and wrote bits and pieces at various times over the past three years but it was when fellow club stalwart Mike O'Connor suggested a book, they went with his idea and Athletic Scriblings has just been published. The book records athletic activities in the greater Farranfore area and countywide from the 1940's to the present day.

The much anticipated launch of the book will take place in Sherwoods Bar in Farranfore on Friday November 15th at 7.30 with Jimmy Deenihan, Chairperson of the Kerry Local Sports Partnership doing the honours.

All past and present club members and athletics supporters from around the county are welcome to attend. The book retails at  $\in 15$  and will be available to purchase on the night.







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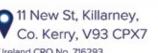
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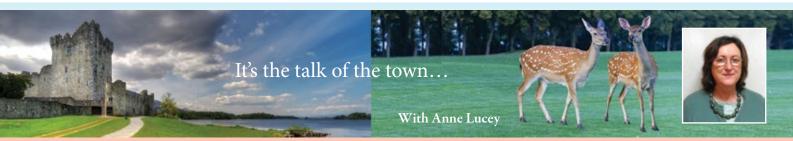
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Anne Lucey looks at the positive news happening in the town of Killarney



The Killarney Chamber retail committee at the opening of the Killarney Shopping Festival on Friday. From left are Padraig Treacy, Rhonda O'Donoghue, Aisling Quill, Bridget O'Keeffe (festival organiser), Padraig Quill and Johnny McGuire (Killarney Chamber of Tourism and Commerce President). Picture: Eamonn Keogh

#### Nice to see shopping festival in Killarney - but the town is losing out

It is nice to see new luxury fitted shops like the Dutch owned Rituals open in Killarney. The shopping festival by Chamber and others seems to have been a great success. Certainly, the Killorglin & District pipe band went down very well on Saturday. But I couldn't help notice that it was the same four or five bags in all the pictures representing the same four or five stores: The truth of Killarney shopping and services from cobbler to photo printer is we have to go to Tralee for many basics. The current application submitted by Lidl Ireland to Kerry County Council spells it out in black and white. The German retailer wants to build its second Killarney store in the Park Road, at the eastern end of what was the old Torc Hotel site. It will need a material contravention of the development plan as the site is zoned mixed use, not retail. That means Lidl must persuade councillors, after public consultation, to vote in favour.

The current mixed-use zoning allows cultural, office, medical, residential and hotel facilities.

Lidl argues the new store will be "a net gain" for the broader retail catchment of Killarney. The town is losing out to Tralee which has 'a more diverse competition-led retail attraction" it says.

Killarney catchment has a population of over 31,000 currently, it estimates. Approximately 10% of the convenience retail spend available within the catchment area is "leaking" to competing centres, while the town of Killarney also gains from passing tourist trade.

But the leakage will persist due to "the level and relative lack of diversity of retail provision within the catchment area," the application states.

It reminds me of the late 1990s when concern about a dearth of shopping in Killarney led to the Outlet Centre and to Deerpark. One question no one is asking: why is Killarney always playing catch up when it comes to shops and basic services? It's a question for the Chamber of Commerce and for the council, both of whom are needed to get ahead of things.

#### All political parties have a mountain to climb in Killarney

Sinn Féin is suffering the effects of multiple scandals blowing up on them all together-scandals that are months old.

Let's face it, Sinn Féin is a party that brokes

no leaks and is so tight, nothing gets out. Marxist style, it doesn't behave like normal parties. Normally. So this 12th of July style bonfire of the Shinners makes one wonder if the Israeli intelligence services are at work! But I wouldn't write SF off. Even though I can't see how Pa Daly will get 20 per cent of the first preference vote and have a surplus over quota of 2800 votes this time round. There will be precious little for him in Killarney - he has not endeared himself to those concerned about immigration, for instance. The party took the same moral high ground in Dublin lost its core voters and is since trying to do a handbrake U-turn.

Tralee and Listowel will come out strongly for Daly and the Ferris factor surely is firmly behind to ensure his survival. Even so, other parties, notably Fianna Fáil sense an opportunity.

The common acceptance that there's no vote for Sinn Fein in Killarney, compared with other parties, is not quite the case either. The local elections saw the two SF candidates Kennelly and Switzer take 587 or just 4.1 per cent of the first preference vote. Not a huge showing. But remember this, Fine Gael got only 4.6 per cent - 653 first preference votes in Killarney. And not so long ago Killarney was regarded as a Fine Gael leaning town. Fianna Fáil did not cover themselves in glory either although Niall Kelleher did manage 9.2 per cent of the No. One votes. He also got the Lion's share of the Maura Healy-Rae surplus. Fianna Fail are in poll position in Killarney when it comes to parties, it could be argued. But going by the June results, all parties have a mountain to climb in Killarney. And the Ukrainians will have no vote in the Dáil elections to save necks!



**Mixed Use: the way forward for tourism** I was sent to a conference on Lighthouse tourism in Valentia Island last week and was astonished at the visitor figures and the highly commendable approach by multiple agencies coming together. Briefly, the 16 of the 60 or so lighthouses open to the public had 384,000 visitors in 2023, with three quarters of these spending time in the vicinity.

Valentia Lighthouse at Cromwell Point had 20,000 visitors . And this has all come about in just nien years.

What came across was the mixed-use approach, for want of a better term. First of all, all Ireland's old lighthouses are functional buildings. They are operational, automated, and centrally controlled from Dún Laoghaire, the headquarters of Irish Lights. They are essential for ferries, sailboats, yachts, cruise liners and fishing craft and operate for shipping in the way control towers work for aircraft.

Many are also tourist centres. And these remote

and beautiful buildings are beacons of light for their communities who hold them in great affection. Valentia Lighthouse for instance hosts concerts and meetings for locals and for tourists.

(It made me think about how Muckross cafe for instance is an essential meeting place now for coffee and lunch for many Killarney people as well as for tourists. It really needs to be much bigger and higher ceilinged as the acoustics are poor).

We have to diversify more in Killarney. Niche tourism - which is a tourism that is not simply one dimensional - seems to be the way forward. Nor should we depend for much longer on just the 19th century when we have a much older product waiting to be explored such as Inisfallen, which we all hold in great affection. We could even turn part of St Finan's into a museum to 19th and 20th century psychiatry, if we had the energy and wherewithal. As well as apartments. Mixed use may be the way forward for tourism. TO ADVERTISE CALL EMMA 087 6593427 | E: sales@outlookmags.com

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## **KERRY LADIES** to be celebrated at Gala Night

The fantastic achievements of the Kerry Ladies Football Team will be celebrated on Friday 13th December at what promises to be a night to remember.

The star footballers will be presented with their TG4 All Ireland Medals for 2024. Held in the Great Southern Hotel Killarney this black tie event is a night not to missed and will live long in the memories of all who will be present to witness such a historic occasion. It has been thirty one years since Kerry last won the Brendan Martin Cup. Also on the night the players will be presented with their TG4 Munster Senior Championship medals for 2024. They last won the Munster Championship in 2017.

It has been a historic year for Kerry LGFA and the LGFA as both organisations celebrate fifty years in existence.

The night will kick off with a drinks reception at 6:30pm and dinner at 7:30pm. Music on the night is by "The Pearls Wedding Band" with DJ to follow.

All are welcome to join us on the night. You can do so by purchasing tickets from any of our executive members or by emailing secretary.kerry@lgfa.ie

Tickets cost €100 per person. Details available on all Kerry LGFA social media platforms (Facebook, X (Twitter) Instagram and Picture attached of Kerry Senior Players at the launch of the Gala Night at the Great Southern website - www.kerryladiesfootball.com.



Hotel are from left: Ciara Murphy, Kayleigh Cronin, Niamh Carmody



**NEWS** 

Killarney Memory Tree

## at Holy Cross Mercy will Light Again in 2024

The Killarney Memory Tree will be lit again this Christmas season. The lights on Killarney's Memory Tree will be lit during the Christmas season and the holy sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for those being commemorated. "The official "Switch On" of the Memory Tree will take place on Monday, December 2nd at 7pm and everyone is welcome to attend.

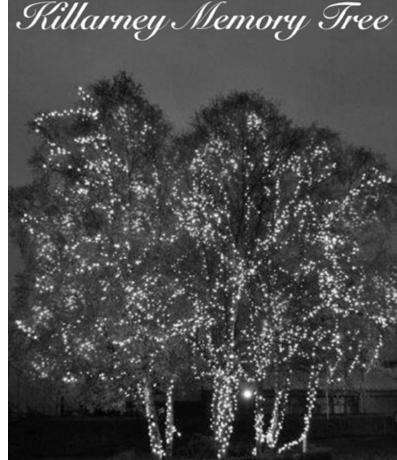
"We will be led in prayer by Fr. Vitalis Barasa with festive carols by candlelight", Rhonda Daly, organiser of the event told Killarney Outlook.

Mass will be offered for all those being commemorated at 1.15pm on Monday, December 16th in St. Mary's Cathedral. All are welcome to join us in person or online via the Killarney Parish Webcam on www.killarneyparish. com

The Memory Tree will be lit nightly during the the Christmas season until January 6th, the feast of The Epiphany and lights are available to buy online from our school website

www.mercyholycross.ie or from the School Office at Holy Cross Mercy School on New Road.

"We thank everyone who has supported this initiative in the past as it is an extremely important fundraiser for our school", Rhonda added.



## KERRY SUPPORTERS CLUB HONOUR THE GOOCH

Kerry football legend Colm Cooper was honoured a the 2024 Kerry GAA Supporters social which was held at Ballygarry Hotel! It was a night filled with camaraderie, celebration, and inspiring talks.

There were guest speakers on the night including Patrick O'Sullivan, Chairman of the Kerry County GAA Board, who shared his vision for the future of GAA in Kerry. Joining him were legends of the game: Donie O'Sullivan, whose contributions to the sport are unmatched; Colm Cooper, a true icon known for his incredible skill and dedication; and Johnny Conway, who continues to inspire both on and off the field. Their stories and experiences resonated deeply with all of us, reminding us of the passion and spirit that defines Kerry GAA.



Colm Cooper was presented with an appreciation award from Donal O'Leary, Chairman Kerry Supporters Club on the night



The 2024 Kerry GAA Supporters Social was held at Ballygarry Hotel. Photo By : Bernard Lynch © Eye Focus LTD

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## **MANOR WEST HOTEL** wins Munster Family Hotel of the Year at the Irish Hotel Awards.

Tralee's Manor West Hotel has been announced winner of Munster Family Hotel of the Year at the 2024 Irish Hotel Awards.

The Hotel has also been awarded with a Great Irish Breakfast Certificate and an Excellence in Service Certificate.

Ruth O'Sullivan, General Manager Manor West Hotel says, 'We are absolutely thrilled to be awarded Munster Family Hotel of the Year! Creating magical memories for families is at the core of the hotel.

This achievement reflects the hard work and dedication of our amazing team, who consistently deliver exceptional service and our extensive family-friendly facilities. The Irish Hotel Awards celebrates the commitment and dedication of the hospitality industry in Ireland.

For the teams who go above and beyond by providing outstanding guest experiences. Judged by industry experts, the awards aim to acknowledge innovation, high standards, and exceptional guest experiences.

The Awards ceremony took place on Tuesday evening the 22nd October at the Johnstown Pamela Prendiville and Ruth O'Sullivan Manor West Hotel who were Estate in Co. Meath



announced as winners of the Munster Family Hotel of the Year,

## Ger Remembered at Tractor Run



Killarney Valley Classic and Vintage Club together with Kilcummin LGFA hosted the Ger Healy Memorial Tractor Run on Sunday October 27th.

There was a huge turnout to remember Ger who was a very proud local man and well known for all he did for his community especially the LGFA. Over 170 tractors took part in the Tractor run including Vintage and modern which was led out by Ger's son TJ Healy.

From a 1950's Nuffield to a modern New Holland there was all types on show.

We would like to thank each and everyone who took part in the run and gave generous donations.

A massive thank you to the marshals and organisers who without them we couldn't run these events.

Thanks also to the Kilcummin GAA club who provided the sign on area and plenty of refreshments for everyone.



A fantastic crowd turned up to the Tractor Run in memory of Ger Healy



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## Ellen Is One to Watch on the Film Scene

n up and coming film director from Killarney has just returned from the New York Film festival where two of her films were screened.

A former pupil at St. Brigid's Secondary School. Ellen McSweeney is the daughter of Shelly O'Donoghue and Mike McSweeney.

Last July, Ellen received an email informing her that two of her films had been selected as part of the All American High School Film Festival, one of the largest youth film festivals in the world.

"It was an incredible honour that my films were chosen to be screened and I was over the moon with this news", Ellen told Killarney Outlook.

"I am so grateful that I was able to travel to New York where the festival is held to see the screenings in person. It truly was an amazing opportunity. Not only did I get to see New York City, but I was also able to watch a number of amazing films by incredibly talented young people. As a young aspiring filmmaker it was an incredibly inspiring and eye opening experience to see the passion and talent amongst other young creatives.

"My two films, "Tendons to Trees" and "Summer" were screened in the AMC theater in Times Square. It was so exciting to see my own films on the big screen, in Times Square of all places!

As well as the screenings, I got to attend other events such as networking lunches, industry panels, technology showcases, college fairs and of course the awards show which was held in Kings Theater in Brooklyn.

Both of my films were shot in Killarney and feature the beautiful scenery of the National Park. "Summer", taking place mainly around Muckross Abbey, is a poetic meditation on the fleeting summer season, while "Tendons to Trees", shot near Torc mountain is about our connection to the natural world.

I made these films along side other like-minded young filmmakers and we worked extremely hard to make our visions come to life. We are incredibly proud of our films and to see our creations be recognized at such a prestigious event was a fantastic experience that we'll be sure to remember forever", Ellen added.

Certainly one to watch!



Pictured on the Red Carpet in New York are Rebecca McCarthy, Saoirse O Sullivan, Cate Mahoney, Katie Doolan, Abbi Henderson, Ellen McSweeney and Amber Hornick



Cian Conachy, Olivia Curto, Amber Hornick, Cate Mahoney, Ellen McSweeney and Abbi Henderson.



Filmmaker Ellen McSweeney

## IT'S THE FINAL COUNTDOWN!

Now it's getting dirty, and the gloves are coming off, For Trumpy and Kamala, are starting to play rough. Trump insults her every day, which is undiplomatic, And Kamala says he's Fascist, and a lunatic. Trump praises Hitler's generals, and wished his were the same, When he was in the White House, at the height of his fame. He says he'll be a dictator, when he is elected, And Kamala doubts his sanity, and fears he is affected. Donald says he will clear out, the enemy within, And so the democratic process, will depend on his whim. It really is bewildering, that the race is neck and neck, Between a caring woman, and a clown who is suspect. He's a buddy boy with Putin, and North Korea's Kim Jong Un, Who has dispatched ten thousand troops, to fight in the Ukraine.

When I see rednecks interviewed, who are Trump supporters, I fear for America, and all her sons and daughters.
They believe he is a Messiah, who has God on his side, And when he is elected, he will have defied,
All those lily-livered liberals, who believe in Kamala,
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ACreative Communities initiative funded by Creative Ireland, with support from Kerry County Arts office has been launched.

The Wise Wool Project is aimed at bringing awareness to the wool waste in Ireland. Through the year this has seen wool felting workshops delivered countywide, educating the public on wool being a valuable waste product in partnership with Curraghmore Farms.

The Wise Wool project has offered workshops in schools, community centres as well as at The Festival of Wool and Cloth, Wild Mind at Fenit, as part of the ANAM Summer programme in Killarney and at K-Fest and Féile Eile in Killorglin.

Kerry Walker and Lisa Sandow are the driving force behind the 'Wise Wool' project, it's main aim is to reimagine Ireland's wool waste and to engage with the community in sustainable practices and solutions to wool waste in Ireland by reducing wasted and promoting ecofriendly and circular economy practices. 'Of the 7 thousand tonnes of wool clipped in the Republic of Ireland most of this wool went unused. Wool is considered a category 3 'waste product' in Ireland' stated Lisa.

In addition to the free events held to date, the eagerly anticipated 'Woolly Celebration Day' will be taking place at Kate Kearney's Cottage in the Gap of Dunloe on Saturday November 9th from 11am. With workshops, demonstrations, storytelling, screenings, discussion panels and music, the event will be a celebration and culmination for the Wise Wool Project.

Join in on the celebrations in bringing together local fiber artists, sheep farmers and the wider community to better understand how to create

## A WOOLLY CELEBRATION DAY for the Wise Wool Project



something from this valuable resource that has been going to waste in Ireland. This is a unique event for those that are interested in creating a solution to the current wool waste dilemma.

The schedule for the day:

11.00am - Felting Workshop for all ages 12.00pm - Storytelling 1:00pm - Demonstrations/Lunch 3.00pm - Screening 'Notes From Sheepland' 4:15pm - Coffee/Tea break 4:30pm - Panel Discussion 6.00pm - Music This is a family free event, but booking is required for the felting workshop and the movie. The workshops can be booked in advance by emailing wisewoolproject@gmail.com

## KILLARNEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE HOSTS SPOOKTACULAR HALLOWEEN SHORT STORY WRITING COMPETITION IN COLLABORATION WITH LOCAL PRIMARY SCHOOLS

Killarney Community College recently played host to a spellbinding Halloween Short Story Writing Competition in partnership with several local primary schools. The event, part of KCC's commitment to literacy and community engagement, provided a platform for budding young authors to showcase their creativity and storytelling talents in a thrilling and spooky fashion. Killarney Community College toamed up with St. Olivor's

teamed up with St Oliver's, Holy Cross Mercy, Presentation Monastery and Firies National school again this year to host the Halloween competition.

This year's students were invited to submit a short story with the theme of Halloween. The Halloween short story competition is becoming an annual event that encouragers emerging young writers to showcase their creativity and writing skills.

Under the guidance of dedicated teachers and mentors, 5th class students crafted eerie, suspenseful

tales that captured the essence of Halloween and transported readers to worlds of mystery and wonder. English teacher Tara O' Shea stated "We extend our heartfelt appreciation to the dedicated teachers from the local primary schools, whose support and mentorship played a pivotal role in nurturing the writing talents of the students."

A distinguished panel of judges, comprised of KCC's English teachers had the daunting task of selecting the winners from the multitude of entries. Their criteria encompassed not only exceptional storytelling but also originality, creativity, and the ability to evoke the spirit of Halloween through the written word.

English teacher Brian O' Reilly said, "Standards were exceptionally high with nearly 250 entries this year. The KCC English Department were in awe of the creativity, use of language and general expression to produce spooky short stories worthy of a read around any bonfire on Halloween night." This initiative not only encouraged literacy and the love of writing among students but also fostered community bonding between the secondary school and the local primary schools. It highlighted the power of collaboration in promoting creativity and excellence among students of all ages.

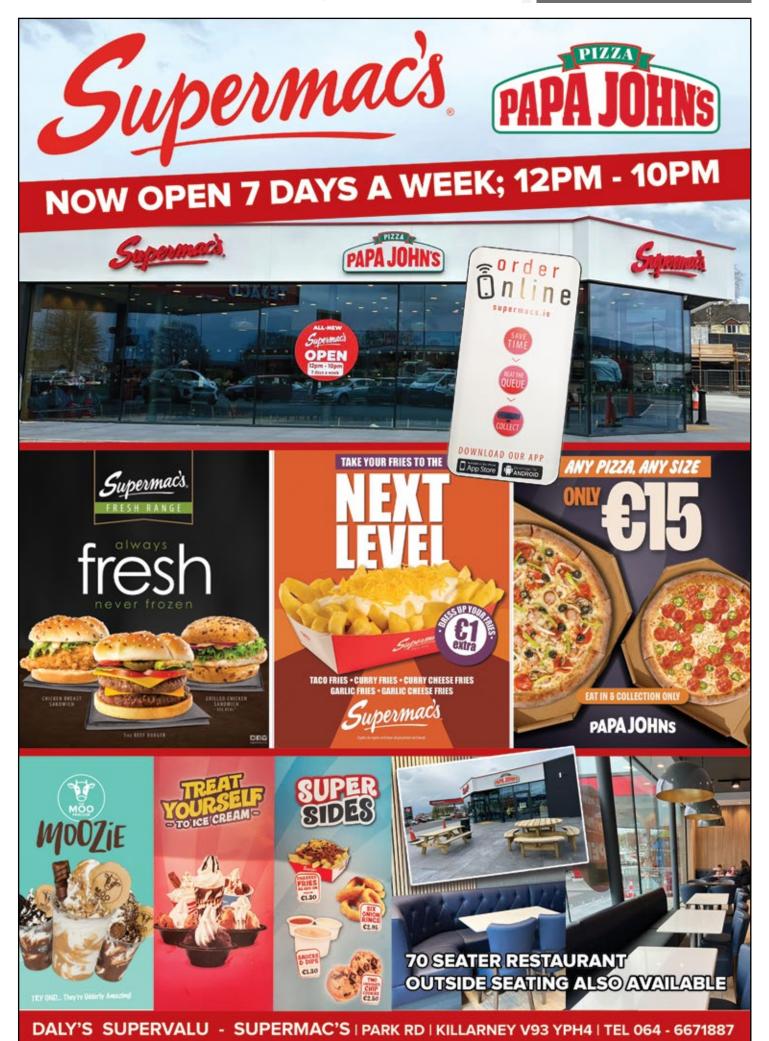
On presenting the Awards, the Principal Stella Loughnane commended all award recipients and the wonderful teamwork of the teachers and students in the community. She stated that "We endeavour to improve literacy levels within our own school and it was great to create links with local primary schools to share a similar vision."

Congratulations to all award winners:

St Oliver's: 1st Natalia Jaskulska Holy Cross Mercy: 1st Melina Zaen Presentation Monastery: Robbie Fennelly



Award winners: St Oliver's 1st; Natalia Jaskulska. Holy Cross Mercy 1st; Melina Zaen. Presentation Monastery; Robbie Fennelly pictured with Tara O'Shea and Brian O'Reilly at Killarney Communty College



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Eli Foley and Natasha Maye, Killarney, with 'Dracula'.

Ultra runner, Philip Kissane who works as the Construction Site Manager for Sisk at the new Killarney Community Hospital, has presented a cheque for more than €10,000 to Kerry Mental Health Association after completing the Kerry Way Ultra Marathon last month (6/7 Sept).

The mental health advocate from Killarney nominated Kerry Mental Health Association as the benefitting charity for the 200km event which was staged along the trails and mountains of the scenic Kerry Way. It was the equivalent of five marathons and saw him run for 36 hours over two consecutive days and through the night on 6th and 7th September. Philip raised €5,945 through an iDonate fundraising page while his employer, Sisk, added a donation of €5,000 bringing the total to €10,945. The General Manager of Kerry Mental Health Association, John Drummey, said, "Philip's achievement in completing the ultramarathon is truly phenomenal and we are grateful to him for choosing Kerry Mental Health Association as the beneficiary of the enormous fundraising outcome. We are grateful to everyone who contributed to the fundraiser, in particular to Sisk who added a substantial donation of €5,000. All funds raised will help Kerry Mental Health Association to support people with mental health challenges, their families and carers in Kerry."

After completing the Kerry Way Ultra Marathon, Philip Kissane, said, "It was a wonderful experience, albeit tiring, to take part in such a testing event. I was proud to support Kerry Mental Health Association because it's hugely important to look after your mental health. As a mental health ambassador within Sisk, I understand how we need to be conscious of each other's mental wellbeing and to reduce the stigma around it. I want to thank the people who donated online, Sisk for matching the fundraising up to  $\notin$ 5,000 and everyone who

## **10,000 Thanks To Philip's Kerry** Way Ultramarathon Fundraiser

For Kerry Mental Health Association



PHILIP Kissane presented a cheque for more than €10,000 to Kerry Mental Health Association after completing the Kerry Way Ultra Marathon in 37 hours last month (6/7 Sept). He raised €5,945 through an iDonate fundraising page while his employer, Sisk, added a donation of €5,000 bringing the total to €10,945. Pictured at Killarney Racecourse were: Phillip Kissane, third from left, presenting the proceeds to John Drummey, Kerry Mental Health. Also in photo are Alan Flynn and Tim Moynihan from Sisk. Photo: Don MacMonagle

supported me before and during the event." The Kerry Way Ultra was conducted along The Kerry Way trail with the athletes running over mountain passes, green trails, boggy ground, wire-covered sleepers, country roads and a minimum of main road.

Anyone wishing to support Kerry Mental Health Association can do so at https:// KerryMentalHealth.ie/donate.

## "SEE THE SIGNS, SAVE A LIFE" SEM BOYS ARE ON A MISSION TO HELP

A group of Transition Year students in St. Brendan's College Killarney have launched our "Young Social Innovators" project "See the Signs, Save a Life", a project which aims to train young people to be able to help victims of suicide.

"We believe that suicide is a huge issue in Ireland, especially in young men. Suicide is the leading cause of death in young men aged 15 to 39. Our project is not aimed at the people suffering, as that has been done efore, however suicide rates remain high. Instead, our project takes a unique approach, with our 'See, Say, Save' initiative we hope to give young people vital training, so that they can help people struggling with their mental health, stopping suicide in its tracks", one of the students, Patrick Mullane told Killarney Outlook.

"If a friend came to you and told you that they are having suicidal thoughts, would you know how to help them? Would you know how to approach them, what to say to them? We are creating a programme to teach our school how to confront and respond to people struggling with suicide", another of the students Ivan O'Shea added.

The boys are undertaking the project as part of their TY YSI project.



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## **KILLARNEY CHAMBER VOLUNTEER NIGHT**

The Killarney Chamber of Tourism & Commerce are saying thank you to the countless volunteers who help out with different events in the town.

The Volunteer Appreciation Night will take place in the Laurels Bar & Restaurant on Wednesday night, November 6th at 8pm. RSVP to admin@killarney.ie

## THE GLENEAGLE CELEBRATES MAJOR WINS at the Irish Hotel Awards

JOHN DOLAN NAMED GENERAL MANAGER OF THE YEAR

n recognition of his exceptional leadership and dedication, Gleneagle General Manager, John Dolan was honoured with the highly coveted General Manager of the Year Award at the prestigious Irish Hotel Awards 2024.

The awards were announced at a gala ceremony at the four-star Johnstown Estate in Co. Meath on Tuesday night, where hospitality teams from across the industry gathered to celebrate.

The accolades didn't stop there. Bernardo Busquets, Restaurant Manager at Fiadh, was highly commended for his role, showcasing his dedication to providing unforgettable dining experiences. While, Helen O' Shea of The Maritime Hotel in Bantry received the prestigious Event Manager of the Year award, recognising her exceptional talent in planning and executing flawless events.

"We are beyond proud of John Dolan and all our team members who were recognised for their hard work and commitment," said Patrick O'Donoghue, CEO at the Gleneagle Group. "John's leadership has been pivotal in driving the success of the Gleneagle Hotel, and these awards are a testament to the passion and dedication that our team brings to their work every day."

The Irish Hotel Awards bring together industry leaders to celebrate the finest in Irish hospitality. The Gleneagle Hotel Group's multiple wins at this year's event underscore its ongoing commitment to delivering excellence in service, guest experience, and operational innovation.



Pictured at the event were the stars of the evening: John Dolan, General Manager of the Gleneagle Hotel, Vova Bilokhvost, Food and Beverage Manager at the Gleneagle Hotel, Ann McCann, Revenue Manager at the Gleneagle Hotel, Valerie Steinbeck, Group Commercial Director, Scott Hornibrook, General Manager of the Maritime Hotel, and Noel O'Donovan, Operations Manager at the Maritime Hotel.

### TEAM HOPE CHRISTMAS SHOEBOX APPEAL

Team Hope Christmas shoebox appeal has commenced and is ongoing at present to assist in making Christmas special for vulnerable children in poor areas of Africa and Eastern Europe. People who wish to help or contribute to making Christmas special for these children can do so by covering a shoebox with Christmas paper and fill it with gifts or donate filler items which can be used to complete boxes that come in inadequately filled. This may be the only gift these children will receive this Christmas, The drop off centres for receiving the shoeboxes are in all towns, check team hope website for your nearest location. www. teamhope.ie or contact your coordinator Sheila Rice on 087-7932482. The last date for submitting shoeboxes is 10th of Nov. They will then be collected by a member of the team after that date.



The organisers hae a hub is in Coolcaslagh. Please contact your Coordinator on 087-7932482 for any queries or information sought. Last date for boxes 10th Nov.

#### PRESIDENT HIGGINS SIGNS PRESIDENTIAL PARDONS for Mr Sylvester Poff and Mr James Barrett

President Michael D. Higgins this week signed two Presidential Pardons at an event in Áras an Uachtaráin for Mr Sylvester Poff and Mr James Barrett, who were executed in Tralee Gaol on 23 January 1883.

In line with articles 13.6 and 13.9 of the Constitution, the pardons have been granted following a recommendation by Government. This recommendation took account of a report by Dr Niamh Howlin, Associate Professor at the UCD Sutherland School of Law, which found that the trials and conviction of Poff and Barrett included legal and procedural deficiencies which were 'so inconsistent with

the legal standards of the period and so objectively unsatisfactory and unfair, that they render the conviction unsafe'.

The ceremony was attended by the Minister for Social Protection, Heather Humphreys TD. Also in attendance were relatives of Sylvester Poff (aged 38 at the times of his execution) and James Barrett (aged 24), including Mr Poff's great grandson Tomo Burke, as well as representatives of the Castleisland District Heritage Group, a group based in Kerry who have raised awareness of the case and worked with the Department of Justice on the pardon process.

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## O'Carroll Engineering COFFEE MORNING FOR KERRY HOSPICE

O'Carroll Engineering, Killarney raised an impressive €1,231.50 for Kerry Hospice by participating in the recent Bewley's sponsored "Coffee for Hospice" morning at their premises at Tiernaboul Industrial Estate. The company has organized charity events in the past but this was their first coffee morning venture.

The event was organized by staff member, Elaine O'Leary, ably assisted by work colleagues. Explained Elaine: "We are delighted that our coffee morning at O'Carroll Engineering in aid of Kerry Hospice was a great success. It was lovely to have a cuppa and chat amongst colleagues while supporting a great cause which is close to many of our hearts. Many of our friends, neighbours and family members, including our work colleague John Nagle who sadly passed away last year, have availed of the fantastic services that Kerry Hospice provide. Thanks to everyone at O'Carroll Engineering for their help and support in making our fundraiser for Kerry Hospice a great success."

"We wish to express our sincere gratitude to the staff at O'Carroll Engineering for their generosity. The people of Kerry have been, and continue to be, great supporters of Kerry Hospice." said Pat Doolan, Kerry Hospice Foundation, Killarney Branch.

Hospice matters. "The end of life deserves as much beauty, care and respect as the beginning. All money raised in Kerry stays in Kerry."



## Gaelbhratach flag awarded to Castleisland Community College

Castleisland Community College was awarded the Gaelbhratach from Gael Linn for its promotion of the Irish language in May 2024. The school set up a coiste/ committee of enthusiastic Gaelgóirí who were interested in organising activities in the school along with Irish teacher Doreen Killington. The Club Gaelach which began 14 years ago was reinstated. ' It was paused over the last number of years due to covid but it started again during lunchtime for first years,' said Ms Killington. Other initiatives that took place were signs with subject names as Gaeilge placed on doors around the school. Stones collected from the beach were painted with sayings as Gaeilge including the motto Is féidir linn! (Yes We Can!) They were placed outside the new modular classrooms. During Seachtain na Gaeilge various activities also took place. 'We are extremely proud to be awarded the flag as only 4 secondary schools in Kerry received the Gaelbhratach. The school is continuing its work with Gael Linn this year to further the promotion of the language in the school. Members of committee and myself attended a meeting in Tralee to organise activities for this coming academic year.' stated Irish teacher Doreen Killington.



Pictured are: Standing from left Diarmuid Quirke (Irish teacher), Aisling Murphy, Ciarán Mc Cabe and Doreen Killington (Irish teacher) From left sitting Norma Murphy, Ciara Geaney and Emma Browne.



The Ashe Hotel - Pamela Prendiville Brian Scally - Highly Commended Boutique Hotel of the Year **30** | **01.**11.24

#### The Ashe Hotel receives Highly Commended Award for Boutique Hotel of the Year at the Irish Hotel Awards

The Ashe Hotel is delighted to announce that it has been awarded with the Highly Commended Award for Boutique Hotel of the Year at the prestigious Irish Hotel Awards 2024. This accolade recognises the hotel's continued investment in its product, exceptional dedication to guest service, innovation, and hospitality excellence.

Brian Scally, General Manager of The Ashe Hotel, says: "This achievement is a testament to the passion, dedication, and hard work of our entire team, who strive to deliver exceptional experiences to our guests. The award also acknowledges the 20 new deluxe bedrooms and suites at the hotel, further enhancing our offering and ensuring that our guests enjoy the highest levels of comfort during their stay.'

The Irish Hotel Awards celebrate excellence in the Irish hospitality industry, recognising outstanding hotels and hospitality professionals across the country.

Judged by industry experts, the awards aim to acknowledge innovation, high standards, and exceptional guest experiences. The Awards ceremony took place on Tuesday evening the 22nd October at the Johnstown Estate in Co. Meath. TO ADVERTISE CALL EMMA 087 6593427 | E: sales@outlookmags.com



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## Things Go Bump In The Night At St. Brendan's College

Annual Fundraiser A Huge Success

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Josh Bindthistle is captured on the corridors of the Halloween Haunted School in St Brendan's College Killarney over the weekend. Nanvo Vominduec, Ryan O'Donoghue, Liam Breen, Daithi and Colm Kelly welcome visitors to the Halloween Haunted School in St Brendan's College Killarney over the weekend.

Timmy Kelliher, Eanna O'Donoghue and Fionn Griffin in the Halloween Haunted School in St Brendan's College Killarney over the weekend.

> Eoin Fleming, Tom Corcoran and Robert Sychta in the Halloween Haunted School in St Brendan's College Killarney over the weekend.

Cathal Sugrue, Eoin O'Mahony, Harry O'Connor, Liam Breen, Michael Crowleyand Killian Collins in the graveyard at the Halloween Haunted School in St Brendan's College Killarney over the weekend.

> Tiernan O'Connor in the Halloween Haunted School in St Brendan's College Killarney over the weekend.



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## ARIZONA COLLEEN VISITS KILLARNEY for Heritage Trip

The Arizona Colleen Program sent its 41st participant to Ireland for a cultural heritage program at the end of October, this year highlighting Arizona's Ireland Sister Cities connections.

The Arizona Colleen Program began as the Arizona Colleen Pageant, a heritage pageant, in 1983. It is open to single women of Irish ancestry ages of 18 through 28 years old. The winner serves as "Queen" of the Phoenix St. Patrick's Day Parade and Faire. The woman selected also receives a trip to Ireland, a \$2,000 scholarship, and a Claddagh ring as a part of her prize package.

This year's winner is Johanna "Jojo" Huckeba, a 28 year-old licensed Dialectical Behavioral/Clinical Social Work Therapist from Tempe, Arizona. She holds a Master's of Social Work from the Watts College of Public Service at Arizona State University and a Bachelor's of Art in Journalism and Mass Communication from the Walter Cronkite School of Journalism at Arizona State University. A multi-generation Irish-American, Jojo is eager to connect with her Irish roots through service and cultural exchange at home and abroad. The Arizona Colleen program will select its 42nd ambassador in February 2025.



Cathaoirleach Maura Healy Rae with Colleen Johanna "Jojo" Huckeba

For more information, please visit azcolleen.org



Mayor Maura Healy Rae, pictured with Killarney Town Twinning Officers Sean Counihan Chairman Secretary Sheila Dickson and Treasure Micheal O'Leary, welcoming Colleen Johanna "Jojo" Huckeba, from Killarney Town Twinning Association twin sister city's of Scotsdale ,Phonix to Killarney as part of her tour on being chosen Colleen for 2024



Spanish girls photo : left to right Leyre Lahuerta and Lola Berzal



From left to right Quiz Winners: Grace O'Connell, Caoimhe Fleming, Abigail Walsh Kelleher, Ellen Casey, Sharon Babalola and Katie Crowley

## Spanish Day Celebrations

To celebrate "El día de la Hispanidad", being the only school in Castleisland that teaches Spanish, the school celebrated in style.

To begin, in the morning, two of our Spanish visiting students, Leyre Lahuerta and Lola Berzal told the school community some interesting facts about Spain and Spanish culture in general.

Ms.Dairo and her TY Spanish students held a quiz and fun activities for all 1st Year and 2nd Year Spanish students.

A large variety of topics were included in the quiz,like Spanish language,culture,sports and traditions.

The culmination of the quiz was the "Macarena" dancing competition, great dancing skills were on display here!

The "Valencia" team consisting of Katie Crowley, Grace O'Connell, Ellen Casey, Caoimhe Fleming, Sharon Babalola and Abigail Walsh Kelleher were the winners and were presented with Spanish themed prizes by Mr. Dargan



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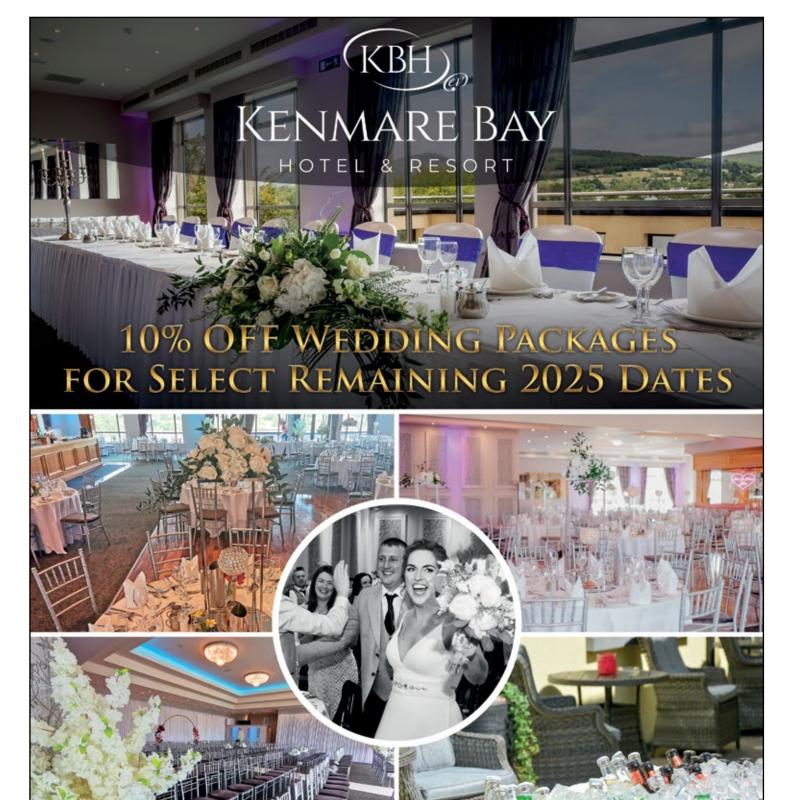
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## MONEY MATTERS.

By Dermot Cronin, Financial Advisor



## WHEN CAN YOU ACCESS YOUR PENSION & WHAT ARE YOUR OPTIONS WHEN YOU WANT TO RETIRE?

You can normally get access to your pension from age 60, a lot of the rules depend on whether you are an employee or self employed. If you are coming close to retirement then you are probably wondering what options you have when you want to get access to your pension. It depends on what type of pension you have but generally there are four options:

**Tax Free Cash:** Most people will be entitled to a tax free lump sum, the amount varies however generally you will get at least 25% of the value of your pension in a tax free cash lump sum.

Taxable Cash: You may also be able to take sum of your pension in taxable cash.

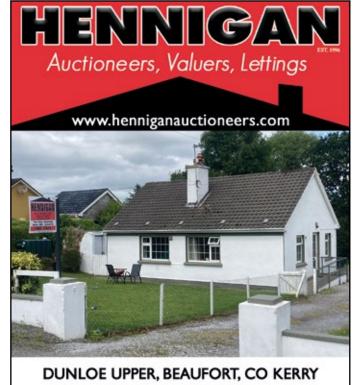
**Annual Pension:** This is a guaranteed income usually paid monthly for the rest of your life that is purchased with the money left after your tax free lump sum, this is subject to taxation.

**Approved Retirement Funds:** You may be entitled to keep some of your money in an approved retirement fund, money can be taken from the fund to give you a regular income, usually monthly. This is subject to taxation also. Taxation at retirement is often much lower than when you are working.

It is extremely important that you take your time and have all the options explained to you in plain simple English and that you understand all your options clearly before you make your final decision. As well as the above there is much more to be discussed about your pension. You should discuss your retirement options with a financial advisor who has access to a number of different pension providers before making any decisions, he or she will help you with the above options and any other queries you may have.

To discuss the above or any other matter Dermot Cronin QFA can be contacted at 0646622775 or dermotcroninifa@gmail.com

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## DESSERTS

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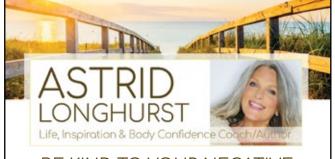


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## BE KIND TO YOUR NEGATIVE FEELINGS

We all have times when we feel negative, anxious, low or completely out of balance in our life. This is part of the ever-changing ebb and flow of life. It is at these times that we need to be the kindest and most compassionate we can be with ourself and others. One of the most powerful things we can do when we are feeling low is to validate our feelings. Instead of trying to push them away or judge them as being wrong in any way, try to welcome them in and simply be with them awhile.

Just as we might comfort a loved one or best friend if they were feeling upset or sad, we need to do the same with ourselves. When we allow ourselves to respond to our own feelings and emotions with kindness, we give our feelings permission to be expressed and that it's okay to feel what we feel. Shutting down your feelings only heightens them until they build up over time and eventually may find expression in an angry outburst or even in making you feel ill, exhausted and de-motivated.

#### Coaching tip

Say to yourself, "It's okay to feel this way. I'm allowed to feel what I feel." Gently remind yourself that every feeling passes and nothing ever stays the same for long and be super kind to yourself.

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## HOW DO I LOSE MY "SPARE TYRE"?

The "spare tyre", or "muffin top" as it is also known, is that bit around the middle that hangs out over the top of our waistband in our leggings or trousers. It usually is a problem area for both male and female clients.

What we often see with male clients is that they are predominantly carrying their weight around the belly area while females also struggle with this area as well as bums and thighs.

Often the expectation is that there is an exercise or number of exercises that will eliminate this "spare tyre". In fact, people think that if they improve their core strength that this will "fix" their belly area.

We are all for people strengthening their core as this has many benefits but exercise alone will not be enough to finally shift that stubborn excess body fat. Your diet also has to come into consideration because exercise alone will not shift it if your daily food intake is poor.

Staying hydrated and drinking enough water is important. Swapping water for drinks that are high in sugar is also a positive step that will help.

Reducing your sugar intake in all foods that you consume will be beneficial in terms of losing body fat, but also important in reducing your chances of developing heart disease, high blood pressure or even Type 2 diabetes.

Remember that it is easy to gain that unwanted body fat around the midsection but it takes a little bit of work and dedication to get rid of it. There is no magic dust to take care of it. The magic is the work you put in.

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## WINTER EYE HEALTH

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

#### Driving in winter

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

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

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

• Lower the temperature in rooms when possible.

Blink more often.

Use a humidifier. Opening windows for a few minutes on cold days will also help.

 Lubricants. Certain lubricating eve drops may be helpful for you.

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

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

## Watery eyes

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

## Snow and ice are reflective, so the

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

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Rebecca Walshe with a Bsc in Accounting from University College Cork pictured with her dad Enda

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#### EAST KERRY MINOR CHAMPIONSHIP 2024 Division 3 Final

#### Fossa v Spa FT score 5-16 to 3-15.

Spa and Fossa provided a cracker of a game on a bank holiday Monday in the Fitzgerald Stadium however it wasn't our day when Fossa took the lead during extra time. Well done to players and management on a great season.

#### EAST KERRY SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIP Dr. O'Donoghue Cup 2024

Q/Final Spa v Firies / Kilcummin (Provisional) 9/10th November Dr O'Donoghue Cup 2024 Semi-Finals Saturday and Sunday 16/17th November Dr O'Donoghue Cup 2024 Final 1st/2nd December. HALLOWEEN PARTY

Huge work went into organising Spooky Halloween Party by Gadge, Shelly, Ann Marie , Pa, Anne Holland, Grace and Paul. Great effort with the costumes. They were brilliant and really added to the occasion. From Friar Paul Tuck at the entrance, to the Falvey sisters, Margaret and Halloween Queen Anne Holland in reception. To our brilliant face painters and Tattoo artists Sam, Ciara, Philippa, Trish, Laura and Niamh. Ye even roped in a few more helpers which was great. Our excellent game attendants Liadh, Noreen, Grace and Ann Marie. There are some lovely photos of the kids enjoying the Colouring in which was brilliant prepared and ran by Eva and Teresa. The Scavanger hunt that the kids absolutely loved by Shelly. DJ and Games from David and Angela, it was some going and ye managed to wear the kids out. Outstanding. We had lovely party bags and prizes organised and distributed by Ann Marie, and all the young Hickeys+Falveys, Paul, Grace, Shelly and Margaret. Thanks so much to Ms T Rex herself Mairead who came all the way from Cork to judge the Fancy Dress. To Teresa and Jessica for judging the colouring in which wasn't easy. To Trish and Alice for the Pumpkin carving judging where there was a really good winner. To Tim and Oliver for helping on the tidy up and also the young lads who also helped out. Finally Pa and Liam who lead by example at all Coiste na nog events and do so much for the club. I always feel that through volunteering you get a great sense of involvement and community. And that you get more out than you put in. It's an absolute privilege to be involved with you. Thanks so much and SPA ABÚ. - *Padraig Lynch , Chairperson Organising Committee*.

#### JUVENILES

Our U13 finished our year with a trip to at Star Outdoors Centre Kenmare. Brilliant day had by all. Well done to the U13 this year brilliant progress made this year, very unlucky to lose out in 2 finals. Thanks to all coaches for their time and effort this year. Special mention for Eoin Fitzgerald our Senior Co-captain who gives up his time to coach the boys. Also Joey McCarthy who juggled play minor football for Spa and Kerry with coaching the U13. Spa U13 are very lucky to have 2 role models like this involve. See ye all back in Spa very soon.

## SPA LOTTO 28/10/24 RESULTS

Numbers drawn: 11, 13, 22, 25 - No jackpot winner. Lucky dips €50 each: Karen Neville Daly, Online; Clodagh Corkery, Minish; Ger Herlihy, Cummeen; Theresa Lyne c/o Brendan Cronin; Next weeks draw is on Monday 4th Nov @ 9pm for a jackpot of €4,200 Any items for the Spa notes please contact Club PRO on 0857762411 or email pro.spa.kerry@gaa.ie before 7pm on Sundays.

## RATHMORE GNEEVEGUILLA

#### SHARE THE BUCKET

Minister for Agriculture & Food and the Marine Charlie McConalogue visit Rathmore last week meet representatives from farming organisations, advisors and local farmers and industry. Wonderful to have some top quality chocolate from Cadbury s too so the minister could get a taste of the great work done in Parish he was joined By General Election candidate Linda Gordon Kelliher at Rathmore Community Centre.

#### SHARE THE BUCKET

Gneeveguilla Community Facility Group reminds you that Share the Bucket takes place weekly. The draw is every Friday evening in Teach Fáilte @8.30 pm and can be viewed live on our Gneeveguilla Community Facility Group Facebook Page. This week's jackpot was €225 and the winner was Ann O'Leary, the bonus draw of €100 was won by Nicholas Tarrant.

Tickets cost  $\in 2$  each or 3 for  $\in 5$ . They are available at Teach Fáilte and can be bought online at www.tinyurl.com/y2ade5om.or in local businesses where you see the Green Share the bucket.

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

#### By Michael O' Mahon

RATHMORE COMMUNITY COUNCIL SECOND DRAW 301 Club Results Draw on 24th October 2024 1st :£500-Paudie Cronin Shrone 2nd £100-AnthonyO'Reagan Gullane Sweden 3nd prize £100, Sean Horan Shinnagh 4th prize :£100 Denis McCrohan Ard Mhuire

5th prize £100 Desiree & Benny Rathbeg Sixth prize £100 - Pat Cassidy Shinnagh

Congratulations to all winners

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#### **BALLYDALY HALL**

Cards continue every Sunday night at 8.30p.m. 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

## GLENFLESK

#### **ODONOGHUE CUP**

We had a successful start to our O'Donoghue Cup campaign with a comprehensive win over Currow. The Quarter Final against Legion is scheduled for 2pm Saturday 9th November in Direen.

## **COMMUNITY ALERT**

A parish Community Alert meeting will take place in Glenflesk GAA Hall on Wednesday 6th of November at 7:30pm. Community Garda Cathy Murphy will also attend the meeting. All welcome.

#### **COUNTY CHAMPIONS**

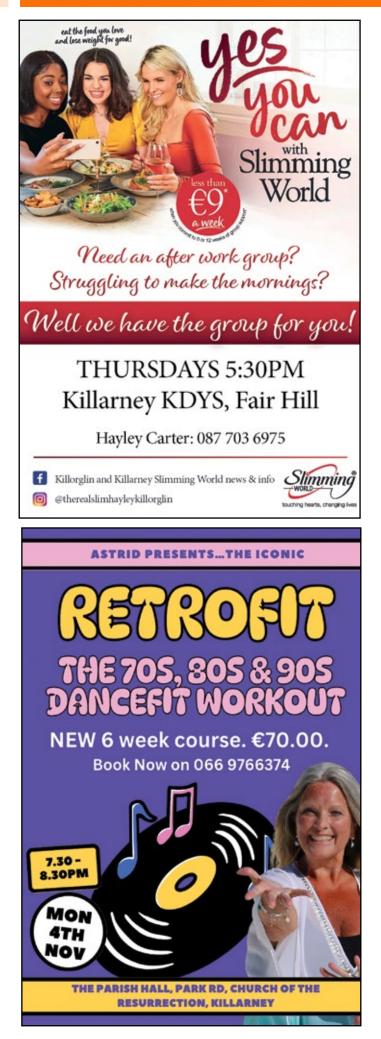
Congratulations to East Kerry sides Dr Crokes and Firies on their respective County Championship victories.

**NOTES** If you would like anything added in the notes please email to pro.glenflesk. kerry@gaa.ie by Sunday evening.

## IF YOU HAVE A STORY... Contact Aisling on: 086 0400 958



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#### By Bridget Hartnett

## BEAUFORT

## **FIXTURES**

The Mid Kerry senior football championship quarter final game was abandoned on Saturday, 26th due to a serious injury to a Milltown/ Castlemaine player. We wish him a speedy recovery. The game will be rescheduled to next weekend.

## LOTTO

There was no jackpot winner on Sunday, 27th October. Numbers: 7,8,10,28. Consolation Prizes:  $\in$ 80 Hugh and Sheila O'Donoghue, Coill.  $\in$ 50 Conor Breen, Shanacloon, Eileen O'Shea, Shanara, Aoife Broderick, Listry.The next draw for a jackpot of  $\in$ 3,200 will be on Sunday, 10th November. Tickets are available from usual sellers, shops, and public houses and online at www.beaufortgaa.com. Please note that online lotto closes at 7pm on draw night.

Any tickets purchased after 7pm are entered into the next draw. Thank you to everybody who support the lotto and our lotto sellers. **EXERCISE CLASSES** 

Autumn classes are beginning in Beaufort G.A.A Clubrooms, week nights Monday to Friday. Classes at present are Yoga and Pilates. Pilates with Colleen include Ladies, Men's and Active retired classes. Please contact Colleen at 086 1731469 for times and details. Yoga mixed class by Ondata-Well-Being. Please contact 087 2547746 for details or the Club at 087 9975737

A RAMBLING HOUSE will be held in Glenflesk G.A.A. hall on Saturday, 16th November from 8pm to 11pm. Everybody welcome.

#### **KILCUMMIN**

#### **REMEMBRANCE MASS**

There will be a special Mass celebrated on Saturday 9th November @ 7.30pm in Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Kilcummin, in memory of those who have died in our parish from Nov 23-Nov 24. We invite family, relatives, neighbours and friends to join us for this Mass. Parishioners who's loved ones have died and whose funeral took place outside of the parish and whose family would like to have them remembered please contact the parish office. Please spread the word. Míle Buíochas.

## **KILCUMMIN CCE**

There will be a Mass for all deceased members of Kilcummin Comhaltas and especially our recently deceased |President Joan McCarthy at 7.30pm on Saturday 2nd of November in Our Lady of |Lourdes Church, Kilcummin. All welcome to attend.

#### **KILCUMMIN GAA**

## LOTTO

There was no winner on Monday 21st October of the Jackpot for €14,000. Numbers drawn were 04,13,25,26. Consolation prizes of €50 went to



Bernie O'Sullivan, Kilcummin and model agency Celia Holman Lee who attended the 40 years mcbees celebration in the shop killarney. Bernie was modelling in the fashion show on the day.

#### Written by: Helen Moynihan

Sean McCarthy Firies, Connie Doolan, Bryan McCarthy, Sheila Doolan. The next draw will be on Monday 04th November for Jackpot of €14,250. MASTERGEEHA FC

#### U12 National Cup

#### Charleville 1-2 Mastergeeha (after extra time

One all in normal time with Callum O'Connor equalising for Mastergeeha with 5 minutes left in the game. Adam Cremin got the winner in extra time. Well done to all involved.

#### LOTTO

There was no winner on Friday 25th October 2024 of the Jackpot for €15,800. Numbers drawn were 05,06,21,25. Consolation prizes of €50 went to Niall Fitzgerald, Tarbert, Mick Daly, Killarney, Stephan Cahill, Knocklebede, Madeleine Spillane, Kilbrean Mór. The next draw will be on Friday 01st November for Jackpot of €16,000.

#### CD FOR SALE

Copies of Conor Moriarty's new CD entitled "The First Month of Summer" are now available at Kilcummin PO. Price  $\in 15$ .



MASTERGEEHA F.C. U12 National Cup.

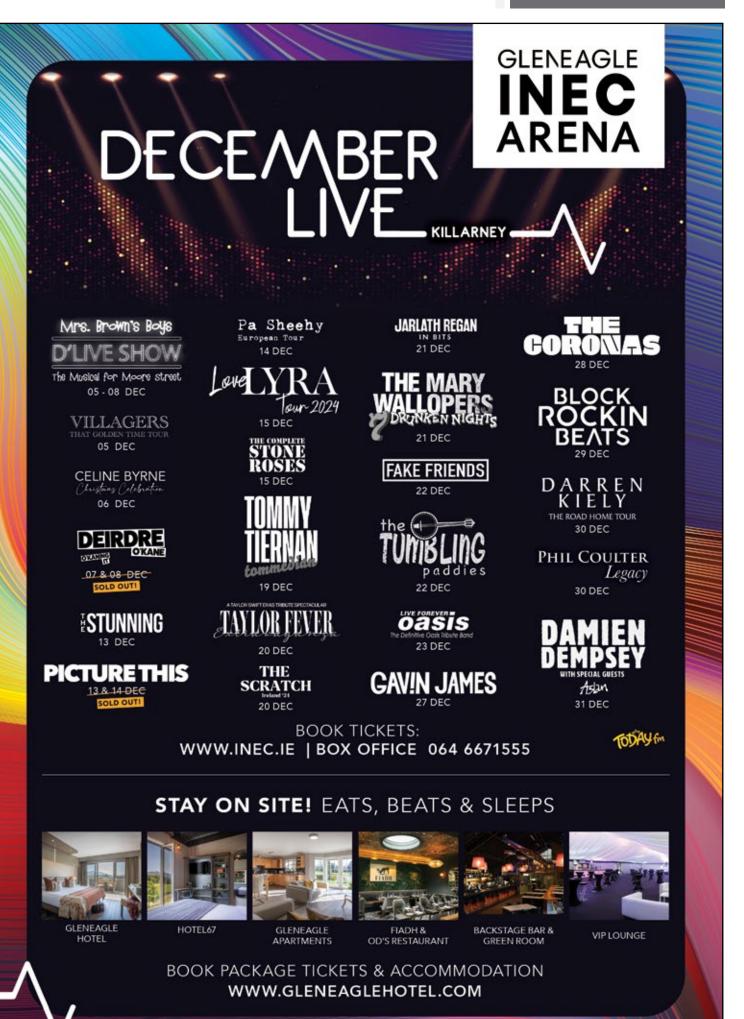
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## LOTTO

Oct 27th 2024. Jackpot € 5,100. Winning Numbers 3,4,24,27. €100 Rosin Hobbins C/o Kathleen Hobbins. €50 Julie Looney C/o Kattlen Hobbins. €50 Pearl Riordan. €25 Clodagh McCarthy, Ballytrasna. €25 Jim O Reilly, Two Mile School. Jackpot next week 03/11/2024

## U15

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## WORKMEN'S ROWING CLUB NEWS

Workmen's rowing club would love to hear from potential oars people born before 2012((12+). Rowing provides a great opportunity to experience the water and generally improve fitness levels. If you are interested please contact Mary on 0868098182 for fun on the water at Ross Castle.

The club would also like to congratulate Dr Crokes for winning the Kerry Senior County Football Championship last weekend. We hope that they enjoy the celebrations and wish them the best as Kerry champions in their Munster endeavours.

## MUCKROSS ROWING CLUB

## SYMPATHY

The club was greatly saddened to learn last week of the passing of Noel Casey, former club coach and mentor. The club extends its deepest to Noel's daughters Bernie and Caroline, son-in-law Noel, grandchildren, greatgrandchildren and extended family. Noel was a renowned figure in Irish and British rowing and the club was most fortunate to benefit from his unrivalled coaching capacity, wisdom and commitment. He will be sadly missed by all those in the rowing community who had the good fortune of knowing him. Ar dheis Dé go raibh a anam uasal.

## **CASTLECONNELL HOR**

On Saturday last, the club competed in the annual Castleconnell Head Of the River. It was a poignant day of rowing in the week that saw the passing of Noel Casey and it was with pride that Muckross crews competed in memory of Noel. The club had 53 crews racing on the day with representation in a further two composite crews. The club had a successful day out, with five wins, eight second place and five third place finishes in the contested categories. The two composite Masters Eight crews also recorded the top two times in their event. A full results round up is posted on our Facebook page. Congratulations to all the winning crews and well done to all our rowers, coxes and coaches.

#### **CLUB BBQ**

Special thanks to all who supported the club's annual BBQ social event held at Colgan's Bar on Saturday, October 19th. We would especially like to thank the club's main sponsor, the Muckross Park Hotel, for hosting the event and to all who generously donated spot prizes for the fundraiser raffle.

## BADMINTON

#### **KERRY MASTERS 2024**

The Kerry Masters competition took place this past Sunday in the Presentation Gym Killarney. The competition was open to all the youngsters of Kerry badminton over the age of 40. We had a great turn out and everyone enjoyed playing a few games to get the season started. We had 32 players throughout all divisions and the competition was played in a round robin format of doubles with mixed doubles finals. There will be plenty of badminton played over the next number of months from here until

#### RESULTS

Division 5:

- Winners: Mary McNeer (Killarney) & Dwaine Mullins (Tralee)
- Runners Up: Cindy Walsh (Ballybunion) & Jason Meade (Killarney)

Division 4:

Winners: Kayreena Morrisey (Tralee) & Mike Reardan (Kingdom)

Runners up: Hylda Harmon (Killarney) & Radoslaw Choromanski (Moyvane)

Division 3:

Winners: John O'Brien (Killarney) & Olena Paiuk (Tralee)

Runners Up: Caroline Lemass (Killarney) & Jason Russell (Tralee)

Division 1&2:

Winners: Jennifer Nash (Killarney) & Ushas Raju (Tralee)

Runners Up: Sinead Galvin (Killarney) & Mike Lyne (Killarney)

## FOSSA BRIDGE CLUB

## **RESULTS FOR 24TH OCTOBER**

N/S 1st Pauline Lyne & Phyllis O' Regan 2nd Ger Foley & Finola Spillane E/W 1st Patricia Lynch & Ann Clerkin 2nd Joan Moore & Eileen Murphy MASS

Memory mass for our deceased family/relatives on Thursday 07th November with Fr. Geaney at The Castlerosse Hotel at 9.30am sharp followed with our bridge morning

Bridge continues every Thursday morning at 10am at The Castlerosse Hotel.

## **KILLARNEY SWIMMING CLUB**

Swimmers Ayla Keogh and Shane Tomlinson competed in the Eddie Campion Meet in Mayfield at the weekend. Both swimmers had great swims and achieved PBs. Shane had a top 10 finish. The Club held its annual Creepy Crawl swim in Killarney on Sunday where the swimmers competed in fun Halloween events.

## KILLARNEY JUDO IRISH MASTERS OPEN

#### RISH MASTERS OPEN

On Saturday, two of our Children's Coaches decided to compete in the Irish Masters Open in Dublin. This event was celebrating its tenth year as visitors from Great Britain, France and across the globe came to take part.

Alan Horgan earned Gold in his weight



category after a series of fights and showcasing the throws he teaches to the children every week. Following Alan, Tim earned a Silver after a series of gruelling fights before losing in the final.

On November 10th, the club will be entering the Munster Open in Cork City with over twenty five players across our classes. We wish everyone the best of luck!

## **KILLARNEY RFC NOTES**

## KILLARNEY RFC ROUND-UP SENIOR MEN'S VICTORY, U10S AT MUNSTER MINI RUGBY FESTIVAL, AND

## LIAM MCCARTHY'S ACHIEVEMENT

Senior Men Secure Dominant Victory Away to Ardscoil Ris Old Boys RFC

Killarney RFC's men's senior team delivered a fantastic performance this weekend, securing a decisive 27-6 victory away to Ardscoil Ris Old Boys RFC. It was a well-earned win, highlighting the team's strength in both attack and defence. Tries: Diarmuid Carr x2. Brendan Fuller x1

Conversions: Ciaran O'Brien x3

Penalties: Ciaran O'Brien x2

U10s Shine at the Aviva Munster Mini Rugby Festival in Dungarvan.

Our U10s had an unforgettable experience at the Aviva Munster Mini Rugby Festival, hosted by Dungarvan RFC. The young players showcased their skill and teamwork, making Killarney RFC proud with their efforts on the field.

The day was made even more special as the team had the chance to meet Munster legend Simon Zebo, creating memories that will last a lifetime. The U10s represented the club with pride and enthusiasm, and their future in rugby looks incredibly bright.

Congratulations to Liam McCarthy -

Munster CSP Selection!

Killarney RFC is delighted to announce that U16 player Liam McCarthy has been named to the Munster CSP team. This is a fantastic achievement for Liam, and we are incredibly proud of his hard work and dedication. He's an inspiration to all the younger players in the club, and we look forward to seeing him excel in his rugby journey.

#### U16 GIRLS KICK-OFF THEIR SEASON WITH A WIN

The Killarney RFC U16 girls, playing as an amalgamated team with Iveragh, Listowel, and Killorglin, started their season with a well-fought victory against PIRATES RFC/Midleton/ Youghal. The girls came out strong in the first half, scoring three tries, with one successfully converted. They went into halftime with a 17-5 lead.

While the opposition grew stronger in the second half, scoring two converted tries, our girls held firm and secured the win. It was an exciting and promising start to the season, with many new players getting their first taste of rugby.

### **A BIG THANKS**

The club extends its gratitude to everyone involved – players, coaches, and supporters – for their continued dedication to Killarney RFC. We are growing the game and making memories on and off the pitch.



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# TRIBUTE TO ROWING LEGEND *Noel Casey*

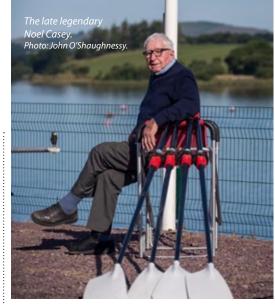
It is with great sadness that members of Muckross Rowing Club learned of the passing of Noel Casey, who passed on Wednesday 23rd October. A native of Sneem and descending from the sporting legend of his father Jack (one of the seven famous Casey brothers inducted into the Irish Sports Hall of Fame), Noel lived a truly unique life that was steeped in rowing from close to birth until his very final year. Early life in a peninsular home meant that rowing was initially an essential form of transport – Noel recalled how his grandmother Bridget rowed with him to church and to shop and how he first learned rowing technique around the age of four.

Noel moved to London for work as a teenager where he went on to row and subsequently coach for over 50 years, in addition to his work in construction. Noel began rowing at Vesta Rowing Club on the Thames in 1966. From the late 1970s, Noel's coaching career included successful years with both Vesta RC and Thames RC where he guided crews to victory at Henley and the British National Championships. Noel was later appointed Head Women's Coach for Great Britain at the 1984 Los Angeles Olympic Games.

At the turn of the century, Noel returned to Sneem and in the years to follow Muckross RC would become the beneficiary of Noel's unrivalled knowledge, passion and coaching capacity for the sport of rowing. Between 2007 and 2009, Noel guided the Senior Women of Muckross to unprecedented success, winning three consecutive Senior Eight and Senior Four Irish Championship titles, together with a clean 'sweep' that included the Womens Senior Pair title in 2009. Noel's limitless enthusiasm and energy for coaching also extended to the junior ranks. Noel oversaw much of the transition in Muckross from a sweep bias (single oar rowing) founded in the Killarney Six tradition to sculling success (two oar rowing). The Irish Rowing Championships of 2009 also saw the Muckross Mens Junior Double crew place second bettered only by the Skibbereen competition that featured a young Paul O'Donovan. In 2009, this was the club's highest achievement in junior Championship sculling. Muckross trips to Eton for the Wallingford Regatta saw Noel link his Irish and British rowing communities, with great memories of practice spins on the Thames and visits to Vesta RC.

At an age where many rowing coaches would set about retiring, Noel was only getting started on a final rowing chapter – the setting of which was closer to home with Kenmare Rowing & Boat Club. In Kenmare, Noel went on to inspire and enable a new generation of young rowers – succeeding in the attainment of not one but two first national titles for Kenmare RBC in 2019, including the Womens Senior and Mens Junior Single Championships. In his time with both Muckross and Kenmare, Noel became a familiar face at the National Rowing Centre where he kept a close eye over his charges through trial events and Championship Regattas.

It is seldom we get to meet and be guided by a legend of the sport. The gifts that Noel brought to Muckross extend beyond the Championship titles – they extend to a renewed confidence he gave us to grow the club and strive to achieve at the highest levels. Noel modelled the necessary commitment to achieve on the water - freshly shaved and suitably attired, Noel would be first to early morning training on a winter weekend morning, unphased by the 40 kilometre journey



over the mountain to Killarney. Despite a tough exterior and often direct manner, Noel's wit and charm were well known to those he coached. To have Noel with us once more in the coaching launch in Muckross this June will be long remembered.

Noel's impression on the sport of rowing and a countless number of rowers was truly immense. From the banks of the Thames to Lough Leane and Kenmare Bay, Noel will be fondly remembered and greatly missed at the water's edge. Noel was a tremendous supporter and friend of Muckross Rowing Club and indeed all of the rowing clubs in Ireland and the UK that were fortunate to know his presence. A rowing man to his core and a legend of the sport across seven decades – is cinnte, ní bheidh a leithéid ann arís.

We extend our deepest sympathies to Noel's family. Our thoughts and prayers are with Noel's daughters Bernie and Caroline, son-in-law Noel, grandchildren, great-grandchildren and extended family.

Ar dheis Dé go raibh a anam uasal.



Irish Rowing Championships 2007: The late Noel Casey (centre) pictured with the Muckross RC Womens Senior Four crew, winners of the Irish Championship title in 2007 including (I-r) Denise Casey with son Cathal, Tara McSherry, Fiona Devane and Meadhbh Terry. From 2007-2009, Noel coached the Womens Senior squad of Muckross to an unprecedented seven national titles.

The Killarney Community College first year rugby team who participated in the girls Munster schools development tournament inTralee last week







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## POLITICAL VIEW

# DANNY HEALY-RAE



## DISABILITY AND SPECIAL NEED ASSESSMENTS

In my time in the Dáil I have continuously raised the need for the long-term care needs for disability patients in Kerry and in particular the need for St. Mary of the Angels which is being closed down by stealth. I have also highlighted the long delays for many special needs and mental health assessments, including autism and ADHD assessments, it is taking far too long for a child to be assessed.

Early intervention is essential to ensure children and adults with special needs difficulties are given the correct diagnosis and treatment.

It is not acceptable that children and adults are waiting up to 2.5 years for assessments. People whose children are diagnosed with autism have an awful struggle. In recent days I met a family with three autistic children, it is a heavy cross for a couple to bear and a huge expense. God almighty, imagine the burden and the cost for a family with three children to be able to manage.

I have also raised other issues such as the disabled person's grant. That is such a good grant operated by Kerry County Council. The Minister of State must recognise how building costs and labour costs have gone up over the past two to three years. Everyone is talking about it. To build a normal house has increased from €250,000 to €450,000. The situation is replicated when someone applies for a level-access shower. I believe our local authority is as good or better than many local authorities. It operates the grant system for disabled people, people who get strokes, people who fall and different things happen to them so that they need a level-access bathroom. We always got a grant of about €6,000 or €6,500 to deal with improving the bathroom in order to make it accessible for people with disabilities. However, €6,500 is no longer enough, given how building costs have gone up. This needs to be dealt with.

## **GREEN CERT FARM QUALIFICATION**

Danny Healy Rae TD is glad to announce that following his correspondence and meetings with Farm Ed Ltd., over the last number of years he has arranged for the completion of the green cert farm qualification on site exam days to take place here in Kilgarvan in the Michael J. Quill Centre. This will cater for students from Kerry and Cork who previously had to travel to Limerick or Tipperary to complete the online green cert farming course.

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## CAHILL REITERATES CALL FOR MASSIVE INJECTION IN FITZGERALD STADIUM

All of Kerry would benefit from the proposed development of Fitzgerald Stadium in Killarney according to Fianna Fáil General Election candidate Michael Cahill. Councillor Cahill believes the numbers of additional visitors that a modernised Sports Stadium and Outdoor Concert venue would attract, would extend the tourist season for businesses not only in Killarney, but throughout the county of Kerry.

"We must all get behind the proposed development of Fitzgerald Stadium, which will deliver a magnificent Sports Stadium, capable of hosting many different sporting codes at international level, as well as being a top class open-air concert venue, that has the potential to attract many more visitors to Killarney and Kerry as a whole. The knock-on business to the rest of the county would have the effect of extending the season for everybody working in our Tourism Industry" said the Fianna Fáil man. "As well as top GAA fixtures, international soccer and rugby could be staged there, with music concerts also possible. It would be a proud boast to say that 'this year I saw Oasis, Real Madrid and the All-Blacks play in Killarney' said Councillor Cahill.

"I would also urge that a Kerry Sports Museum, a project that I have previously raised, would be included in the proposed plans for Fitzgerald Stadium, to highlight all of the achievements of Kerry women and men over the years, predominantly but not alone in GAA activities. This is the perfect opportunity to pay tribute to our sport's heroines and hero's and it also would be of enormous interest to local and visiting sports enthusiasts" stated the South Kerry Councillor "As Public Representatives, we must be active in promoting Kerry and we must look for funding from Central Government to ensure this magnificent development is successfully delivered" said Councillor Cahill.

"I am again calling on the Tanaiste, Micheál Martin, the Minister for Finance, Jack Chambers, Minister for Sport, Thomas Byrne and the Government to row in behind the Kerry County Board with a massive injection of funding in the redevelopment of Fitzgerald Stadium. Kerry deserves a "state of the art" Stadium" emphasised Councillor Cahill.

"The additional visitors would not alone benefit Killarney and surrounding districts, but I believe that a ripple effect would be felt from Tarbert to Tahilla, Killorglin to Valentia, Cahersiveen to Kenmare, Castleisland to Dingle, Ballybunion to Ballinskelligs" said the experienced Councillor.

"Fitzgerald Stadium has hosted many iconic GAA occasions in the past and it will continue to do so, as well as a wide range of other fantastic events, following this development. I have rowed in behind this massive project since the very beginning and I expect and I am confident that the call to Government to support Kerry in this fabulous venture will be heard loud and clear and not alone will it be heard but will be supported with action and significant investment " added the Fianna Fáil man.

## MEP KELLY LEADS NEW CAMPAIGN to end biannual clock change

Seán Kelly, MEP for Ireland South and leader of the Fine Gael Delegaton in the European Parliament, has reiterated his call for the European Union to finally end the outdated practice of biannual clock changes. Having campaigned for nearly a decade on this issue, Mr. Kelly is pushing for the matter to be brought back onto the political agenda in the upcoming parliamentary term.

"I have been working for many years to see the end of this outdated practice," Kelly said. "It is time to put an end to the biannual clock change, which has been proven to have negative effects on health, well-being, and safety. The practice is no longer fit for purpose in today's world." Kelly is leading a new campaign in the European Parliament and

highlighted the broad political support behind his initiative, with MEPs from every political group signing a joint letter to European Commission President Ursula von der Leyen, calling for action. "This is not a partisan issue," he said. "There is widespread agreement across the political spectrum that the clock change needs to end. MEPs from all groups have joined me in this call, showing that this is about

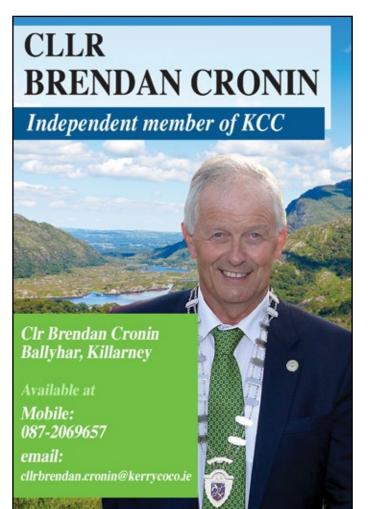
In the letter, Kelly and his colleagues pointed to the extensive public backing for the proposal. "Citizens across Europe have spoken," he said. "In 2018, a public consultation saw 84% of participants favour ending the clock change. This is a clear mandate from the people, and it is high time the European Commission acted on it." The negative impacts of clock changes on health are well documented. "Studies have shown that changing the clocks can disrupt sleep, increase the risk of heart attacks, and lead to more traffic accidents," Kelly stated. "In addition, the energysaving argument that once supported this practice is outdated. In fact, we now know that changing the clocks could actually increase energy consumption during the winter months."

Kelly is confident that with renewed momentum, progress can finally be made. "The European Parliament already passed a resolution in 2019 with overwhelming support, yet the matter has stalled. We need to move forward decisively in the next parliamentary term."

Concluding, Kelly remarked, "Abolishing the clock change would simplify life for millions of people across Europe. It's a practical and popular measure, and I am committed to seeing it through."



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## HALLOWEEN FUN & GAMES AT KILLARNEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE

The Killarney Community College always try to celebrate Halloween and encourage creativity and this year was no different with the annual fancy dress walk/run encouraging students to create costumes and carve pumpkins with prizes awarded for the best submissions













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## KILLARNEY GOLF & FISHING CLUB- LADIES

**COMPETITION RESULTS** 

18 Hole Single Stableford Prize kindly sponsored by Eno Wine played on Mahony's Point Course on 27th & 28th October 2024 Overall, Winner & Best Gross Lisa Cullen (02) 40pts, 2nd Ann Stuart (15) 38pts 3rd Eimear O'Sullivan (20) 37pts 4th Anne Moynihan (03) 37pts 5th Katie O'Connell (20) 34pts 13 Hole Competition Winner Mary Treacy (27) 21pts **NEXT FIXTURE** 

will be 2nd & 3rd November 2024 is 18 & 11 Hole Single Stableford on Killeen Course kindly sponsored by Pat O'Neill.

## **DEERPARK PITCH & PUTT CLUB**

#### **KAY O'SULLIVAN RIP**

t was with profound sadness that we learned last Thursday night of the death of our long serving Club President Kay O'Sullivan. Elected after the death of Mick O'Mahony in 2001, Kay was one of a number of Cork natives who have left a profound effect on our club for her efforts down through the years. She held numerous roles on the Committee including that of Lady Captain and she also represented the club at County Board Meetings as well as helping out with the running of our shop during the busy summer period. She loved the Fourball in our Club Open particularly when some of the club's top players were recruited to play with her! In her prime she visited the club every day with her two loyal companions Murph and Bran by her side. All in the club who knew her will remember her fondly as she always had the club at heart in everything she did. In her later years she was kept abreast of club developments in later years by her good friend Norma Lynch. We thank those who formed a Guard of Honour at her removal and funeral last Sunday and Monday and offer our condolences to her family on her sad passing. Ar dheis Dé go raibh a h'anam dílis.

Sean Looney RIP: We were also saddened to learn of the death of former member Sean Looney in Cork last weekend. Our condolences to his brothers Danny and Denis along with his sisters-in-law Margaret B and Margaret C and the extended family on his passing.



Truffle Honey Directors, Mike Hayes, Collete Hayes and Shane Edwards with Louise O'Donoghue, Group Head Chef, pictured with General Manager of Ballybunion Golf Club, John Eggleston on the 18th Hole at the announcement that Truffle Honey has taken up the catering contract at the world famous Kerry Golf Course. Truffle Honey also manages the food offerings at Killarney Golf & Fishing Club and Tralee Golf Club. **PHOTO: DON MACMONAGLE** 

U16 Christmas Hamper: We held this event last Saturday which was kindly sponsored again by Club PRO Jason O'Connor. The winner of the event with a great score of 12 under par (two off his father's course record) was one Brian McCarthy. Results- First Nett: Brian McCarthy, Gross: Ben Kelliher, Second Nett: Aodhan O'Halloran and Third Nett: Adam Shine. Thanks to all who played and of course Shirley for looking after the boys too.

### JERRY O'LEARY FUNDRAISER

We were delighted to hold last Monday's event ran by Connie O'Sullivan in conjunction with Glenflesk GAA Club. Congratulations to all involved on a successful day.

## **CHRISTMAS HAMPER (ADULT)**

Our re-arranged Christmas Hamper takes place this Sunday morning (November 3RD ) at 9.15am. Entry €10 per player with play over 36 Holes Singles V Par.

## **BEST WISHES**

To Gearóid Cronin (Manager) along with Brian McCarthy and Ben Kelliher in playing for Munster this Saturday in the National Ladies and U16 Challenge Inter-Provincial Challenge against Leinster in Lakeside, Templemore, Co Tipperary.

## **ROSS LADIES GOLF CLUB NOTES** RESULTS

Saturday 26th October Christmas Hampers Competition very kindly sponsored by Bricin Restaurant.

Record turnout for our Christmas Hamper competition very generously sponsored by Bricín Restaurant. Congratulations to the winners Caitriona Shanahan, Mary Nash and Kitty O'Grady. Wonderful morning of golf and very sociable aprés golf in the clubhouse. Well done everyone.

## COMPETITIONS

2nd November 9 hole Single Stableford Competition. Enter via the ClubV1 app. All Members welcome.

## **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

The A.G.M. will be held in the Club House on 30th November at 10.00am. Motions & Nominations must be received by 15th November to the box in the locker room. All new members welcome. Followed by a Scramble.

#### **WEDNESDAY MORNINGS MEET & PLAY**

Meet and play every Wednesday morning. Meet in the Club House 10.00am tee off 10.30am. All members welcome. GOLF LESSONS



Winners of the Ross Ladied GC Christmas Hamoers from left to right Kitty O'Grady, Caitriona Shanahan and missing from photo is Mary Nash pictured with Lady Captain Mary McCarrick.



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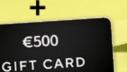




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## **KILLARNEY ATHLETIC AFC NOTES**

Round 1 of the Youths National Cup Killarney Athletic 0-0 Tralee Dynamos Athletic win 5-4 on penalties.

A war of attrition today in Woodlawn where it took penalties to separate these two teams. Dynamos were on top for long spells in this game with their centre midfielder Matthew Rogers being the standout player of the match. We enjoyed spells of domination when we started playing short passes instead of launching the ball long which was giving our attackers no chance and leaving the defence facing continuous pressure. It was a game of limited clear cut chances and I can only remember one great save from our keeper Caolan. Huge credit to all our lads today, it wasn't our best showing but they hung in there, showed great heart and got the bit of luck in the penalties. We look forward to the next round at home v Newmarket Celtic.

Thanks to Roland, Tommy and their Dynamos team. They were strong and fair all day long and can feel hard done by to be out. They are a good footballing team like all Dynamo's team are. We will go again in a few weeks in the 3rd round of the Munster Youths Cup.

Fair play to Darren the ref also. It's nice to be able to talk to the ref and he'll explain his decisions etc. it makes for a better game.

## U16 premier Result:

#### Killarney Athletic 3 - 5 Killorglin -Alex Doolan 2- Leo Allen 1

Our U16's welcomed Killorglin to Woodlawn Saturday evening and played out a cracking game. We opened the scoring after a minute when Alex got on the end of a free kick to put us 1-0 up. Our lead didn't last long as 2 minutes later Killorglin worked a great move down the left and a super ball across the box was finished off. 1-1. From this point on our boys took control of the game and started to play excellent football. We took the lead again when Alex crashed a shot off the post and Leo gathered the rebound a blasted to the top corner . 2-1. With our boys on top we struck again when Alex fired his second to the bottom corner from the edge of the box. Plaving with the wind we were unlucky not to be further ahead but the half finished 3-1. The second have couldn't have started any worse for our lads with Killorglin drawing level within 2 minutes, one from a corner and the one from a great strike. Our lads could have let their drop but gathered themselves again and had 4 or 5 brilliant chances to the take the lead, however, with 4 minutes to go Killorglin hit the front for the first time from a corner . Then with the last kick of the game, we threw everyone forward for a free kick which was cleared to the Killorglin player who racing the length of the pitch to score with the last kick. Unbelievably we ended the game empty handed however, our boys know they can toe to toe with the teams in this division and there will be better results ahead. Thanks to Killorglin for partaking in a cracking game and hopefully we'll meet again later in the season



KSBGL U14 Boys - Inter League.



## U14 Boys National Cup, Round 2 Avenue United 0 - 2 Killarney Athletic A.F.C. Robert Murphy 1-Shea Driver 1

Our young blues came away with a great win in Ennis today putting us through to the third Round of the National Cup. In a very tight game, chances were at a premium. Two second half goals were enough to to progress to the next round. Thanks to Avenue for a very tough, sporting game. Avenue were were great hosts, providing our players with pizza & drinks after the game. Well done to our boys on a solid performance against a good Avenue side.

Thanks again to the boys parents who always travel in numbers & give the boys great support when we play.

#### U14 Division 2 North Result

Killarney Athletic B 8 - 0 Castleisland B Nathan Jordan 4-Conor Brosnan -Malachy Audley -Dylan O'Connor -Jack O'Leary -Kacper Maciol A solid no nonsense display by the lads as we welcomed Castleisland to Woodlawn yesterday. They started the game very strongly and maintained that level to the final whistle.

Very impressed with the team this season, maximum points in their first 4 games, keep it going lads . Thanks to the ref and Castleisland for a sporting game

MOTM - Conor Brosnan

Boys U12B

Listowel Celtic 1- 5 Killarney Athletic Finn MacDonald - Jacob Slowakiewiz

The boys travelled to Listowel today for an

extremely early start at 9:30 am. From the first minute they were definitely not a sleep and played some fantastic football they really got in to the groove early on with some great efforts at goal. We took the lead from an Own goal after a lot of pressure. Listowel got one back very fast to make it one all, the boys dug deep and were up 3-1 by half time with another two Own goals.

In the second half the Athlectic boys played with assured confidence adding another two goals one from Finn MacDonald and the final goal from Jacob Slowakiewiz. We would like to thank Listowel Celtic for hosting us and for a very sporting game.

#### U13 Girls Premier Result:

#### Dingle 1 - 2 Killarney Athletic - Clodagh Hegarty - Leah Heinemann

Our U13 girls made the long trip to Dingle for an early kick off Saturday morning and came away with all 3 points. Down a number of players, our girls started slowly but grew into the game and mid way through the first half took the lead through a great strike from Clodagh Hegarty. One nil soon became two nil when Leah latched onto a thru ball and slotted home nicely.

Athletic really should have had a couple more only for some good goal keeping from the Dingle keeper. HT 0-2. The second half couldn't have been more different, Dingle pulled one back inside the first minute when there was a mix up at the back and they played the better





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football for long periods of the half . However, our defence stood strong and didn't give up too many chances. FT 1-2. Thanks to all the parents for making the trip and to Dingle for a very sporting game .

## U15 Girls

## Killarney Athletic vs Fenit Samphires

The under 15 Girls played against Fenit today at home in Ferndale the girls played some fantastic football winning by a good margin, this was helped by Fenit having to go down to 10 players due to an injury. The girls played with great ability and effort and throughly deserved there win. It was a pleasure to host Fenit today in Woodlawn and I'd like to thank them for a very sporting game. Roxy Wawro 4-Ella Crowley 2-Ella Murphy 1-Own goal 2

## **KILLARNEY CELTIC NOTES**

## **CELTIC LOTTO**

Numbers drawn 5,8,19,26. No jackpot winner. Match 3 winner received €150. Next jackpot €13,000 on Monday November 4th . Tickets available from The Dungeon Bookshop, Amber Shop (Top of Ross Road), club members and online through clubzap.

Training for girls born 2015 and 2016 takes place on Monday 6-7pm. Come along for an hour of fun training with Natasha.

Registration for the 2024/25 season is open on Clubzap. Club membership prices have been kept at the same price as last season.

Killarney Celtic has a senior ladies team this season playing in the Kerry District League. If interested in playing please contact David 087 984 3325

## **CHARLEVILLE CHEESE PREMIER A**

#### Killarney Celtic 1-1 Tralee Dynamos Stephen McCarthy

Celtic stayed top of the league but they surrendered an early lead to only gain a point here. Celtic took the lead on 17minutes through Stephen McCarthy. However Tralee Dynamos took home a share of the points when Thomas Burke struck in the 78th minute.

## **CHARLEVILLE CHEESE YOUTH LEAGUE**

Killarney Celtic 6-3 Killorglin AFC

Jake Dann 2, Joshua Williams 2, Oisin Fleming 2. **U16 SFAI NATIONAL CUP** 

#### Killarney Celtic 1-0 Dromore Utd AET Mark Looney

In a game which always promised to be a tight affair, a single goal in extra time proved decisive. Celtic had chances in normal time but were denied by the keeper. Eventually in extra time Mark Looney fired home to earn a home tie in round 3.

#### **U16 DIV 2**

## Killarney Celtic B 6-4 Killarney Athletic B

Eric Castanon 2, Andrew Sheahan, Marco Mosca, Simon Sirotiak, OG.

Celtic came from behind to claim all 3 points after Athletic had opened well. Athletic led 2-0 before Celtic came back to level. Celtic continued to control the game and went 6-2 ahead before Athletic finished the scoring to leave Celtic winners at the end. U14 SFAI NATIONAL CUP

#### **Pike Rovers B 0-3 Killarney Celtic** *Cillian Scannell 2, Sean Angland*

A strong performance saw our U14 team advance to the next round and a home tie with Fairview Rangers. Cillian Scannell had Celtic ahead and despite some pressure from Pike,

## Celtic retained control of the game before Sean Angland sealed the win. U12 SFAI NATIONAL CUP

## Killarney Celtic 2-0 Corbally Utd

JJ Landers, Sam Fleury

Celtic prevailed in a game where they dominated possession but found it hard to make that supremacy pay.0-0 at half time but Celtic kept pushing and they found a way through to qualify for round 3. Sam Fleury made the breakthrough and JJ Landers sealed the win.

#### **U12 DIV 2**

#### Killarney Celtic Hoops 2-4 Castleisland AFC Joey Enright, Cian O Connell

Celtic played well but failed to take their chances and Castleisland came into the game and crucially Castleisland took their chances. **GIRLS** 

#### **CHARLEVILLE CHEESE LADIES**

## Killarney Celtic 1-0 LB Rovers Hannah Casey

In a tight encounter played last week Celtic came out on top. Celtic's young team rose to the challenge and eventually edged in front against a strong LB Rovers side. The vital goal came late in the game after Katie Doe and Amelia Carroll Kelly combined to set up Hannah Casey to score.

### **U13 PREMIER**

## Listowel Celtic 2-8 Killarney Celtic

*Leah Mannix 7, Seodhna O Sullivan* Killarney were too strong for a depleted Listowel and now hold a clear advantage at the top of the premier division.

## EMERALD EAGLES SUNDAY OCTOBER 13TH

Inter Kenmare 4-0 Emerald Eagles FC Eagles lost their first league game of the season away at a very organized inter Kenmare side. A wake up call for the Eagles perhaps ? SUNDAY OCTOBER 27TH

Castlegregory B 0-6 Emerald Eagles FC

After a week off the Eagles gave the perfect response to defeat in the last outing . A commanding victory in awful weather conditions.

Eagles dominated the game from start to finish. Goal-scorers Blake Bolster x 3 with his 3rd hattrick of the season. Corey Mitchell, Chris Keane and Mike Foley with the other three goals. MOTM was Terry Martin.

## BALLYHAR DYNAMOS FC

8, 11, 12, 28. No winner of the Jackpot. 5 x €25 - Shirley Egan ,Farranfore.Susan Stack,Firies. Ciaran Butler,Firies.Eileen o Donoghue,Killarney & Mary B o'Sullivan,Farranfore. Next draw for a jackpot of €16,000- will take place on Sunday next 3rd November at Butlers Bar,Firies.Tickets available from committee members,Bridies,Hendersons,Spar shops & Butler Bar ,Firies. Thanks to all who support & Help out with the club lotto.

#### **TEAMS**

The U9s welcomed Castlemaine Utd to murt scott park on Saturday last for a series of games where great skill & effort was shown by all. Thanks to the Players, Coaches & Parents for facilitating this event. The club U12 A team travelled to Ballyduff to play LB rovers in a division 1 league game with Ballyhar taking the points on a 0-1 scoreline after a great battle with the locals. The only goal of the game came late on when Jack Cooper after beating his man on the wing whipped in a great cross & Fabian Mortex was on hand to steer the ball past the advancing keeper.Marcus o'Sullivan,Sean Evans, Jack Sheehy, Dermot Nealon, & Dylan o'Sullivan were also impressive during the game. The U16s travelled to Castleisland FC in a Division 1 encounter and took the win on a 1-3 scoreline thanks to goals from Conor Edwards, Issac Vickers & Kealan o Riordan with Jamie Murphy, Owen Casey, Jamie o Brien, Jack Kelly,Sean Brosnan & Aaron Moriarty very effective on the day.

## CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to the Firies senior squad on winning the County Junior Premier title last weekend after a huge effort. Best wishes to all on the Munster Campaign.







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# KERRY COUNTY COUNCIL STOPPING HOUSE BUILDING IN KERRY

With the country in the midst of a unprecedented housing crisis and builders are putting the blame for this squarely on the shoulders of senior management staff of Kerry County Council, accusing them of making the problem worse.

Builders have expressed the view that it is easier to build houses in Cork than it is in Kerry. In Cork, for example, builders carry out the work, a snag list of any outstanding issues is created, the builders rectify those issues and any bond funds are promptly returned to the builder. Bond funds are amounts of money held back from the builder by the bank until all work has been completed. If the council delays signing off on the completion of the snag list, the bond funds are not released back to builder and they are left out of pocket. In Cork, once the snag list has been signed off, the maintenance of any new housing development is promptly taken over by Cork County Council.

Builders claim that it is much more problematic dealing with Kerry County Council. It can take years for an official snag list to be created. The saga does not end here. When that list is finally completed, more maintenance issues are added. Builders have claimed that this final stage can take years and can add unnecessary financial stress. In effect, builders are being used to maintain an estate, post-build. In many cases, the builder ends up just forfeiting the bond, as it becomes too costly to continue completing the constant snag lists generated by Kerry County Council. Works are rarely carried out with these bond funds and ultimately the money ends up in the road maintenance programme for the whole county.

While waiting for Kerry County Council to take over the maintenance of their estate, the residents are obliged to pay for that maintenance themselves, and all the while, Kerry County Council continue their delaying tactics. These residents already pay road tax which goes towards

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A builder built an extra thirteen houses in an existing housing estate. The builder rerouted heavy traffic away from the estate and used an existing farm road at the rear of the site to access the building site. The photo shows the relief road and this road was in existence long before his company built these houses. After the houses were built the Council instructed the builder to go onto private property and dig up the relief road and turn the area into a green field otherwise Kerry County Council will take  $\leq 20,000$  via a bond from the builder.

Kerry County Council contacted this publication stating that the heading of this article is "grossly misleading and incorrect". Nobody wants badly built estates but this example does not entice builders to build houses.





This is a photo of an item on a snag list from a builder. Kerry County Council wants the builder to remove the fence and replace it with a fence that's a few inches taller. Because there is a slope in the green area the fence measures 2 mtrs when measured from the back and 1.85mtrs when measured from the front because of the slope in the green area. Does it really matter if this fence is a few inches shorter. This is an example of the nonsense that builders have to put up with from Kerry County Council.

road maintenance. And they are also paying local property tax. Why are the most pressured group in society being treated so badly? Typically these are young people with young families struggling to pay bills and Kerry County Council has the power to make their lives a little bit easier but unfortunately, the opposite is the case.

A number of County Councillors have said that they do not have the power to change things. They were critical of council management who have just brushed their concerns aside.



This is a photo of a manhole that was built in 2008. This manhole is in perfect condition after sixteen years.

The specifications on building a manhole has changed recently and Kerry County Council wants all the manholes in the estate dug up and rebuild under the updated specifications and this work will cost the builder  $\leq$ 45,000.

Kerry County Council does not accept that this decision is a gross abuse of power. There is no appeal system and no consequence for the decision makers.

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### KERR PICE The Week Through The Eye of the Lens



Betty Benson, Eilish O'Sullivan and Kate O'Connor at The Kerry Hospice stand at the annual Halloween fancy dress parade in Killarney Outlet Centre on Sunday. Picture: Eamonn Keogh

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Enjoying the opening of the Killarney Shopping Festival on Friday were Bridget O'Keeffe (festival organiser), Clir Maura Healy Rae (Mayor of Killarney) and Johnny McGuire (Killarney Chamber of Tourism and Commerce President). Picture: Eamonn Keogh

John Rice, Chairman, Ring of Kerry Cycle Committee making a presentation of a cheque Joint face, Gamman, Jang Sy ISP, Glee Sommand, and Samman and Sam

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Aisling Murphy and Ellen O'Doherty enjoying the opening of the Killarney

Festival on Friday. Picture: Eamonn

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Children enjoying the Magic Show and entertainment by Tony Wonder at the annual Halloween fancy dress parade in Killarney Outlet Centre on Sunday, Picture: Eamonn Keogh

Thirty-five top French luxury travel buyers attended a networking event organised by Tourism Ireland in Paris - where they met, and did business with, 15 tourism companies from the island of Ireland. PIC SHOWS: Brigitte Korchia, Scanditours/ Celtictours -Kuoni; Christine Blanc, Tourism Ireland; Cécile Gaulon, Celtictours - Kuoni; Christian Schmelter, The Muckross Park Hotel & Spa; Chloé Valakou, Celtictours - Kuoni; Martina Canty, Fáilte Ireland at Tourism Ireland's luxury workshop in Paris.

Max and Molly Kennedy, Glenflesk, with Dracula at the annual Halloween fancy dress parade in Killarney Outlet Centre on Sunday. Picture: Eamonn Keogh

Amelie Boyall enjoying the candle' making workshop with Dracula' at the annual Halloween fancy dress parade in Killarney Outlet Centre on Sunday. Pictures Eamonn Keogh

### OUTLOOK BASKETBALL

### BASKETBALL IRELAND National League Division 1 KILLARNEY COUGARS 86 SCOTTS LAKERS 91

In an exciting Killarney derby in the Basketball Ireland National League Division 1, the Scotts Lakers edged out the Killarney Cougars with a thrilling 91-86 victory, captivating the capacity crowd with a game packed with drama, intensity, and memorable performances.

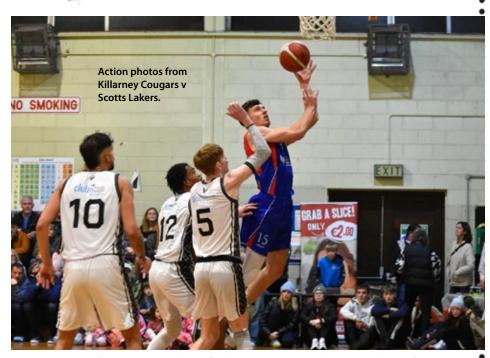
The game opened with both teams showing early jitters, but the Cougars quickly found rhythm as Joshua Strongman and Gerda Malukas put up baskets for a 4-0 lead. Lakers responded with back-to-back threes from Darnell Syners and Mark Sheehan, seizing the lead three minutes in. Cougars rallied behind two three-pointers from Malukas and a confident shot from Kani Glover, pulling ahead 19-13 with just three minutes left in the first quarter. However, the Lakers' Abdul Oladipupo came off the bench to make an immediate impact, trimming the gap as the quarter closed with Cougars leading 24-21.

In the second quarter, the Cougars extended their lead to 30-23 with another big threepointer from Glover. However, Lakers' Mikah Blackwell stepped up, equalizing the game at 30-30 midway through the quarter. The teams traded baskets until Lakers took a narrow 41-39 halftime lead, with Blackwell scoring 14 points in the quarter to give his side momentum.

The third quarter saw Lakers dominate, led by Blackwell's strong performance. The game remained tight, tied at 54-54 with four minutes left, but Lakers pulled away with Blackwell contributing a remarkable 15 points, supported by Syners and Oladipupo. By the end of the quarter, the Lakers had pushed their lead to 67-57, capitalizing on Cougars' growing foul trouble despite a solid 9-point effort from Strongman.

Early in the final quarter, Cougars suffered a setback as Malukas fouled out just after sinking a three-pointer. Despite this, they fought back with Adan Lenihan and Jack Lynch working tirelessly on defense. However, Sheehan's two crucial threepointers for the Lakers preserved their lead, keeping them ahead 83-80 as the game entered the final moments. Cougars made a last-ditch effort through Strongman and Glover, but the Lakers held firm, securing a hard-fought 91-86 win.

The capacity crowd enjoyed a thrilling game that showed Killarney basketball at its best, filled with high-stakes plays and



outstanding performances until the final buzzer.

#### **Top Scorers:**

Killarney Cougars: Kani Glover 37, Joshua Strongman 31, Gerda Malukas 16 Scotts Lakers: Mikah Blackwell 38, Darnell Syners 14, Abdul Oladipupo 14

### SPORT EAGLES MATCH REPORT Men's Basketball League Monday, October 28th UL Arena LIMERICK SPORT EAGLES 72 SCOTTS LAKERS 81

#### Report by Enda Walshe

A doubleheader weekend in the Men's Basketball League ended in double delight for Scotts Lakers as they followed up the Derby win on Saturday night with a hard fought win over the Limerick Sport Eagles in the University of Limerick Arena. In front of the watching All Blacks rugby team, who happened to be training in a nearby court, it was a physical encounter where both teams dug in deep for the points.

The Eagles were coming off a trimming from their neighbours, the Celtics, on Saturday night and it was understandable that they put up the roadblocks early. The Lakers for their part operated a high energy press from the get go and for the majority of the game defences were on top. The game did loosen out in the second half which was entirely predictable given the effort put in less than forty eight hours earlier. Coach Ron Howard would have been very pleased with their efforts but is looking for more . "I want us to elevate our level of intensity moving forward. Consistent energy and effort are key to any success".

The opening quarter was intense with the hosts setting the tempo with Obi Josephs and Ignacho Folgueiras getting their eye in . Folgueiras was particularly effective but some hard defence from Eoin Carroll meant he was clocking up fouls as quick as points. Carroll opened the Lakers' account with Darnell Snyers hitting a three and Mikah Balckwell working a good basket inside. Alexander Carisle is the Eagles leading scorer and he helped open up a 13-7 lead with a good outside shot. He too would run into foul trouble but his influence would be curbed by a fine defensive showing by Mark Sheehan. Jamie O Sullivan kept that defensive intensity going off the bench and Blackwell and Carroll closed out the guarter to make it a 17-12 Eagles lead.

The second quarter opened with a third foul on Carlisle and it also coincided with the Lakers having difficulties with defensive rebounding. Jack O Sullivan stole in on the baseline as Blackwell started to spread his wings. The Lakers press started to pay dividends with Snyers stealing in for a three point play. Carroll combined wonderfully with Blackwell and Saravia and Blackwell hit a three as it looked like the Lakers would take control. But David O Connell and AJ Ryan Walsh rebooted the Eagles efforts to put them 36-34 in front at half time . But crucially Folgueiras was now on four fouls and sitting down.

Looking to take the initiative, Snyers, Blackwell and Saravia made another push but Daniel Shahab and Carlisle reeled them in. Abdul Oladipupo had his own foul

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trouble for the Lakers but Darnell was now relishing his role and alongside Blackwell they combined for fourteen points to again give their side the whip hand. Ryan though was in ebullient form for the Eagles helping Carlisle to close the gap. But the Lakers were now in the box seat as Darnell wriggled in to make it 60-56.

The Eagles made a bold bid at the start of the fourth with O Connell hitting another three and Ryan still lurking. Blackwell kept them at bay but Mark Sheehan then came up with a defining moment. He chased down a loose ball and turned outside the arc to nail a huge three. Carroll followed it up with another crucial basket to make it an eight point game, 69-61. Throwing caution the wind Folgueiras was taken off the bold step and his impact was instant. He hit two from downtown to narrow it to just two points but Blackwell came up with another big moment to extend the advantage. The Eagles suffered a double blow, Carlisle got fouled out and then Blackwell put a dagger to their hearts with a big three. With the game and time slipping away the Eagles attempted to prolong the game with some tactical fouling but that played into the barrow of Blackwell and Snvers who were flawless from the free throw line. After an industrious bank holiday weekend the Lakers returned home with the bacon, courtesy of an 81-72 win.

Mikah Blackwell led the way with 36 points, Darnell Snyers hit 22, Eoin Carroll hit double figures again with 13, Mark Sheehan had 6, Jack O Sullivan 2 and Rui Saravia 2.

For the Eagles Alexander Carlisle and Ignacio Folgueiras both hit 16 and Ajay Ryan Walsh shot 13.

Coach Howard picked out Snyers, Carroll and Sheehan for special mention." It was fantastic to see Darnell pushing the ball and attacking the rim, he lit it up with 22. Mark had an outstanding defensive performance holding Carlisle to just 16 points. Eoin stepped up big on defence, he made it tough for Nacho Folgueiras and made it tough for him to find his rhythm. "He singled out Blackwell for special mention, "He poured in 26 points and grabbed eight boards. That big three pointer in the fourth quarter gave us the control we needed to finish strong". A golden week for the Lakers with three wins, if you can count the Vikings' decision, and they head to Galway next Saturday for a National Cup tie with the Titans. Having got a close up view of the leagues form team only two weeks ago , they travel up west knowing exactly what's in front of them. Tip off in the Ballinfoile Community Centre is at 7pm.

### MATCH REPORT

Womens Superleague Basketball Saturday, October 26th Killarney Sports & Leisure Centre UTILITY TRUST ST PAULS 68 KILLESTER 73

#### Report by Enda Walshe

One could argue that after four games in the Women's Superleague Utility Trust St Pauls could easily find themselves with three wins and one defeat as opposed to three defeats and one win. Much like the game against National Cup champions Brunell last weekend , St Pauls found themselves in a position where a win was achievable but agonisingly it slipped through their hands again. Leading the reigning league champions Killester by five, 68-63, with 3.43 to play they couldn't withstand a late rally inspired by the outstanding Samantha Haib. It was a win forged on experience by the Dublin side and while the immediate feeling would be one of heartache it would be imperative that James Fleming's side focus on the good aspects of their game. They have gone toe to toe with the four best teams in the league and that will have stress tested their capabilities. Aside from the opening weekend against Liffey Celtics they have shown more than enough to suggest that they will pick up further wins in the season ahead and a three week hiatus will give them plenty of time to sharpen their tools.

The opening quarter saw Killester lead 23-18 at its end. This was due to the early dominance of Leva Bagdanaviciene and the probings of Samantha Haiby. Anja Marinkovic got St Pauls going when she hit an early three while Lorraine Scanlon took delivery of a nice back-door pass from Rheanne O Shea . Marinkovic hit another from downtown as the home side got stuck into the task, a point emphasised by a lovely combo between Gracen Kerr and O Shea. Scanlon and Marinkovic tightened up the score but Irish international Michelle Clarke hit a big outside shot to give them that five point advantage.

It was in the second quarter that St Pauls started to go through the gears . Scanlon was impressive inside and Rheanne O'Shea hit five points on the spin to draw the game level and force a Killester timeout. That chat didnt work the trick as Ormiston and O Shea pushed the home side clear. It must be said that while Ormiston wasn't featuring heavily on the scoring charts, her rebounding was integral to a dominant period. Leah Mc Mahon hit a three and Killester had to sit down and redraw their plans. Destiny Strother and Haiby brought them level temporarily as Simeone O Shea, Denise Dunlea and Ormiston made sure it was a six point lead at half time, 42-36.

Gracen Kerr was fast out of the traps in the third quarter , her five points helping to open up the gap. Not for the first time Clarke hit a big outside shot for the champions but Ormiston started clocking the points and midway through the third quarter another Marinkovic three had St Pauls ten clear, 54-44. Defensively the home side were keeping Killester at bay for the most part but a trio of threes from Sarah Courtney and Clarke halved the deficit , despite further baskets from Ormiston and Scanlon.

Siofra O Shea and Meabh Barry started the fourth quarter and Ormiston extended the advantage to seven, 64-57. But Killester were soon to make a big move as an unsportsmanlike foul called on Marinkovic yielded four points, courtesy of Ali Connolly and Samanthan Haiby.

It looked as if St Pauls had weathered that storm thanks to some great defensive play from Scanlon and further points from Rheanne O Shea. It left them 68-63 clear heading into the final furlong but Killester showed champion qualities to pull the game out of the fire. It was Haiby who would be their headline maker. She first stepped out to hit a three from the corner and then drove to the basket to complete a three point play. St Pauls did get some looks but couldn't get the baskets needed as the visitors headed back to the capital with the points. Another one for the hurt locker for St Pauls but one to use in the future Final score Utility Trust St Pauls 68 Killester 73.

Megan Ormiston had 15 points and 21 rebounds, Rheanne O Shea and Anja Marinkovic shared 26 equally, Gracen Kerr had 8, Simeone O Shea, Denise Dunlea and Leah McMahon had 3 apiece .

Samantha Haiby had the game high 22 points, leva Bagdanaviciene 13 as well as Michelle Clarke while Sarah Courtney hit an important ten.

A bye in the National Cup and a free weekend in the league leaves St Pauls without a game now until Saturday November 17th. That weekend will see them travel to play league bottom side Galway Mystics. The following week they are at home to the Portlaoise Panthers with the November programme being finished with a trip to Dublin to play Trinity Meteors . On paper these are a run of games where St Pauls will be looking to pick up some more points which some of their earlier performances probably deserve.



## JIMMY O'SULLIVAN-DARCY

takes a look at all things sport...

# **DR. CROKES FINISH** WITH A FLOURISH

### **Senior County Final:** Dr. Crokes 3-8 Daingean Uí Chúis 0-11

Dr. Crokes are back on top of domestic injury was actually fantastic for Tom and very football in Kerry, after completing a clean sweep of league, club, and county titles, having already won the East Kerry Championship. They were the better team - they have unquestionably been the best team in Kerry all year (the Kerry Ladies are obviously the best team from Kerry this year). They only lost one game in total out of 21, and that defeat to Dingle in the opening round of he club championship had a certain amount of controversy to it.

Spare a thought for Dingle. They were magnificent. Crokes had to be at their best to see ff the challenge of unquestionably the second best team in Kerry. Despite being on the losing side, and not playing his usual starring role in the final itself, Paul Geaney is my player of the County Championship for the third year in a row.

Dingle did everything right. They came with a great game-plan, got their tactical matchups absolutely spot on, and had Crokes floundering for long periods. Dylan Geaney had the opening salvo within seconds of the throw-in but dropped it short, only for an uncharacteristically wayward clearance by Shane Murphy to see Paul Geaney instantly snap over the opening score. Tom O'Sullivan, superb at both ends of the field (I still say that the enforced break through badly wanted) set up Dylan Geaney for point number two. I've questioned Dylan's county credentials on a few occasions, looked for a bit more consistency - no-one ever doubted his shooting talent -he has finally convinced me and I want him getting real game-time in next year's National League, not the occasional late cameo.

David Shaw, another certainty for a Team of the Championship, swung over a beauty to open Crokes' account, but Cathal Bambury pounced at the other end, his close range shot rising over the crossbar. Four points in the opening four minutes - if you saw it in the inter-county game, Jim Gavin would be on his holidays right now. A great move between Paul and Dylan Geaney saw Tom O'Sullivan fist over the bar – I'd say he though briefly about goal, but a point was the right move. 0-4 to -0-1. It would have been more but for a great interception by Evan Looney. I'd say Jack O'Connor will want that phone number as well!

Dingle's defence was superb, bottling up Crokes and forcing awkward shots from distance. Conor O'Sullivan had a fantastic duel with David Shaw – I do feel that his withdrawal through injury sucked a bit of moentum out of Dingle. Their tackling and turnover rate was ferocious. Big numbers in



Stephen Brosnan, Captain David Naughton, Patrick O'Sullivan GAA County Chairman and Evan Looney - Man of the Match

defence and breaking at speed through the Geaneys....simple, but very, very effective. Dingle hit the post - Brian Looney did well to clear the loose ball under pressure from Cathal Bambury. Really cool when it mattered. Both sides had efforts drop short before Dylan Geaney kicked an absolute beauty. 0-5 to 0-1.

Crokes needed somebody to step up and steady the ship. Cometh the hour and all that no better man than Gavin White, who sensed the moment and drove forward., gathering from Gavin O'Shea and calmly splitting the posts. Twenty minutes gone. That was a big moment; suddenly Crokes started looking more like themselves, with Mark O'Shea getting on top in a crowded midfield, well assisted by a deep-lying Cian McMahon who was superb at snaffling up loose ball. and Brian Looney and Gavin O'Shea beginning to find space. Brian Looney had a free shot at goal that skinned harmlessly across, but advantage was in play after Maidhcí Lynch was somewhat carelessly pulled back. A tiny mistake, but on days like this it gets





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punished, and Micheal Burns swung over the free. Cian McMahon won the kick-out but this time Dingle were able to force a turnover and paul Geney was wide with a decent chance at the other end. Up burst Gavin White again to slot his second point and there was just a point between them.Tom Leo O'Sullivan was edged away from goal, but had the presence of mind o cross to Dylan for the last score of a first half largely dominated by Dingle.

#### Half-time Dingle 0-6 Dr. Crokes 0-4

Dingle came out bustling with energy again, despite having lost the impressive Conor O'Sullivan – Michael Flannery stepped in seamlessly. Dylan Gaeney snapped over his fourth point from play. They hit two wides – honestly, I did feel that of all teams, when you have Crokes on the rack you need to kill off he game fast. Leave them a lifeline and they'll just rise again.

Micheál Burns had a good effort from distance, but Gavin Curran came out to gather confidently – a great sign of an assertive and confident goalkeeper. His handling was excellent all day – but the day wasn't over.

Tom Leo O'Sullivan got inside the cover and had Cathal Bambury unmarked to his left, but Shane Murphy read it absolutely perfectly and got down fast to block. Tom Leo took the '45 himself (first one I ever saw him take) but his excellent effort hit the post and wide.

Crokes had gone almost a quarter of an hour of the second half scoreless when another high ball dropped in the Dingle square. Michael Flannery got a hand to it but the ball spilled loose and Gavin O'Shea superbly scooped it up and quickly fed it to David Shaw to drill it home. Instinctive genius by O'Shea; not for the first or last time.

Barry Dan O'Sullivan boomed over a majestic point to nudge Dingle back in front, 0-8 to 1-4. Dingle weren't going away; those lads have real steel. But they were facing a very different animal now. They say that a shark can smell blood in water up to a mile away. Crokes, especially their more experienced campaigners, have honed that kind of killer instinct.

Cue Kieran O'Leary. One of the most emblematic players in Crokes' history, and once again he reminded all of us why that is. Cian McMahon's probing ball was deflected and looked like being gathered harmlessly, but O'Leary waited for his moment and very deftly picked the defender's pocket, just about managing to get a shot off while falling....Gavin Curran did superbly to take a lot of the force out of it, but not enough....it bobbled just over the line a fraction ahead off a despairing defender's lunge.

Dingle were faltering badly now and Crokes were rampaging forward. Evan Looney gathered in the right corner and calmly cut across, ghosting past hapless defenders before picking his spot for a third goal in five minutes.

Crokes were in cruise control now. Micheál Burns lofted over a point. Kieran O'Leary added another. Paul Geaney pointed a free – his first score since the opening minute . Conor Geaney pointed and took a shot at goal, but Crokes were ready to deal with it comfortably.

Micheál Burns finished off a great move involving Kieran O'Leary and David Shaw. Dylan Geaney replied in kind, but it was Dingle's final score and their bolt was shot, with Micheál Burns kicking two class points to close out a rollercoaster of a game. Comfortable for Crokes in the finish, but only in the finish.

Evan Looney was the popular choice for man of the match. While Evan certainly had a great game and his goal was a thing of composed beauty, he is unquestionably he breakout player of this County Championship, I really thought that the bit of leadership and inspiration by Gavin White when Crokes were barely hanging on was the crucial factor. Yes, the first goal was the turning point, but the narrative of the game was about getting to that point.

A special mention for Brendan Griffin. I really thought that was an exhibition of firm but unobstrusive refereeing.

Crokes will face Castlehaven of Cork on November 10th at a home venue (one presumes Lewis Rd.). I haven't had any look at Castlehaven yet but I was told early on by Cork people that Castlehaven woud be very strong in the football this year as their dual players Cahalanes etc.) were knocked out of the hurling early on and have been concentrating on the big ball.

In order to avoid a clash, the much-anticipated Intermediate replay between Austin Stacks and Laune Rangers has been switched back to Saturday 9th in the Fitzgerald Stadium. Dr Crokes: Shane Murphy, Evan Looney (1-0), Fionn Fitzgerald, John Payne, Maidhcí Lynch, Gavin White (0-2), Brian Looney, Mark O'Shea, Charlie Keating, Micheál Burns (0-4, 1f), Gavin O'Shea, Tom Doyle, Tony Brosnan, David Shaw (1-1), Cian McMahon. Subs: Kieran O'Leary 1-1 (for Tom Doyle, 36 mins), Michael Potts (for Charlie Keating, 36 mins), David Naughton (for Maidhcí Lynch, 53 mins), Daithí Casey (for Cian McMahon, 56 mins). Dingle: Gavin H Ó Cuuráin, Conchúir Ó Flannúra, Conchúir Ó Súilleabháin, Tomás Ó Súilleabháin (0-1), Briain Ó Conchúir, Darragh Dan Ó Súilleabháin, Tomás Leo Ó Súilleabháin, Barra Dan Ó Súilleabháin (0-1), Liam Ó Conchúir, Cathal Ó Bambaire (0-1), Mattiu Ó Flatharta, Niall Ó Géibheannaigh, Diollún Ó Géibheannaigh (0-5), Pól Ó Géibheannaigh (0-2, 1f), Tadg de Brún. Subs: Micheál Ó Flannúra (ar ionad Conchúir Ó Súilleabháin, 25)), Conchúir Ó Géibheannagh 0-1 (for Darragh Dan Ó Súilleabháin, 39)), Micheál Ó Géibheannagh (ar ionad Tadg De Brún, 52), Seán Óg Ó Móráin for Billy O'Connor (58), Eoin de hÓra (for Briain Ó Conchúir, 61).

Referee: Brendan Griffin (Clounmacon).

### INTERMEDIATE FINAL

### Firies 0-16 Ardfert 1-11

Ardfert are a club that have sometimes been outclassed - like Firies, they wouldn't be drawing from a deep population base - but very rarely have I seen the actually out-battled with a game on the line. At the start of the Premier Junior, I and I'd reckon most people were looking at Ballymac, hot favourites of course, St. Senans, Keel (they are coming) and a very solid Castlegregory outfit. Oh, and Ardfert's young but very talented contingent and their Kerry hurlers. Firies? Decent team, but they are only in their second year up from junior and word was that Jack Sherwood was minding an injury. I knew Firies were solid, no question about that, and had young guns themselves, but

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the title? Nope, couldn't see it.

Did well in the group to qualify, but got well beaten by Ardfert in their third game. Even at the famous 'airport derby' with neighbours Currow, absolutely cracking football, but I didn't expect the winners coming from that game. Impressive scoring, though, better than I expected, and they definitely showed their character. But I knew they had character anyway; that has never been in guestion with Firies. It was the Ballymac game that made everybody blink. Not because they took Ballymac to school; they didn't. Ballymac were every bit as good as them in an enthralling game of football. But you kind of kept expecting Ballymac to finally burn off Firies' challenge, and Ballymac did lift their game....but Firies stayed with them every inch of the way. It wasn't any one spectacular moment; it was doing everything relentlessly right over and over again. Contesting everything, hunting and harrying, executing the basics non-stop. Over eighty gruelling minutes. It's much harder than people think, and Firies were comfortable doing that. The young guns of Horgan, Palmer, Doe may be the headliners, but I found myself looking at he likes of Mike Daly, Diarmuid O'Mahony, and Darragh Brosnan with a new appreciation for what they bring to the table. You live, you learn.

A wet, slippy pitch and ball for the final. I don't mind, that doesn't always negate skill, sometimes it can actually magnify it.

Odhran Ferris and Diarmuid O'Mahony exchanged early ponts before a Nathan O'Driscoll brace put Ardfert ahead. Darragh Brosnan, after a clever short '45, and Stephen Palmer levelled matters. Ardfert had more of the play but were struggling to find openings in Firies' rearguard. Firies themselves were taking long shots that were going close (especially Michael Daly) but never quite close enough. In the 24th minute, Jordan Brick found Earnán Ferris and he cut in for a brilliant goal. 1-3 to 0-3 at the break. Low enough scoring for the quality of football.

Nathan O'Driscoll kicked another brace to put five points between them. Firies pulled one back but good play by Daihí Griffin saw Odhran Ferris reply. Ardfert, to my eyes, looked like they weren't sure whether to protect that lead or push to extend it. I did think they needed to commit to one decision or the other – instead they seemed to try and compromise between both. I don't know; hindsight might be colouring my perception in that regard. But for Firies it was very simple. Five points down and clock ticking? Speak now or forever hold your peace.

They spoke. In fact, they almost roared. Suddenly Firies were just reaching out and grabbing the game by the scruff of the neck, especially Mike Daly and Niall Donohue. Three frees from James Horgan and points from play by Daly after a great turnover, and suddenly the game was in the melting pot. Niall Donohue tore up the field to kick an absolute monster score. 0-9 to 1-6.

Nathan O'Discoll notched his fifth point to nudge them back ahead, but James Horgan



replied. John Egan forced a great turnover and Ardfert worked the ball up the fieldforr a Colin Walsh mark. Just seconds left, but Firies and the effervescent Donohue had one last throw of the dice and the All Ireland minor and Hogan winner was never going to miss that one.

Extra-time. Both teams had been through this in their semi-finals. Firies had the momentum now though and a tiring Ardfert couldn't live with them in extra-time, not even with Diarmuid O'Mahony picking up a late black card.

Firies will be away to Fenor from Waterford in the Munster Club JFC quarter-final in a fortnight.

Firies: Brian McCarthy, Chris Palmer, Diarmuid Brosnan, Brian O'Leary, Niall Donohue (0-2), Tomás Clifford, Diarmuid O'Mahony (0-1), Darragh Brosnan (0-1), Padraig De Brún, Patrick Daly, James Horgan (0-4, 3f), Darragh Donohue (0-1), Michael Daly (0-2), Jake Flynn, Stephen Palmer (0-3). Subs: Cian Doe 0-2 (for Darragh Brosnan, 42), Liam Brosnan (for Jake Flynn, 55), Sean Cooper (for Pádraig De Brún, 59), John Power (for Niall Donohue, 70), TJ Palmer (for Darragh Donohue, 74), Jake Flynn (for Michael Daly, 77)

Ardfert: Nicky O'Sullivan, Gary O'Riordan, Dara Kearney, Trevor Wallace, Iarla Courtney, Seanie Brosnan, Earnán Ferris (1-0), Michael Leane, Daithí Griffin, Jordan Brick, Odhran Ferris (0-2), Brandon Barrett, John Egan, Nathan O'Driscoll 0-8 (3f), Fionán Egan. Subs: Eric Leen (for Earnán Ferris, 30), Colin Walsh 0-1, 1m (for Fionán Egan, 38), Liam Óg O'Connor (for Jordan Brick, 55), Ronan Walsh (for Eric Leen, bs, 61-64), Ronan Walsh (for John Egan, 61), Seamie Foran (for Michael Leane, 70), Darragh Courtney (for Iarla Courtney, 70), Fionán Egan (for Brandon Barrett, 72)

Referee: Eoghan Moriarty (Dingle)

### NATIONAL LEAGUE CUP NAMED IN HONOUR OF KERRY LEGEND

Micheál Ó Muircheartaigh may well be the greatest person I have ever met. Certainly

I would say he not only symbolised but personified everything that the GAA stands for, and I can only applaud the recent decision to name the National Leage Division One Cup in his honour.

Mind you, the Munster Senior Football Cup doesn't have a name – would have been perfect for the great Kerryman.

### PETER KEANE APPOINTED TO CLARE

Best wishes to Peter Keane. Having had All Ireland success with St. Marys and leading the Kerry minors to three Tom Markham Cups and going on to bring Kerry to an All Ireland Final replay against Dublin, he has been announced as the new manager of the Clare senior football team, replacing Mark Fitzgerald, who has stepped down to in Tomás Ó Sé's Kerry U20 management team. The very best of luck to him in his new role.

### LADIES GAA

I'm putting the camogie and the football under the one umbrella. Ironic enough, considering the week that's in it. I was aware -we were all aware – of the impending fixture clash that was arising last weekend for Abbeydorney, Cillard, and Clanmaure. I was just hoping that common sense would prevail. I don't want to be lighting fires; ladies' sport has it tough enough in this county anyway. Casual misogyny prevailed long enough and frankly, I can tell you hand on heart as someone in press boxes regularly that it isn't gone away at all. Occasionally dormant, but certainly not extinct.

There's talk that the Munster Championship fixtures for Ladies Football and Camogie were fixed last January. That isn't true. The Mai O'Connell Cup, named for a great Kerry is a new camogie competition for the Intermediate and Junior Clubs in Munster and those fixtures were only confirmed in early August. That's certainly not excusing anything; I'm just outlining the facts.

Sunday, October 5th, I drove over to John Mitchels GAA Complex to report on the Abbeydorney v Ballymac Kerry Junior A Final. I think throw-in was 12 o'clock, followed by the Kilcumin v Killarney Legion Junior B Final. I couldn't actually stay for that one; I had to drive to Beaufort for the St. Brendans v Kenmare Shamrocks Mens' County Championship game, and hen drive back to Tralee for the Ladies Senior Final between Castleisland Desmonds and Southern Gaels. I suppose it's the Kerry version of a jet set lifestyle! The Senior Final had been moved back to 6.30pm, which I'd consider very late for kids of a wet Sunday evening for the domestic highlight game. But it had been moved back to accommodate the mens' quarter-final between East Kerry and St. Kierans in Austin Stack Park. We were told that was because St. Kierans couldn't play on the Saturday because they deserved the extra days' rest and they wanted to play in Austin Stack Park. The ladies had already been promised Austin Stack Park, but that was why the time was put back so dramatically. Except that St. Kierans have since released a strongly worded statement making it clear that they made no such request. St. Kierans have always supported Ladies football, very much so - think of Desmonds, Scart, Cordal....I have no idea what went wrong in arranging that fixture, but wires got badly crossed somewhere.

I hadn't realised the possibility of a clash between the football and the camogie in Munster until talking to both Abbeydorney and Ballymac.

Abbeydorney were expected to play Mungret in Abbeydorney at 1.00pm on Saturday, October 26th.

Cillard were expected to play Croagh/Kilfinny in Kilmoyley at 2.00pm on Saturday 26th.

Clanmaurice were expected to play Moneygall in Moneygall, also at 2.00pm on Saturday 26th.

Caoimhe Spillane, Amy O'Sullivan, and Laura Collins play for Clanmaurice camogie.

Niamh Quinn, Roisín Quinn, Ruth O'Connor, Alanna Maunsell, Maura McDonald, Amy McCarthy, and Aoife O'Sullivan all play for Cillard camogie.

All of the above – all of them – play for Abbeydorney ladies footballers. None of them are panel players; they are starters.

These fixtures were arrranged well beforehand. The clubs did flag the obvious clashes that would arise. I have no idea what formal written communication passed between secretaries, etc., but this should have been obvious. It's a bank holiday weekend; switch games around. You have room to manouevre in the schedule.

Except that it just didn't happen. And when Abbeydorney, faced with the prospect of having eleven players have to choose (and no player, ever, should have to make a choice like that) raised the issue, they got no solace whatsoever.

This is not a new problem. It's new to Kerry clubs, simply because we didn't have Kerry camogie clubs in Munster competitions. But this is common, far too common, in Cork, Clare, and Limerick. I assume Tipperary and Waterford also, but I personally can't confrm that. When it cmes to Cork, the likes of Breige Corkery, Rena Buckley, Mary O'Connor, Hannah Looney, and more recently Meabh Caalane and Libby Coppinger have regularly flagged the problems.

Congratulations to Nora Fealey, Chair of Kerry LGFA, and Anne Marie Russell, Chair of Kerry Camogie, on resigning from the Munster Council in protest and releasing a statement announcing same. They did try to find diplomatic solutions. Neither of these are people who court controversy for its own sake, and I've met both at the grassroots of both codes for many years. Publicising the enormous failure of the Munster Councils in this matter was a last resort, but they had tried the alternatives and it was important, I would say absolutely crucial, that they back their players when it comes down to player welfare. I tend to be a little cautious about the phrase 'player welfare', I find that it's often a refuge of sanctimony and self-righteousness by people whose main motivation is their own self-importance. This was not that at all. This was the exact opposite, this was people standing up for their players, and it needed to happen.

In the end we got a token compromise. Croagh/Kilfinny, very generously, agreed to come to Kilmoyley to play the game at 11.00am.

Mungret had a player flying back from the US so couldn't do too much but did agree to move their game to 3.30pm. A little bit of breathing space. An opportunity for girls to play both games on the one day.

Croagh/Kilfinny and Mungret, and Moneygall for that matter, have absolutely no blame in this ridiculous scenario. That falls squarely on administrators – the problem was staring everybody in the face even as they confirmed the fixtures, and it's not a new story anyway, but it seems that there was nobody to grasp the obvious nettle.

When players are expected to play two full games in the space of a few hours, and that's considered the good news, the solution rather than the problem, you know that the parent organisation abandoned all pretense at player welfare a while back.

It has been announced that there is na active plan, promoted by Mary McAleese among others, to bring the GAA, LGFA, and Camogie under one umbrella by 2026. This has always been an obvious move to me. Same games, pretty much the same rules, definitely the same facilities. It would be preposterous to have a separate camogie, ladies football, and mens' football/hurling pitch in one parish. Impractical and expensive, but also quite literally stupid. It's the same game, the same kids, the same communities. Of course there are potential problems. Who pays for development and maintenance? Who gets priority? There absolutely would be expenses. There would also have to be administrative compromise. I've always thought that double headers between all the various codes (including post primary and quite possibly cumann na mbunscoil) would be great but it's rare because it's actually

very complicated to organise.

So I've always been an advocate of integration, and plenty disagree with me on that. Not because of misogyny, but more simply that 'we' (a lot of these do nothing much for the GAA either, truth be told) need to sort out our own difficulties within the GAA organisation before incorporating others. Fair enough; we can agree to disagree.

Except that several of those people have said to me in recent days, and not unkindly, "If they can't even agree on something simple like this, how are we supposed to incorporate the camogie and ladies football in with our games?".

This week, I really wish I had a good reply to that. And I just don't.

### CORN UÍ MHUIRÍ Group One St. Brendans Killarney 3-4 Coláiste Choilm, Ballincollig 0-4

Honestly, I wouldn't be happy if I was either team after this one. The Sem took the points, and that's the key thing at this stage, but they won't need to be told that a very serious improvement is needed. Ballincollig, despite having the strong wind, adopted a very defensive structure and the Sem found it very hard - too hard, really to break down. Ballincollig have a certain excuse - in all fairness, taking Cork U20 midfielder Darragh Clifford off the board (he is injured) was a colossal blow for them. Bringing Danny Miskella back as a midfielder in his place was a mistake in hindsight; the Sem knew to close down the star forward and it left Ballincollig fairly toothless. Worse, a specualative long ball from Oisín Fleming deceived everyone and slipped into the net. After just ten minutes the unfortunate keeper slipped while about to clear and inadvertently passed to a lurking Josh Bowler, who deftly controlled it and slotted to the emty net. Tough on Ballincollig; they had actually defended well in numbers. Wat will worry the Sem - a lot - is that they could only at 1-2 from play and two Joey McCarthy frees. There was a brilliantly worked 1-1 in the second half, Bowler with his second goal and it was a great one. Ballincollig played far better football in the second half, but couldn't put in on the board. One point from play and three frees in total? From a Sem perspective, that's a good result from a poor display.

I actually did commentary on the game for Clubber. Even by my very low standards, the commentary was absolutely brutal, but Ballincollig (a lovely outfit to deal with, by the way) were wearing white numbers over blue and white stripped jerseys. Anybody else see a potential problem there? I did my limited best. Some days are like that; you just do your best and get on with it.

### St. Francis Rochestown 3-12 St. Flannans Ennis 1-8

The Sem need to beat one or the other to be sure of advancement. In fairness,

Rocco looked very good, Neville O'Shea in particular winning ball and setting up very quick attacks. They led by 2-8 to 1-2 at halftime and the likes of Ben Delaney, freetaker Dara O'Sullivan, and Pádraig McGrath had the game effectively beond Flannans. I certainly wouldn't write off the Clare side, for whom dual player Harry Doherty impressed.

### Group Two PS Inbhearr Scéine 3-8 Clonakilty CC 1-11

The headline game. Inbhearr Scéine (apparently it's now 'lver Scéine'?) were making their debut in the Corn Uí Mhuirí, and an impressive debut it was. Clonakilty are no small scalp to claim. One feature of this year's competition so far - and I know it's early days - is the primacy of players who have played senior for their clubs. Jack Tagney was the standout player for the Kenmare side, no surprise after his contribution to the club's championship runs, and he finished with 1-5. His goal early in the second half, followed straight away by another from Neal O'Shea, put Kenmare in the driving seat. Liam O'Sullivan impressed as a sweeper and captain Jac O'Sullivan was otstanding around the middle. This was a very good team display, and the Donnchadh Ó Núanáin champions have clearly proven that they belong at the top grade.

### Hamilton HS Bandon 3-10 Coláiste an Spioraid Naomh 1-6

Bandon have been there or thereabouts for the bones of a decade now and have an impressive stream of talent. This is a fairly new team, but they were always in control against Simcox Cup holders CSN. In recent years, the O'Sullivan Cup is a strong indicator of the top teams in Kerry - Mounthawk and Tralee CBS will contest this year's final - I'm not sure that Cork's Simcox Cup has quite the same relevance. I'm not sure if people realise how much broader Cork fotball is - in all fairness, those multiple strands are hardr to weave together. Right now, I'd expect that the clash between Inbhearr Scéine and CSN will decide this group, and I'd be very slow to call it.

### Group Three Mercy Mounthawk 4-16 Abbey CBS 0-8

We shall not dwell on this. Clubber did consider whether we should stream the opening match of the reigning champions, but looking at who Mounthawk have available from their Hogan Cup team, it wasn't disrespect towards Abbey CBS (it's great to see a Tipperary outfit willing to step up) that made us think this would be onesided. On this occasion Tomás Kennedy was the main man 1-7, 1-6 from play. Paddy lane contented himself with a 'mere' 2-1, and Ben Murphy drove forward for 1-3. This was fill your boots territory; Mounthawk look well equipped for much tougher tests.

### St. Pats Castleisland 2-14 Skibbereen CS 2-9

The rise of St. Pats Castleisland has been one of the graetstories of recent years. A lot of the credit has to go to the had work of Pa McCarthy – that's a shrewd voice added to Jack O'Connor's managemnt team – but the likes of Richard Cotter and the many underage coaches in the area dseverve enormous credit as well. It's not a coincidence that St. Kierans are the Kerry Minor Champions. This was a hard battle all the way through but goals from Michael Horan and Ruarí Brosnan got Castleisland the win.

It's early days, but you'd fancy St. Pats to beat Abbey CBS in the next round – fair warning, that big defeat to Mounthawk does not mean that Abbey are necessarily weak; I don't see anybody except maybe Traee CS really landing a glove on Mounthawk, truth be told. But Castleisland have a great chance of advancing to the knock-out stages, and that' a big step forward for them.

### Group Four IS Killorglin 2-5 Patrician Mallow 3-13

Mllow went to a semi-final last year, losing out to Tralee CS, and it genuinely was no surprise to me. They have six of that starting team back again and they will be just as dangerous again. Killorglin are back in the A grade after a three year absence, and the fact that ISK and Pres. Milltown are both in the Corn Uí Mhuirí is indicative of population trends; I thinkMid Kerry is a growing force in Kerry football. Killorglin put up a great early battle but could only find points from Fionn Kennedy and Tomás Joy, and a goal from Dylan O'Connell gave Mallow a hard-earned 1-4 to 0-2 half-time lead. Cian Cooney added another Mallow goal early in the second half but Charlie Griffi maintained his habit of nicking in for goals. Mallow were that litle bit better at picking off ther points and while Fionn Kennedy did get in for a second ISK goal late on, it was the Cork side who pulled awav.

### De La Salle Macroom 1-15 Mitchelstown CBS 2-5

Macroom, coached by Kerry's Shane Ryan, sent out a real warning notice. They ave a lot of last year's team, more than I expected, including the likes of Denis O'Mullane (1-3) and Seán O'Leary (0-4 from wing back). Mitchelstown gave them a very good battle. It was 1-4 to 0-7 at half-time but Macroom's greatr firepower, especally from long distance, saw them begin to pull away in the second half. A late Mitchelstown goal from a penalty rebound trimmed the gap, but Macroom were full value for their win. Killorglin basically have to win their next two games, and there is absolutely nothing easy in this group. Up against it, I'm afraid.

### Group Five Tralee CS 2-15 PS Chorca Dhuibhne 0-12

A much, much closer game than it sounds. PS Chorca Dhuibhne gave every bit as good as they got and can feel very hard done by. For fifty minutes there was nothing between two excellent sides -if anything, Corca Dhuibhne actually deserved obe ahead, considering that Oisín O'Hallran had denied Cian Mac Gearailt with a stunning save. But when the chips were down, a very experienced Tralee side rose to the challenge. With ten minutes left, the Green led by 1-9 to 0-11. Then last year's finalists finally cut loose. Key to it was Liam Óg O'Connor from Ardfert. The dual player was absolutely immense, with no less a player than two year Kerry minor Seán Ó Cuinn simply bouncing off him harmlessly, and he helped set up five points on the trot that effectively killed the game. Corca Dhuibhne wll be disappointed at the result, but certainly not the display; their fate will depend on the result against Pres. Milltown (a three team group is merciless) and it's all to play for. Tralee CBS? This result along, especially a nine point scoring difference, practically guarntees them the knock-out stages. Ominously - and I'm surprised it wasn't mentioned by people afterwards they did this without Ryan O'Driscoll, Seán Óg Brosnan, and Garóid White. Any of that trio would litrally walk onto any other starting fifteen in the whole competition. Tralee are only gearing up as yet. As I say, a repeat of last year's final would not surrise too many people at all, especially considering the Tralee pair wll be meeting in this year's O'Sullivan Cup as well. Pres. Milltown a Bve

### SOCCER European Qualifier Ireland 6 Georgia 0

The first of a two legged play-off. Georgia, with respect, would not be very highly rated in the womens' game. Ireland were fairly wasteful in the first half and a dogged Georgia were able to keep it to 1-0 until an unlucky but fairly blatant handball allowed KatieMcCabe to blast home from the penalty spot. 1-0 at half-time, and I kind of doubt that Eileen Gleeson was singing too many players' praises in the dressing room. However, coming up to the 60 minute mark, Kyra Caruso scored with a very clever back flick of Abbie Larkin's ball in and suddenly Ireland were finding cruise control. The last quarter was a procession. Katie McCabe chipped the keeper - honestly, that should have been a bread and butter save. Jessie Stapleton kind of forced the ball in with her body from an inswinging corner – VAR took far too long; I'm assuming they suspected handball but make the call one way or another, people. Marissa Sheeva made it ive in a long injury time and there was still time for Aoife Mannion to nod home a fifth and effectively kill the tie in the first leg.

Possibly more significant is Slovakia's 2-1 win over Wales. We are almost certan to be facing th winner of that two-leg tie or a place in the European Championships, which would be a great achievement for Eileen Gleeson.

England's Lionesses lost 2-0 to Germany, but only a fool would read too much into that. Erik Ten Hag becomes the latest manager to walk away from Manchester United. It's been inevitable since he slow start to this season. 12th place isn't where they would expect to be I don't actually think it's an unfair reflection of their play. Good luck to Ruben Amorin, but hat won't have any happy ending either. The top players are not joining a team sitting in 12th place in England, guaranteed European footbal is a minimum expectation. Personally I think this idea of managers as magicians is a bit nonsensical. England managers are expected to win World Cups, Irish managers are expected to reach them, Man United managers are expected to be at least top three and challenging in Europe. In actual fact, clubs and countries tend to reflect the level of investment and population involvement. But let's not allow common sense o derail the gloriously ridiculous soap opera that it all is underneath.

The first Ballon d'Or in 21 years not to have Messi or Ronaldo in contention. Honestly, I thought they would find a way to somehow insert Messi into his year's conversation, just as they have shamelessly done to make sure he is playing at the inaugural (and hopefully last) Club World Cup.

I'd have voted for Vinicius Jnr., no question about that. Real won the League and Cup in Spain and won the Champions League, and Vinicius was easily the stand-out player. Yes, Rodri has better game intelligence and vision, but Vinicius is a lot more than a speed merchant and he was the best player on the best team. He lost only one game he played in for Real all year and that was in the Copa del Rey. Rodri excelled for Man City, but they didn't win the big one and sorry now but it's not exactly hard to look good among the most expensive squad ever assembled (cough!).

But Real Madrid to boycott the ceremony? None of ye boycotted that farcical World Cup in Qatra or are joining the ladies footballers in their calls about Suadi Arabian sponsorship (not that FIFA will give a damn). Get off those high horses fast, Real Madrid, ye are about as proletariat as Elon Musk and even less articulate. First world problems indeed!

Aiatani Bonmati, the Spanish midielder, yet again won everything worth winning in the ladies' game and retains her Ballon d'Or. That was always a very obvious choice, as was Lamine Yamal for the Young Player. Mark O'Shea and his family pictured with the Bishop Moynihan Cup after Dr Crokes won the County Final







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### KILLARNEY CAMOGIE CLUB

#### AGM

Our AGM takes place on 7th November 2024 in Spa GAA Club at 8pm. All members and parents welcome. We would like to thank everyone that has volunteered this past year. If you have any queries, please don't hesitate to contact our Secretary Eimear Flynn.

### FOSSA

#### LOTTO

The numbers drawn on 20/10/2024 for a jackpot of €6,000 were 6, 18, 22, 24. There was no jackpot winner. The €40 consolation prize winners were; Peter McEnery, Rory McCann, Leah Griffin, Marie O'Brien, Norma Myers. Tickets are available from our sellers and can also be bought online.

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#### O'DONOGHUE CUP

The senior men wrapped up their season with a first-round game against Legion in the O'Donoghue Cup on Saturday afternoon. Emmett O'Shea and Ryan O'Grady exchanged scores early on before Cian O'Shea and Killian Buckley put Fossa in front with two well taken points. Legion were dangerous going forward with their pace around the middle third of the field but Fossa kept in touch on the scoreboard with two excellent points from Emmett O'Shea and Rian Colleran to leave just two points in it at half time, Legion 0-8, Fossa 0-6. Legion started the second half well with a point from James O'Donoghue and a well taken goal from the lively Darragh Lyne. Fossa needed something special to get back into the game and it arrived in the 5th minute. Quick thinking by Emmett O'Shea resulted in him rattling home a goal from a 21-yard free which was guickly followed by another excellent point from Rian Colleran. Unfortunately, Legion got a grip on the game from here on and scored six unanswered points, Fossa never gave up the fight and Eoin Talbot had the ball in the Legion net in the 24th minute but it wasn't enough as Legion ran out comfortable winners on a score of 1-19 to 2-08. CHRISTMAS SHOP

Masita have created a Christmas pop up shop – see link below. Club gear is at a reduced price and there isn't a shipping charge.

All orders will be individually wrapped and delivered in one bulk delivery to the Clubhouse. To avail of this offer all orders must be submitted by November 5th.

### **KILLARNEY LEGION GAA CLUB**

### SENIOR MEN

Our O'Donoghue Cup campaign got off to a successful start when we accounted for a spirited Fossa outfit at the Gortroe venue. The inside trio of Ryan O Grady, James O Donoghue and David O'Sullivan put us into a 0-5 to 0-4 lead after the first quarter . Peter McCarthy was next to find the target and further efforts from Ryan O'Grady and cousin Finbarr Murphy had us two points ahead on the scoreboard at half time. Jameso made it 0-9 to 0-6 early in the second half before

Darragh Lyne burst through the Fossa defence to ram home a fine goal. But almost straight after Fossa replied with one of their own. But a flurry of points from Jameso(4), Finbarr Murphy and Jonathan Lyne succeeded in putting daylight between the sides. Fossa did nip in for another goal but substitute Sam Benson chipped in with a brace of points to seal the deal.

The Quarter Final is scheduled for Saturday 9th November at home in Direen where Glenflesk will provide the opponent. The game will throw in at 2pm.

#### **INDOOR ACADEMY**

With the winter closing in fast our Academy will be heading indoors to offer our 3-6 year olds a fun introduction to Gaelic football. Starting on Wednesday November 6th for six weeks we will be setting up camp in the St Brendans College Gym . The fun will run from 5.45 to 6.45 and it is open to all new and existing club members.

### EAST KERRY LADIES

Six of our U16 Ladies are still busy representing the East Kerry district in the County Championship. Kate O Toole and Laura Healy were part of the U17 team that had a great win over South Kerry in Kenmare on Sunday morning. Elsewhere Grace O Shea, Ali Bowler, Kate Fleming and Emily O'Shea were involved with the East Kerry U15 side who unfortunately lost out to Castleisland District on Saturday. **PETER KEANE** 

The very best of luck to our former Senior team manager as he looks to take up the role of Clare Senior football team manager. No better man for the job.

#### CONGRATS

Congratulations to our East Kerry neighbours Firies and Dr Crokes on their respective County Championship wins over the weekend.

Results Monday October 21st. Numbers were 14, 25, 27 & 28 Bonus No 6. No Jackpot winner. Match 3s / Lucky Dips: 1. Billy O Leary, 16 O Kelly's Villas. 2 . G Cullinane, 18 Daltons Avenue. 3. Pat Moynihan 4. Bernie Foley online. 5. Jessica Leane c/o 31 O Kelly's Villas.

### **EAST KERRY NEWS**

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Firies V Kilcummin Saturday Nov 2th 2pm Quarter Finals.

Rathmore 2-11 Kenmare Shamrock's 1-10 Dr Crokes V Gneeveguilla Saturday November 2th 6pm

#### **BILL TANGNEY CUP**

Rathmore V Fossa Sunday 3 rd Nov 2pm. MD O Shea U15 Division 2 Championship Final Cordal 5-12. Dr Crokes 2-20

#### EAST KERRY ALL STARS LAUNCH

A great night was had by all at the launch of the 2024 East Kerry All Stars at Gleneagle Hotel on Thursday last, October 24 th . With club's being represented by juvenile players, there



was a great atmosphere at the venue. PRO Michael Healy was MC for the evening, while Chairman of the East Kerry Board, John Dineen, explained the layout for the awards night. Paul Brennan, the Sports Editor of the Kerryman, was the guest speaker. Thanks to all the sponsors of the event, which is now in it's thirteenth year, and will take place in early 2025. Thanks also to Seamus Healy for taking photo's on the night.

### **DR CROKES**

### SENIOR COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP FINAL Dr. Crokes 3:08 Dingle 0:11

In a game of two half's we fought hard to dig out a memorable win to claim our 14th County Senior Football Championship. Played in poor conditions in Austin Stack Park, it was our opposition that started the better, leading 4 points to 1 point after the first quarter.

With two points from center back Gavin White, we trailed by just two at the break, 0:04 to 0:06. We came out fighting in the second half and it was in the 12th minute when things started to turn in our favor. It was David Shaw who found the back of the net first after a lovely flick pass from Gavin O'Shea, who along with Kieran O'Leary, defended well to overturn the ball in the Dingle fullback line. Just three minutes later, it was goal number 2 from super sub Kieran O'Leary, who finished the game with 1:01, after a high ball in from Cian McMahon. Man of the Match Evan Looney secured goal number three, three minutes later, after a brilliant solo run and beating off three Dingle defenders. We continued to control the last 10 minutes of the game, with a brilliant save from Shane Murphy and further scores from Kieran O'Leary and Micheal Burns. This was a fantastic day in the club with history being made and records being broken. We now begin our Munster campaign at home on November 10th.







The O'Donoghue Cup with Eanna and Caolan Myers, Clodagh and John Hegarty, Mackenzie Leahy and Aodhan O Halloran at the East Kerry Allstar launch in the Gleneagle Hotel. **Photo: Seamus Healy** 

LOTTO took place October 28th Numbers drawn were 2, 9, 14, 23. Jackpot of €8,300 was not WON. 14 patrons matched 3 numbers and receive €30 each. Jackpot for draw on November 4th will be €8,600. Play online by following the link below and follow instructions attached https://play.clubforce.com/play\_newa.asp?ll\_ id=734#Anchor(https://play.clubforce.com/ play\_newa.asp?ll\_id=734#Anchor)

**KATHLEEN'S GENTAL EXERCISE CLASSES** will continue on Thursday the 31st at 11am in the clubhouse, it will then move back to Tuesdays from November. You don't have to be a member of the club to join.

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

**CONGRATULATIONS** to Jason 'Podge' O'Sullivan on his recent engagement.

**CONDOLENCES** to the Brosnan and Egan families, and to senior hurler, James Murphy and family on the recent passing of Margaret Kissane. **NOTES** 

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



Captain David Naughton and his family pictured with the Bishop Moynihan Cup after Dr Crokes won the County Final



John Payne, Brian Looney, Kieran O'Leary and Mike Moloney pictured with their kids at the County Final on Sunday.

Gavin White and his family pictured with the bishop Moynihan Cup after Dr Crokes won the County Final County Fi



East Kerry Committee members with Delegates at the East Kerry Allstar launch last Thursday in the Gleneagle. Photo: Seamus Healy

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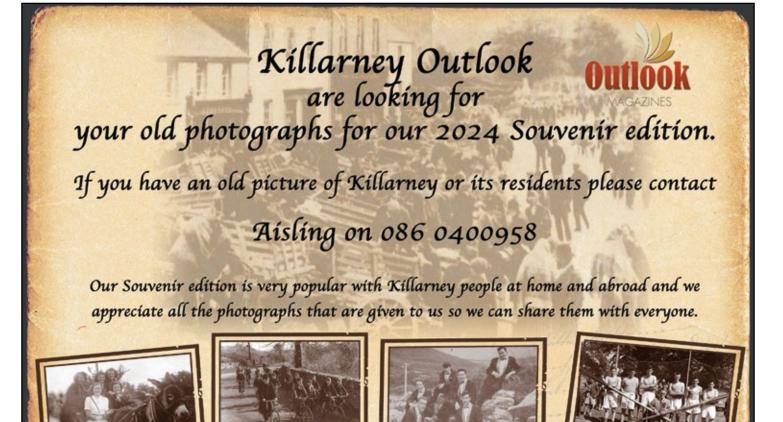
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# Living in the gift of His Divine Will

### Retreat. 9th November

Do you want to develop further in your spiritual life, learning to die to self and live in Christ.

Come and join us in the beautiful seaside town of Waterville South West Kerry to listen to Daniel Shiels guide us on "Living in the gift of His Divine will. Daniel will show us how our lives can be transformed when we are open to being attentive to Jesus words in the Book of Heaven.

We will learn how to work the gift and better understand our participation in the Mass and live our lives to the full.

### Fr Mark Byrne SOLT

The first talk is on the passover through death needed to enter into the fullness of life which is life in the Divine Will. It is a dying in the human will to rise in the Divine Will. This requires us to be a living sacrifice as Christ and Mary and Luisa were a living sacrifice on earth as in heaven. How do I die in my human will? Jesus says his mother never gave life to her human will and did not know it outside the Will of God. What does that mean?

Fr Marks second talk is on the formation of a group called 'Mystical Mothers of Priests in

the Divine Will'. It is a fruit of the gift of the Divine Will and is the fulfilment of the words of Jesus in Matthew 12:50 that 'Anvone who does the will of the Father in heaven is my...mother.' Only by living in the

Divine Will can a woman become the mother of Christ the Eternal High Priest in the way that is most pleasing to him, and thus, a mother to all priests, as Mary is the Mother of All Priests. It goes beyond prayers and sacrifices offered for priests because it means spiritually adopting the priest as a true son and becoming his mother in the covenant communion of Our Lady and the Holy Trinity.

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Reaching out to those not familiar with Living in His Divine Will as well as those familiar in working the gift.The retreat is an outcome of a request from" The children of the Divine Will' to the parish of Dromid, under the direction of the new Parish Priest Fr Sean Jones

#### **The Venue**

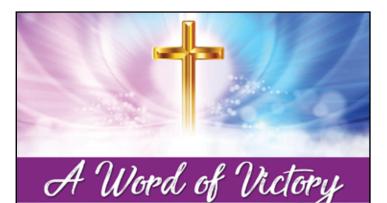
The Oratory Waterville. V23RX06. On the sea front beside the medical centre.

Lunch is provided. Donation to cover the costs.

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"Justice will rule in the wilderness and righteousness in the fertile field. And this righteousness will bring peace. Yes, it will bring quietness and confidence forever. My people will live in safety, quietly at home. They will be at rest. Even if the forest should be destroyed and the city torn down the Lord will greatly bless His people..." (Isaiah 30:16-20).

Welcome back dear student, firstly, a huge bravo to all those who travelled to the March For Jesus in Dublin last week. It was a huge success. We witnessed almost twelve thousand Christians from every background - denominational or not, marching united together for One reason: to lift up the Lord Jesus. It was a wonder to behold and RTE didn't even mention it! The worship was electric, and the prayer sincere. Every age group was represented: from teenagers to older generations and all in between. Immigrants from different nations made up a large percentage of the crowd - it was such a blessing. There is nothing more diverse and inclusive than the Body of Christ, and it took the city by surprise. Those watching were very patient and seemed delighted. The organisers received great feedback from the Guards who policed the event with excellence. The sound of the worship resounded throughout the city - it was spine tingling. Praise God for His Mercy for Ireland, and next year's event will no doubt be even bigger, as us Christians let government know that as people of faith we may not be the loudest voices, BUT we are many; AND we are committed to see the darkness turned back (Isaiah 60:1). It was an encouraging day for each to see that we are not alone, and though it may feel like things are dark right now, the Truth is the devil is still a liar, and God is still on the Throne - and His people are willing to take a stand for Him.

In trouble folks are quick to call upon the Lord. Relationship with God can be taken for granted or become a ritualistic habit. Like a . . . 'Hey - I need something God, where are you? Don't you know that I'm in a hurry?' mindset. After, when things are ok again we motor on with our own agenda. There was something special about the Jesus March. It was evident that all who travelled had taken this time out to worship Jesus, and you could just sense God's pleasure on it. What good father doesn't long for his children to spend time with him? God is no different, and Jesus made it quite clear – He alone is 'The Way, The Truth, and The Life and no one comes to the Father except through Him' (John 14:6).

Life is so hectic – everyone is super busy, rushing here and there (Daniel 12:4; Romans 12:2). People may have plenty to eat, drink and party with. But even though it seems like a full life, many are running on empty tanks. And when the proverbial hits the fan, there's nothing there to help (Psalm 46; Psalm 61). Frantic prayers and promises are made - if God will just answer, and do, or heal, this one thing ...etc.. That's not relationship - and brownie points don't matter to God. Some believe that if they do enough nice things that should win Him over, and then they get discouraged when it doesn't happen as they would have liked. Our lead Scripture above, like much of God's Word, mentions 'My people'. Knowing God is quite different from knowing about Him. He said if we would earnestly seek Him, He will be found by us and will turn back our captivity (Jeremiah 29:12-14). Ireland - it's time to fervently seek the Lord and put Him first! God Loves you friend.

Bible Study and Prayer every Sunday @ 11am and Thursday @ 7.30pm at Word of Victory Christian Fellowship Killarney V93V6X4

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**FR SEAN MYERS CSSR;** Mass to be celebrated for Fr Sean Myers, late of Barleymount and Brazil in Prince of Peace Church , Fossa at 12noon on Saturday the 2nd of November.

**EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:** Church of the Resurrection 5pm - 9pm Tuesdays St Mary's Cathedral 1.30pm – 5:45pm Wednesdays Church of the Holy Spirit Muckross 4pm—6pm Thursdays Franciscan Friary 2pm –7pm Fridays Holy Hour Sundays @ 6pm

**NOVEMBER 1ST FEAST OF ALL SAINTS,** A Holy Day of Obligation Vigil Mass Thurs 6.15 in Cathedral & Fri Mass 10.30am November 2nd Feast day of the Holy Souls Concelebrated Mass @ 6.15pm In the Cathedral with the office of the Dead at 6.15pm Church of the Resurrection 9.30am Muckross Church 9.30am

### HOLY SOULS MASSES DURING NOVEMBER -

In the Cathedral: Concelebrated Mass with Office for the Dead on every Monday evening 6.15pm for November & Friday 1st of November

The Church of the Resurrection: Wednesdays of November at 9.30am

Muckross Church: Thursdays of Nov at 6.00pm following Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

#### NOVEMBER REMEMBRANCE LISTS

This is our opportunity for us to pray for our loved ones who have died. In the month associated with the Holy Souls, we will have special Masses over November to remember those whose names have been handed in to us. You might return your November List and Offering at Masses, at the Parish Office, or at the box at the sacred space in the Cathedral. In this sacred space will be the names of all those who passed away over the past 12 months

**FAREWELL:** Fr Mario Jachym has been with us since October 2018. He will be returning to Poland permanently at the end of the month, his final weekend Masses are on Sunday 27th October. We admire his courage and resilience in the face of all his illnesses and stays in hospital. We thank him and the Society of Christ for his ministry to the Polish communities in the dioceses. We wish Fr Mario every blessing in his native land. From time to time may he return to visit us. He will always be welcome.

**COMMUNAL FIRST SATURDAY:** First Saturday Devotions in the Church of the Resurrection at 9.30am on the 2nd of November. All Welcome.

**SECOND COLLLECTION:** This weekend 26th/27th the Red Envelope— Monthly Dues. Thank you for your support.

**PARISH OFFICE OPENING HOURS:** From the 25th October to the 8th of November, from 10.00am to 1pm, Closed in the afternoon

**BINGO:** at St. Mary's Parish Hall, will be held every Thursday @ 8.30pm.

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### THE MIRACLE PRAYER

Dear Heart of Jesus in the past I have asked many favours. This time I ask you this special one, (mention favour).

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

Say this prayer for three days. Publication of prayer and favour will be granted. **DL** 

## PASSING OF BREDA BREEN

Longtime member of the Kerry Way Committee



Members of the Kerry Way Committee, were deeply saddened by the untimely passing of Breda Breen, Blackstones Bridge, Glencar. Breda was a longstanding member of the Kerry Way Committee.

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Norman Reidy, Chairman of the Kerry Way Committee said "Breda was a stalwart on the Committee for many decades and ably represented the business interests and trail users alike. Both Breda and Padraig (her late husband) ran the renowned Blackstones House in Glencar for

many years. Breda was a kind, thoughtful, and gentle lady, and she had truly great insight into what the Kerry Way Trail users needed, as many walkers, Anglers, and outdoor enthusiasts stayed with them over the years at their famous Blackstones House nestled in the heart of Glencar - Where a warm welcome was always on the menu after a long walk!"

The Kerry Way Management Committee extends its condolences to both the Breen and Corkery Families at this sad time. Ar dheis Dé go raibh a hanam.

### 21ST ANNIVERSARY & 4TH ANNIVERSARY





IN LOVING MEMORY OF OUR Wonderful Parents Sheila and Dan Cooper Late of Lisheenacanna, Ballyhar Who died on the 19th September 2003 AND 2nd November 2020 R.I.P.

A loved one never leaves you, They're never far away They watch you from a distance and guide you everyday, They do become your angel And look down from above, A loved one never leaves you Because you always have their love

Forever Loved and Always Remembered by your Loving Family

Anniversary Mass will be held on Friday December 6th in the Church of the Sacred Heart, Ballyhar at 7pm

### PRAYER TO SAINT MARTIN DE PORRES

Most humble Saint Martin whose burning charity embraces all, but especially those who are sick, afflicted or in need, we turn to thee for help in our present difficulties and we implore thee to obtain for us from God health of soul and body, and in particular the favour we now ask.....

May we, by imitating thy charity and humility, find quiet and contentment all our days, and cheerful submission to God's holy will in all the trials and difficulties of life. St Martin Pary For Us, Amen. FEAST DAY NOV 3RD

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### 2ND ANNIVERSARY

TREASURED MEMORIES OF A Wonderful Mother And Grandmother

### Noin McGuire



Kilsarcon, Currow, Killarney, Co. Kerry Who went to her eternal rest on the 6th of November 2022

When God was making Mothers, He must have made a fuss He spent a lot of time on one And gave that one to us. Of all the gifts in life However great or small, To have you as our Mother Was the greatest gift of all. Because you were so special No words could ever say How much we love and miss you Today and every day.

Suaimhneas síoraí do Noin

Your son Ger, daughter-in-law Maura and grandchildren Jean and Jack xxxx

### **NOVENA TO ST. JUDE**

May the Sacred Heart of Jesus be adored, glorified, loved and preserved throughout the world now and forever.

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