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Aisling Crosbie.

FROM THE EDITOR

As Killarney celebrates a fantastic weekend with the successful running of the Rally of the Lakes and the Irish Orienteering Championships, we have all the news and photos from both events. It's time to Walk from Darkness Into Light in memory of Nathan O'Carroll and you can still register for the event with all details on Page 4.

Set Dancers from Spa are celebrating All Ireland glory as are the First Year Basketball Team from St. Brigid's Presentation Secondary school.

A roundabout has been named after the late great Weeshie Fogarty, the Dawn Chorus will be live-streamed from Muckcross Abbey and 3K for Kay raises over €3K.

Handel's Messiah will be performed at St. Mary's Cathedral tomorrow night, Penny's staff walked in memory of their former friend and colleague Catherine Crowley and Kerry said goodbye to the popular photographer Joe Hanley, RIP.

Lots for you to enjoy in this week's Killarney Outlook.

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Young Deer poses for a photo in Knockreer, Killarney
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IT'S TIME TO WALK FROM DARKNESS INTO LIGHT



Pictured at Reidy's for the official launch of Nathan's Walk, Darkness into Light walk taking place on Saturday 7th May were L-R MC Brendan Fuller, Seanie O'Donoghue, Marta Pogorzelec, Marie & Denis O'Carroll, Violeta Bendikiene, Mike O'Leary, Electric Ireland's Kevin Ryan & Sgt Dermot O'Connell. Picture Marie Carroll-O'Sullivan

With only hours to go until the start of the Nathan's Walk - Darkness Into Light, there is still time to register. The event was launched on Tuesday night at JM Reidy's on Main Street with a large crowd gathering to register. Denis & Marie O'Carroll started the walk 11 years ago in memory of their son Nathan who died aged 14. Along with their four sons and a team of volunteers, the couple have

raised thousands of euros for Pieta. The walk begins at 4am on Saturday 7th May when everyone who has registered will walk from darkness into light in memory of Nathan. You can still register for the walk, today, Friday 6th May - 5-8pm at Killarney Race Course and Saturday 7th May - at 2am - before the walk begins.



Sam Nagle and her Mum Anne, pictured at Reidy's at the official launch of Nathan's Walk, Darkness into Light. Picture Marie Carroll-O'Sullivan



Supporting Nathan's Walk, Darknes into Light at the official launch at JM Reidys were Organiser/Founder Marie O'Carroll, Aidan Carey & Patricia Shanahan. Picture Marie Carroll-O'Sullivan



Sheila & Denis Breen, pictured at JM Reidy's for the official launch of Nathan's Walk, Darkness into Light. Picture Marie Carroll-O'Sullivan

KILLARNEY'S OWN SUPERSTAR BOXERS

Katie Taylor wasn't the only superstar boxer winning titles this weekend. Unbelievably, the Killarney Community College can celebrate the fact that they can now boast not one but two All Ireland boxing Champions in their ranks. Leah Sheehan became Girls 3 category National Champion 66kg while James Casey won the Boy 3 National Title. Both James and Leah are extremely dedicated to their sport and

are members of the Sliabh Luachra Boxing Club in Castleisland. Principal Stella Loughnane said "We are extremely proud of both students and wish them continued success in their sport. Hard work and dedication always pays off. Success is not always judged by how well you do academically, its important to acknowledge the fantastic achievements of our students both inside and outside of the classroom"



James Casey won the Boy 3 National Title



Leah Sheehan became Girls 3 category National Champion

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ALL IRELAND GLORY FOR SPA SET DANCERS

Set Dancers from the Spa Club representing East Kerry Board were victorious as the curtain came down on Scor Na nOg at the INEC on Sunday last.

With competitors from 25 Counties across the Country, the 2022 All Ireland Finals of Scor Na nOg took place in the various categories with each of them hoping to bring All Ireland glory to their respective Clubs and County.

Now in its 53rd year, having started in 1969, Scor continues to be a fantastic outlet for GAA members to gather and celebrate all that is good in our, music, song, dance, novelty and storytelling traditions; it was wonderful to see so many happy faces in the 1300 attendance on the day that once again enjoyed the many marvellous talented performers on stage.

What can one say about the Set Dancers from the Spa Club who were going for their 4th National title in Scor Na Nog; they would be known by the Dancing experts as one of the best and once again they didn't disappoint; Dancing 2 parts of the Lackyle Set in the final discipline of the evening they were simply unbeatable and were head and shoulders over their opponents on stage. The members of the victorious Set Dancers were; Darragh Brosnan, Diarmuid O Donovan, Oisín O Sullivan, Colm O Connor,

Isabel Waters, Grace O Connor, Roisin O Sullivan, Aoife O Donoghue and Laura Fleming.

Kerry were honoured to have 2 more acts representing the County; The first of the eight categories which involved Kerry with Tralee Parnells members of; Donnacha Buttimer, Oisín O Sullivan, Dan Moloney and Brian Reidy. had a noon start with the Quiz and when the first part was finally completed our gallant Tralee boys were just pipped by a single point to contest the latter part of the competition. However it's the club's first time out in this category and to reach an all Ireland final was a great achievement.

Next up were the Glenflesk Ballad Group of Abby Cronin, Muireann Healy, Eilís Mullane, Aoise O'Donoghue and Molly O'Donoghue and after giving a magnificent performance; but for the second time during the past 2 years the Adjudicators failed to give them the nod at the final hurdle.

All the winners on the day were then presented with their All Ireland Scor Na Nog medals by Chathaoirleach Choiste Naisiunta Scor; Tomas Muiri in the absence of Uachtaran C L G Labhras Mac Carthaigh who was otherwise engaged.



The Glenflesk Ballad Group, Abby Cronin, Muireann Healy, Eilís Mullane, Aoise O'Donoghue and Molly O'Donoghue gave a magnificent performance.



Spa Set Dancers are All Ireland Champs Spa GAA Club Scór na nÓg Set Dancers Diarmuid O'Donovan, Grace O'Connor, Roisin O'Sullivan, Isabel Waters, Laura Fleming, Darragh Brosnan, Oisín O'Sullivan, Colm O'Connor and Aoife O'Donoghue who were crowned All Ireland champions at the INEC on Sunday evening! Well done to the dancers, their coaches Triona and Mairead Mangan and Spa Scór Officer Eileen Aherne. Pictured also is Reidín Ní Laoithe. Photo: Anne Holland.

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Roundabout unveiled IN MEMORY OF WEESHIE

By Enda Walshe

It was a source of great pride for Killarney Legion GAA Club last Thursday when the Weeshie Fogarty Roundabout, situated at Daltons Avenue/ Marian Terrace was unveiled by Killarney Municipal District Mayor Marie Moloney. Weeshie of course was a staunch and active player, officer, coach, mentor all his life but made his name globally through his work with Radio Kerry. His commentaries and programmes were heard in places as far flung as Wagga Wagga and he was the voice of Kerry (and football) for so many of the county's diaspora. His personality endeared him to so many and he always had a word for them. The club extend our best wishes to his wife Joan, daughters Denise and Carolann, son Kieran, son in law Glen and granddaughters Lucy and Eva - both outstanding footballers, the apple didn't fall far from the tree.



Pictured at the unveiling of the Dalton's Avenue Roundabout dedicated to Weeshie Fogarty in Killarney on Thursday were Joan Fogarty and her family, Denise, Carol-Ann, Kieran, Glen Spellman and grandkids Lucy and Eva. Photo: Don MacMonagle



Members of the extended Fogarty family at the unveiling of the Dalton's Avenue Roundabout dedicated to Weeshie Fogarty in Killarney on Thursday. Photo: Don MacMonagle



Members of Legion GAA at the unveiling of the Dalton's Avenue Roundabout dedicated to Weeshie Fogarty in Killarney on Thursday. Photo: Don MacMonagle



Mayor of Killarney Marie Moloney unveils a plaque in honour of former Radio Kerry and GAA pundit, Weeshie Fogarty who died in 2018, at Dalton's Avenue in Killarney on Thursday. Also in photo are, Joan Fogarty and her family, Denise, Carol-Ann, Kieran, Glen Spellman and grandkids Lucy and Eva, Angela McAllen, Killarney Town Council, Patrick O'Sullivan, Chairman, Kerry County Board, Fiona Stack, Radio Kerry and Liam Maguire, Legion GAA. Photo: Don MacMonagle



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takes place from Muckross Abbey, Killarney National Park



Tomorrow, Saturday May 7th, beginning at 5.00am, the National Parks and Wildlife Services team based in Killarney National Park will livestream the dawn chorus through the park's Facebook page www.facebook.com/killarneynationalpark

Against the beautiful backdrop of Muckross Abbey in Killarney National Park, listeners will be treated to a live performance of nature's finest song birds, alongside expert commentary from the National Park and Wildlife Services (NPWS) Conservation Rangers.

The event will be live-streamed on Facebook at www.facebook.com/killarneynationalpark from 5 - 6am. Listeners can expect to hear birdsong from Killarney National Park's birdlife, including robins, blackbirds, song thrushes, wood pigeons, wrens, warblers, sparrows, and finches. The livestream will coincide with the annual 'Darkness into Light' event and provide an ideal companion to those participating the walk as well as listeners based at home who are interested in engaging with nature and the heritage of Killarney National Park.

NPWS staff led by Danny O'Keeffe, will guide and identify the various birdsong. The event also brings together the history and heritage of Killarney National Park and its surrounds. Conservation Rangers will speak about the beautifully preserved cloisters and the iconic 500 year old yew tree. Buried in the Abbey are the internationally renowned Four Kerry Poets from the 17th and 18th centuries, Seafraidh Ó Donnchadha, Aodhagán Ó Rathaille, and Eoghan Rua Ó Súilleabháin and Piaras Feiritéar.

A number of local experts and musicians will also participate in the event, including:



Sound Technician INEC, Kieran Somers, Sam Bayley, NPWS Conservation Ranger and Regional Manager NPWS Danny O'Keeffe. PHOTOS: VALERIE O'SULLIVAN

- Sean Forde will speak about the mythology surrounding the Abbey
 - Padruig 'Brac' O'Sullivan, will speak about his 40 years' service as a Park Ranger.
 - Music related to Summer and the nearby Sliabh Luachra will be played by local musicians Niamh Ní Charra, Bryan O'Leary and Sharon Lyons
- The NPWS team is thankful for the support of INEC Killarney whose expert technicians, Kieran Somers and Denis Lovett will be supplying the audio and live-streaming services.

Letter to Editor

Dear Editor

I am writing to advise readers of the Killarney Outlook of a forthcoming free webinar on clinical trials being organised by Cancer Trials Ireland. Taking place on International Clinical Trials Day on Friday May 20 from 2-3pm, the webinar aims to promote public awareness and understanding of clinical trials.

The webinar will feature clinical trial expert, Professor Seamus O'Reilly, on how trials work and how to access them, while previous trial participants will share their experiences of what to expect. There will also be an opportunity to answer any questions that registrants

may have about trials.

With approximately 25,000 people diagnosed each year in Ireland with invasive cancer, the role of clinical trials in preventing, finding and treating cancer is crucial. Trials can provide early access to drugs not otherwise available. They can save lives and also help improve people's quality of life.

Cancer Trials Ireland's Just Ask campaign is all about encouraging patients to ask their medical team if there is a clinical trial that may be suitable for, or relevant, to them.

For a booklet on cancer clinical trials, to find out about the trials currently taking place in Ireland, or to register for this free webinar, email info@cancertrials.ie.

Yours sincerely

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



With Anne Lucey

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

TIME TO CUT THE HAY



The Spanish Bluebell is very pale in comparison to the wild bluebell.

There must be an optimum time to leave the dandelions flower and straight away cut the grass. We have barely managed it in Killarney, but it is great that we have the photo finish! Much of the approach roads to be frank until this week looked unkempt and neglected. Bees are one thing and we all want more food for bees and we delight in the wild flowers, but the thing is daft when we can hardly see around the bend with the height of the hay! There was a thing in North Kerry called "the long acre", when cows would be allowed out on the sides of the road to eat the fresh grass. The cows could be tethered or have a minder. Perhaps we could encourage some of our farmers onto the road sides, Not alone would this save money for the local authority, but - and it is a very important but, land released in square acres would then be available for housing.

On another note, this being May, the supreme flower month, readers have been in contact to ask how they might identify the wild bluebell from the Spanish or invasive garden variety that is threatening our beautiful woods in Killarney.

Apart from the fact the Spanish has little or no scent and it is taller, there is a marked difference in colour. The native bluebell is violet, really, tending to purple in the stem itself, just where the flower cluster is, and the flowers are all to one side on the wild bluebell. The Spanish is very pale, comparatively, and I enclose a picture I took this weekend in Muckcross where the invasive is being rooted out by NPWS staff.

PEDESTRIAN CROSSING

The glaring problem and ongoing inaction regarding a pedestrian crossing for Mission Road from the Beech Road car park to the Monsignor Flahery statue to the national park /Killarney House prompted me to lodge a freedom of information request to Kerry County Council.

Documents finally released to me make for interesting reading.

Five years ago, in March 2017 Senior Executive Engineer Breda Mulryan writes to David Doyle engineer to say how this is coming up on a regular basis "now" by members.

But the real meat is in the traffic study carried out in June, 2018. Pre-pandemic in other words.

Mission road as we know is in the heart of Killarney but is also a designated national secondary route the N71.

On June 28th between the hours of 8.00 am and 6 pm some 5,595 vehicles used Mission Road and some were recorded at doing 61 km an hour, while the average speed was 40 km an hour. But what is actually glaring and deeply worrying is how seven vehicles were actually travelling at between 61 and 70 kms.

During that period 628 pedestrians crossed the road. 87 of these were children under the age of 16 and there were 34 who were elderly. 19 of those were crossing with prams. (I am tempted to say "trying to cross"). Three were disabled.

Most pedestrians – 65 per cent - favoured crossing the road at the New Street car park side and it was found that the pedestrian traffic more than justified a signal controlled or zebra crossing.

The various motions including a resolution by all members of Killarney MD submitted to Transport Infrastructure Ireland in Dublin to put in a controlled pedestrian crossing are included. This one from January 2020 speaks of "the present situation is a danger to people's well-being and is disrespectful to visitors."

Hear Hear we say. The reply from TII is worthy of study and it has to be read and reread to be believed. To summarise: if there are enough people knocked down, a controlled pedestrian crossing will be installed!

"Each year TII carries out a collision analysis of the entire national road network, in compliance with the EU Road Infrastructure Safety Management Directive. The purpose

of this exercise is to identify locations that have high concentrations of collisions. It does not, however, include the subsequent process to devise proposals to identify any appropriate road safety interventions; this is the responsibility of the relevant local authority, as the road authority for the area". It goes onto say how that a road authority can submit an option on safety grounds and have been told this, but the council has not submitted the necessary feasibility and options report.

In January 2020 the council in a reply to then Cllr Michael Gleeson who again asked why there still was no pedestrian crossing on the Mission Road to access the park during Covid when everyone was out and about, the council said the need had been established by the traffic study in 2018..

But as the N71 was a national secondary route it falls under the remit of the TII.

Besides, nothing can be done by TII until the Muckcross Road HaHa scheme is constructed, the council told Mr Gleeson.

All I can conclude is the councillors are doing their best, but they are falling between the two stools of the TII on the one hand, and the local authority on the other. They are being pushed from Billy to Jack, or Biddy to Jilly, to be gender inclusive. Meanwhile, everyone's heart is out their mouth trying to cross that road.!

CAR PARKS

We are still on traffic management because it is the single biggest problem in Killarney and the town is choked.



This excellent suggestion has been inserted into the County Development Plan thanks to mayor of Killarney Marie Moloney, whom I have to say as her term draws to a close has done a tremendous job from the word go.

During the marathon meeting last week, Cllr Moloney has asked that in towns in Kerry under pressure for parking facilities in the town centre a policy of park and ride be adopted.

"It should be policy by Kerry County Council to source alternative parking facilities outside the towns and operate park and ride systems," she said.

There was widespread support because it is a common sense proposal and the quickest and possibly cheapest mechanism to relieve the awful congestion and the frustration in Killarney .

People are now trying to meet outside town if they can for lunch and other meetings all because of the parking nightmare which must be affecting hard-pressed restaurants and cafes.





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DEVINE INTERVENTION AS 7 KERRY MEN TAKE HOME OVERALL HONOURS

By: Ivan Hurley



Winning Driver Callum Devine and co-driver Noel O'Sullivan celebrate at the finish ramp at the Killarney and District Motor Club International Rally of the Lakes at The Gleneagle Hotel, Killarney on Sunday. From left are Paul Ahern (Aherns Motor Group), Patrick O'Donoghue (Gleneagle Hotel), Noel O'Sullivan, Darren McCormick (Clerk of the course), Callum Devine, Dan Keane (Killarney and District Motor Club Chairman), Michael O'Mahoney (Rentokil Initial) and Brian McCardle (OSI) Picture: Eamonn Keogh

KDMC and Kerry Motor Club member Noel O'Sullivan JNR said it was "the stuff of dreams" on the finish ramp to win a home rally after he and Derry driver Callum Devine landed the 2022 International Rally of the Lakes in dramatic fashion.

Drama is a word often thrown around in sport, but on Sunday last, the finals stage of the International Rally of the Lakes will go down in history for a long time to come. Overnight leader Alastair Fisher had a 7.7-second lead coming into Sunday but a quick run up Molls Gap and Ballaghbeama early on Sunday morning cut the gap down to 5.8. Following a dead heat on the second run over the Gap, the battle came down to the final stage of the event, Caragh Lake, with just 3.1 seconds between the pair. Alastair was first on the road and halfway through the stage he crashed off the road and couldn't get back out to finish the stage. That let Callum Devine in his VW Polo R5 past and won the Derry man a maiden rally victory in Killarney.

The 'Acesigns' Irish Tarmac Rally Championship leader Josh Moffett, who said he was finding the going difficult all weekend, left Killarney in second place, a result which he said he was happy with going up the road to Monaghan. Jonathan Greer rounded out the podium places in his Citroen C3.

National honours went to Killarney club man Rob Duggan and Ger Conway. Having complained of clutch issues from the word go,

Rob battled hard throughout setting multiple fastest stage times to win out by 48.9 seconds from Donegal man Kevin Eves in his Toyota Corolla Twin Cam. Conor Murphy brought his Ford Escort home in third place in what was a fantastic outing by the Killarney man.

Alan Ring went one better than his 2nd place result in the Killarney Historic Rally last November by taking the Historic win on his home rally in the Subaru Legacy. Alan and his co driver Adrian Deasy had 45.8 seconds to spare over Fergus O Meara in the Escort while Neil Williams rounded out the podium positions in third.

Meanwhile, Killarney and District Motor Club member Jason Farrell has extended his lead at the top of the standings in the Irish Junior Tarmac Rally Championship following an emphatic Junior rally win. After just 8 rally stages, Jason won the rally by 2 minutes, 20.5 seconds from Robbie O Hanlon in 2nd place. Just a sign of what is to come for Jason in the future. Local debutants Gary Healy and Gearoid Moynihan brought their Honda Civic home in 3rd, a fantastic result for them given it was their first outing on home soil. Rallying has a strong future in the Kingdom!

The rally was held in some glorious weather over the weekend, with just some showers early on Sunday morning to test the driver's skill and technique. Thousands of spectators lined the stages in what was one of the biggest crowds



Junior Category winners Jason Farrell and John McCarthy celebrate at the finish ramp at the Killarney and District Motor Club International Rally of the Lakes at The Gleneagle Hotel, Killarney on Sunday. Picture: Eamonn Keogh



Modified Category winners Rob Duggan and Ger Conway celebrate at the finish ramp at the Killarney and District Motor Club International Rally of the Lakes at The Gleneagle Hotel, Killarney on Sunday. Picture: Eamonn Keogh

seen at the International Rally of the Lakes. A testament to Clerk of the Course Darren McCormick and his hard-working team, who, without their time and effort the rally simply would not have run.



Winning Driver Callum Devine and co-driver Noel O'Sullivan celebrate at the prize-giving ceremony at the Killarney and District Motor Club International Rally of the Lakes at The Gleneagle Hotel, Killarney on Sunday. Seated on left is Paul Ahern (Aherns Motor Group) and on right is Michael O Mahoney (Rentokil Initial). Standing from left are Patrick O Donoghue (Gleneagle Hotel), Dan Keane (Killarney and District Motor Club Chairman), Karen O'Sullivan, who presented the Timmy O'Sullivan Cup, Brian McCardle (OSI) and Darren McCormick (Clerk of the course). Picture: Eamonn Keogh

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3K FOR KAY RAISES MORE THAN €3K



The family and friends of popular Killarney woman Kay McCarthy gathered for a 3K walk in her memory on April 25th and raised over €3K. Kay passed away in 2017 and four years later the family held a fundraiser on what would have been her 60th Birthday.

Organised by Kay's husband Seanie and daughter Jenny, the walk commenced at Nave Cafe and did a 3km loop around Ross Castle.

Participants enjoyed coffee and cakes and made a donation on the day which amounted to an amazing €3,153 all of which will be donated to the Irish Cancer Society in Kay's memory.



Jenny McCarthy (centre) pictured with Kay's close friends Noreen Buchanan and Deirdre O'Connor.



Seanie and Jenny McCarthy pictured on the walk at Ross Castle.

CASTLEISLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE ILLUSTRATES THE POSITIVE POWER OF ONE

During Annette Steinborn's daily commute from her home in Tralee to Castleisland Community College where she works as a teacher, she observed large numbers of women walking from the Earl of Desmond Tralee, towards Tralee town. She noticed this on a daily basis and it didn't take her long to realise that these were Ukrainian refugee women. A native of Tralee, she contacted Leslie Talbot in Tralee Town regarding their collection of student bikes no longer in use and the possibility of donating them to the women in the Earl of Desmond. Leslie was happy to oblige and later rang to say that Lee Strand would also cover the cost incurred in the repair and service of their bikes.

Annette then decided to organise a bike collection in the school and the response was fantastic. Children's scooters, bicycles, helmets, tractors and adult bikes were donated by parents and students. Fifth year students Jack Griffin and Michael Costello used their tractors to transport bikes to the school and with the help of Eoin O Connor, they collected bicycles from homes that couldn't fit into cars. Motar Factors located at Church Street Castleisland, donated supplies for repair and cleaning bikes. Fifth year students then helped to clean up and fix bicycles. Halfords in Tralee also donated extra helmets. Annette and her husband Karl, then delivered the greatly anticipated bicycles to the Ukrainian women and children. A total of 33 adult bicycles along with children's bicycles, tractors and scooters and helmets were collected. The response by Annette certainly shows that one individual can certainly make a difference. It sometimes just takes one person to get the ball rolling or in this case to get the wheel rolling!



Teacher Annette Steinborn, pictured with the bikes collected for Ukrainian refugees.



The students who donated bikes, scooters and tractors.



Students collecting the bikes are from the left Eoghan O Connor and Jack Griffin

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IRISH ORIENTEERING CHAMPIONSHIPS A HUGE SUCCESS



The Irish Orienteering Championships were deemed a massive success over the weekend when Killarney staged the major multi-day orienteering event for the first time in twenty five years.

Killarney welcomed close to 500 competitors from throughout Ireland and abroad. The four-day event, from April 29 to May 2, was organised by the Kerry Orienteering Club who had full responsibility for first three days of the action while Cork Orienteering Club organised the fourth day. Killarney Chamber of Tourism and Commerce enthusiastically welcomed the big event and praised those involved for their hard work and dedication in securing the championships for the town.

The event generated over 1500 bed nights in the town over the Bank Holiday weekend which also successfully staged the Rally of the Lakes. On Friday, April 29 there was an evening sprint race around the grounds and gardens of Muckross House while Saturday a middle distance race based at the Cappanalea Outdoor Education Centre with events that evening at the ANAM Arts and Cultural Centre in Killarney. Sunday morning featured a long race on Crohane Mountain in Glenflesk with a lively hooley and prizegiving ceremony in ANAM that evening.

The long weekend's events concluded on Monday morning with a relay race in Killarney National Park at Knockreer.



Annica Tholen, competing in the grounds of Muckross House and Gardens, Killarney, in the Irish Orienteering Championships 2022, over 4 days of the May Bank Holiday weekend 500 athletes compete in the championships organised by Kerry Orienteering Club. Photos: Valerie O'Sullivan



Aoife O'Sullivan, at the old boathouse.



Kai Senio, competing in the grounds of Muckross House and Gardens, Killarney



Getting close...a competitor in the ancient woodlands of Killarney Demesne, Killarney National Park



Michael O'Brien, in the ancient woodlands of Killarney Demesne, Killarney National Park

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JOHN HEALY FROM HEALY INSURANCE LOOKS AT INSURANCE COVER FOR APARTMENT BLOCKS



John Healy.

Management companies and private owners of apartment blocks should review their cover on an annual basis. Many insurers have become very selective in the blocks that they insure mainly due to

poor construction over the Celtic tiger years and recently cladding issues following the Grenfell fire in London.

What should typically be covered under an apartment block policy?

• Material damage

The rebuild costs of the block including damage to grounds and landscaped gardens.

Contents for any common areas should be included along with covers such as trace and access for water damage, fire brigade charges, and theft damage to buildings.

• Loss of rent

Consequential loss of rent following an insured event such as a fire should be included and updated annually to fully cover the rent. Alternative accommodation cover could be relevant for owner occupied apartments and should be adequately insured.

• Liability

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injuries or damage to third party property.

• Legal protection & Directors and officers Insurance

This kind of cover can be included in the block policy or as a stand-alone product. Typically it covers legal fees in case of employee disputes, compensation awards cover and legal defence fees for you and your employees. Cover can also be included for fees arising from revenue commissioners investigations. Directors and officers insurance protects the board of the management company for claims made against the directors for alleged wrongful acts such as breach of duty among other extensions. It is crucial to get the right advice from an experienced Insurance Broker who takes the time to understand your risk profile and can research the market to get you the best quotes.

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CEANN COMHAIRLE AND CATHAOIRLEACH TO VISIT UKRAINE AND ADDRESS UKRAINIAN PARLIAMENT IN KYIV

The Ceann Comhairle Seán Ó Fearghail TD and the Cathaoirleach of the Seanad Senator Mark Daly have accepted an invitation from the Speaker of the Ukrainian Parliament to travel to Kyiv and address the Ukrainian Parliament.

They will join parliamentarians from one other country and representatives from an international organisation on the trip which is expected to take place early next week.

The Ceann Comhairle said “since the start of the war, Ireland has welcomed over 20,000 Ukrainian refugees”. He went on to say “This mission is an opportunity for Ireland to demonstrate its support for the Ukrainian people, its government and its parliament Verkhovna Rada, which is continuing to function to spite unimaginably difficult circumstances. Coming at a time when other countries are starting to reopen their embassies in Kiev, this trip will be another symbol of normalisation and highlight the amazing resilience of the country’s people and government bodies. It is also an opportunity to highlight the distinct importance of our parliaments and their democratic resilience”.

The Cathaoirleach of the Seanad Senator Daly said, “The fact that we have been invited is recognition by the Ukrainian Government of the exceptional welcome extended by the people of Ireland to Ukrainian refugees and the assistance and funding that is being provided to those still in the Ukraine”. The Cathaoirleach went on to say, “As an EU member country, it’s crucial that Ireland plays a visible and vocal part in demonstrating EU support for Ukraine and for Ireland’s support Ukraine’s membership of the EU”.



In his invitation, the speaker of Ukrainian parliament Mr. Ruslan Stefanchuk said: “I am confident that your visit will become another strong message of solidarity and support to our state at this difficult time of struggle against the aggressor and democratic values”.

In addition to visiting the Ukrainian Parliament and making their address, the delegation will also visit some of the towns that have been decimated by the war and where atrocities have occurred, to highlight the need for those responsible to face justice for war crimes.

MINISTER FOLEY ANNOUNCES APPROVAL OF FUNDING FOR TWO KERRY SCHOOLS UNDER DEPARTMENT’S ADDITIONAL ACCOMMODATION SCHEME

Staff and students at Cullina welcome Minister Norma Foley to the school



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Minister for Education and Kerry TD Norma Foley visited Cullina National School, Beaufort and Castledrum National School, Castlemaine to announce the approval of funding for state of the art additional accommodation projects.

Cullina National School has been approved for a mainstream classroom, a new toilet block and reconfiguration works for a modern sensory room while the project for Castledrum National School will see a new, en-suite mainstream classroom and a base classroom for children with special educational needs installed.

Both projects have been approved under the Department of Education’s Additional Accommodation Scheme. These projects are now devolved to the School Authority to appoint a Consultant for each project.

Minister Foley said: “I was delighted to visit both schools to confirm the approval of building projects at Cullina NS and Castledrum NS. These are two very important projects to meet the needs of the students while also investing in the provision of special education in their respective communities. I look forward to seeing the progress of these projects and the richly deserved benefits they will bring to both school communities”

KERRY STUDENTS CAN APPLY NOW FOR ENHANCED STUDENT GRANTS FOR THE NEW ACADEMIC YEAR – GRIFFIN

Deputy Government Chief Whip, Brendan Griffin TD, has confirmed that applications for student grants for the new academic year are now open and changes to the grants will see significant improvements for students.

From September:

- maintenance grants will increase by €200
- the income threshold for the standard rate of grant increase by €1,000
- the distance for the higher non-adjacent student grant will be reduced from 45km to 30km

Speaking today, Deputy Griffin said: “These changes to the grants will deliver much-needed assistance to students and families across the country.

“The €200 increase in the maintenance grant will offer direct financial assistance to over 62,000 students across the country, and increasing the eligibility cut off point by €1,000 will ensure even more students qualify, and more families can access support. “Reducing the distance for the

higher non-adjacent student grant also means more students who are living away from home or travelling to college will qualify for the higher grant. This will make a substantial difference to many people. “These are real and tangible changes which will help students and families, and they are in line with the forthcoming Review of the Student Grant Scheme, which will be brought to Government in the coming weeks.”

Minister for Further and Higher Education Simon Harris TD said: “We will continue to make changes to assist students. We strongly believe there is a need to reduce the cost of education for families and we are working with Government colleagues to outline our priorities on how we can help people with these significant costs. “For any student experiencing difficulties currently, there is a significant allocation to the Student Assistance Fund and I would encourage students to contact their access offices to avail of these funds.”

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FOUR ESQUIRES PRODUCTIONS SET TO GRACE THE STAGE

An amateur drama group that was formed in Killarney in 2019 is set to grace the stage at the Gleneagle Culture Club.

Four Esquires Productions will perform a new series of short plays on May 25th in the Gleneagle Culture Club with tickets on-sale from Ticketmaster priced €10.25 excluding booking fee.

The group was formed in 2019 by Brian Bowler and Paddy Osborne with the ethos of encouraging and showcasing local talent.

"We've held several casting calls over the years for anyone who wanted to get involved even if they'd never acted before," Paddy Osborne told Killarney Outlook.

"We are always open to new writers and ideas, our focus being on original plays, generally comedic and light-hearted", he added.

The Four Esquires had a three night sell out show in Courtney's, Killarney just before the lockdown where they performed "Every Picture Tells a Story" by Brian Bowler, "Rent O'Killers: by Dennis Earlie & "Bar Flies" by Paddy Osborne.



"We had planned to put on more shows but Covid put everything on hold," Paddy said. "There's a wealth of talent in this county. We are also very fortunate to have several actors who are training in the West End House School of Arts, New Street, involved in the new show. It is great for them and is fantastic for us", he added.

The three new plays are The Letter – an elderly man endeavours to sell his recent inheritance of



Brian Bowler and Paddy Osborne who formed Four Esquires Productions

carpets and rugs online with unforeseen and hilarious consequences. The Deal – a disillusioned hospitality worker prepares for a night out while reflecting on his chosen career path (both written and directed by Brian Bowler) & Bin Wars – a darkly comic tale inspired by true events about two neighbours fighting over their wheelie bins (written and directed by Paddy Osborne).

Paddy Osborne is the author of the hilarious Baxter's Boys, a novel about a neglected Dublin inner-city community and a dysfunctional pub football team who might just be their only hope! The Irish Independent likened it to Roddy Doyle's Barrytown Trilogy. Paddy has just finished co-writing a feature length screenplay called No Time For Cowboys and is in the process of securing funding.

Brian Bowler is a member of the Killarney Dochas Drama group & West End School of Arts. He has written and directed a number of plays and short films including the award winning Under God's Sky about the Spanish Armada.

CASTLEISLAND WOMAN UNDERGOES LUNG SURGERY IN THE MATER HOSPITAL, DUBLIN TO TREAT RARE GENETIC DISORDER

When Eileen Harnett from Castleisland became very ill from her rare genetic condition, she also found out her diaphragm had collapsed and that she would need Lung Volume Reduction surgery.

At the Mater Foundation, the official fundraising body of the Mater Public Hospital, speak to patients from all over Ireland to gain an insight into their experiences and health journey in the Mater. This week, they spoke with Eileen Harnett, a Mater patient from Castleisland who shared her story of receiving Lung Volume Reduction surgery to treat her rare genetic disorder.

"I have a rare genetic disorder called Alpha-1 Antitrypsin deficiency which affects the protection of my lungs and liver, and in 2018 I became very ill from it. I went up to the Mater where I had a CT and profusion scan and from there the respiratory team discovered that my diaphragm had collapsed. I went to see Dr Karen Redmond and she told me that I would either need to have Lung Volume Reduction (LVR) surgery or a lung transplant, but that I would first need to work really hard to get my diaphragm back into place.

So for 6 months, I did all my strength and walking exercises. It was absolute torture but it



worked. When I went back to the Mater though, Dr Redmond told me that there was now a possibility that I had cancer as I had two new nodules in my right lung. After being tested though, they found out it wasn't cancer and I was scheduled for the LVR surgery on the 28th January 2020.

The surgery went really well but the recovery

was slow. I had to have a surgical drain in place for six months, one of the surgeons even told me that it was the longest he had ever seen someone have a drain in place. Once they removed the drain though, I started to recover fairly quickly.

Before I had the surgery I could hardly do anything and was confined to my bed. Now I can potter about in my garden and go for daily walks. It's made a huge difference to my quality of life. I'm still not 100 percent better and will need either another LVR surgery or a double lung transplant at some stage but I'm very, very lucky. I don't think I would still be here today if it wasn't for the surgery.

I am ever so grateful for everything that everyone in the Mater that has done for me, right down to the cleaners. And I am so grateful for Dr Karen Redmond, she really listened and understood exactly what I was going through."

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USE POSITIVE STRESS TO MOTIVE YOURSELF FOR THE STATE EXAMS



By Billy Ryle

With the state exams now just five weeks away, candidates may become anxious about their performance. A level of anxiety is normal and focusses the mind on the challenge ahead. Almost all exam candidates, irrespective of how laid back they appear, feel nervous. It's the body's way of dealing with a stressful experience. How you deal with this nervous energy is the critical issue. If you channel it in a positive direction, it will give you the vitality to cope with the demands of the exam.

A positive mental attitude is a considerable aid around exam time. Be confident in your ability to do well. Don't be discouraged by other students appearing to know more than you do. Aim to do perform to your own capability, not to compete with others. Make positive statements about yourself. Banish all negative thoughts from your mind. Think well of yourself and of your readiness to achieve success. Be determined to do your best, no more, no less. Success is a product of positive thinking. By motivating yourself towards your goals, you will redouble your effort and improve your performance. Have items in your study environment to spur you on. Place a statement of your objectives, such as your target grades, in a conspicuous place. An occasional glance in their direction will encourage you. Exam stress becomes newsworthy every year because of the assessment system used in the state exams. For the most part these exams are terminally assessed. In effect, two years of work is examined by means of written papers in June. Not enough credit is given to the candidate for consistent work over the two years. Continuous assessment is not sufficiently utilised although new proposals by Minister Foley recommend

changing the assessment procedure to significantly reduce reliance on final exams. If these reforms are adopted Leaving Cert subjects will have assessment components worth 40% and a terminal written exam worth 60% of the total marks. The major problem with the current exam system is the increased level of stress it causes in some students around exam time. Despite all that is written about exam stress, students continue to show that they are excellent exam performers and use stress as a stimulant rather than an affliction. The stress experienced by the majority of exam candidates is positive stress. It concentrates the mind wonderfully. You realise that the forthcoming exam is making increased demands of you. However, your application to study and revision provides you with the resources to meet these demands. Positive stress provides you with the motivation to prepare for the exam. It will sustain and stimulate this motivation until the exam is over. Properly controlled stress will activate hidden resources of energy and application in you. It's important to control the stress and channel it into positive energy. It's only when you haven't the resources to meet the demands of the exam that distress or negative stress becomes an issue. Exam distress is a rare occurrence in young people and can easily be confused with normal exam anxiety. The present cohort of young people is highly skilled and well able to cope with the demands of the exam. Distress, when it does occur, is disruptive and may interfere with your performance if it isn't counteracted. An effective way of managing distress is through utilising your social support network of people who care about you. If you need emotional support approach someone in whom you have

confidence. That person may be a teacher, a parent or your guidance counsellor. All you need is the advice of someone who will put the exam in perspective for you and who will help to boost your self-confidence. It all goes back to having a positive mental attitude and to realising that anxiety and stress should be channelled in your favour.

CHECKLIST

- Exam nerves are the most natural thing in the world
- Almost all students feel anxious in the weeks before an exam
- A positive mental attitude is an aid to quality study and exam performance
- Make positive statements about yourself
- Banish all negative thoughts from your mind
- Believe that your best will be good enough
- Success is a product of positive thinking
- Positive stress is a motivator
- Channel stress into positive energy
- If you need emotional support, go and get it
- Many people care about you and want you to do well
- CAO online change of mind facility (free) opens at 12pm on Thursday, 5th May
- The Leaving Cert Computer Science written exam takes places on Wed., 25th May

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Five Transition Year students from St. Brigid's headed off to Brussels, after submitting winning entries to the Future of Europe Competition (COFEU): Ali O' Donoghue, Avril Ahern, Anna Cashman, Eilís Mullane and Gemma Murphy got the amazing opportunity to visit the European Parliament and take part in political discussion with MEP Billy Kelleher. This trip highlighted the importance of young people's views and opinions when it comes to shaping the future of Ireland within the EU. Pictured Left to Right, Ali O' Donoghue, Eilís Mullane, MEP Billy Kelleher, Anna Cashman, Gemma Murphy and Avril Ahern



Congratulations to Ali O Donoghue, Eilís Mullane and Avril Ahern in The European Charlemagne Youth Prize. This competition is organised by the European Parliament and the International Charlemagne Prize Foundation in Aachen. The prize is aimed at those who are aged between 16 and 30 and working on a project with a European dimension. "We decided to enter this competition with our project - 'EU4US - A learning module for Primary and Secondary School Students'. We were absolutely delighted to learn that our project was placed 3rd in this prestigious, national event." said Ali O' Donoghue a member of the group.

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LAUNCH OF FRIENDS OF KILLARNEY HURLING

Friends of Killarney Hurling is a new initiative recently set up to promote hurling in the greater Killarney area.

The objective of this is to identify and support various initiatives such as Schools coaching, Open Days with Guest Coaches, Fun Day activities and many other events to promote hurling in the Killarney area. The aim is to support Colm O'Brien in his role as GDA and offer some assistance in promoting the small ball in this area.

Some local Gardaí have also offered their support with this initiative and will assist with juvenile coaching in some schools. Chairperson, Michael Milner is spearheading this new initiative and is asking everyone for support.

O'Sullivan Cycles have kindly sponsored a bike to the value of €1,000 as first prize in a new fundraising draw which takes place on Bank Holiday



At the launch of 'Friends of Killarney Hurling' Fundraising Draw are Conor Bohane (Kerry Senior Hurler), Aidan O'Mahony, Michael Milner (Chairperson), David O'Sullivan (O'Sullivan Cycles), Mark Heffernan (Kerry Senior Hurler), John Lenihan (Joint Treasurer) and Colm O'Brien (GDA Kerry).

Sunday, 5th June 2022.

Tickets are just €5 each or a book of 5 for €20.

Other prizes include €250 & €100 cash.

If you would like to support and buy a ticket, please call Conor (087 4075766), Mike (086 3270830) or John (087 6534444).

KERRY MOURNS THE PASSING OF POPULAR PHOTOGRAPHER JOE HANLEY



Joe Hanley pictured with his friend, Minister for Education, Norma Foley, TD.

The town of Tralee and beyond was descended into sadness last week when news broke that popular photographer, Joe Hanley had passed away surrounded by his family at University Hospital Kerry following illness which was bravely borne.

Joe was a regular contributor of photographs to Killarney Outlook over the years, and was always a pleasure to deal with.

Affectionally named the Happy Snapper, Joe will be greatly missed by his many friends and his beloved collie dog, Snapper.

Joe took up photography following a career in the Irish Army where he served in Lebanon and attended many sporting and community events over the years and was known to almost everyone in the county.

Hundreds of people attended Joe's removal

from Gleasure's Funeral Home on Sunday afternoon last to pay their final respects to Joe. At his Requiem Mass on Monday morning, there was huge sadness when Joe's beloved dog Snapper was brought in to say goodbye to his loving owner.

The eulogy was said by Joe's brother Anthony, whom Joe only met 14 years ago and he spoke lovingly of Joe, telling stories from over the years.

Joe was afforded a military funeral and members of the 12th Infantry Battalion

shouldered Joe's coffin which was draped in the Irish Flag, while members of the Irish United Nations Veterans Association provided a guard of honour. A second guard of honour was also provided by members of the various media outlets in Kerry that Joe contributed his work to over the years.

Minister for Education, Norma Foley, TD, who attended the funeral was among many who posted tributes to Joe on social media.

Saddened beyond measure to learn of the passing of Joe Hanley our very own 'Happy Snapper'.

Joe was a wonderfully warm hearted and generous person. A man of enormous character, decency and integrity but also a person of sharp wit and good humour. Blessed with a great eye for

detail Joe was a gifted photographer.

Always watchful for the small details that might negatively impact a photograph I've lost count of the number of times Joe would have to tell me to straighten my collar or lose the handbag. We were all fair game for Joe's sharp eye and it was always worth it because his pictures were fabulous.

Joe was amazingly obliging and good natured, nothing was ever too much trouble. He had a terrific sense of style and flair and was always dapper in his dress. A lovely, lovely man. I will remember him always with both gratitude and affection. We are all lesser for his going but greater for having had the pleasure of knowing him.

Rest easy, Joe. Thank you for everything.

Joe will be sadly missed by his loving family, his brother Anthony, sister Pauline, the Goodall and Quirke families, relatives, his beloved dog Snapper and many friends.

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Joe's with his beloved dog Snapper



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Friends and colleagues of Catherine Crowley, Headford who passed away in 2020 walked from Shrone to Clonkeen in her memory. Catherine worked in Penny's on High Street for many years and her colleagues released white balloons at Clonkeen Church in her memory. Catherine passed away on Friday 4th December 2020 in the care of her loving family. "It was so lovely of her colleagues and friends to remember Catherine in this way", her sister Rose told Killarney Outlook. "They shared lovely memories of her. Great stories, Catherine had great sense of humour" Rose said. The emotional day ended with the group going to Spillane's Bar in Headford where they met members of Catherine's family.



Remembering Catherine...

PENNY'S STAFF WALK IN HER MEMORY



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YOUTH THEATRE IRELAND WORKSHOP FOR DRAMA FACILITATION COMES TO KERRY



Kerry Local Creative Youth Partnership (LCYP) at Kerry ETB and the Arts Office at Kerry County Council, in association with Youth Theatre Ireland, are offering a free drama workshop facilitation training to individuals over 18 years of age who have an interest in working with young people within a creative context.

Performing arts graduates, theatre artists, former youth theatre members, youth workers, teachers, amateur drama members, stage school operators or volunteers are all welcome to join the training. A 3-hour evening workshop will be led by expert facilitators from Youth Theatre Ireland at 4.30pm Thursday 9 June. It is free and is for anyone

interested in upskilling their facilitation practice. Youth Theatre Ireland is the national development organisation for youth theatre. Its mission is to support the social, personal, and artistic development of young people through youth theatre. It supports a network of youth theatres that deliver year-round programmes of drama workshops and performance opportunities to young people. A unique passion for storytelling and performance exists in Kerry and the County has a long-standing history and tradition in the performing arts. Youth theatres are forming throughout the county with support from Kerry LCYP and the Arts Office under the guidance of Youth Theatre Ireland. Participation in youth theatre is proven to help build confidence and develop communication skills in young people. This free, interactive workshop on Thursday 9 June will be an introduction to youth theatre practice with an overview of the sector and an insight into youth theatre development in Kerry. 2 For anyone interested in the evening workshop who would like a bit more information, Youth Theatre Ireland will host an online information session at 1pm Thursday June 2 that is open to all. Take the first step and join the lunchtime information session on Thursday 2 June and join the 3-hour evening workshop on Thursday 9 June to gain invaluable skills in drama workshop facilitation. For more information and to register your interest for either event please contact Hannah at the Arts Office at Kerry County Council arts@kerrycoco.ie Youth Theatre Ireland is supported by the Arts Council, The Department of Children, Equality, Disability, Integration & Youth and Creative Ireland.

MTU KERRY WINNER AT SMARTER TRAVEL AWARDS 2022

The winners of the annual Smarter Travel Awards were announced at an event at the Lighthouse Cinema, Dublin recently. Partners of the Smarter Travel Workplaces and Smarter Travel Campus programme from around the country submitted projects that encourage sustainable and active travel modes on the commute and beyond. Munster Technological Kerry were winners in the Marketing & Event Management category for their project titled, Walk 4 Rewards. Anne Graham, Chief Executive Officer at the National Transport Authority said: "We are delighted with the quality and quantity of entries into the Smarter Travel Student Awards this year. Sustainable travel on the commute to campus and beyond has multiple benefits including

increased fitness, cost savings and cleaner air. Thanks to all the academic staff who have incorporated the awards into their curricula and we look forward to even more participation in the 2023 Student Award's." Entries are judged by an independent judging panel who are experts in their industry. Academic staff from third level colleges are encouraged to get involved with the Student Awards by incorporating Smarter Travel into their graded coursework. Not only does this give students the opportunity to participate in and experience the benefits of a practical project, but it also provides a platform to develop their CV and professional portfolio. Further information can be found at smartertravelstudentawards.ie



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EXCITING TIMES AHEAD FOR KILLARNEY MUSICAL SOCIETY

Killarney musical society will hold its Annual General Meeting on Tuesday the 10th of May at 8pm in the dromhall Hotel. We're delighted to be moving forward with our next show 2022/2023. Exciting times ahead!



ANAM CARA ARE SEEKING YOUR SUPPORT

Anam Cara, the group that supports bereaved parents continue are seeking your support

We are getting closer to the Women's Mini Marathon, which returns to the streets of Dublin after a 2 year absence this June Bank Holiday.

On Sunday 5th June, over 40,000 women will take part in the largest all-women's event of its kind in the world, marking the 40th Anniversary of the Mini Marathon. Women of every age and walks of life part, adding to the atmosphere created on the day. Run, walk or crawl, it's up to you.

On Tuesday 10th May, Anam Cara will hold their Kerry meeting in The Meadowlands Hotel, Tralee @ 7:15pm. All bereaved parents are welcome, regardless of the age of the child or circumstances of death to the meeting, free of charge.

Registration is not required to attend the meeting on Tuesday 10th May, just turn up. Anam Cara would welcome any bereaved parent in the Kerry area and surrounds to attend.

For further information on this event and all other supports Anam Cara offer, their information line is 085 2888 888 or by email info@anamcara.ie

ROSS CASTLE ON TV THIS WEEKEND

RTE will air a short piece on Darkness Into Light which was filmed just before the Covid 19 Pandemic at Ross Castle in Killarney.

The thank you message will air on RTE on 7 and 8 May 2022 and features the clip which included a group of Killarney people walking from Darkness Into Light.

SELF SCHEDULE APPOINTMENTS FOR VACCINATIONS

Self-scheduled appointments are available for booking on [hse.ie](https://www2.hse.ie) for Covid-19 vaccinations for the public to book in Kerry over the next few days.

Walk-in clinics are also open for 5-11 year olds to receive their Covid-19 vaccinations in Kerry over the coming days.

People can book appointments at vaccination centres on [hse.ie](https://www2.hse.ie) at this link:

<https://www2.hse.ie/screening-and-vaccinations/covid-19-vaccine/get-the-vaccine/covid-19-vaccine-booster-dose/>



The Kerry Vaccination Centre is at the former Borg Warner site at Monavalley in Tralee and the Eircode is V92 HT21.

Appointments are available to book over the next few days as follows:

- On Friday May 6th (9:20 – 11:10) – for children aged 5-11 for 1st & 2nd vaccination doses.
- On Friday May 6th (12:00 – 16:00) – for people aged 30 and older for 1st & 2nd vaccination doses and for booster vaccinations.
- On Saturday May 7th (09:15 – 11:15) – for people aged 12-29 for 1st & 2nd vaccination doses and for booster vaccinations. 12-15 year olds must be accompanied by a parent/guardian.
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Getting your child vaccinated is a decision between you and your child. If Parents have any

questions regarding your child's vaccination then please speak to staff at our vaccination centres, they will be available to provide you with further information.

People can also continue to book appointments at vaccination centres on [hse.ie](https://www2.hse.ie) at this link: <https://www2.hse.ie/screening-and-vaccinations/covid-19-vaccine/get-the-vaccine/covid-19-vaccine-booster-dose/>

It's important that you do not go to a vaccination centre if you have Covid-19; if you have symptoms of Covid-19 or if you have been told to restrict your movements.

It's also important to check your eligibility online on [hse.ie](https://www2.hse.ie) before you self-schedule your appointment, bearing in mind that if you are in the 16+ age group you need to wait three months (at least 90 days) after your first round of Covid-19 vaccination before you can get a booster and if you had Covid-19 since you were vaccinated, you should get your booster dose at least three months after your positive test result.

If you are in the 12-15 age group you need to wait six months (at least 179 days) after receiving your second dose of Covid-19 vaccination before you can get a booster and if you had Covid-19 since you were vaccinated, you should get your booster dose at least six months after your positive test result.

HANDEL'S MESSIAH AT ST. MARY'S CATHEDRAL

Featuring performers from Kerry and Dublin, Handels Messiah will be performed in St.Mary's Cathedral in Killarney tomorrow night, Saturday May 7th at 8pm.

The world famous oratorio will feature the Dublin Bach Singers, a choir based in the Pro-Cathedral in Dublin. The orchestra will be the Messiah Sinfonia and the concert will be conducted by the Dublin Bach Singers' music

director, Blanaid Murphy. Three of the soloists on the night have strong connections with Kerry as soprano, Sharon Lyons now lives in Killorglin, tenor, Conor Prendiville is also from Killorglin and alto Leanne Fitzgerald is from Lixnaw.

Tickets, priced at €25, are available on [eventbrite.ie](https://www.eventbrite.ie)



Soprano Sharon Lyons, with her Son, Óige (aged 2) enjoying the bluebells in the ancient woodlands of Killarney National Park, launching the newly scheduled performance of Handel's Messiah in St Mary's Cathedral in Killarney, Co Kerry. Photo: Valerie O'Sullivan

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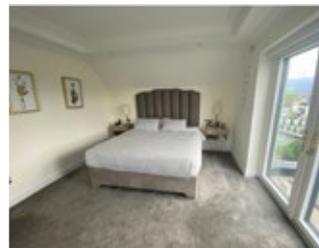


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Ruairi O'Leary from Farranfore National School who celebrated his communion at the Oak hotel on Saturday. PICTURE: Dylan Clifford



Clara O'Brien from Firies national school celebrating her communion at the Europe Hotel. PICTURE: Dylan Clifford

RALLY OF THE LAKES 2022



Seanie, Cillian, Dara and Ramona Burchill at the Killarney and District Motor Club International Rally of the Lakes ceremonial start in Killarney town centre on Friday night. Picture: Eamonn Keogh



Kerry, Mary Jo, Michael and Michelle O'Mahoney at the Killarney and District Motor Club International Rally of the Lakes ceremonial start in Killarney town centre on Friday night. Picture: Eamonn Keogh



John Cronin, Barry Ryan, Paul Ahern (Aherns Motor Group), Pdraig Brick, Kieran Murphy and Ivan Hurley at the Killarney and District Motor Club International Rally of the Lakes ceremonial start in Killarney town centre on Friday night. Picture: Eamonn Keogh



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Congratulations to our Scór na nÓg Set Dancers Diarmuid O'Donovan, Grace O'Connor, Roisin O'Sullivan, Isabel Waters, Laura Fleming, Darragh Brosnan, Oisín O'Sullivan, Colm O'Connor and Aoife O'Donoghue who were crowned All Ireland champions at the INEC on Sunday evening! Well done to the dancers, their coaches Triona and Mairead Mangan, to our Spa Scór Officer Eileen Aherne and our photographer & EK Scór Officer Anne Holland.

>CO LEAGUE RD5 SPA 2-12 KENMARE 1-7

Spa recorded a win at home to Kenmare Shamrocks on Saturday evening in Rd5 of the Co League to secure another valuable two county league points. We are away to An Ghaeltacht in the next round on the weekend of May 14th/15th with our Senior B team home to Ballymacelligott B next Sunday (May 8th at 2pm).

>MINOR EAST KERRY LEAGUE (U17)

Rd1 of the East Kerry League was postponed on Monday evening due to Féile with a new date to be confirmed (Spa v Furies), but Rd2 continues next Monday (Spa v BYE) with Rd3 the following week May 16th Spa v Glenflesk (home).

>SPA GAA SUMMER CAMP

Up and Active Summer Camp returns to Spa from July 11th - 15th. The camp is for primary school children and activities include gaelic football, treasure hunts, rounders, tag rugby, athletics, art, handball & more! Details on spagaa.com or contact Dan (085 7386444) or Evan (087 1496951) to book. *Places will be limited

>U15 FéILE

The qualifying rounds of Féile took place on Saturday afternoon and due to a change in fixtures Spa had just one game and were home to Dr Crokes. Crokes led throughout and won by 3-7 to 1-5.

>DRINK TEA FOR MND

There will be a 'Drink Tea for MND' fundraiser event at the Spa clubhouse on Saturday May 14th. If anyone would be available to help out on the day please contact Margaret on 0879181970.

>LOTTO

The jackpot this Monday May 2nd is €3,800 and tickets on sale on spagaa.com or in usual outlets. Thank you for your continued support.

>MUNSTER FOOTBALL SEMI FINAL

Good luck to Dara Moynihan, Dan O'Donoghue and the Kerry team & management against Cork next Saturday May 7th at 6pm in Pairc Uí Rinn. Game will be broadcast on Sky Sports.

>LADIES FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP MUNSTER SEMI FINAL

Good luck to Cassandra Buckley and the Kerry Ladies team & management against Tipperary next Saturday May 7th at 3.30pm in Pairc Uí Rinn.

>U20 ALL IRELAND SEMI FINAL

Best of luck to Niall O'Mahony and the Kerry U20 team & management next Sunday May 8th in the All Ireland U20 semi-final v Tyrone. Game is on at 1pm in Portlaoise and will be broadcast on TG4.

>UPCOMING FIXTURES

Thursday May 5th U11 Go Games Spa v Kilcummin (6.30pm, home). Sunday May 8th Spa Ladies v IGS (12noon, home); Senior B League Spa B v Ballymac B (2pm, home); U13 Co League Spa v Laune Rangers (7pm, away). Best of luck to all teams and managements, any changes to fixtures can be found on the spagaa.com website calendar.

>COISTE NA NOG RACE NIGHT

A massive thank you to everyone who supported our very successful main fundraiser of 2022 for Coiste na Nóg. All funds raised are vital in supporting the ongoing development of the Juvenile Club and this is always very much needed and appreciated. Thank you to all our sponsors, organisers and the Great Southern Hotel for pulling together and creating a fantastic night!

>U12 GIRLS SOUTH KERRY DIV3 FINAL SPA V KILCUMMIN

Having finished the group on 12 points joint top with Laune Rangers & Kilcummin, Laune Rangers were declared outright winners on scoring differential with Spa to Play Kilcummin in an A Final.

Having lost away to Kilcummin in Round 2 on a scoreline of Kilcummin 5-08 to Spa 0-02, we knew we had it all to do & needed to be firing on all cylinders to have any chance on the night. This match was one of



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the most enjoyable and exciting matches we've been involved in & it is just fantastic to see how this team is improving week by week. They are an absolute credit to the Club & their parents in their commitment, behaviour & application of skills, and we look forward now to the County League which should commence shortly.

>KILLARNEY CLUB 7S

In just over 4 weeks Spa GAA will be hosting the inaugural Killarney Club 7s which will welcome thousands of people from across the country and beyond on the June Bank Holiday Weekend. The two day event will showcase some of the country's top men's and ladies club players competing to win a share of the €10,000 prize money. There will also be fully stocked bars, live entertainment, a variety of food vendors as well as a kids corner for the little ones. We look forward to welcoming all teams and supporters to the vibrant and scenic town of Killarney and to the Spa GAA grounds. Tickets are selling fast so make sure you get your ticket in time. Tickets can be purchased on www.KillarneyClub7s.ie.

>CLUB MEETING RE. KILLARNEY CLUB 7S

There will be an open meeting at the clubhouse next Monday May 9th at 8pm about the Killarney Club 7s tournament taking place over the June Bank Holiday weekend. It will be an opportunity for people to find out more about the event and if anyone will be available to help that weekend, volunteers are needed for all areas including stewarding, play areas, umpires/linesmen, bar staff, ticket desks etc. Everyone welcome to come along.

>SENIOR LADIES

The Spa Senior Ladies were out again on Sunday 24th April away to Finuge. The first few minutes Finuge played well and led the game with 3 points. The Spa ladies displayed remarkable skill and outstanding football throughout the game with strong performances from Sarah Fleming, Mags Cronin and Meghann Cronin resulting in a 4 point lead at half time.

The work rate of players such as Liadh Tobin, Lottie Maher, Laura McLarnon, Ciara Moynihan, Mairead Bennett, Niamh Clifford, Liz Stack, Katie Cronin and Aisling Mahony were second to none which allowed us to maintain possession for the most part of the game. Our goalie on the day Brid Og O'Connor made some significant saves which also contributed to our 5 point win over Finuge.

The final score Spa 2-12 Finuge 2-7. The senior ladies are out next Sunday 8th May in Spa and are playing against Inbhear Sceine Gaels. Throw in is at 12noon.

>CONDOLENCES

Our condolences to Billy Morris and family on the passing of his brother-in-law Tony Dromey RIP, Macroom. Sympathies to Pat Kelliher and family, Upper Lissivigeen on the passing of Pat's brother Morty Kelliher RIP, Kilgarvan. Condolences to Micheál & Fiona O'Leary on the passing of Fiona's mother Nellie Fogarty RIP, Kanturk. May they Rest in Peace.

>ITEMS FOR NOTES

Any items for the Spa notes please contact the club PRO on 0851216359 or pro.spa.kerry@gaa.ie before 8pm on Sundays.

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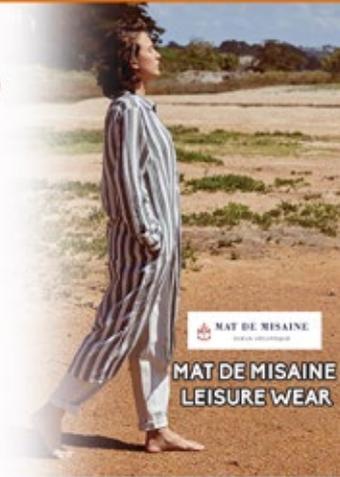


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- There is so much to be grateful for – whether it's a door held open, a smile from a stranger or the gift of time and attention from another.
- I am grateful for any discomfort or pain that has come my way because I know that it will help me to grow, change and become more of the person I truly am.
- I am grateful for my body and vow to treat it well. To eat well, to nourish myself well, to hydrate my body, to stretch it, move it, relax it and love my body wholeheartedly, because this is where I live – my home.
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1. Do not compromise on your form/technique and rush through your workout. Especially important for beginners, you always have to be aware of your form as poor form can lead to injury.
2. If working out with a friend it is important that it does not become a competition in how much you and they can lift. No two people are the same and while friendly competition can be good for all of us, sometimes we have to realise our limitations and that just because your friend lifts a certain weight doesn't mean that you should try – especially if they are more experienced in the gym.
3. Do not just have one workout – you need to have variety, not only to fight the boredom that will inevitably set in from doing the same thing every session but also if you want progress you need to have variety to your training.
4. Don't overtrain – while it might seem obvious to say for beginners, or people returning to the gym environment after a break, overtraining is something we all need to be careful of. Starting out there is no need to be in the gym every day. Work hard while you are there but allow sufficient time between your workouts to allow the body repair and recover. Over training could also lead to injury.

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can hurt your central vision. It can damage the macula, a part of the retina at the back of your eye.

UV-B
The front part of your eye (the cornea and the lens) absorbs most UV-B rays, but these rays may cause even more damage to your eyes than UV-A rays.

What Eye Problems Can UV Rays Cause?

Macular Degeneration
UV rays may lead to macular degeneration, a leading cause of vision loss for older people.

Cataract
UV rays, especially UV-B rays, may also cause some kinds of cataracts. A cataract is a clouding of the eye's natural lens, the part of the eye that focuses the light we see.

Pterygium
Another UV-related problem is a growth called pterygium. This growth begins on the white of the eye and may involve the cornea.

Eventually, the growth may block vision. It is more common in people who work outside in the sun and wind.

Skin Cancer
Skin cancer around the eyelids is also linked to prolonged UV exposure.

Corneal Sunburn
Corneal sunburn, called photokeratitis, is the result of high short-term exposure to UV-B rays. Long hours at the beach or skiing without proper eye protection can cause this problem. It can be very painful and may cause temporary vision loss.

Protecting your eyes from the sun
If you are spending time outdoors, especially in the summer or on holidays abroad, make sure that you and your children have good quality, dark sunglasses with UV protection. Look for the British Standard (BS EN ISO 12312-1:2013) or the CE mark, which is the manufacturer's assurance that the sunglasses have been made to the appropriate safety standards. You can also protect your eyes by making sure to wear a hat with a brim or a sun visor in bright sunlight.

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LISTRY

>LISTRY JUVENILE UPDATE

LEE STRAND U15 COUNTY LEAGUE DIV1A RD 5

Keel/Listry 3.08 Spa 0.10

U11s had a good workout on Thursday evening V Ballyduff in Allman Park in the non competitive county league.

U9s had a successful trip to John Mitchels this morning in Rd 2 of the go games league while our U7s were in Fossa. Both teams played well and enjoyed their matches by all accounts.

FIXTURES FOR WEEK AHEAD

Please note the U15 Div 2 semi final goes ahead on Wed 11th in Allman Park. Keel/Listry V Dr Crokes.

Sunday May 8th Lee Strand U13 County League Rd 5: Keel/Listry away to John Mitchels. Div 9 at 5.30pm. Div 1 at 7pm.

>KERRY U20

Well done to Ruairi Murphy on winning a Munster U20 medal against Cork. Best of Luck to Ruairi, Kerry team and management in the All Ireland Semi Final on Sunday, 8th May against Tyrone in Portlaoise.

>MUNSTER SENIOR FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP SEMI FINAL

Best of Luck to Kerry team travelling to Cork in the 2022 Munster Senior Football Championship Semi-Final on Saturday next 7th.

All the best to U13 Listry player Killian Fitzgerald who lines out in the Primary Game at half time of the Kerry Cork game in Pairc Ui Rinn on the evening.

>KERRY LGFA U14

Best of luck to Naoishe O Donoghue who lines out for Kerry in the U14 LGFA All Ireland semi final V Galway in UL next Sunday.

>LISTRY WEEKLY LOTTO DRAW RESULTS

5, 24, 25, 26. €100- Breda Tangney, Listry. €50 X 2 - Marian Scannell,



U15 Keel/Listry team

Coolroe. Mgt Lehane. €25 X 2 - Ger Murphy. D O'Sullivan, Ballymalis. Next Sunday Jackpot €3,300

>COUNTY SENIOR FOOTBALL LEAGUE DIV2 RD 5

Full Time on Sunday 1st May: Templenoe: 1-6(9) Listry: 1-6(9)

Round 6: Listry V Annascaul on 15th May in Paddy Kennedy Park, Annascaul at 2pm

>KELLIHER TOYOTA CENTRAL REGION COMPETITIONS

U17 Competition 2022 starts Monday 9th May 2022.

Division 1: Laune Rangers GAA, Austin Stacks, Keel GAA, Churchill GAA, Ardfert GAA. Keel /Listry V Ardfert on Monday 9th May at 7pm in John Mitchels Gaa Grounds.

>KELLOGGS CUL CAMP

Listry Cul Camp is from July 11th to 15th. Further details will be released by Croke Park themselves. Log on: GAA Cúl Camps

Written by: Anne Sugrue O'Brien

GLENFLESK

>ROSARY

During the month of May the rosary will be recited at Annaghmore grotto at 8pm Monday to Friday and at Knockanes grotto every evening at 7.30pm.

>COUNTY LEAGUE DIVISION 3 CHURCHILL 2-6 GLENFLESK 1-14

After holding out against the home side's determined efforts for the first 40 minutes, Glenflesk finished strongly to maintain their 100% record in Division 3 of the County League.

Another win see's the team well in control of this Division. It took a while to get control of this game, but once Glenflesk got ahead, Churchill had to abandon their defensive formation, and Glenflesk took advantage of the extra space to push on the victory. Jonathan Bowler and Sean Lucey were outstanding in defense, and the fact that nine different players scored showed the healthy balance needed to be successful. Glenflesk now have set themselves up well at the half point, with promotion well within their grasp. With another tricky game out of the way that looks like a very attainable target.

>COUNTY LEAGUE DIVISION 5 GLENFLESK 2-07 LAUNE RANGER 1-11

When Laune Rangers scored a well worked goal midway through this Division 5 County League game, it looked as if they would cruise to an inevitable victory. Glenflesk though, like one of the entrants in this weekend's Rally of the Lakes, finished the stage strongly, only to run out of time, and narrowly miss out on a share of the spoils.

The team is still in a strong position in the Division, with three wins from five games. A satisfactory total from the opening rounds, and one that can be built on. Report by Michael Healy.

>GLENFLESK CUL CAMP 2022

Online booking for the 2022 Cúl Camp is open on the National website. The Glenflesk GAA Cúl Camp will take place from July 11th to July 15th. Registrations must be done online and the numbers at camps will be limited. Please note that parents will not be able to register on the morning of the camp. See <https://www.kelloggsulcamps.gaa.ie/> for more details.

>NATIONAL CLUB DRAW 2022

The 2022 National Club Draw has super prizes varying from a Dacia Duster Car, a number of All Ireland Football and Hurling Final Packages and a cash prize of €2,000. All of the proceeds from the tickets sold by the Club are retained by the Club. Tickets at €10 each can be purchased online at: https://member.clubforce.com/tickets_m.asp?LL_ID=2534

>KERRY U20

Congratulations to Killian O Sullivan and Kerry u20,s on their win over Cork last week in the Munster final, they go on to meet Tyrone in the All Ireland Semi Final on Sunday May 8th at 1pm in MW Hire O'Moore Park, Portlaoise. Match will be live on TG4. Best of luck.

>LOTTO

No winner of Glenflesk Lotto which took place on 20/4/2022 in Glenflesk Hall. Jackpot €7,000. The numbers drawn were 4, 10, 29, 30. Consolation prizes of €50 each to: 1 Freddie Bartlett, Barradubh. 2. Liam Bartlett, (Sellers' Prize) 3. Debbie Sullivan, Cools, Headford. 4. Paddy B Lynch, Spa. Next draw will take place in Glenflesk Hall on Tuesday 3rd May 2022. Jackpot will be €7,200. Thank you to all who support our Lotto and to our sellers. Last call for renewal of annual Lotto tickets. Tickets may be purchased online using link below, from Denis O'Donoghue, St. Kieran's, Knockanes or from any member of the committee.

>KERRY COUNTY COUNCIL ROAD CLOSURE

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to Section 75 of the Roads Act 1993, and the Temporary Closing of Roads Regulations 1994, Kerry County Council is proposing to close to public traffic the road described hereunder to facilitate essential bridge repair works. Road Closed: R570 at Dromcarban Bridge approximately 1.7km north of Glenflesk Village. Road Closing Dates and Times: from 8.00 a.m. on Monday 9th May to 5.00 p.m. on Friday 20th May 2022. Alternative routes will be clearly signposted. Traffic travelling north from Glenflesk to Barraduff: continue on the N22 to Lissivigeen Roundabout, take 3 rd exit onto the N72 and continue on the N72 to Barraduff Village. Traffic travelling south from Barraduff to Glenflesk: continue on the N72 towards the Lissivigeen Roundabout, take 1st exit onto N22 and continue on the N22 to Glenflesk Village.

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KILCUMMIN

>**SYMPATHY** is extended to the family of Jerry Kerrisk ,Anablaha who died recently. May he rest in peace.

>**KILCUMMIN BABY AND TODDLER GROUP**

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>**KILCUMMIN GAA**

SENIOR CO. LEAGUE

Senior Co. League Kilcummin 3-15 Milltown / Castlemaine 3-09. Kilcummin came out on top of this competitive game after both teams displayed great intensity supplemented by some great scores. The visitors lead by 1-02 after 8 minutes but after a great penalty save by Brendan Kealy we really upped our game and slotted over numerous points and a goal by Noel Duggan. However two goals by the opposition saw us trail by 3-5 to 1-9 at half time. The second half saw us take more control and two goals by the O Shea brothers Paul and Mark sealed a great victory. Kevin McCarthy , Kieran Murphy, Paul O Shea and Noel Duggan stood out but this really was a team performance and younger players like Andy Lowin, Cian Foley, Philip O Leary and Mark O Shea also

made their presence felt.

>**MUNSTER CHAMPIONSHIP**

Congratulations to Dara O Callaghan and his Kerry team mates on their Munster Championship victory over Cork last week.

>**GOLF CLASSIC**

Our trip to Kenmare Golf Course proved to be a most enjoyable experience in glorious sunshine. Well done to all the prize winners and a particular thank you to all those who sponsored teams and tee boxes. All these are available for viewing on our Facebook page. Thanks also to Kenmare Golf course and staff who must be really proud of their fantastic facilities.

>**MASTERGEEHA FC**

There was no Jackpot winner on Friday 29th April. Numbers drawn were 8,14,21,22. Consolation prizes of €50 went to Maura O'Sullivan, Lyreatough, E Greaney, Kilcummin, Maura Brosnan, Lyreatough, Brenda Culloty, Lyreatough. Next draw Friday 6th May. Jackpot will be €4,400.

>**COMMUNITY GAMES**

Kilcummin community games athletics evening will take place Tuesday May 17th at the Killarney Valley Arena at 6.30. Registration is €2 and will take place from 6.15pm onwards. Events for U8 to U16. 1st and 2nd placed athletes in track events and 1st place in field events will go forward to the County finals in An Ríocht Castleisland on June 25th and 26th. . See facebook page for list of events.

>**MUSICIANS, SINGERS, RECITATION**

The best of luck to those competing in Keel this weekend.

Written by: John Moriarty

BEAUFORT

>**FIXTURE**

Beaufort will be away to Duagh in Co-Development league this week

>**RESULTS**

Beaufort senior men defeated Na Gaeil in round 5, Co League. Final score Beaufort 1.12 Na Gaeil 0.08.

>**LOTTO**

Lotto results of Sunday, 1st May. Jackpot €7,600. Numbers: 4, 6, 25, 28.

Consolation Prizes: €80 Ger Doherty, Shanara. €50 Keith, Kerry and Abbie O'Shea, Keel, Danny Doona, Gap, St Michael's/Foilmore G.A.A. Club.

Next draw for jackpot of €7,800 will be on Sunday, 15th May. Tickets available from usual sellers, shops, public houses and online at www.beaufortgaa.com.

>**MEMBERSHIP**

Beaufort G.A.A. Club membership is now due. Please go to www.foireann.ie, or www.beaufortgaa.ie to pay membership online or contact Patie at 087 2515311.

>**PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK**

If there is sufficient interest a bus will leave Beaufort village for Knock on Sunday July 17th. Please confirm your interest before May16th. Beaufort Pioneer Council has been organising this very successful trip over the years, contact Neil at 0646644252 or Michael at 0646644319.



Beaufort U9 team who played Rathmore. County Go Games. Monday, 25 April

>**CONGRATULATIONS** to Catriona Moloney and Jamie Johnson and Garry Tangney and Marie Morris on their recent weddings. We wish them all the best for the future.

>**GOLF CLASSIC**

Beaufort G.A.A. Club annual Golf Classic will be held on Friday, 27th May in Beaufort Golf Club. 3-person team event, 2 best Stableford scores at each hole. Entry fee is €200 per team and €50 for Tee box sponsorship. To book a team or tee box, please contact Colm at 087 6737414. Thank you for your support.

By Bridget Hartnett

RATHMORE GNEEVGUILLA

>**DAILY ROSARY** during the Month of May at the Grotto (near Holy Family NS Rathmore) @ 8pm. "The Rosary is a chain that links heaven and earth" (St Theresa) everybody welcome. The Rosary will be recited at Tureencahill Grotto each evening @ 8.00 pm for the month of May.

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Congratulations to all the children in parishes who celebrated their holy communion recently & are going to be coming weeks

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>**NOTES**

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WEEKLY CLINICS

EVERY THURSDAY

Listowel, Horseshoe Bar & Restaurant
12pm
Tralee, Kerin's O'Rahilly's Club House
2.30pm

EVERY SATURDAY

Killarney, Scott's Hotel **3pm**
Kenmare, Atlantic Bar **10pm**

EVERY SUNDAY

Kilgarvan, Healy-Rae's Mace **9pm**
Kilgarvan, Healy-Rae's Bar **10pm**

MONTHLY CLINICS

2ND MONDAY OF THE MONTH

Beaufort, Galvins Bar **5pm**
Fossa, Golden Nugget **5.30pm**

Milltown, Larkin's Bar **6.00pm**
Killorglin, Jim & Brid Shea's Bar **6.30pm**
Killorglin, Grady's Bar **6.45pm**
Glencar, Climber's Inn **7.45pm**
Glencar, Rowantree Bar, **8.00pm**
Glenbeigh, Towers Hotel **8.40pm**
Glenbeigh, Red Fox Inn **9.20pm**

3RD MONDAY OF THE MONTH

Castlemaine, Griffin's Bar **5.00pm**
Boulteens, Murphy's Bar **5.30pm**
Inch, Foley's Bar **5.50pm**
Annascaul, Teach Sean's **6.20pm**
Lispole, O'Sullivan's **6.40pm**
Dingle, An Conair **7.00pm**
Dingle, Murriss Dan's **7.20pm**
Dingle, Nellie Fred's **7.30pm**
Brandon Point, Murphy's Bar **8.30pm**
Castlegregory, Boland's Bar **9.00pm**
Camp, Railway Bar **9.20pm**

LAST MONDAY OF THE MONTH

Blackwater, Blackwater Tavern **7.00pm**
Sneem, Resource Centre **7.30pm**
Castlecove, Staigue Fort Hotel **8.00pm**
Caherdaniel, Freddie's Bar **8.20pm**
Waterville, Lobster Bar **8.40pm**
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Inny Valley, Inny Tavern
Ballinskelligs, Rosie's Bar
Portmagee, Fisherman's Bar
Valentia Island, Ring Lyne Bar
Caherciveen, Caherciveen Park Hotel
Caherciveen, Frank's Corner
3RD THURSDAY OF THE MONTH
Knocknagoshel, Walsh's Bar **6.00pm**
Brosna, Sportsfield Bar **6.30pm**
Duagh, O'Brien's Bar **7.10pm**

Moyvane, Speedy's Bar **7:40pm**
Tarbert, Swanky Bar **8:15pm**
Ballylongford, Finnucanes Bar **8:35pm**
Asdee, Jack J's **8:50pm**
Ballybunion, Kilcoolys **9:10pm**
Ballyduff, Lowe's Bar **9:35pm**
Causeway, McHale's Bar **10.00pm**
Ballyheigue, Kirby's Bar **10.20pm**
Kilmoyley, An Tochar Ban **10.35pm**
Ardfert, Kirby's **10.50pm**

2ND FRIDAY OF THE MONTH

Dawros, Sailor's Bar **9.00pm**
Tousist, The Lake House **9.30pm**
Lauragh, Helen's Bar **10.00pm**

LAST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH

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BEAUFORT GOLF CLUB (LADIES)

RESULTS - 30TH APRIL/1ST MAY - STABLEFORD - PAT O'NEILL HAIRDRESSER SPONSOR

Overall Winner: Sheila O'Connell (36 70 Nett
Division 1 Winner: Joan O'Sullivan (28) 71 Nett
Division 2 Winner: Tracey Corkery (34) 73 Nett

FIXTURES

7th/8th May - Stableford - Sponsored by Castlerosse Park Hotel

BEAUFORT GOLF CLUB (MENS)

23RD/24TH APRIL - STABLEFORD - SPONSORED BY MENS BRANCH

1st: Barry Murphy (38) 48 pts
2nd: Maurece Wallace (18) 41 pts
3rd: Niall Greaney (10) 40 pts
4th: Michael A O'Sullivan (22) 39 pts
5th: Michael Brouder (19) 39 pts

FIXTURES

7th/8th May - Stableford - Yellow Tees - Sponsored by Mens Branch

ROSS LADIES GOLF CLUB NOTES

RESULTS

Well done to Sarah Scanlon who won the 9-hole competition last weekend with 15 points.

COMPETITIONS

9 & 18 hole Single Stapleford qualifying competition on Friday 6th May and Saturday 7th May. Tee times Friday 10.30am - 11.00am and Saturday 14.00 - 14.30pm Enter via the ClubV1 app.

MEET AND PLAY

Each Wednesday morning meet at 10.15am for 10.30am. All members welcome

DEERPARK PITCH & PUTT CLUB

BANK HOLIDAY WEEKEND DRAWS

Sunday April 30th; Fourball/Betterball

Nett: John Murphy & Niall O'Loughlin
Gross: Michael Cronin & John Murphy.
Hole-In-One: Mark O'Shea (4th Green)

Monday May 1st, Two Ball Scramble

First Nett: Robbie O'Brien Snr & Betty O'Brien 30½

Gross: Robbie O'Brien Snr & Sean Ashe 46
Second Nett: Aidan O'Keefe and Dan Kiely 38.

COUNTY STROKEPLAY (ADULT)

Best Wishes to everyone from the club taking

part in these events which we are hosting on Sunday. Please note that the event is dress code and is also the first trial for the Kerry Intermediate and Junior teams. Play gets underway at 8.30am and the course is closed to all other play until its completion.

BOB CASEY

This event gets under on Tuesday May 17th in Tralee and continues until June 14th with the club hosting Round 4 on June 7th. Entry €5 per round and a total of €15 for entire tournament. More details next week.

National Strokeplay Entry Sheet: Now on noticeboard with entry €15 per player. Please ensure you are a fully paid up member and registered with Pitch & Putt Ireland and have competition fee paid prior to entering.

CASTLEROSSE LADIES GOLF CLUB

RESULTS OF WEEKEND LADIES CLUB SPONSORED 9 HOLE STABLEFORD

1st: Kitty O'Grady (22) 19 pts
2nd: Marie O'Brien (13) 16 pts
3rd: Kay Spillane (23) 16 pts
Congratulations all!

FORTHCOMING COMPETITION

9 Hole MIXED Scramble Tuesday evenings. Open to Members and Non-Members. Draw for Partners at 6pm Sharp. Sign in at Clubhouse before 6pm OR sign in on BRS (tee times do not apply)

Results from last week's competition: Stuart Graham, Marie O'Brien, Barbara O'Shea

CLUB SPONSORED COMPETITION

9 or 18 Hole Scramble Fri.6th/Sat.7th May..sign in on BRS

SOCIAL GOLF

Wednesdays (blocked off tee times) 12pm-1pm. Sign in on BRS. Draw for partners and times on Tuesday evening. Play your own ball in a relax and fun atmosphere. All members welcome.

LESSONS

Always time to refresh the golf swing. Lessons Wednesday 11.00-12 noon. Saturday 10.30-11.30am.

MAINE VALLEY MEMBERS GOLF CLUB

RESULTS OF SINGLES 30 APRIL/1 MAY SPONSORED BY PAUL FITZGERALD & SON.

1st: Mervin Clifford (23) 43pts
2nd: Michael J O'Sullivan (9) 42pts (back 9)



Donie Evans, winner of Dermot Foley's Listry Golf Society President's Prize at Faha Court on Saturday night.

- 3rd: Donie Evans (15) 42pts
Division 1 (index up to 13.4)
Donal Lynch (11) 41pts
Division 2 (index 13.5 to 17.0)
Gary Stynes (15) 41pts
Division 3 (index 17.1 to 22.0)
Con Murphy (21) 38pts
Division 4 (index 22.1 and above)
Seamus Mannix (29) 39pts
Top 20 2021 playoff winner: Mervin Clifford (23) 43pts.
Well done to all prize winners.

LISTRY GOLF SOCIETY

DERMOT FOLEY PRESIDENT'S PRIZE 2022

Overall winner: Donie Evans

Cat 1:

- 1st: Sean Hartnett
- 2nd: Eamonn Courtney
- 3rd: Robert Gallagher
- 4th: Patie Sugrue
- 5th: Pat Sheahan
- F9: Brendan Breen
- B9: Alan Daly

Cat 2:

- 1: Tim Lynch
- 2: Joe Daly
- 3: Margaret O'Sullivan
- 4: Brendan Courtney
- F9: Yvonne Eadie
- B9: Mike Breen
- SENIOR: Mike Mannix
- LADIES: Mary Conroy
- COMMITTEE: Chris Kimmage
- GUEST: 1: Diarmuid Foley
- 2: Donnagh Kelly.



At the presentation of prizes to the winners of the Avondale Projects sponsored competition in the Ross Golf Club are :-
(l to r) Mike J Casey, President, John Nolan, Dominic Rintoul, Virginijus Jonikaitis, winner, Donie Broderick Captain, John Ivory, Anthony O'Mahony.



The foley family pictured at Dermot foleys Listry Golf Society President's Prize giving ceremony in Faha Court



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Members of Workmen Rowing Club pictured in Skibbereen last weekend

KILLARNEY RFC NEWS

U18 GIRLS CONTEST BOWL FINAL

Last Saturday our U18 girls travelled to Ballincollig to take on Bantry in the Munster U18 Development Bowl final. A fantastic match, our girls gave it their all but were beaten by what was a very strong Bantry side. Very well done to the girls who played their hearts out and represented the club with huge pride, finishing up a fantastic season. A huge thanks to coaches Paidi O'Sullivan, Liam Murphy and Jenna Moynihan for looking after the girls all season and to the fantastic travelling support on the day.

GIRLS ONLY GIVE IT A TRY

We will commence this year's Girls only Give it a try programme tomorrow, Saturday the 7th of May at Aghadoe. Girls rugby is thriving and this programme is for new players who would like to literally give rugby a try. All welcome. For further details contact Fiona on 087-2304689.

TAG TUESDAYS RETURN

Our tag rugby has returned for the summer at Aghadoe, taking place each Tuesday between 7pm and 9pm and costs €5 per session. For details give Ger Moynihan a shout on 087-1240365.

WORKMENS ROWING CLUB

After a long winter training programme for all our rowers it was time to put our hard work to use as the regatta season got underway for 2022. We started the season off in Drinagh, West Cork for the Drinagh Head. An ideal day and conditions perfect to get our crews back to racing. Our J14 and J15 girls crews got their racing season underway and had a fine performance for their first ever regatta experience. Our Club 2 double

of Aoibhinn Coffey and Siobhan Burns won their event in fine style to set up a great season of rowing ahead for these ladies. Ava Rudden also won out the final of her single skull J18 event a great start for her season also. Our mens double and single skulls performed well in all events putting workmens in the mix. All crews enjoyed the racing and credit to a brilliantly organised event by Skibbereen Rowing Club.

Next up a trip to O'Briens Bridge. A fine early start for all competitors and long days rowing in tough conditions. Our J14 and J15 girls continued their great performance and finished very well in their races. Steady progress being seen in these girls and smiles all round. Our Club 2 ladies crews again were a force to be reckoned with and our crew of Aoibhinn Coffey and Siobhan Burns finished second in their final. Our mens crews also competed very well in their single skull events in very tough conditions on the day. Ben Cussen and Caoilin Ireland teamed up here as a double and came in close second in their final.

Next up all boats derigged and off to the National Rowing Centre in Inniscarra for last weekends Skibbereen Regatta. What a fantastic 2 days of racing again for all our competitors. Our Club 2 ladies crews both making the final of their double event with 2nd and 3rd place



Killarney Rugby Club U18's girls who were in action last Saturday.



Congratulations to the Holy Cross Mercy girls who represented Killarney Valley Athletic club in the Aherns Mazda Cup Match Athletics against Tralee Harriers on Thursday. Well done to all.

finishes and a very impressive 3rd place for our J14 girls crew. Our Club 2 ladies quad crew of Siobhan Burns, Ciara Moynihan, Lucy Spellman and Aoibhinn Coffey coxed by the one and only Mickey Joe Burns finished 2nd in the sweep quad and winning their A final on Saturday was the icing on the cake.

We had competitors in a large number of events this weekend with many reaching finals in both men and women's events. Again a fantastically ran weekend of rowing giving everybody a want for more.

Special thanks to all coaches, coxes, parents, family and friends for help over the weekend. We March on to Castleconnell Sprints on May 14th. WORKMENS ABU



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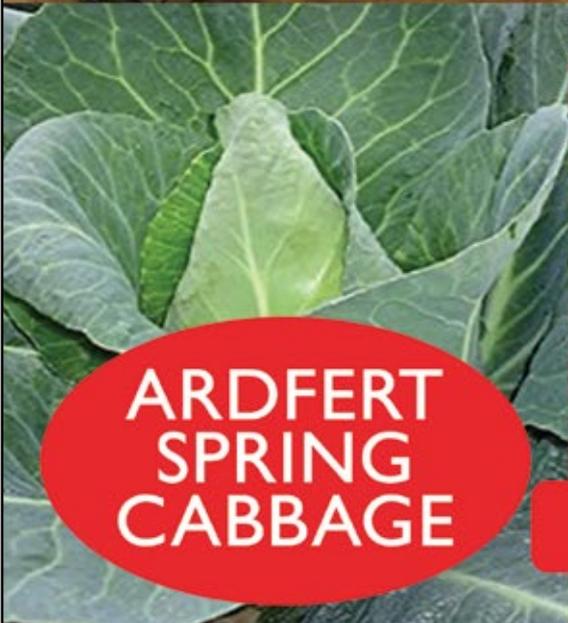


Aoibhinn Coffey and Siobhan Burns won their event in fine style

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KILLARNEY ATHLETIC

U16 PREMIER

Killarney Athletic 0 St Brendans Park 6

U13 GIRLS CUP

Killarney Athletic 0 Killarney Celtic 2

U15 CUP QUARTER FINAL RESULT

Killarney Athletic A.F.C 3 St Brendans Park 1

Jack Rudden 2, Fionn Daly 2

Our young Blues made the trip to Tralee this evening to play a place in the Semi-Final of the Cup. A very good start and taking our chances saw us go into the break with a 3 goal lead. Park rallied in the second half and got a well deserved goal and were on the front foot most of the second half but our boys remained resilient in defence and held out for the win.

U14 PREMIER DIVISION RESULT

Killarney Athletic 2 Inter Kenmare 0

Goals for Athletic: Szymon Jasiński, Liam Harmon.

U15 DIV 1 LEAGUE

Killarney Athletic Tralee Dynamos

Athletic made the trip over to Tralee for their last game of the league. From the get go Dynamos were on top. Athletic never gave up but Dynamos took all 3 points from the game.

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€500 Brendan Moloney. €100 each: Margaret Mullins, Fergal Murphy, Lorraine Fleming, Anthony O Sullivan, Siobhan and Johnny Quinlan..

300 CLUB DRAW APRIL

James and Ewan Marshall. €100 each: Sean Quill, Tadgh Hickey, Trevor Nagle, Gonna look De Campa, Claire O Shea.

KILLARNEY ATHLETIC SUMMER CAMPS

U12 PREMIER

Killarney Athletic 2 Killarney Celtic 1

Athletic welcomed their near rivals to Woodlawn on Wednesday evening. Athletic made most of the early running and we unlucky on a few occasions not to take an early lead ..the visitors were hard to break down and were dangerous on the counter at times .. second half Hennigan Corcoran and Moynihan were all causing problems with their pace and skill .. with them unlucky not to score throughout the second half .. Celtic took the lead with 20 mins to go .. our lads had to dig deep and they answered all questions asked when Enna Hennigan scored a beautiful free kick that went in off the underside of the bar.. and with 10 mins to go Jayden Hurley

turned and hit an unstoppable shot right into the top corner, the young blues defended well to see the game out.

KILLARNEY CELTIC

CELTIC LOTTO

Numbers drawn 6,10,17,24. No jackpot winner. Match 3 received €75. Next jackpot €4,400 on Monday May 9th. Tickets available from The Dungeon Bookshop, Hegarty's Park Rd, online at clubforce.com and club members.

PREMIER A

Tralee Dynamos 0, Killarney Celtic 3

Stephen McCarthy, Ryan Kelleher, Terry Sparling Celtic continue to remain unbeaten in the League after an away win in Tralee. The team now face into a Munster Junior Cup Semi final on Saturday away to Fairview Rangers in Jackman Park at 5pm.

YOUTHS LEAGUE

Killarney Celtic 2, Killorglin AFC 2

Aodhan O'Neill, Luke O'Neill

Celtic led before Killorglin struck twice within a minute but Celtic refused to lie down and were rewarded with an equaliser.

U14 CUP

Killarney Celtic 3, Listowel Celtic 5

Dara O'Sullivan, Sean Collins, Conor Warren.

Killarney were down 5-1 before a stirring comeback in the 2nd half but Listowel progressed to the semi final.

U13 PREMIER

St Brendan's Park 2, Killarney Celtic 1

Ignacy Truchan

Celtic led 1-0 but Park came back to take the points in a very tightly contested match.

U12 PREMIER

Killarney Celtic 1, Listowel Celtic 0

Pa McCarthy

All meetings between these 2 sides have been tight and so it was once again with Killarney shading the verdict this time.

Killarney Athletic 2, Killarney Celtic 1

Luke Clancy

Celtic led but Athletic bounced back to claim the points.

GIRLS

U14 CUP

Killarney Celtic Green 7, Listowel Celtic 3



Killarney Athletic Girls Academy enjoying a blitz in Listowel



Killarney Athletic welcomed Killarney Celtic to Woodlawn recently.

Emma Daly 3, Hannah Casey, Kate Forde, Jessica Leggate and an og.

The 14 Green squad bounced back to form with a home win in the cup over Listowel.

U14 SHIELD

LB Rovers 1, Killarney Celtic White 5

Lily O'Shaughnessy 2, Niamh Brosnan, Ali Bowler, Ella O'Connor.

The White squad progressed to the Shield semi final thanks to a good win in Ballybunion

U13 CUP

Killarney Athletic 0, Killarney Celtic 2.

Puttanya Ryan, Ella Murphy

Celtic advanced to next round of the cup after a good win in Woodlawn

CONGRATS to Luke Clancy u12 who made the KSBGL Team of the Week and also to Cora O'Donovan, Amelia Carroll Kelly, Ciara Forde who made the Girls Roll of Honour.



Killarney Celtic U13 squad who defeated Killarney Athletic in the U13 Cup



Killarney Athletic U13 Premier Girls

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KERRY 2-07 -V- WATERFORD 0-07



Well done to the Kerry team and management on a hard-fought well-earned win against a determined & well organised Waterford in Mallow on Sunday. In a game that was slow to get going it wasn't until the sixth minute that the game got its first score of the afternoon. A point from Kerry's Aishling Hannafin before Aoibhe Waring equalised for the Deise to draw the sides level. Waterford went into the lead in the nineteenth minute with a free by Claire Walsh and extended their lead further shortly after with a point from play by full forward Brid McMagh. Kerry were finding it harder to come by scores. This was as a result of Waterford playing a very defensive setup with 13 players behind the ball. It was forcing Kerry to take shots they would otherwise not take. Kerry outscored Waterford two points to one in the last five minutes of the half. Two frees from Melanie Higgins saw Kerry go in at the break trailing by a point 0-03 -v- 0-04. With the second half underway Waterford got off to a flyer. Midfielder Claire Walsh extending the Deise

lead to two. Kerry kept in touch with another free by Melanie Higgins to reduce the deficit to the bare minimum. Waterford sensing, they had a chance to take the title it afforded Kerry more opportunities up front as they didn't commit so many bodies back. An Aishling Hannafin goal in the sixth minute as a result of a free dropping short saw Kerry take the lead by two points. It was only the second time Kerry had taken the lead in the game. Nevry moments followed as Waterford scored two points to draw level midway through the second half. While the Kerry players and management would be disappointed during the game with their performance, they can be proud of the determination & work rate they produced in the final stages of the game to come out victorious. Points from Melanie Higgins and Clodagh Murray saw Kerry extend the lead back out to two. The assurance score coming from midfielder Amy Harrington with four minutes remaining. Her goal giving Kerry a comfortable five-point lead. Waterford tried everything in

the closing stages but their cause wasn't helped with the sin binning of Eve Power. It wasn't to be however as Katie Hannan pulled off a save and substitute Kayla Getkake scoring the final point of the afternoon to see Kerry crowned Munster Minor B Champions. Kerry now go forward to the All Ireland Minor B Semi Final on July 20th. Kerry: K Hannan, K McGrath, S Fitzpatrick, J Jill, C NicEoin, R Rahilly, G Reidy, A Harrington (1-0), E O'Connell, F Ni Chathasaigh, S Taylor, C Murray (0-1), M Higgins (0-04F), A Hannafin 9(1-01), S Dorian
Subs: N Quinn for S Taylor, R Smith for C NicEoin, K Getkake (0-01) for A Hannafin, C Gannon for G Reidy
Waterford: K Gardner, E Bolger, G Nugent, M Buck, A Hickey, S Parker, A Warning (0-01), E Power, C Walsh (0-3 2F), A Shankey, E O'Neill, A Murphy, N Power, B McMagh (0-02), S O'Brien (0-01)
Subs: K Brazil for S O'Brien, H McGrath for A Shankley, R Hogan for A Waring

MUNSTER U16 A CHAMPIONSHIP FINAL

CORK 3-10 -V- KERRY 2-03

Disappointing result in Mallow saw Kerry loose out to Cork by nine points. The Kingdom got off to the perfect start with a goal by Lisa Slattery in the second minute. Despite this it was Cork who dominated the score board with the impressive corner forward Deirdre Cronin scoring five unanswered points 3 from frees and two from play to open up a two-point lead midway through the half. Aideen O'Brien kept the visitors in touch with their first point of the afternoon from play in the twenty first minute to reduce the deficit to one. But it was Cork who went in at the break two points in front Cork 0-06 Kerry 1-01. Kerry would be disappointed not to have tagged on a couple of more scores & would be equally disappointed with their handling and distribution particularly in the first half as they played with the wind advantage. Kerry needed to start the second half the strongest

but it was Cork who took the game by the scruff of the neck at the start of the second half scoring 1-01 without response to open up a six-point lead. The goal coming from Aoibhinn O'Neill. Kerry were keeping in touch on the scoreboard with two frees from Aideen O'Brien. A goal in the eighteen minute of the second half from Kerry saw them right back in the game as the gap was now down to two. Aideen O'Brien attempt at a free saw the wind take hold of the ball allowing Kerry's Lucy O'Connor to gather, turn and crash the ball into the back of the net. Unfortunately for Kerry it was Cork who finished the strongest scoring 2-01 without response, Niamh O'Sullivan with a brace as both sides each had a player in the sin bin. Mikala Mulvihill for Kerry and Cork midfielder Sinead Hurley both receiving yellow cards as tensions grew entering the closing stages of the final as Cork ran out winners on a score

line Cork 3-10 Kerry 2-03
While the better team won the score, line does not reflect the effort by the players throughout the match. We thank them for all their effort and commitment they have given this year
Cork: M Murphy, A Mc Kennedy, G Cronin (C), M McRae, A O'Riordan, K Williamson, A Daly, A Fitzgerald, S Hurley, B Smith (0-1), A O'Neill (1-1), A Shepard, D Cronin (0-7 4f), N O'Sullivan (2-0), K Carey
Subs used: M McGoldrick, L McMahon
Kerry: K Fitzgerald, S Collernan, L O'Sullivan, E Costello, H O'Brien, E Ni Laighin, S Scanlon, K Enright, M Mulvihill, C Daly, A O'Brien (0-3 2f), L O'Connor, L Slattery (1-0), S Corkery, S O'Donovan
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JIMMY O'SULLIVAN-DARCY takes a look at all things sport...

RALLY OF THE LAKES

After being in abeyance due to covid, the return of the Rally of the Lakes saw a huge crowd descend on Killarney for the most successful rally the town has ever seen. It was very well organised and very well run all through, so congratulations to Clerk of the Course Darren McCormick (who took on the role previously held by his father Gary) and all involved.

The overall winners were Callum Devine and Noel O'Sullivan, who were virtually neck and neck on the clock with Alistair Fisher and Gordon Noble. The recent Circuit of Ireland winners won four of the six stages on Saturday but six stage wins saw Devine and O'Sullivan trim the gap back to 3.1 seconds before the Caragh Lake decider, where the leaders were a touch unlucky to swing a fraction too wide on a left hander and slide off, leaving the way clear for the winners. Second placed Josh Moffett was a full minute behind but that's enough to see him stretch his lead at the top of the thrifish Tarmac Rally Championship standings.

Not surprisingly, Rob Duggan and Ger Conway were the local headliners, winning the national category in their Ford Escort with a time of 1.43.50.5 to see off a strong challenge from Kevin Eves and Chris Melly. The achievement is all the more notable considering that the winners had to contend with oil and clutch issues during the day.

KERRY VERSUS CORK



There isn't really too much to say in terms of a preview. The blip in 2020 aside, Kerry have very much had the upper hand over our neighbours in recent years. I suspect that the controversy over the venue has been manna from heaven for a lot of journalists. There wasn't too much they could say about the actual game.

At least the venue is settled now – I don't think players on either side will have been too distracted by it. For me, a big issue that isn't being mentioned too much is the fact that a lot of the supporters who fail to get a ticket will also not be able to watch the game on television – Sky have the broadcasting rights to the game. I'm no naysayer and I do understand that revenue is important for nurturing the roots of the game, but to me that broadcasting deal was an outright betrayal of the basic principles of the game. As for the nonsense



Winning co-driver Noel O'Sullivan Jnr with his parents Noel Snr and Marion O'Sullivan at the prizegiving ceremony of the Killarney and District Motor Club International Rally of the Lakes at The Gleneagle Hotel, Killarney on Sunday.
Picture: Eamonn Keogh

about it would allow the diaspora in England and Australia to be able to watch the games... well, it turned out very predictably that neither was all that interested. A terrible decision, even worse than the change of minor to U17, which was also opposed by the vast majority of the grassroots.

Pairc Uí Rinn is a very tight ground for supporters, but the pitch is actually quite a decent size – it's as long and a bit wider than the Fitzgerald Stadium in that regard. I expect that Kerry will enjoy having the space to operate.

Ian Maguire is unlikely to be back, and I rate the midfielder very highly. Mark Keane could slot in well for him (despite his cameo in the forwards in 2020, Keane made his name with as a midfielder) but he, like the Cahalanes, opted for hurling instead and it's football's loss. In fact, Cork rather inexplicably lost or cast aside some good and experienced footballers (Luke Connolly in particular could be wayward, but he was unpredictable and always had the potential to be a game-changer). Stephen Sherlock has lifted some of the colossal scoring burden off the magnificent Brian Hurley's shoulders, but Cork just don't have enough teeth for a game of this calibre. I expect them to play with a packed blanket defence, but they can't transition fast enough to attack.

Kerry hammered Cork last year; there is no point in dressing it up. And Kerry look to be in even better shape now than then. We won Division One comfortably, while Cork needed a massive slice of luck in their last game against Offaly to stay up in Division Two. I'm less enamoured with the fact that we didn't concede many goals from play, a regular failing of ours in recent years, during the League – check it again, we actually coughed up a fair few goal chances. But both Jason Foley and Tadgh Morley have grown into real linchpins

and the defence is well settled. Mike Breen is a loss, but we have very strong back-up for the jerseys now. Diarmuid and a much-improved Jack (I don't think he gets the credit he deserves) should edge midfield – I still expect David Moran to be staking a claim for a starting berth later on in the championship. Up front I expect Dara Moynihan's ability to win dirty ball to edge Stephen O'Brien's pacy threat for a starting jersey – Adrian Spillane was quietly become a mainstay of this team. Seán O'Shea to return on the forty, with the incisive Paudie Clifford taking an unlucky Paul Geaney's corner forward berth. I stress that I am only guessing; I have and want absolutely no inside info on the team.

Bottom line? Cork are always dangerous underdogs, and this won't be the rout that many people are expecting, but John Cleary will have done well standing in for Keith Ricken if Cork are competitive to the finish. I can only see one winner here.

ALL IRELAND CHAMPIONSHIPS

Momentum is starting to build and games are starting to come thick and fast. It feels unnaturally early in the year, but remember that you'll have a good few extra games next year. I still say that this is the right time-frame with maybe a few tweaks.

Obviously, one result last weekend stands head and shoulders above the rest. All Ireland champions Tyrone were not just beaten, but walloped by Derry. Incredibly, it was just Derry's second win in the Ulster Championship in an entire decade! Now, Derry had a very good League (they were unlucky not to get promotion in the finish and played a lovely brand of football). I'm not surprised to see

Derry coming good. During Kerry's sequence of All Ireland minor wins, Derry were the team who gave them the most trouble outside of Munster. Conor Glass in midfield had the same stellar reputation as Kerry's David Clifford, and for the same reason. Himself and Shane McGuigan were the main stars of a St. Pats Maghera team that put it up to the Sem in a Hogan Cup final – Glass's controversial red card turned that game. His return from Australia was a huge boost to Tyrone. That said, I did not see them beating Tyrone, let alone by this margin. The Red Hand will be hugely disappointed with their display here. Once again, their discipline was open to question, with Brian Kennedy and Conor McKenna both picking up unnecessary red cards - Kennedy might have been a touch unlucky, but he did kick out and the decision was correct. Tyrone are deadly once they go in front – it's very hard to break down the massed ranks of their half back line. However, it's a very different proposition once they go behind, and this was a case of the biter bit, as Derry hit them at pace for scores early on and then quite simply shut up shop, frequently having fifteen men back in their own half.

Mind you, the back door could actually suit Tyrone better. They would have faced two tough games in Ulster against quality opposition and then had a four week break to the quarter-final. This way, they'll have two qualifier games (again, assuming they win) spread out more evenly and almost certainly against easier opposition – mind you, they could be drawn against Mayo in one of those qualifiers. That would be interesting, I suspect both teams' training schedule was timed to peak later on.

The qualifiers will be very interesting. You currently have Tyrone, Armagh, Mayo, Clare, and Louth in the mix, to be joined by some other big guns next weekend, including the winners of Kerry and Cork. The Chinese famously had a blessing "May you live in interesting times". It also doubled up as a curse. There's a couple of teams, not least the reigning All Ireland champions, who will understand the sentiment!

No real surprises in Leinster. Wexford's reward for a thrilling first round win over Offaly against the odds was a twenty point hammering by Dublin. Hardly a shocker. Likewise, Wicklow's thrilling victory over a fancied Laois earned them the lions' den of Meath, who promptly filled their scoring boots. Kildare also saw off Louth comfortably. Westmeath are the only surprise package in the Leinster semi-finals, and I don't see them troubling Dublin either. I'd fancy Kildare to beat Meath – the Royals have improved massively from where they were, but they still flatter to deceive and it seems to be an ingrained problem at this stage. Westmeath are the wild card, but I can't see them stopping the blue juggernaut that is Dublin, who will have the scent of an All Ireland in their nostrils now that both Tyrone and Mayo are in the qualifiers.

U20 KERRY V TYRONE

Hard to tell at this remove. Kerry have been very jittery in both their games so far, only pulling away late on – their fitness is certainly

impressive. I have to say that I think these players should have been lining out with their clubs early in the county league, and not just for the clubs' sake. Regardless of the quality of training and challenge games, you need competitive games to stay sharp. They have been very defensive – maybe a bit too much so. Heinrich tends to blossom in a traditional centre back role, I don't want him dropping too deep. Kerry's full back line of O'Callaghan, Dineen, and Nagle are well able to fend for themselves – with both Clare and Cork dropping a forward back, Nagle was actually able to come out the field and was excellent. Ruairí Murphy in midfield has been Kerry's best player for me, while Seán O'Brien hasn't been far off him. Cillian Burke is another to excel, but I'd much prefer him as a target-man inside rather than number ten – a straight swap with sublime passer Kevin Goulding might well benefit both players. In fact, Declan O'Sullivan will have some tough decisions to make in the forwards. The subs against Cork like Jack O'Connor, Jordan Kissane, and Gearóid Hassett all staked strong claims to starting jerseys this time out, albeit with the caveat that Cork were beginning to run on empty at this stage.

I won't pretend that I know a lot about Tyrone. I did see the Ulster Final – fair play to TG4 for showing the games for free – and one thing that struck me was that this Tyrone team are not a blanket defence team by any means in modern terms. Of course they do drop players back when not in possession, just like we do ourselves, but they actually play a traditional style of football and play it well. I hope I'm wrong, not least because I consider this grade to be far, far more influential than minor in terms of winning All Irelands, but I think Kerry will be up against it next Sunday. Then again, given that it's a knock-out competition, teams tend to improve with every game they play and we have two decent tests under our belt. If we can play to our full potential....but that's always the 'if', isn't it?

LADIES GAA

Kerry will face Tipperary in the curtain-raiser to the Kerry v Cork game in Pairc Uí Rinn. Brilliant for them – the Kerry ladies deserve more support from the general public than they get at games. I have no time for patronising nonsense, if the games were poor quality (and a few years ago, the standard was poor) I'd say it, but Darragh Long and Declan Quill have assembled a strong backroom team and quietly and carefully built a very good team. From the outside it can often appear that we are heavily dependent on the magnificent Louise Ní Muircheartaigh for scores, but in actual fact Kerry have developed some outstanding sharpshooters in the likes of Siofra O'Shea and Hannah O'Donoghue (both were carrying injuries from the National League and I don't know the state of play) and Danielle O'Leary. The Rathmore sharpshooter was always something of a prodigy, but she has added consistency to her game – she carried her impressive club form into a phenomenal display off the bench in the Division Two League Final. Erica McGlynn is another who has staked a real claim to a jersey, while experienced

campaigners like Lorraine Scanlon, Aishling O'Connell, and Anna Galvin are a match for anyone out there. Tipperary have some fine players themselves – keep an eye out for Anna Rose Kennedy and Emma Morrissey. However, Kerry's promotion back to Division One will be a huge confidence booster and I expect Kerry to lay down a marker here. Cork and then Dublin have completely dominated the All Ireland series in recent years, while Meath were an absolute and magnificent bolt out of the blue (Kerry were beating that Meath team in the League before they burst through to win a stunning All Ireland). I don't expect Kerry to go all the way this year, but I do hope and expect that they will be knocking on that door.

KERRY HURLERS FIND THEIR GROOVE

MCDONAGH CUP:

KERRY 6-25 MEATH 0-13

After their last couple of games had gone badly awry, Kerry got back on track with a good win over Carlow. Last weekend they were understandably favourites against a struggling Meath, especially in Austin Stack Park, but the 'favourites' tag is weak currency in Kerry hurling after those two defeats against Down. Kerry looked a whole different proposition this time out, though. Meath, respectfully, were poor enough, but Kerry would have beaten better teams with the hurling they produced this time out.

It was all but over after just five minutes. Niall Mulcahy found Shane Conway with a great pass from the start and he neatly drilled it past a hapless Charlie Ennis. Minutes later the former Fitzgibbon star was on the end of a great Kerry move to slot goal number two. Eric Leen sliced through the porous Meath defence and laid off to Colin Walsh for Kerry's third – the game was just five minutes old.

Meath finally got off the mark with a free and added two points from play, but Niall Mulcahy and Colum Harty (2) replied in kind. In fact, Harty was just millimetres away from scoring a fourth Kerry goal. Kerry were totally on top in defence and with the likes of Fionán Mackessy, Gavin Dooley, Eoin Ross (the full back is making a habit of scoring these days!) and Pádraig Boyle finding easy space, Kerry opened up a 3-8 to 0-5 lead. It has to be said that they left a fair few chances behind them as well, with four wides on the trot (on another day that would be fatal) but Mackessy and Boyle finished the half strongly to leave Kerry in front by 3-10 to 0-7.

Further goals from Maurice O'Connor off the bench and a late one from the outstanding Niall Mulcahy served only to emphasize the gulf in class between the teams. Meath look a virtual certainty for a relegation berth. Kerry, remarkably, are now in second place in the table behind red hot favourites Antrim, and will be at home in their next game to Offaly. That one will almost certainly decide which of the two reach the final.

One man who would have loved this display was Teddy Hennessy of the great Ballyduff family. Ar dheis Dé go raibh a anam dílis.

BOXING

KATIE TAYLOR RULES THE WORLD

We all know that words like 'legend' and 'icon' are tossed about far too easily when it comes to sport. As far as I am concerned, you need to be still relevant to conversations about your sport a century from now to achieve that status. When you consider it in those terms, there are very few Irish sports people who qualify. In football, you have Dick Fitzgerald, Larry Stanley, Tommy Murphy, O'Connell, and Seán Purcell. Hurling would have the triumvirate of Ring, Mackey, and Keher, maybe Shefflin or DJ. Lynch and Barry Murphy as dual players. Irish soccer? Roy perhaps in Ireland, but certainly not on the world stage and unfortunately Saipan is likely to be the main feature of that conversation. World Cup winner Jack Charlton certainly, but his Irish adventure would only be a small chapter in that story. Athletics? You can make an argument for Ronnie Delaney, Coghlan, Treacy, Sonia...but in world terms a century from now people will have heard of Usain Bolt and that's about it. Rugby? Jack Kyle, Mike Gibson, Moss Keane, Willie John, Brian O'Driscoll. Paul O'Connell maybe. Golf? McIlroy and Harrington have a chance, and only a chance.

In boxing (which brings me to my laboured point) Gorgeous Gael Jack Doyle, certainly. Jack Dempsey was as much Cherokee as Irish, we have an unfortunate tendency to try and claim people on very thin grounds. Oh, and Katie.

A century from now, when they talk in world terms about womens' boxing, they will most certainly talk about Katie Taylor. Her gold medal in the first Olympics to allow the sport made that pretty likely. Headlining Madison Square Garden, itself an icon of boxing, guarantees it. Womens' boxing needed this one if it was to evolve, and it needed this to be a good fight. It exceeded all hopes

I don't mind admitting that I thought Katie was very much up against it in this one. I hadn't seen much of Amanda Serrano's previous fights, but what I did see had me worried. Katie is very, very strong aerobically, good footwork, and lightning fast hands. What she doesn't have is a knockout punch per se. Serrano does – where Katie gives multiple adder stings, Serrano is a cobra. I felt that if it went the distance, Katie could edge it on points, but given the whirlwind energy they both bring to the ring, I didn't expect it to go the distance. It very nearly didn't!

Katie allowed Serrano to hold the centre of the ring early on, picking her off with quick and accurate shots and neatly dodging Serrano's missiles. Katie was forcing her opponent to move a lot – I wondered if she was planning on tiring her out. In fairness to Serrano, she came fearlessly hunting from the off – there was going to be no shadow-boxing or testing the waters here! Katie was devastatingly accurate, though, and landed some big punches in the second. Even when Serrano did manage to pin her to the ropes in the third, Katie had the strength to hold her off. The Dubliner was well on top at this stage.

The fourth was tougher, though. Serrano was



taking every punch and shrugging them off, boring back in relentlessly, and it began to tell. Katie still won more telling punches in that round, but it was much closer and Serrano was visibly growing in confidence.

The pendulum swung hugely in the fifth. Serrano landed a couple of big ones early on and Katie looked shaken. Once she got pinned to the ropes, it was Serrano who was landing thunderbolts and the champion was in real trouble. Trading punches toe-to-toe is Serrano's preferred style and she kept pressing in close. It took everything Katie had, plus maybe a smidgin of luck, to survive the round. She's tough, though. Katie has outclassed most of her opponents so well (honourable mention to Jonas in particular as an exception) that she has rarely taken this kind of pounding, but she took it and gave back change with the receipt. She was under the same pressure in the sixth, but she had taken the best that Serrano could throw and come through the storm – albeit barely. Certainly she went back to bobbing and weaving rather than slugging it out, and it was more successful – I suspect that her corner had advised her to go back to the original gameplan. The seventh and eighth rounds were a little bit messy, a little slower in tempo (still top quality, though) and more short flurries of action rather than a constant press. Both boxers were obviously feeling it now. Katie had her second wind by the ninth and, something of a trademark of hers, was able to lift it a gear. Serrano was still very dangerous, but again Katie's hand speed and accuracy were telling and she seemed to grow in confidence after landing a couple of big ones early in the round. Serrano was less aggressive now; it was Katie who was doing the hunting. Fair play to Serrano, though, she tried to return everything she got with interest, but Katie's technique was that little fraction better and she was firmly back in the driving seat by the end of the round, albeit without ever looking like forcing a stoppage.

Serrano must have known that she needed a knockout in that tenth and final round, and she went for it. To my surprise, and perhaps a little consternation, Katie met her head-on and they both went looking to finish it early. I was

amazed – Katie must have known that she was ahead on points, and I'd have been telling her to slow it down and to stay far away from that big right hand of Serrano's. I'm not sure that it was the wisest strategy at that point, but it was definitely the most entertaining. This was fantastic boxing, regardless of gender or weight or anything else. This was as good as you could ever see in the ring. It was very close – Serrano might even have shaded the round by a tiny fraction, but that wasn't enough.

One judge had Serrano winning it by two rounds – I wouldn't agree, but it was close enough all through that it wouldn't have been a huge controversy. The other two saw it the same as me, though, and there was a massive roar from the crowd when Katie's hand was raised in victory.

Promoters Eddie Hearn and Jake Paul both spoke of a willingness to set up a rematch (of course they did – the boxing public would flock to it after the quality and excitement of this fight. Paul did try and claim that it was "a draw at best" – the crowd made their feelings known on that bluster very quickly. Interestingly, Hearn immediately mooted Croke Park as a venue, noting that it would be a shame if Katie finished her career (this was her 21st win as a professional) without boxing at home. Given the amount of money and public interest involved, I can't see the GAA authorities who welcomed the likes of Ed Sheeran and the NFL with open arms saying no!

BASKETBALL IMPRESSIVE KERRY SHOWING AT BASKETBALL IRELAND AWARDS

Basketball has a long and proud tradition in basketball since the late forties and early fifties. That fell into brief abeyance for a few years in national terms, but came back with a real bang and the game is now very strong in both clubs and schools throughout the county. Having the likes of legendary NBA skills coach Drew Hanlen visiting St.Pauls in Killarney, arranged by James Weldon, is testament to the ambition and the work being put in on the ground. The Basketball Ireland Awards 2022 reflect that.

Aaron Calixte was practically an automatic selection for the SuperLeague Mens' Player of the Year – no surprise given Tralee Warriors double delivery, with John Dowling the SuperLeague Coach of the Year.

Scoil Phobail Sliabh Luachra won the Boys A School of the Year, while Gaelcholáiste Chiarraí won the Girls B School of the Year. Tomás Kennedy was a shoe-in for the Boys U16 Player of the Year, while an award that will be extremely popular is the recognition of Sliabh Luachra's Jim Hughes as the Boys School Coach of the Year.

NATIONAL TEAMS

As well as picking up the Boys A schools Player of the Year Award, Tomás Kennedy of Tralee Imperials has been selected on Pat Price's Irish U16 Boys team and he is joined by Joshua Osayanrhion of Tralee Tigers.

SNOOKER

Ronnie O'Sullivan has often been compared to Stephen Hendry, whose seven World titles he matched last weekend by triumphing over Judd Trump. In truth, I think you could make an equal argument that he is more like Alex Higgins or possibly Jimmy White, whereas Hendry bears better comparison to Steve

Davis. Those two were cool and calculating at the table, eschewing risky brilliance for methodical excellence. Ronnie, like Alex and Jimmy, is capable of weighing up a shot and recognising that it's an extreme risk....and then shooting it anyway. And the thing about Ronnie, unlike the other two, is that he almost invariably pots those shots. Judd Trump tried to play it slowly and safely – it was the wrong strategy. You can't play safety against Ronnie, you simply have to focus on building your clearances. If you leave it behind you, chances are that Ronnie is going to pot it. The 1th frame was a very clear example, Trump should have bagged that one but didn't. Ronnie is no stranger to controversy and has dipped into hot water more than once. He was rightly called out for making an obscene gesture after missing a black earlier in this tournament two weeks ago and was again accused by the referee of the same thing in



the eighth frame after failing to get out of a snooker. Ronnie made a robust denial and in fairness, I find it difficult to believe that this obscene gesture was somehow missed by all the tv cameras at the biggest event in snooker, pretty much all of which were focussed on him. That would have thrown an awful of players off their game – snooker is mentally gruelling, with enormous pressure on every shot – but this guy is different gravy. He seemed to thrive on it and he became the oldest player to win a World Championship. I wouldn't bet against him for next year, either.

KILLARNEY CAMOGIE WIN BACK TO BACK DIVISION 1 FÉILE TITLES

Kerry held their county Féile Tournament over the weekend with seven clubs competing across two divisions. Killarney played Tralee Parnells Friday night in their opening game and came away with their first win. On Saturday the final two group stages were played with only one win needed to secure their spot in the Division 1 Final on Monday. First game was against Cillard. Cillard started off the brighter converting a goal and a point in the opening 10 minutes. Killarney composed themselves and chipped away to reduce the deficit. A few positional changes in the second half was the nail in Cillard's coffin when two excellent goals from play saw Killarney take the lead and the game. With enough done to secure one of the final spots, Killarney fielded a younger team against Causeway in the afternoons final game. Another close game with only points separating the two sides at the finish. The final on Monday was a repeat of the 2021 Féile final with Killarney and Causeway headlining. This Causeway team has never suffered a defeat and cruised to u14 county winners in 2021. Knowing they were coming in as the underdogs, every one of the Killarney panel dug in their heels and got ready for battle. Both sides struggled to convert scores in the first half with Causeway managing to convert one point before the break. With little separating the sides it was obvious a goal would be needed to secure a win. Killarney having one of the best free takers in the county were able to keep Causeway in their sights until 7 minutes from the end when Causeway converted two



frees to pull two ahead. Not to be outdone a breaking ball in the square landed perfectly for Shannon Murphy to whip into the back of the net. Causeway persevered and managed to win a free right in front of the goals. All tied up and only minutes to go, Killarney battled to gain possession. Placed balls had kept us in the game and a free just inside the 65m line was a life line. Once again the accuracy of Killarney's frees held true and we were one up with the game all but over. A fantastic performance by both teams in a nail biting encounter. Killarney now proceed to the National Féile Finals in June. Well done to both teams and all teams involved over the weekend.



OUTLOOK BASKETBALL

PRES BASKETBALLERS ARE ALL IRELAND CHAMPIONS

Secondary School, first year students at St. Brigid's Presentation Secondary School are going out on a high after being crowned All Ireland Basketball Champions in Dublin on Tuesday when they defeated Pres Kilkenny on a score line of 47-10 to win the All Ireland A Schools Cup.

After starting the year unbeaten, the first year St. Brigid's Presentation Secondary School team won the regional final in Ballybunion to progress to the All Irelands.

They then captured the south west region, when they drew Blarney at home in the All-Ireland qualifier.

The quarter final and semi-finals took place in the national basketball arena in Dublin where we played Colaiste Mhuire AG, Cork and Loretto, Dawkey.

The girls put up two great high scoring games to get into the All-Ireland final.

Their final opponent, Pres Kilkenny, had a strong team but after a masterclass on defence on the ball carriers and under the basket followed by excellent fast break points the Killarney girls ran away with a 47-10 win. Pres Killarney won the All Ireland A Schools Cup and remained unbeaten throughout the season. The girls were guided into Killarney town with a Garda Escort. Big things to come from this talented bunch.

Huge thank you to all the support from School management and to those who travelled on the day to Dublin for the game. It was as if we had a 6th player on the court.



The victorious Pres Basketball team with coaches Kate Donnellan and Christian Lyne-Roberts.
Photograph: Katie McCarthy

Scorers in the final were: Ciara O Sullivan - 8 points, Laura Healy - 8, Clodagh Clancy - 10, Cliona Moynihan - 6, Keira Moynihan - 4, Abby Doherty - 3, Liadh Forde - 2, Kate Healy - 4, Martha Myers - 2.

Team list :

Liadh Forde, Zoe counihan, Kate Healy, Martha Myers, Grace Cox, Iveragh Holohan Cliona Moynihan, Eva O Shea, Jennifer Myers, Clodagh Clancy, Ciara O Sullivan, Aideen Fleming, Keira Moynihan, Abby Doherty, Laura Healy (captain)

Coaches Kate Donnellan and Christian Lyne Roberts

Special mention to Rachel Wallace and Claire McCarthy for their outstanding contribution to the team throughout the year.

SCOIL PHOBAIL SLIABH LUACHRA CAPTURE MINOR AND JUNIOR TITLES

Scoil Phobail Sliabh Luachra boys basketball team captured both the Minor and Junior A Leagues at Tallaght on Tuesday of this week

The Minor team beat Colaiste Eanna from Dubin 63-29.

The Junior team beat St Pat's Castleisland 41-30

SPSL were awarded Basketball Ireland Boys A School of the school earlier in the week, having competed in 5 All Ireland Finals this year and winning 4 of them.

Coach Jim Hughes said "The boys worked really hard throughout the year and all the work being done at club level is helping the school basketball programme"

Principal Denis Kerins said "Winning school of the year is a fantastic achievement and deserving for all the hard work of the players and management". Mr Kerins went on to congratulate Jim Hughes on being awarded A Boys Coach of the Year, saying it was richly deserved by our long serving and dedicated coach.



Left to Right: Jim Hughes (Coach) Ross Moriarty (U15 Cup Captain) Conor Moynihan (Junior League Captain) Oisín O'Leary (U14 Cup Captain) Damian Moynihan (Minor League Captain) John Hughes (Coach) Joan O'Mahony (Coach)



Both winning teams pictured in Tallaght on Tuesday



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Following on the mantra of company founder, the late Stanley Divane "As things change, you must change away with it", progressive Motor Dealers, Divanes Castleisland have decided to make the transition to the future by stopping their reliance on fossil fuel energy and turning to solar power.

Divanes is a very busy company and require a lot of energy. Realising that their current power arrangements were not sustainable going forward, the company are very proud to be the first Volkswagen Showroom in their network to make the change to solar power.

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Their ID Cars are produced and delivered to customers in Ireland with a net carbon neutral balance.

The project is the first of its kind in Ireland and Divanes have always aspired to move with the times.

CEREMONIAL START TO THE RALLY OF THE LAKES 2022



A section of the crowd at the Killarney and District Motor Club International Rally of the Lakes ceremonial start in Killarney town centre on Friday night. Picture: Eamonn Keogh



Sean Kelly MEP, Elaine Ni She and Michael O'Mahoney (Rentokil Initial) at the Killarney and District Motor Club International Rally of the Lakes ceremonial start in Killarney town centre on Friday night. Picture: Eamonn Keogh



Historics category winners Alan Ring, right, and Adrian Deasy with Darren McCormick (Clerk of the course) at the prizegiving ceremony of the Killarney and District Motor Club International Rally of the Lakes at The Gleneagle Hotel, Killarney on Sunday. Picture: Eamonn Keogh

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LOTTO

Numbers drawn were: 16, 17, 19, 23. No jackpot winner. 5x€30: Brid McCarthy, Rathbeg; M McCarthy; James Lynch, Ballyfinnane; Pat O Donohue, Dromore; Mick Sullivan, c/o Bridie. Next weeks jackpot €9500

Thanks to everyone who purchased a ticket and don't forget to get one for next week!! Get your lotto tickets online via the Firies page on Clubforce or tickets are also available to purchase physically in some of the local shops incl. Aherns Pharmacy, Farranfore, Sherwood Bar and Restaurant Farranfore, Sheehans Shop Farranfore, Moriarty's Centra Farranfore, Brides Shop Firies, Hendersons Shop and Bar Firies and from all the usual sellers. We thank these businesses for their continued support. Thank you all for your continued support.

COISTE NA NOG

Academy Football Training continues on the pitch in Farranfore this Saturday for all Boys & Girls from 10.30 to 11.30. It will be great to see everyone back with us again for the summer. All new players welcome. All players are reminded to bring their €3, Gumshields and water bottles. Remember No membership- No play.

ACADEMY

Hurling Training continues on the pitch in Farranfore this Sunday for U5, U7 & U9 from 11.00 to 12.00. All new players welcome. All players are reminded to bring their €3 and water bottles. Hurley's and Helmets will be supplied if you don't have your own. Remember No membership- No play

GAA CUL CAMPS 2022

Dates for the GAA Cul Camps in Farranfore for 2022 are as follows. Football Camp – July 11th to 15th, Dual Camp (Football & Hurling) – Aug 1st to 5th. Booking can now be made via <https://www.kelloggsculcamps.gaa.ie/>

FIXTURES:

Minor Ladies home Vs Abbeydorney Friday 5th at 19.00

EK Superleague Div 2 Final Vs Cordal Friday at 18.45 Venue Currow GAA

RESULTS:

Senior Mens Football League Div 6B Firies 3-09 Dr Crokes C 1-07

Senior Mens Football League Div 3 Firies 2-12 Dr Crokes B 3-07

U12 Girls SK League Final Firies 1-09 Southen Gaels 6-08

U15 Hurling County Feile Firies 3-14 Causeway 1-14

PRIMARY SCHOOLS GAMES

Best of luck to Amy & Padraig who will represent their school, Club and County when they play against Cork during the Munster Semi final game in Pairc Ui Rinn on Friday Evening.

KILLARNEY LEGION

SENIOR MEN'S

A blitz at the start of the second half which yielded 2-5 in seven minutes sowed the seeds for a comfortable victory as the Senior Men picked up another brace of points in this County League game played in Direen.

Two quick points by Thomas Moriarty and Jamie O Sullivan just after the restart lit the blue touch paper as O Sullivan again, James O Donoghue and Thomas Moriarty slotted over points before James O Donoghue deceived the defence with some nifty handling to coolly find the bottom right hand corner. Almost straight from the kick out Finbarr Murphy stormed through the middle before slipping off a timely pass to young Sam Benson who hit a piledriver to the top right hand corner. That took Legion's tally to 4-11 and the fact that only one point was scored in the remaining twenty minutes might concern management, but the man that scored it, Sam Benson, will equally delight them as the youngster popped up here, there and everywhere all day long.

The game looked finely poised at half time, even if Legion looked the better team, with the scoreboard reading 2-6 to 1-6. The standout moments from that first half were the fine point kicking from Jamie O Sullivan, the well worked team goal finished by Luke O Donoghue while Jonathan Lyne stormed through the visitors defence like a Kentucky Derby winner to score a fantastic goal. James O Donoghue was conjoling the attack and Luke O'Donoghue would have been happy with his day's work shooting 1-1.

An Ghaeltacht threatened on a number of occasions but Rob Leen, lining out at full back, held their dangerman Tomas O Se in a vice-like grip for the most part. Darragh Fleming made his first competitive senior start with Cathal Sheahan in the other corner and defensively looked sound for the most part. The half back line of Lyne, Danny Sheahan and Peter O Sullivan were the springboard for most attacks while Padraig Lucey continued his stellar form. Darragh Lyne sustained an early injury but battled on gamely.

LADIES UPDATE

A quiet week on the playing fields for our teams but the one team who was in action made it count. The U12 Girls, having qualified for the B Final of the South Kerry League Final, faced the only team to get the better of them in the group stages, Rathmore. Playing in Direen the visitors hit the ground running, struck an early goal and that was the difference at the halfway stage of the first half. The whistle blew at the end of a cagey opening period with Rathmore leading by 1-2 to 0-2. Whatever went on at half time in the Legion dressing room it should have been bottled as it saw a big transformation in the girls play. The defending was so good they kept their opponents scoreless for the entire second half. Whilst that wouldn't have been enough for victory, the forwards were not to be found wanting as they struck for 3-2 and after a difficult first half the girls came through with flying colours to claim the first piece of silverware of the season on a scoreline of 3-4 to 1-2. Well done to the team and coaches.

The U16 girls are back in action this Tuesday May 3rd(7pm) with a visit to Listowel, the minors are in Killorglin Friday May 6th(7pm) while the U14 girls make the trip to Glenflesk on Sunday May 8th(4pm). The Seniors entertain Finuge/St Senans in Direen, also on Sunday at 12 noon.

JUVENILE BOYS UPDATE

The U11 Go Games roadshow paid a visit to

Direen on Thursday night while the boys of Keel came to town. A great hour of football was had by all and it continues this week when Churchill are again the visitors to Direen.

The U13 boys will play the final round in the first phase of the County League when they make the shortest away trip of the year across the train tracks to Lewis Road. The games are scheduled for Sunday May 8th at 7pm. Keep an eye on our social media for fixture confirmation.

Both our U15 Boys teams travelled to Connolly Park to take on Austin Stacks who were yet to be beaten in either grade this year.

Our Green team, who met a team that had a noticeable physical advantage, and had put every team to the sword so far this year, trailed at half time 2-5 to 1-2.

Full time score Austin Stacks 3-16 Legion 3-9 Our White team trailed for most of the game to a strong Stacks side, 3-8 to 3-2 at one stage. They had whittled to down to a 5 point deficit entering the home straight and put in a storming finish to run out 5-9 to 3-13 winners.

Big shout out to the Under 13's players and mentors that stepped up to assist the team and management tonight. The results mean our Green team are second in the table thereby qualifying for the Division 1 semi finals.

Our White team by virtue of finishing joint top of the table now qualify for the Division 8 semi final. A great reward for a dedicated bunch of players. Great to see 32 players involved all in the one venue.

WEESHIE FOGARTY ROUNDABOUT

It was a source of great pride for the Club last Thursday when the Weeshie Fogarty Roundabout, situated at Daltons Avenue/Marian Terrace was unveiled by Killarney Municipal District Mayor Marie Moloney. Weeshie of course was a staunch and active player, officer, coach, mentor all his life but made his name globally through his work with Radio Kerry. His commentaries and programmes were heard in places as far flung as Wagga Wagga and he was the voice of Kerry (and football) for so many of the county's diaspora. His personality endeared him to so many and he always had a word for them. We extend our best wishes to his wife Joan, daughters Denise and Carolann, son Kieran, son in law Glen and granddaughters Lucy and Eva (both outstanding footballers, the apple didn't fall far from the tree).

KERRY LADIES

Congratulations to Áine Devlin and Chloe Hue who were part of the Kerry Minor Ladies panel that Waterford in the Munster B Final in Mallow on Sunday.

DEEPEST SYMPATHIES

We extend our sympathies to the family of Eileen O Donoghue (nee Murphy) who recently passed away. A particularly hard time for the O'Donoghue family so quickly after the loss of Eileen's mother in law Sheila. May they Rest in Peace

MKL GAELS

UNDER 15 FÉILE DIVISION 2

Congratulations to the girls and management who won the County Féile in John Mitchel's



on Bank Holiday Monday and will now be representing Kerry.

UNDER 12 WHITE TEAM GROUP 1

This was the Group 1 (B final) it was played in Keel against Cromane on Wednesday evening and MKL Gaels won they played great football on the evening congratulations to the girls and management.

UNDER 12 BLUE TEAM GROUP 4

This was the Group 4 (B Final) it was played in Lewis Road Killarney against Dr Crokes on Friday evening. Dr Crokes were stronger on the evening but the girls worked hard and never gave up.

KEEL GAA CLUB

CLUB LOTTO

Keel GAA Lotto Draw Monday the 25th of April. Numbers drawn: 3, 7, 13, 21. No winner of the jackpot of €5,400. Lucky dip: €50 Kathleen O'Brien, Inch and €50 Tommy Buckley Ballyarkane. The jackpot will be €5,450 for the draw on Monday the 2nd of May. Many thanks for all your support this week and thank you to this week's lotto team for facilitating the draw. You can purchase your tickets for the draw via Clubforce or through the local outlets. Thank you for your continued support of our club lotto.

COUNTY LEAGUE

Keel and Cordal shared points in an exciting round 5 encounter in Cordal on Sunday afternoon.

It was Cordal who had the better start with a point from their former Kerry Junior star Philip O' Connor. This was quickly followed with frees from their keeper Seán Óg O Ciardubháin and full forward Seán Brosnan. Cordal's first point from play came in the 9th minute with a point from midfielder Jason Cronin. Keel got to grips with the Cordal play and began to put pressure on their defense from the kick out. Lachlan Griffin turned over Jason Cronin to set up Tommy Buckley for his first and Keel's first score of the afternoon. However, Keel's efforts were answered with points from Philip O Connor and their captain Kevin Walsh. After 15 minutes it was Cordal 0-06, Keel 0-01. Keel secured vital possession in the second quarter of the first half and fought their way back into the game with some excellent scores. Luke Flynn had a shot at goals in the 16th minute which looked like it was going to drop short into the keeper's hands, but Garret Prendiville punched the ball



MKL Gaels U15 Féile Team

over the bar. Cordal won the kick out and the Cordal wing forward Ryan Dennehy found himself one on one with the Keel keeper, but Flynn's pressure resulted in Dennehy fumbling the ball and Keel clearing the ball from their defense. Keel punished this mistake with a free from Tommy Buckley after a foul on Shane Evans. Cordal won the kickout again, but an excellent Dispossession by Eden Murphy in the Keel defense resulted in the visitors working the ball up the field before Tommy Buckley added another to the scoreboard. Keel applied intense pressure on the Cordal defense from their kickout and Seán Corcoran collected the ball in the middle of the field. Thomas Ladden and Lachlan Griffin worked together to get the ball to Tommy Buckley who was subsequently fouled, and he converted the score to level the game in the 22nd minute. Cordal worked the ball from their kickout but with another brilliant dispossession from Seán Corcoran allowed him to carry the ball but while doing so he was fouled. Tommy Buckley worked the free short, but Lachlan Griffin's effort trailed to the right of the posts. Cordal had a chance to take the lead in the 26th minute but Jason Cronin's long-range effort went to the right of the posts. In the 27th minute Keel took the lead for the first time in the game with a well worked point from David Couchman. Cordal's Philip O Connor had a goal chance shortly after, but he was bottled up by the Keel defense but was awarded a free which Seán Brosnan converted before Mike Hennessy blew the half time whistle. It was all square at half time, Keel 0-07, Cordal 0-07. Seán Brosnan opened the scoring in the second half, but this was answered with a point from David Couchman. Both sides had chances to

extend their lead, but both failed to do so. David Couchman gave his side a one-point lead in the 12th minute with a point from 30 meters out. In the 26th minute Keel went two points ahead when Cian Flynn kicked a 45 which came from a save by the Cordal keeper on Lachlan Griffin's effort. Cordal won their kickout and worked the ball into their forward line before team captain Kevin Walsh was fouled but Philip O Connor's effort trailed to the wrong side of the posts. O' Connor won the Keel kickout and he gave the ball to mid fielder Jason Cronin. Cronin fired a high ball into the square to Kieran Enright and Donal McCarthy which put pressure on the Keel defense and keeper. Cronin's high ball ended up in the Keel net despite the Keel defense and Cordal forwards trying to get a hand on it. After 19 minutes in the 2nd half, it was Keel 0-10, Cordal 1-08. Both sides failed to convert chances after Cordal's goal. Shane Evans stepped up in the 27th minute to level the game with a point from 30 meters out. This was followed with a point from play from Tommy Buckley to give Keel a one-point lead with 2 minute to go in normal time. A mistake in the Keel defense gave Cordal the opportunity to level the game in the 30th minute with a free from Seán Brosnan. Keel had one more chance to seal a win, but this effort trailed to the left and wide. The final score was Keel 0-12, Cordal 1-09. Many thanks to Cordal for their hospitality providing tea and sandwiches for supporters and players after the match. They face Duagh at home on the weekend of the 15th of May. All support is appreciated.

DEVELOPMENT LEAGUE

Keel B have a bye in the next round of the Development League which takes place on the



MKL GAELS Under 12 White



MKL GAELS Under 12 Blue



weekend of the 7th of May.

UNDER 17

The Central Region U17 Competition sponsored by Kelliher's Toyota Tralee begins on Monday May 2nd however, Keel/Listry have a bye in the first round. Keel/Listry are at home to Ardfert in round two on Monday the 9th at 7pm. Best of luck to the team and coaches.

UNDER 15

Our under 15s played in the Féile qualifying stages on Saturday in Milltown. They had a good win against the home team but lost to Gaeltacht in the second game, so they didn't qualify. Well done to all the players and coaches. The semi-finals of the league for the under 15's have been confirmed. The division 2 semi-final between Keel/Listry and Dr. Crokes will be played on Wednesday the 11th in Listry. The division 10 semi-final between Ballymac and Keel/Listry will take place this Wednesday the 4th in Ballymac at 7pm. Best of luck to all the players and their coaches in their upcoming semi-finals.

UNDER 13

Keel/Listry play their final game in Phase 1 next Sunday evening games at 5:30 and 7pm in Tralee. Training Tuesday and Thursday this week in Listry.

UNDER 11

Both teams played in Killarney Legion last Thursday evening. Well done to everyone. Training session this Tuesday evening from 6:30 to 7:30. Please bring gumshields and water bottles.

Next county league game is at home on Thursday evening at 6.30pm. More details to follow Tuesday evening. Best of luck to the players and their coaches.

UNDER 9

Our under 9s travelled to Cromane on Sunday morning. We had two teams of 9 aside. Both teams played some lovely football and displayed some great skill. Well done to all the girls and boys and their coaches. Thank you to Cromane for hosting us.

UNDER 5 & UNDER 7 SKILLS ACADEMY

Training continues next SUNDAY from 10:15-11:15. Reminder all children who attend training must be members of the club. Membership can be paid on www.foireann.ie Details of how to do so can be found on the Keel GAA Facebook page.

KERRY U20

Congratulations to Keith Evans and all the Kerry U20 team and management on their win over Cork in the Munster Final. Well done to Keith on a brilliant performance. Another well-deserved achievement for a fantastic player. Special mention to neighbouring club players, Ruairí Murphy, Cillian Burke, Gearóid Hasset, Seán O'Brien and Jack O'Connor. They play Tyrone in the All-Ireland this Sunday at 1pm in Portlaoise. Best of luck to Keith and all this teammates.

KERRY SENIORS

Best of luck to Caoimhe Evans, Ciara Murphy and the Kerry ladies team versus Tipperary in the semi-final of the Munster Championship this Saturday at 3:30pm in Páirc Úi Rinn.

KERRY LGFA U16

Well done to Tirna Murphy who was part of the



Fossa Gaa underage academy gave a warm welcome to 6 new members this morning from Ukraine. Veronica and her brother Eric joined the u10 girls and u5 boys. Sofia joined the u10 girls and her brother Nazar U5s. Yehor and Misha joined U5 boys.

Kerry U16 panel for their Munster Final versus Cork on Saturday. Unfortunately, they were defeated by Cork in the final but a fantastic achievement. Well done Tirna!

KERRY GAA

Best of luck to the Kerry team in their clash against Cork in the Munster Championships semi-final this Saturday in Páirc Úi Rinn.

FOSSA GAA CLUB

SENIORS

DIVISION 4: Fossa 1-09 Tarbert 0-14
Fossa goal scorer Matt Rennie

DIVISION 6A: Fossa 2-15 Tuosist 1-09
Fossa goals scored by Darren Cronin and Lorcan Daly.

LOTTO

Date 1st May 2022. 14,1,21, 27. €40 WINNERS: MICHAEL O'CONNELL, WHITEBRIDGE MANOR; MAUREEN MCCORMICK, CURRAGH FOSSA; CAOLAN MYERS, BARLEYMOUNT EAST FOSSA; GENE MORIARTY, FOSSA CROSS; DEIRDRE & PAUL MCENTAGGERT, FIRIES.

Next week's jackpot is €5,700, tickets on sale from Foleys Spar Fossa, the Golden Nugget and usual sellers' thanks for the support.

MILLTOWN/CASTLEMAINE CLUB

LOTTO

Sponsored by Almas Takeaway, Milltown
The fortnightly club lotto draw took place on Monday last, May 2nd at the club grounds. There was no jackpot winner on this occasion. The numbers drawn were 19, 27, 29 and the bonus ball was 8.

Congratulations to Marian Burke, Castlemaine who matched 3 numbers and will collect €200 as a result.

Our next club lotto draw is scheduled to take place on Monday, May 16th where the jackpot will be €12,600. Get your draw tickets or renew your yearly tickets online on Clubforce or get your tickets for the next draw from all the usual local outlets. Mile búiochas do gach duine for playing Milltown/Castlemaine Clubs Fortnightly Fundraiser, the money raised is vital to the day

to day running of our club and your support is sincerely appreciated.

CREDIT UNION COUNTY SENIOR FOOTBALL LEAGUE: DIVISION 2, ROUND 5 RESULT

Milltown/Castlemaine 'A' made the trip to Kilcummin on Friday last. April 29th for Round 5 of the Credit Union County Senior Football League. Both sides came into the contest with 100% records having won all four rounds previously. Milltown/Castlemaine made a tremendous start, leading 1-02 to 0-00 inside five minutes as Cathal Moriarty raised a green flag with a shot drilled low into the bottom corner of Brendan Kealy's net. Gradually the hosts reeled their way back into the game, thanks in large part to the scoring exploits of Paul O'Shea and Noel Duggan in their inside forward line who scored 2-11 in total. It was Duggan who got the home side's first goal but two quick fire goals in reply from Cathal Moriarty and Eanna O'Connor meant Kilcummin trailed by two at the half time interval, Milltown/Castlemaine leading 3-05 to 1-09. The second half was a much different affair as Kilcummin dominated from start to finish with Kieran Murphy and Kevin O'Gorman leading the way around the middle of the park. Jerome Flynn did open the second half with a pointed effort for Milltown/Castlemaine on the turn but that's as good as matters got for the away side on the evening as two goals in quick succession from Paul O'Shea and Cian Foley along with six further points put paid to our chances of taking home a result, Kilcummin taking the victory on a final score of 3-15 to 3-09. Hard luck to the players and management involved.

CREDIT UNION COUNTY SENIOR FOOTBALL LEAGUE: DIVISION 6A, ROUND 4 RESCHEDULED FIXTURE

Milltown/Castlemaine 'B' are back in action on Wednesday evening (tomorrow), May 4th as they travel to Dieren, Killarney to take on Killarney Legion 'B' at 7:30pm in a rescheduled Credit Union County Senior Football League encounter.

COUNTY SENIOR DEVELOPMENT LEAGUE: DIVISION 3, ROUND 3 FIXTURE

Milltown/Castlemaine 'C' will welcome Currow to the Paddy Burke Memorial Park in Milltown on Friday evening, May 6th for Round 3 of the County Senior Football Development League.



Throw-in is 7:00pm. The team have one win and one loss so far in the competition.

KELLIHER'S TOYOTA CENTRAL REGION: DIVISION 2, ROUND 1 RESULT AND ROUND 2 FIXTURE

Milltown/Castlemaine's Minor side made a very promising start to Division 2 of the Kelliher's Toyota Central Region on Monday night, May 2nd as they travelled to Ballymacelligott and came away with a two point win on a score-line of 3-06 to 1-10.

They will travel to Glenbeigh next Monday evening, May 9th for Round 2 of the Kelliher's Toyota Central Region where they will come up against Glenbeigh/Glencar/Cromane.

LEE STRAND U13 COUNTY FOOTBALL LEAGUE: FINAL ROUND OF PHASE 1

Next Sunday evening, May 8th will see Milltown/Castlemaine's U-13 side conclude Phase 1 of the Lee Strand County Football League as they are away to Na Gaeil in Killeen, Tralee. The white team are first up at 5:30pm with the Green team on straight after at 7:00pm. Training sessions are down for Tuesday and Friday evening this week at 6:00pm.

LEE STRAND U15 COUNTY FOOTBALL LEAGUE AND FÉILE: UPDATE

Milltown/Castlemaine have no game this week

but will be back in action on Wednesday week, May 11th as they travel to take on Churchill at 7:00pm in the Lee Strand County Football League.

Last weekend Milltown/Castlemaine's U-15 side and management took on Keel/Listry and An Ghaeltacht in Group B of the Féile Competition at the Paddy Burke Memorial Park in Milltown and whilst they didn't manage to progress beyond the group stage, they put in two very good performances.

U-9S GO GAMES SERIES

Our U-9 side and their management made the journey to Fr Breen Park, Kenmare on Saturday morning last April 30th to take on Kenmare Shamrocks as part of the GAA Go Games Series. There was plenty of skills on display from both sides in what was a thoroughly enjoyable morning.

Many thanks to Kenmare Shamrocks for hosting the games.

U-11S GO GAMES SERIES: JOE O'CONNOR/ TONY BROSANAN GROUP

Our U-11 side hosted Austin Stacks last week in Round 3 of the Go Games Series and will welcome Dr. Crokes to the Paddy Burke Memorial Park in Milltown on Thursday evening, May 5th at 6:30pm in Round 4.

GAA 4 ALL

We are looking to improve our sensory section for our GAA 4 ALL training which started back on Saturday morning last. In particular we are looking for large garden games like connect four and for fidget, sensory toys to scatter across our quiet area. GAA 4 ALL fun and football training is for the children of our area aged 5 and up. We welcome all new players and coaches. Please contact anyone of the four organisers below to enquire. GAA 4 ALL training is on every Saturday morning.

Danny - 0876536631. Stephanie - 0861248368. Gillian - 0877678108. Maria - 0872586417

MILLTOWN/CASTLEMAINE CUL CAMP 2022 REGISTRATION NOW OPEN! July 25th to July 29th, 2022 The dates for the CUL Camp have been confirmed. The website to register players for the camp is now OPEN.

Kellogg's GAA Cúl Camps provide boys and girls – between the ages of 6 and 13 – with an action-packed and fun-filled week of activity during the summer holidays which revolves around maximising enjoyment and sustaining participant involvement in Gaelic Games.



Rathmore Parish Children who received their First Holy Communion last Saturday in St. Joseph's Church in Rathmore. Photo Seamus Healy



Mark Cronin with his grandfather John Joe Murphy after First Holy Communion in Rathmore last Saturday. Photo Seamus Healy.



Children from Knockaderry National School Farranfore who received their 1st Holy Communion on Sat 30th April, at St Gertrudes Church Faries, with Fr Padraig Kennelly (PP) Aine Daly (Principle) and Mrs Sherwod. Photo By Tony O'Brien



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Ciara & Margaret Prendergast, showing their support for Nathan's Walk, Darkness into Light at the official launch at Reidy's, Main Street. Picture Marie Carroll-O'Sullivan



Anita Coffey, Meg Dalton, Lisa O'Shea and Katie Horgan Fashion at the Muckross Park Hotel, Killarney, on Thursday 28th of April. Photo Barry Murphy



Local crew Pat Looney and Amy Burke with Joe McCarthy (Vice-Chairman) and Ann O'Donoghue (Entries Secretary) at the prizegiving ceremony of the Killarney and District Motor Club International Rally of the Lakes at The Gleneagle Hotel, Killarney on Sunday. Picture: Eamonn Keogh



Pictured at the official launch of Nathan's Walk, Darkness into Light on Tuesday evening ahead of Saturday's walk at JM Reidys were L-R Gary McCormack, Killian O'Carroll, Aoife O'Donoghue & Maureen McCormack. Picture Marie Carroll-O'Sullivan



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- 9:30 PM Golden Nugget, Fossa

1st Thursday each month

- 8.30 PM The Kerry Way, Glenflesk
- 9.00 PM Spillane's, Headford
- 9.30 PM Murphy's Bar, Barraduff
- 10:00 PM Sweeney's Bar, Barraduff

3rd Monday each month

- 8.30 PM O'Connor's Bar, Knocknagoshel
- 9.00 PM Walsh's Bar, Knocknagoshel
- 9.30 PM Kate Pat's Bar, Brosna
- 9.45 PM Sportsfield Bar, Brosna

4th Thursday each month

Killorglin, Milltown & Castlemaine

- 7:00 PM Golden Nugget, Fossa
- 7.30 PM Galvin's Bar, Beaufort
- 8:15 PM O'Grady's Bar, Killorglin
- 8.45 PM Larkin's Bar, Milltown
- 9.15 PM Griffins Bar, Castlemaine
- 9.45 PM Anvil Bar, Boolteen

3rd Friday each month

Castleisland, Cordal & Scartaglen

- 7.30 PM River Island Hotel, Castleisland
- 8.00 PM The Kingdom Bar, Castleisland
- 8.15 PM The Crown Hotel, Castleisland
- 9.00 PM Hughes Bar, Cordal
- 9.30 PM Lyon's Bar, Scartaglen

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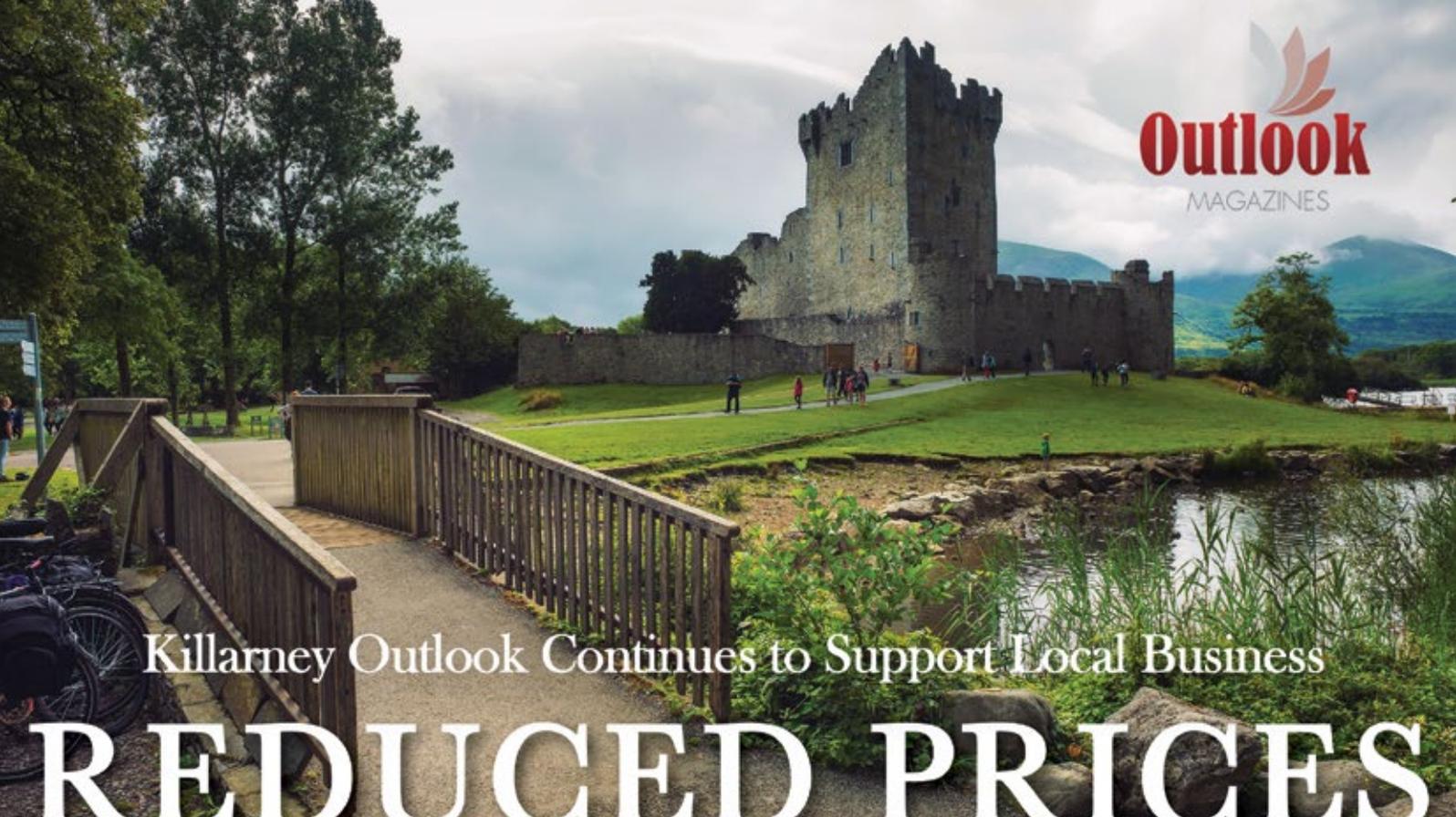
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The first step to receiving healing is to understand and believe that it is God's will to heal you! One of God's Names is 'Jehovah Rapha' – The Lord Who Heals You (Exodus 15:26). Your healing is personal to God. "A leper came to Him and bowed down before Him, saying, "Lord, if You are willing, You are able to make me clean (well)." Jesus reached out His hand and touched him, saying, "I am willing; be cleansed." Immediately his leprosy was cleansed." (Matthew 8:2-3) God gets no glory from sickness or suffering. These are clearly works of the devil, which Jesus came to destroy for us (1 John 3:8). Jesus said"the thief comes only to steal, and to kill and to destroy. I have come that they may enjoy life, and have it in abundance (to the full, til it overflows)" (John 10:10 Amplified Bible). Yet, many believe and teach that God makes people sick because He wants them to carry a cross to please Him, or to teach them a lesson. This is simply not true and not Scriptural.

God desires 'above all else' that His children 'prosper (have total peace in every area) and have good health, even as our souls prosper' (3 John 2). The soul area is the place in our innermost being where we process our thoughts, emotions and feelings. It is separate from the spirit, but both spirit and soul are eternal. When a person dies they leave behind their 'earth suit' – the physical body, but their spirit and their soul lives forever. Jesus revealed in John's Gospel that any person who believes in Him – trusting in Him for Salvation, becomes 'born again' (John 3:7-17). This means the person's spirit which became separated from God because of sin, becomes reconnected to His Holy Spirit by simply believing that Jesus, the Son of God, came to this earth as a human being just like you and me – but He never sinned. He then took upon Himself the sins of every person, and paid the price due for those sins which is death (Romans 6:23). God raised Jesus from the dead – Him having overcome sin and death, as a promise and guarantee that He would do the same for everyone who calls upon the Name of Jesus for Salvation.

Everywhere Jesus went people brought the sick, the lame, the tormented, the blind, the deaf – the incurables, even the dead, and He healed them all (Matthew 15:30-31; Luke 7:21-23). Have you ever read the Scriptures dear friend? If you have not already – please buy yourself a Bible or email us and we will send you one – and seek the Truth of God's Word for yourself. All through the accounts of Jesus' ministry, healing is a core principle. Why would Jesus heal all those sick people who came to Him unless it was God's will to heal them? More on this next week...

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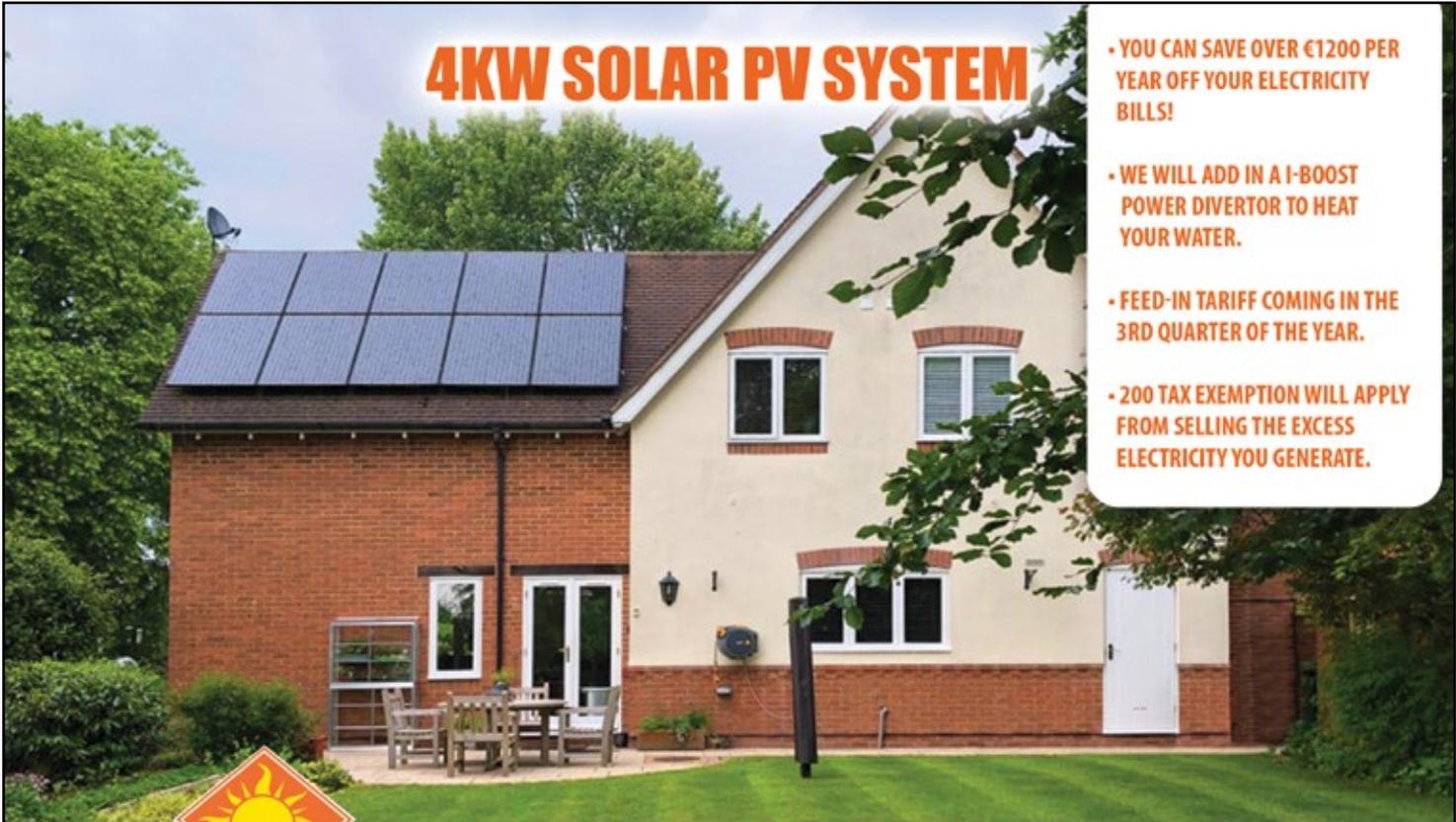


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