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A special night for Mary Fuller, (2nd left) who retired from her teaching post at Killarney Community College, with her colleagues, Marie O'Donoghue, Edwina Duggan, Laura McLarnon, Maire Spillane, Denise Fitzgerald, Dympha Healy, at Ireland BikeFest – the country's largest, free open motorcycle festival located on the grounds of The Gleneagle Hotel. Photo: Valerie O'Sullivan

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A Note from the EDITOR



It's D-DAY for the candidates in the local and European elections today as the country goes to the polls, so make sure to use your vote because if you don't - others will make the decisions for you.

We are celebrating all kinds of bikes in this week's magazine, from the fantastic 2024 Bike Fest to the cyclists preparing for the Three Peaks Challenge.

A Killarney family are saying "thank you" by raising funds for facilities at CUMH, The Club 7's at Spa saw thousands enjoying the sunshine at the fantastic event, it's the Woody Woodpecker Show at Killarney National Park and a stunning image captured by Conor Healy has captured the Camera Club's top spot.

If you go down to the woods today, you will see the amazing work undertaken by artistic students at Killarney Community College, the Summer Reading Challenge has started at the Library and Holy Family NS in Rathmore are going to the dogs!

All this and so much more in this week's Killarney Outlook - Enjoy!



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50,000 ENJOY BIKE FEST 2024



Over 50,000 visitors passed through the purpose-built Bike Village at The Gleneagle Hotel over the June bank holiday weekend making this, the 16th festival, the biggest yet. Visitors travelled from as far afield as South Africa and the US as well as from right across the UK and mainland Europe.

"We are delighted to report that Ireland BikeFest 2024 was a resounding success," said Shane O'Driscoll, Festival Director of Ireland BikeFest. "It contributed to a bumper weekend for the whole of Kerry and further afield."

"A special thank you to all of the organisations, sponsors, suppliers, food vendors and volunteers for your support and hard work in custom-building the only festival of its kind in Ireland. It certainly takes a lot of people to fuel a gathering like this, so a special thank you to Harley-Davidson® UK and Ireland, Fáilte Ireland, The Gleneagle Hotel, Destination

Killarney Ltd., Kerry County Council, Waterford Harley-Davidson®, Dublin Harley-Davidson®, Celtic Thunder Chapter Ireland, Gaelic Chapter Ireland, Belfast Chapter Northern Ireland, An Garda Síochána Killarney, Killarney Chamber of Tourism and Commerce and all Killarney's local businesses." Joy Quinn from county Galway was the lucky winner of the Irish Guide Dogs for the Blind raffle to win a Harley-Davidson Sportster XL883C PRL. "Thank you to the big-hearted bikers and aspiring bikers who bought raffle tickets and made donations to support our work. We raised over €21,000 which will go towards the training of our incredible dogs. Thank you also to our dedicated volunteers and the festival organisers for your support," said Chris Bennett, Regional Development Officer with Irish Guide Dogs for the Blind.

Save the date for the 17th Ireland BikeFest scheduled for next year's June bank holiday weekend May 30 to June 1, 2025.

CYCLISTS PREPARE FOR THE **THREE PEAKS CHALLENGE**

Just 8 days to go for this year's Three Peaks Challenge on Saturday, 15th June, 2024, why not saddle up for Down Syndrome Kerry in partnership with Killarney Cycling Club.

The event promises to be a fabulous day of cycling and fun two routes available; 100km or 75km, to meet all abilities, covering some of the most beautiful landscapes in Ireland, with plenty of laughs and refreshments along the way

With the Ring of Kerry cycle only four weeks away, this is the perfect warm-up for anyone thinking of doing the Ring of Kerry this year or anybody looking for a really well run sportive while supporting Down Syndrome Kerry and KCC. Remember, Down Syndrome Kerry, does not receive any government funding and they are totally dependent on your support to continue to make these services available to those who need them.

So register for the cycle which is €40 for Cycling Ireland members, €20 for accompanied under 16's on event master:- <https://eventmaster.ie/event/dW04CnGSwV>

Enjoy fantastic refreshments on the route, delicious and well deserved barbeque on completing this rewarding cycle for a great cause.

Looking forward to meeting all participants in just over a week for a challenging but for what promises to be a fabulous day of cycling on June 15th. Thank you to all who are supporting us on the day.



Denis and Niamh Cronin pictured with Fiona O'Donoghue



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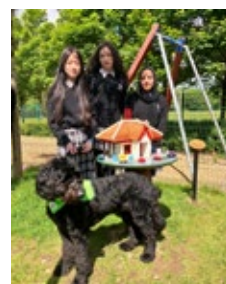


Students and staff from Killarney Community College pictured with Mayor Niall Kelleher, staff at Killarney Municipal District and members of the Killarney Looking Good Committee.

Artistic Students at Killarney Community College were delighted to once again take part in an art project with Killarney Looking Good. In the past few years, Killarney Community College has worked with Killarney Looking Good on several projects to enhance the town and surrounding areas of Killarney.

Almost 4 years ago Killarney Community College, under the guidance of Art teacher Ms. Michelle Mahony, created the Deenagh Fairy Trail. These fairy houses served as a real delight to young and old who walked by them, and the fairies of Killarney were very happy with their new accommodation! Over time the fairy houses have become worn and in need of repair due to our lovely Irish weather. When Juliette Kelly, from Killarney Looking Good, approached Killarney Community College in October 2023 to see if the school would like to work on any project immediately the Art and Woodwork Department of the school said they would love to work on making new fairy houses in replacement of the original ones made by the school.

Over the last number of months, 2nd Year woodwork students, under the guidance of Woodwork Mr. Shane Fleming, have designed and constructed new fairy houses out of timber. Once the houses were made the 2nd Year art students, under the guidance of Art Teacher



Ms. Michelle Mahony, primed and painted on the detail of the fairy houses. Finishing touches were added by both Departments and a 1st Year art student, Ariana Lyne, who makes resin art pieces, kindly made several resin pieces to add detail to all the fairy houses. As part of the improvement to the Deenagh Fairy Trail the Woodwork Department in Killarney Community College also sanded and revarnished the original signs for the trail. Each fairy house is now placed on a tree trunk kindly sourced by the Killarney National Park Rangers. Elevating the fairy houses will hopefully help to preserve them more from weathering and

ground debris and can be explored more by those wanting to see a fairies!

The Deenagh Fairy Trail, inspired by the local landmarks, history and landscape of Killarney, consists of seven fairy houses: Bricin Dinis Fairy, Deenagh Fairy, Waterfall Fairy, Abbey Fairy, Castle Fairy, Fairy of the Forest and the Copper Mines Fairy. Located along the walkway near Killarney playground gives it the ideal place for them to be enjoyed by both locals and visitors to the area. I think our Killarney fairies will be very pleased with their new redesigned houses and hopefully they will enjoy living in them for many years.

Standing on the shoulders of giants....

KERRY AIRPORT ANNOUNCES 2023 RESULTS

KERRY Airport has released the Annual Report & Accounts for the 12-month period ended 31st December 2023 reporting an Operating Profit after Taxation for the period of €1,198,347 as compared to an after Taxation Operating Profit of €1,061,416 in the previous year.

Passenger numbers for 2023 finished at 419,281 which represents a 17.7% year on year increase on 2022.

Commenting on the financials and the on-going operations of the Airport for the year, John Mulhern, CEO of Kerry Airport, said:

"We are 'standing on the shoulders of giants'; those that believed that

Kerry could have a successful airport and empowered that belief to reality. They will rejoice at the news that our airport has exceeded 400,000 annual passengers for the second time in its history. Success our predecessors believed possible and with the support of our shareholders, who contributed selflessly, helped come to pass.

"Gross Revenue in 2023 reflects the excellent passenger numbers from a low in 2020 of 82,959 to our second highest ever total of 419,281 in 2023 and a growing general/private aviation sector. That's a 17.7% year on year increase. New routes to Brittany proved very successful and will continue this year with the addition of Caen in Normandy and a no change onward flight down to the Pyrenees from Brest.

"Kerry Airport will not stand still; it is our full intention to expand and grow so that we continue to be at the centre of economic growth in the County and the Region."

He also conveyed huge praise and thanks to the management and staff of Kerry Airport who continue to exemplify a culture of safety and excellent customer service.





Independent Candidate

Diarmuid McGuckin

ON JUNE 7TH - HAVE YOUR SAY & VOTE

TAXI DRIVER'S PLAY A VITAL ROLE IN KILLARNEY TODAY, ON JUNE 7TH, HAVE YOUR SAY! WE NEED STRONG REPRESENTATION ON THE COUNCIL!!

As a Fossa based Tour Guide and Taxi Driver I have a vested interest, in the welfare of Killarney Taxi Drivers and the wider Taxi Business!

ON JUNE 7TH I AM ASKING FOR YOUR VOTE

As an Independent Candidate, I hope to bring better conditions and a fairer Society for working class people and be a true representative for the working class of Killarney.

I STAND FOR: WORKERS - FAMILIES - SMALL BUSINESSES!

I strongly believe that Killarney needs a fresh alternative in Local Politics and as an Independent Candidate with a "Can deliver" approach I can help create/maintain a strong, safe and inclusive community.

I am asking you today, on June 7th to vote and allow me to become your voice for change in Local Politics.

Working Hard on behalf of Killarney Taxi Drivers...

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Ferdia and Étaoin's Story To RAISE FUNDS FOR CUMH FACILITIES

A Killarney family who availed of the services of Bru Columbanus while their new born twins were in the Neo Natal Unit at Cork University Maternity Hospital are raising funds for the facility.

Jennifer Hartnett and David O'Connor from Killarney are the proud parents of four children, however during the pregnancy with the twins, complications arose and they were taken under the care of the exceptional team at CUMH.

On Monday last, Jennifer, who is the daughter of Carol and Denis Foley, from Lacabane took part in the VHI Woman's Mini Marathon in Dublin to raise funds for Bru Columbanus which became their home away from home after the twins were born and for the Neonatal Family Sanctum at CUMH which was a sanctuary for them during the 14 weeks spent at the hospital.

Jennifer and David, who is the son of John Anthony and Maura O'Connor from Barraduff have set up an idonate page to raise funds

these great causes and are also hosting the twin's christening at the Dunloe Castle Hotel on June 16th to raise even more funds.

Ferdia and Étaoin's Story

"When my husband David and I discovered we were expecting twins, we could not stop smiling. We were elated although a little shocked", Jennifer said.

"However, our happiness was short lived when, at 16 weeks pregnant, our then OBYGN explained that one of our babies, Étaoin was not growing as she should, it was on this day we met Fergus McCarthy, the lead OBGYN for twins at CUMH. Almost weekly, Fergus had the difficult job of delivering to us the same heart wrenching news, that our little girl was unlikely to survive whilst her brother Ferdia was growing at a normal and healthy rate. Every week, we travelled to Cork all the while hoping and praying that they would both be on the scan alive and as you may know (or have guessed), our darling Étaoin continued to turn up every week alongside her brother. At 30 weeks



gestation, just as things began to deteriorate for her, Fergus with his team expertly delivered the twins on 27 June 2023. Étaoin weighed a mere 636 grams (just over 1 pound) and Ferdia weighed 1.49kg (just over 3 pounds). Both I and my babies received world class medical care and support at every stage of our journey and we are forever in their debt. From the midwives and Fergus, to our first antenatal neonatology meeting with Dr. Filan, our admission to NICU at 30 weeks under Dr. O'Connell and our eventual discharge after four months, we received expert care and advice, compassion, understanding and support throughout. Without the dedication of so many - the incredible teams of OBYGNs, Consultant Neonatologists, Registrars, Nurses, cleaning and security staff at CUMH, neither of my babies would be here

After many ups and downs in NICU and many months away from our families, Ferdia and Étaoin were discharged and we took our first trip home to the Kingdom as a family.

Jennifer and David share their reasons for picking the two Charities.

Bru Columbanus

While our babies remained in intensive care, Brú Columbanus became our home away from home. It was never just accommodation, it gave us the ability to be near our little babies when things were so difficult. It allowed us to keep our other children Daithí and Sadhbh close to us at a time of great uncertainty. Bru gave us time in NICU with Ferdia and Étaoin that we would

not have otherwise had, being from Kerry. Anne-Maria, Pat and Marian welcomed my family with open arms and went above and beyond to ensure our family was always cared for. During our stay, we witnessed this care and kindness countless times for all the other families that crossed the threshold of Bru. It is an amazing service, one that does not get enough publicity or promotion and is needed by families day in and day out, particularly families at their most vulnerable and many families in their darkest hour.

Neonatal Family Sanctum at CUMH

We also got to know many of the other parents and we shared our tales of woe, our triumphs and our worries in the corridors of the NICU. The construction of the Neonatal Family Sanctum will comprise of two key areas; a Parent's Room and a Neonatal Sanctum.

The Parent's Room will give parents a private space to decompress out of the clinical setting of NICU - somewhere to sit, somewhere to have a cup of tea.

"We also met parents who had lost a baby or who had a seriously ill baby. The Sanctum will be a private enclosed environment which will allow parents of an ill or dying baby to experience nature and see the blue sky in a place of quiet, solace and privacy", Jennifer said.

At the time of going to print over €10,000 has been raised and the couple and their children would welcome any extra donations at www.idonate.ie/fundraiser/FerdiaandEtaoin



Jennifer and David with their family, Daithí, 4, Sadhbh 2 and the twins Ferdia and Étaoin.

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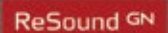
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A comprehensive programme of events have been planned by the National Parks & Wildlife Service and the Board of Trustees of Muckross House to celebrate the 60th anniversary of the opening of Muckross House to the public, beginning on Friday June 14th.

Now one of Ireland's premier tourist attractions, the house was opened as a Kerry Folk Museum on June 14th, 1964, and is run in partnership by the National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS) and the voluntary Board of Trustees.

Local dignitaries, some current and former staff as well as some current and former Trustees will attend a formal ceremony at Muckross House, on the 14th of June.

Also on that day, experts from the NPWS and Trustees will host several exhibitions, walks and guided tours in the vicinity of the house. These will feature the history of Muckross House, the history of Killarney National Park, nature stands / exhibits, nature walks, a spinning wheel, bookbinding, pottery, lakes ecology, Kerry cattle, deer, rhododendron, Killarney House, Reintroduction projects such as the White-Tailed Eagle and Osprey and other events.

There will also be free admission to Muckross House and Muckross Traditional Farms throughout the weekend (14-16 June) where the Guides and Traditional Farm staff will provide their usual high standard of interpretation for visitors. A complimentary shuttle

bus will run hourly from Mission Road, Killarney to Muckross on Friday the 14th.

At various times during the summer, there will be events such as traditional music in the Garden Restaurant featuring the Killarney School of Music, and a series of concerts in the Schoolhouse including John Spillane and Siamsa Tire amongst others. Muckross House and Muckross Traditional Farms will both host events for Culture Night. There will be a full series of events on Muckross Traditional Farms to celebrate Heritage Week including a vintage rally expected to be attended by thousands. In September Celtic Steps will perform on the front lawn of Muckross House.

Several major developments have been undertaken by NPWS in partnership with the Trustees of Muckross House since 1964, including restoration work, the development of Muckross Traditional Farms, building the Muckross Schoolhouse, nurturing of traditional crafts, such as weaving, pottery and bookbinding; opening the Garden Restaurant and Craftshop and the development of an in-house research library. Muckross House, Muckross Traditional Farms, and Muckross Research Library have for the third time been awarded Maintenance of Full Accreditation under the Heritage Council's Museum Standards Programme for Ireland (MSPI) – the first in the country to have achieved this

EVENTS TO CELEBRATE THE 60TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE OPENING OF MUCKROSS HOUSE



standard.

Thanks to the expert supervision and work of the NPWS horticultural unit the Gardens and Arboretum at Muckross House are now looking their best and continue to be a key attraction in the area.

An estimated one million people visit the Muckross area annually. Of these, 120,000 visit Muckross House, and 65,000 visit Muckross Traditional Farms. The Trustees of Muckross House currently employ more than 100 people.

According to the trustees' chairman, Marcus Treacy, "While Muckross is an undoubted magnet for tourists, it is also a huge attraction for the local community who visit and support the facilities all year round. Local people have a deep love of Muckross and we hope they will take part in and enjoy our celebrations to mark this historic year."

NPWS Divisional Manager Eamonn

Meskeil said people would be given a first-hand opportunity to get insights into some of the projects being undertaken in Killarney National Park. "In recent years, the eagle restoration project, based in the park, has captured the public imagination in a big way, but there are also many other interesting aspects of our work here which we will be displaying to the public," he said. Meanwhile, two long-term signature projects related to music and dance are also planned by the Trustees of Muckross House as part of the celebrations. Composer J. J. O'Shea is composing a musical suite, telling the story of Muckross through music. Also, a traditional dance project, based in north Kerry and carried out 40 years ago by Dr Catherine Foley, is being revisited to see how the dance has evolved since then.

COFFEE MORNING RAISES FUNDS FOR MOTOR NEURONE DISEASE ASSOCIATION

An amazing €1,108.09 was raised by Kerry Parents & Friends Association for Kerry Motor Neurone Disease Association following a coffee morning at the Arus Padraig.

The coffee morning was very well organised by all the hard-working staff of the KPFA and all the willing helpers who took up positions at the front door welcoming everybody to come inside and partake of all the teas, coffee and the huge array of cakes and buns that were on display. All this was thanks to all the people who baked these delights and to those good folk who donated confectionery and spot prizes for the coffee morning.

"I was pleased to be there to meet some of the huge crowd that turned up for the coffee morning supporting the IMNDA", Christy Lehane from the IMNDA told Killarney Outlook.

"I also want to thank Christine and all the staff who did so much to ensure that we were all looked after so well. On Friday 24th May 2024 I accepted a cheque for €1,108.09 from Kerry Parents and Friends and for which we are most grateful. Many thanks to all involved", he involved.

The mission of Kerry Parents and Friends Association is to provide a comprehensive quality service for people with intellectual disability. Their main aim is to enable and

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Christy Lehane receives a cheque from representatives of Kerry Parents & Friends Association.



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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



Celebrating our links with the US

Killarney's 4th of July celebrating the US national day is undergoing a cultural cleansing after approaches by the Killarney for Palestine group.

Videos and talks have formed part of the persuasion, the result of which is Uncle Sam is to be cast out by the Chamber of Tourism and Commerce.

There is to be no early morning raising of the Star Spangled banner. A number of other fun American-isms like the outdoor cinema and concerts won't make the cut either - and why Chamber pulled these is utterly perplexing. Especially as the removal of movies and fireworks and concert was Chamber's own decision, it seems.

Overall, why a decade old popular festival has been essentially ditched to row in with the concerns by a small unelected group about a part of the world we have no links with worries me - terrible though that conflict is.

The Killarney festival is being rebranded and stripped of its stripes, largely. It is to be "a celebration of America and Irish friendship". But even this adjustment is not going far enough for campaigners who now want America and its symbols erased altogether.

(Press images of the American flag are giving offence and words like "crass" and "tone deaf" are being bandied about on social media statements.

All this in the light of a current conflict and a country, let's face it, we have little or no connection with - blood, political, cultural or otherwise.

Apparently some of the KfP group have felt it inappropriate always to celebrate the American 4th of July, leading member Sally Macmonagle says in a statement on Facebook where she accuses the chamber of particularly bad taste this year for the sake of a dollar!

But surely we can and must continue to acknowledge Killarney's unique financial and other ties with the US - regardless of foreign policy which changes.

Our Star spangled festival for a couple of hours one day a year in Killarney is not all about the dollar.

We speak a common language and share a common Judeo-Christian culture. We have close relatives there. America accommodated us in our darkest hour and, yes, it continues to enrich us.

We are being asked now to cast all this aside and look only at the sins of America. But let me ask how it would feel if on St Patrick's Day in the US only the dark parts of our recent history were recalled in order to smother the shamrock?

There is a wider context too. As I write, the 80th anniversary of the D-Day landings is being marked in Normandy. Tens of thousands of young Americans died to achieve the freedom we all - whether Killarney for Palestine or the Chamber of Tourism and Commerce - enjoy today across Europe.

Killarney through the ages

Costume is a thing that brings history to life. A little town in France with which I am familiar has introduced a reenactment of some of its well known characters every Wednesday. So, every week between May and October you can look up and see Cardinal Richelieu all in red crossing the square in the town he designed and built in the 1630s! His close friend and confidante, a lady decked out in the finest 17th century frills and lace will appear too. The thing is a delight.

Speaking with a local French costume maker - whole festivals celebrating the Three Musketeers are held - she told me it is difficult to get the original materials but people are very good and hand in old velvet and such - and she remakes them.

It strikes me from the colourful dramatisation of the lives of the McShain and Bourne Vincent families in Killarney House and Gardens as part of last year's festival, this is something we too could do on a continuing basis in Killarney.

We could bring different periods to life and it would give our actors and actresses plenty of opportunity during the summer months when drama is shelved.

The Edwardian period and the Victorian are two favourites and the necessary materials for costumes are not hard to find.

I have long thought the black and white uniforms of waitresses and waiters down through the years would make a fine display - so we could celebrate our biggest industry the way it was too.

22 kms not enough on the N22

Roads, as we said last week, are one of the big issues in this election in Killarney. Speed and being unable to walk because of a lack of footpaths has come up.

So does the impossible to understand congestion whether from the Fossa, the Tralee or the Muckross side. Motorists are regularly stalled at the junction to Ross Road for no reason - with nothing moving in any direction.

The Killarney to Cork road is also still on the agenda. The 22 km Macroom bypass at a cost of around Euro 280 million is of course hugely welcome. But it does not go far enough. Literally. On a day last week the traffic queue began at Lissarda on the Cork side to get onto the new road which only begins after some narrow sections and bends along the water reservoir. Why the whole road as far as Cork could not be done is a question.

The promised time saving of 17 minutes is not being achieved largely because of the stop start nature not just in Macroom but also in Cork itself.

We always used the excuse that because the Romans never made it to Ireland we could not have good roads. But as we fund roads in the North now, we should surely keep our own southern roads on

the agenda.

Speaking of politics, local election facts and figures were given at a press briefing on Tuesday morning in the council. There has been an increase of 7,000 on the register. The biggest increase is in the electoral areas of Kenmare and Killarney. In Kenmare the final count for the electorate is 23,922 - up from 21,813 in 2019. In Killarney there is a huge jump from 20,864 to 23,159 now. Hundreds of Ukrainian names with addresses across a myriad numbers of hotel and guesthouses are on the register.

The 22 km Macroom bypass at a cost of around Euro 280 million is of course hugely welcome. (file photo)



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NEW ONLINE FRAUD SCAM IN KERRY

Gardai in Kerry have issued a warning about a new online fraud which has been affecting businesses in the Kerry region.

Sergeant Michael Quirke, Crime Prevention Officer for the Kerry Division has said "We

are seeing a trend of a new Online Fraud scam in Kerry. A person is advertising on Social Media Platforms that they can provide anything for half the original price.

The items this person is advertising, range from vouchers for shops, hotels, salons to paying for items, e.g. Take-away food, purchases at Off-Licences, Oil Companies and Car Parts businesses. They also advertise that they can pay Utility Bills.

The way it works is that buyer contacts the Fraudster via social media and tells them what they want to purchase or what bill they want to pay. The buyer pays this person half the price and then the fraudster contacts the businesses (usually over the phone) and purchases the items/pays the bill for the full price. The fraudster is using Cloned, stolen Bank & Credit Cards to purchase the items. The Shop/ Company who sells the

products are unaware it's a fraud until a number of weeks later when the Bank informs them that there is a chargeback on the transaction.

We have discovered that in a number of previous Transactions, the Fraudster is using stolen credit card details which are issued from banks outside of Ireland. A way of checking the Country of origin of a credit card is outlined below;

Website Validate, Verify & Check Credit Card or Debit Card Number (bincodes.com)

If the above link does not work, the website and process is hereunder; www.bincodes.com – BIN Checker – Enter the first 6 digits.

A person using a Card from a different Country may be a red flag and would require extra

enquiries to be carried out by the businesses. It must be stressed that the Fraudster can use a cloned Irish card as well.

This information is shared to cause awareness for businesses of the scam. Businesses will have to take their own precautions when accepting payments over the phone.

Discover the Essence of Irish Whiskey in the Heart of Killarney

Killarney Brewing & Distilling Co. are proud to announce the launch of their new distillery tours and tastings, offering visitors an immersive journey into the world of Irish whiskey. Set against the stunning backdrop of the MacGillycuddy Reeks & Killarney National Park, the state-of-the-art distillery is ready to welcome whiskey enthusiasts and curious travellers alike.

The guided tours provide a unique behind-the-scenes look at the intricate process of whiskey production, from grain to glass. Visitors will explore the distillery floor with its imposing copper stills where our master distillers craft our signature spirits. There is also an opportunity to visit the cask maturation warehouse to observe the sleeping casks. Along the way, guests will learn about the rich history and traditions of Irish whiskey, the meticulous craftsmanship involved.

"We are excited to share our passion for whiskey with the world," said Barry Spellman, Managing Director at Killarney Brewing & Distilling Co. "Our tours showcasing our state-of-the-art Fossa Visitor Centre are designed to offer a comprehensive and engaging experience that highlights the art and science of distillation, while also celebrating the unique heritage of Irish whiskey."

The highlight of the tour is the tasting session, where guests can savour a selection of comparative finest whiskeys. Each tasting is guided by their knowledgeable staff, who will provide insights into the distinct flavours and characteristics of each expression. Visitors will have the opportunity to sample their new triple distilled, premium blend Killarney Irish Whiskey with a distinct pot-forward flavour profile from a careful combination of aged pot, malt and grain whiskey, expertly blended by their Master



Distiller, Kerr Petrie.

Distillery Tours run daily Tuesday – Sunday at 1pm, 2.30pm & 5pm, with advance booking recommended to secure a spot. If you are not a whiskey drinker, Brewery Tours run from Tuesday – Sunday also from 12pm. You can book a tour on the Killarney Brewing & Distilling Co. website or at reception at their Visitor Centre in Fossa.

For more information or to book a tour, please visit their website at www.killarneybrewingdistilling.com or contact their visitor centre at +353 64 663505.



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Sun-Sensational Style at Listowel Races Ladies Day



Mary Woulfe, Athea, County Limerick was declared the Best Dressed Lady at the Listowel Races Ladies Day on Sunday 2nd of June. Judged by top TV and Radio Presenter Elaine Kinsella, Mary was presented with a cheque for €500 by David Fitzmaurice, Chairman of Listowel Race Company; a hamper from McGuires Pharmacy; designer earrings from Inish Designs and beauty products by Wow and Luna By Lisa. The two first runners-up were Emma Browne from Kenmare and Anne Leneghan, Kanturk, who both won €250 and a fabulous goodie bag from McGuires Pharmacy, Listowel. Large crowds enjoyed the beautiful summer weather and festive atmosphere that continues to ensure Listowel Races is the place to be over the June Bank Holiday Weekend. For more information follow #listowelraces on social media for exclusive updates.

The overall winner Mary Woulfe was sustainably dressed wearing a gorgeous green Joanna Hope full A-line style dress she purchased online from RaceWear and Guestwear secondhand clothing

store on Facebook. She beautifully accessorised her look with a headpiece from Siobhan Boyce Millinery and Dune heels. Joint first runner-up Emma Browne was pretty in pink in a headpiece by Neidin Hats Kenmare and a beautiful embossed suit by French Connection accessorised with her grandmother's brooch and sequined pumps. Anne Leneghan was wearing a headpiece from Aisling Maher and a matching two-piece suit in a summer soft pink with Renaissance floral garden print. All 10 finalists received generous gift bags sponsored by McGuires Pharmacy Listowel, earrings by Inish Designs, beauty products by Wow and Luna by Lisa.

The Listowel Races Summer Meeting is the first of two meetings at the scenic Listowel Race Course, with the second 7-day Harvest Racing Festival meeting from Sunday 22nd to Saturday 28th of September 2024. For more information visit www.listowelraces.ie or call (068) 21144 and follow #listowelraces on social media for exclusive updates.

Honouring the Kerry women of the revolutionary period

Kerry County Council is to invite expressions of interest next week for the commissioning and development of a commemorative and artistic piece which will honour the role played by women in Kerry during the revolutionary period between 1912 and 1923. The project follows a joint motion by the five female members of Kerry County Council who called for the development and commissioning of a meaningful and lasting commemorative piece which would reflect the significant and diverse roles and activities of women and their involvement in the campaign for Irish Independence at the beginning of the twentieth century.

A Working Group, including the five female councillors, has been developing a design brief, and the Council intends to publish a detailed brief for the memorial next week and expressions of interest will be invited.



Bridget Fitzgerald Economic Development Officer for Kerry County Council, Cllr Deirdre Ferris, County Librarian Tommy O'Connor, Cllr Norma Moriarty, Cllr Marie Moloney and Helen O'Carroll, Curator at Kerry County Museum pictured at a photocall at the Tralee Town Park getting set for commemorating the role Kerry women played during the struggle for Irish freedom between 1912-1923 Photo By : Domnick Walsh © Eye Focus LTD .



VOLUNTEER JOAN HONOURED BY THE LIONS CLUB

Brilliant volunteer Joan O'Connor received an award from the International Lions Club this week at Kerry Stars athletics training. Joan was honoured for all her contributions and years of volunteering with the Kerry Stars Special Olympics Sports Club since 2002.

Joan received the Melvin Jones Fellow for dedicated humanitarian services from the Lions Clubs International Foundation.

The club are always looking for volunteers so if anyone has an hour a week to spare and is interested in volunteering with us please email kerrystars63@gmail.com





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SEVENTH HEAVEN AS SPA CELEBRATE IN STYLE

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WORK UNDERWAY TO RESTORE FOLEY'S FARMHOUSE

A traditional farmhouse on Muckross Farms is being restored after funding was provided by the Trustees of Muckross House & Traditional Farms. This week, the Trustees of Muckross House and Traditional Farms, Killarney visited Foley's Farmhouse Project - which the Trustees of Muckross House provided funding for the reroof, rethatch and provision for under floor geothermal heating system. The aim is to preserve the fabric of the building for future

generations - the project using master craftsmen should last 200 years. Traditional Thatcher, Lukasz Shalec, left, Toddy Doyle, Manager, Muckross Traditional Farms, Marcus Treacy, Chairman Trustees of Muckross House, Willie Burke, Master Craftsman at Muckross Farms, Donal Hickey, Lily Cronin, Pat Broderic, Master Craftsman, Michael Gleeson, Denis Cronin and Denis Reidy, Manager Muckross House and Gardens. Photo: Valerie O'Sullivan



Traditional Thatcher, Lukasz Shalec, left, Toddy Doyle, Manager, Muckross Traditional Farms, Marcus Treacy, Chairman Trustees of Muckross House, Willie Burke, Master Craftsman at Muckross Farms, Donal Hickey, Lily Cronin, Pat Broderic, Master Craftsman, Michael Gleeson, Denis Cronin and Denis Reidy, Manager Muckross House and Gardens. Photo: Valerie O'Sullivan



Traditional Thatcher, Lukasz Shalec working on the roof of Foley's Farmhouse Project - using traditional material, The project is funded by the Trustees of Muckross House and Gardens, for the reroof, rethatch and provision for under floor geothermal heating system. The aim is to preserve the fabric of the building for future generations - the project using master craftsmen should last 200 years. Photo: Valerie O'Sullivan



Foley's Farmhouse, Muckross Traditional Farm

Guess Who....

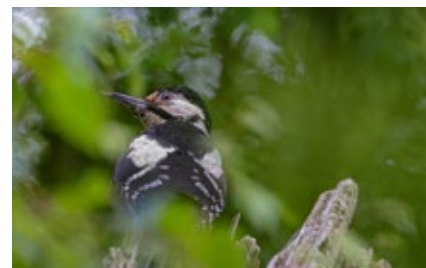
It's the Woody Woody Woodpecker Show

In recent weeks, staff and visitors at Killarney National Park have been entertained by the iconic sound of unexpected visitors – the Great Spotted Woodpecker. A breeding pair was confirmed for the first time to have produced a small number of chicks in the Park. The chicks are becoming more and more vocal each day and preparing to fledge. Sightings of the Great Spotted Woodpecker, (Mórchnagaire breac) continue to be monitored. The Woodpecker became extinct during the 17th century, however they have made a comeback in Ireland, colonising broadleaved woodland - their prime habitat. Using their powerful beak and shock absorbing skull to carve out their home in the trees.



Excitement in Killarney following first breeding of guess who? The Great Spotted 'Woody Woodpecker' - waiting for the dinner to arrive!

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The Bonane Stone Circle in the Sheen Valley Heritage Area just outside Kenmare is famous for its alignments with the Sun. However, the ancient monument was also carefully designed to align with the most southern rising point of the Moon. The 'Altar of the Moon' as it is known locally was constructed on the horizon of a nearby mountain some five thousand years ago to mark this unique celestial event which happens once every 18.6 years.

2024 is a special year as this astronomical phenomenon called the 'Major Standstill of the Moon' occurs on the 21st June, the same date as the Summer Solstice.

The Stone Circle is one of only a few ancient sites in the world where the major standstill of the moon is marked. Other known sites include Stonehenge in England, Callanish Stone Circle in Scotland and Chimney Rock in Colorado, USA.

The community of the Sheen Valley has prepared a weekend festival of events to mark the occasion. On the evening of Friday 21st June visitors will gather at the stone circle to witness the moon rise over the 'Altar' together with a tasting experience cooked in the nearby Fulacht Fiadh (Ancient Cooking Pit). A presentation on the antiquities of the Sheen Valley will proceed the main event together with a wine and cheese reception. Other events throughout the weekend include guided walks of Bonane Heritage Park and other local antiquities and a traditional 'Straw Boy' ball night at Molly Gallivans.

A limited number of tickets for this event are available by emailing info@bonaneheritagepark.com or info@mollygallivans.com



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CONOR CAPTURES CAMERA CLUB'S TOP SPOT



Long Exposure was the theme for last week's Killarney Camera Club competition. The dominant subject among the entries was water, with many Kerry locations featuring.

Conor Healy claimed the top spot in the Unrestricted category with this wonderful photo of Lough Leane. Conor took the photo on the 5th of January 2021 at 5 o'clock just as the sun was gone down behind the mountains. "It was taken at the pier at the Flesk Valley Rowing Club. The weather was bad for the previous few weeks so the lake levels were very high. I put on my wellies and walked in to the bottom of the pier. I set up my camera for a long exposure photo because I wanted to smooth out the water and get the reflections and also capture the movement in the clouds. So, I used a shutter speed of 155 seconds on my Nikon D5300."

TOP THREE PLACES IN THE UNRESTRICTED CATEGORY

1st Place: Conor Healy, Majestical Lough Leane

2nd Place: Seamus Long, Sisteron Traffic Trails

3rd Place: Julia Deady, Annascaul Waterfall

All the competition photos are available on the Club's website www.killarneycameraclub.ie.

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Congratulations to popular Killarney Dentist, David Fuller who retired from his practice this week. David shared his practice with his brother Declan and in the past year they became part of the Dental Care Ireland family. He is pictured with staff at the Dental Care Ireland - Killarney Clinic. Enjoy your well-deserved retirement!



ENDA TAKES ON HIS 24TH RING OF KERRY CHARITY CYCLE

Enda Walshe will be taking on his 24th Ring of Kerry Cycle this year for Recovery Haven, who provides a great service for those suffering from cancer and their families. Was delighted to attend their launch in the presence of two of Kerrys greatest Louise and Diarmuid.

The training and fundraising is underway and you donate at: <https://www.idonate.ie/endaquills2>



"BE THE CHANGE YOU WISH TO SEE IN THE WORLD."

An incredibly special day was held in St Oliver's National School last week when a multifaith prayer service for peace was held.

The group prayed for peace between Palestine and Israel, Ukraine and Russia. Fr Sean Jones led the prayer service so beautifully and junior Imam Tofayel represented the Islamic centre in Killarney and the Muslim community. They both spoke so well on the topic of peace and added immensely to our service.

It was a truly beautiful celebration with song, music, poetry and prayer. Some poetry the children wrote themselves in solidarity with countries suffering from war. We also talked about peace in our homes and inner peace.

It was a remarkable occasion, created by Miss Brosnan, Miss Landers, Miss Lyne and Miss Doncel, which celebrated the wonderful diversity we have in St Oliver's as we prayed together for peace in the world.

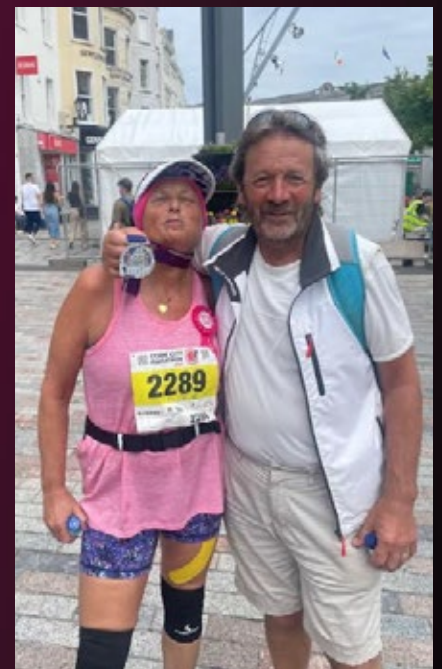


SEAN CELEBRATES 70 IN STYLE

Sean Moriarty pictured with his family Elaine, Joanne, Seán Moriarty, Sheila, Christina & Susan at his 70th Birthday Celebrations at the Killarney Brewing & Distilling Company Fossa.

MARATHON TICKED OFF

Frances Arthur who completed her first marathon at the Cork City Marathon on Monday last.



MARIE COMPLETES THE MARATHON

Marie Keogh O'Sullivan with her husband John following the Cork Marathon which she completed to raise funds for the Kerry Cork Healthlink Bus. Marie celebrated her 60th birthday recently, five years after completing her cancer journey. You can donate to Marie's fundraiser at <https://eventmaster.ie/fundraising/pages/MK18309176>

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| Omelette €12.95 With your choice of fillings: ham, cheese, tomato, mushroom, onion GF (4) | Golden Sourdough €10.50 French toast With rashers and Canadian Maple syrup GF(a) (2,4,7) | Smoke & Scramble €10.50 Wild Atlantic Smoked Salmon with locally sourced scrambled eggs and homemade brown bread (4) |
| Traditional €14.50 Fall Irish Locally sourced rashers, sausages, black & white pudding, hashbrown, tomato, beans with your choice of eggs - poached, scrambled or fried. Served with Arbutus brown bread. (2,4,7,9) | Mini Breakfast €10.50 Bacon, egg & sausage Served with Arbutus brown bread (2,4,7,9) | The Veggie Brekkie €12.50 Clonakilty veggie-pudding, poached egg, sautéed spinach, hash brown, tomato, mushroom, Ballymaloe relish (4,9) |
| Homemade Scones €5.00 with jam & cream (2,4,7) | | |

SMALL PLATES

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| Wholesome Soup €7.75 of the day With homemade brown bread. GF(a) | Burrata & Tomato Salad €12.50 Fresh creamy Burrata served with cherry tomatoes, fresh basil pesto and crusty bread GF(a) (2,7,16) | Chicken wings: €9.75 • Sweet & sticky OR • salt and pepper GF(1,7,9,12) |
| Wild Atlantic €10.50 Seafood Chowder Served with our homemade brown bread (1,3,5,7) | Golden Irish Brie €8.75 in a light beer batter with cranberry sauce. (2,4,7,9) | CHUNKY CHIPS: €8.50 Chips with your choice of toppings • Bacon, cheese, jalapeños, sriracha sauce & garlic mayo • Curry, cheese chips • Garlic, cheese chips (7,9) |
| Panko Crusted €10.50 Scampi With mixed leaves salad and tartare sauce (2,3,4,7,9) | Classic Caesar €9.50 Salad Crispy cos lettuce lightly tossed in caesar dressing, topped with parmesan shavings & croutons • Add grilled chicken €3 • Add scampi €3.50 (2,4,7) | |

MAINS

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| Fish & Chips €17.95 Dingle Hake served with tartare sauce and pea puree (2,3,14) | Chicken Burger €17.50 Crispy Buttermilk chicken fillet in a Brioche bun, mixed leaves Served with chips and chipotle mayo (2,4,7,9,12,13,14) | Pea Pesto Pasta €14.50 & roasted tomatoes • Add grilled chicken €3 • Add grilled prawns €3.50 GF available (2) |
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| Organic garden peas..... | €2.50 |
| Chunky chips..... | €4.50 |
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Following its successful launch in April, the book *Futures From the Past* has been flying off the shelves. A collaboration between students participating in St Brendan's College Writer in Residence scheme and poet Noel King's active retired writers, this book of poems and stories has already raised 800 euros for Kerry Hospice. The money was presented to Cathal Walshe of Kerry Hospice on Thursday. Spearheaded by St Brendan's Writer in Residence, Noel King, and facilitated by teacher Mary Denise Lyons, this volume gives an interesting insight into school life, past, present and future – and all for a good cause. *Futures from the Past* is available from St Brendan's College and O'Connor's Newsagents in Killarney; The Forge Café in Castleisland; and St John's Theatre and the Seanchaí Centre in Listowel. Priced at 9 euro, all proceeds go to Kerry Hospice. All remaining funds will be donated in September.



Teacher Mary Denise Lyons Co-ordinator presenting €800, the proceeds of the sale of 'Futures from the Past' book to Cathal Walshe Kerry Hospice Foundation with students Conor O'Sullivan, Andrew Sheahan (second row) Divo Lucic, Jonah Casey, Micheal McElligott (back row) Liam McCarthy, Danny Troth, Mark Moriarty and Sean Coffey Principal at St Brendan's College, Killarney. Photo by Michelle Cooper Galvin

ARTICLE ON

Futures From the Past and Kerry Hospice

*Celebration of Ireland
American Friendship
Festival
on 4th of July*

This Statement is made on behalf of Killarney for Palestine and certain Chamber Members in response to the Press Release of the Killarney Chamber of Commerce which appeared on KillarneyToday.com on 30th May and appeared in the Killarney Advertiser and Killarney Outlook on 31st May

We wish to highlight that at no point did Representatives of Killarney for Palestine request the removal of the public showing of movies, the free concert or the fireworks. When advised by the Chamber of the proposed removal of these events, Killarney for Palestine, among other things, advised (by email):

"Removal of fireworks, live band & cinema.....this is unnecessary and one of the main attractions for locals."

As far as Killarney for Palestine is concerned, the removal of the public showing of movies, the free concert and the fireworks is not in response to Killarney for Palestine concerns, but a Chamber decision unrelated to our concerns.



AN POST ISSUES NEW STAMPS



Ahead of World Ocean Day this Saturday, An Post calls on the public to support its Beach and Waterways Clean-Up Day as two beautiful new marine life stamps are issued this week. Inland waters including streams, rivers, floodplains, lakes and swamps are home to around 100,000 animals and plants, with more than 33,000 aquatic species living in the seas around Europe. Amidst the challenges of overfishing, pollution and climate change, which threaten the fragile structure of underwater ecosystems, An Post is playing its part this weekend in safeguarding Ireland's marine life for future generations.

Designed by Kildare-based, botanical illustrator and art tutor, Shevaun Doherty, ahead of World Ocean Day on Saturday, June 8th, the stamps represent beautiful and important elements of Ireland's underwater life. The 'N' national rate stamp, which covers postage across the island of Ireland, features Carrageen Moss, a colourful fan-shaped seaweed found along the Irish coast that has been an important fertilizer and edible plant with medical properties for centuries. The 'W' international rate stamp for posting worldwide

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A concert which is being organised by Killarney native Mischa McCarthy is looking for acts to perform. Planned for the Carnegie Theatre in Kenmare on August 21st, the concert is being organised as a fundraiser event supporting *BelongTo*, a charity that supports LGBTQ+ people between the ages of 14 and 25 all over Ireland. "The event will be a two-hour-long concert and we are currently looking for acts to perform in the concert, so I would like to invite anyone who would like to perform at this event to contact me at mischasm07@gmail.com, with any questions or queries", Mischa told Killarney Outlook. She will require a 2-minute-long application video that displays the talent. The more variety the better, so every talent is welcome!



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Castleisland Community College Students Shine at **KERRY ETB AWARDS**

Castleisland Community College proudly celebrated the remarkable achievements of its students at the recent Kerry ETB awards. The students were honoured with prestigious awards that reflect their dedication, hard work, and all-round excellence. Castleisland Community College is one of eight post primary schools in Kerry that are part of the Education and Training Board. Kerry ETB is an organisation that serves over 3,000 students.

Best Overall Academic Student (in all 8 Kerry ETB schools) – Gold Medal: Lauren O’Sullivan

Lauren O’Sullivan’s outstanding academic performance, achieving over 600 points in six Leaving Certificate subjects, earned her the Gold Medal (along with 8 other students from other Kerry ETB schools).

Overall Best Science & Maths Student (in all 8 Kerry ETB schools) – Silver Medal: Emma Kerin

Emma’s accomplishments in Maths and Science are a testament to her commitment, work ethic, and genuine passion for her subjects.

Junior Cycle Academic Award – Silver Medal: Bryan O’Leary
Bryan O’Leary’s outstanding performance in the 2023 Junior Certificate examinations has earned him the Silver Medal for the best results in his school.

School Ethos Award – Certificate: Conor Breen

Conor Breen exemplifies the Kerry ETB ethos and values of Care, Equality, Community, Respect, and Excellence in Teaching and Learning.

Transition Year Achievement Award – Certificate: Cathal White
Cathal White embodies the essence of Transition Year through his accountability, independence, and initiative.;

School Sports Awards- Certificate: Ciara Geaney

Ciara’s exceptional achievements in showjumping, coupled with her academic excellence, have rightfully earned her the Schools’ Sports Excellence Award.

Student Council Award- Certificate: Chloe Barrett

Chloe exemplifies the ideal Student Council Chairperson, showcasing exceptional accountability, independence, initiative, and innovation.

Following the Kerry ETB awards, a Celebration Evening was held in Castleisland Community College for parents and students to showcase the fantastic work accomplished in all subject areas e.g. Classroom Based Assessments could be viewed and projects were on display in Home Economics, Woodwork and Engineering. The extra-curricular activities were also showcased with the large number of trophies on display for the outstanding achievements of the school in one academic year. There were 3 All Ireland wins in sport – All Ireland A Division (Junior) 1st year Basketball boys, All-Ireland A Division (Minor) 2nd year Basketball Boys, All-Ireland U14 FAI Boys Soccer winners. All-Ireland A Division 1st Year Basketball Girls, Bronze medal winners. Other wins included Munster U15 FAI Boys B (small schools) Soccer Champions, Munster Football U15 C Boys



Darragh O Sullivan, Isabel Walmsley, Abbie O Donoghue, Ógie O Leary-Griffin.



Kerry ETB awards and our Celebration night.

In the photo from left standing: Bryan O Leary, Conor Breen, Cathal White, Emma Kerin, Ciara Geaney

Sitting from left: Donacha Hickey (Acting Deputy Principal), Lauren O Sullivan, Teresa Lonergan (Principal) Chloe Barrett.

Winners, Shield winners for Kerry FAI 1st year Boys Soccer, Plate winners for Munster West Girls Minor Football and Blitz Winners for Kerry ETB Minor Girls Football. In other extra-curricular areas, there were other National wins: All-Ireland Gold Award Winners in the Young Social Innovators Competition for Transition year and 5th year students. 6th year students won the National Garda Youth Achievement Award, 2nd year students won the All-Ireland Student Enterprise Awards and 6th year students won the European Silver Award in Foróige Enterprise and were also ETB Ireland national

winners. The junior debating team also came 1st and 2nd in the Kerry Schools Debating competition. ‘Castleisland Community College is a very holistic school. There is something for everyone in the school with the huge array of extra-curricular activities available for students. The school wishes to thank the many sponsors of our sports’ jerseys/tops that provided our school teams with this much needed and expensive attire. These include The Forge, O Connors Coaches, Munster Joinery, Cara Credit Union, Divanes VW and O Neills Ireland,’ stated the principal Teresa Lonergan.

JOIN THE SUMMER STARS READING CHALLENGE AT ANY KERRY LIBRARY THIS SUMMER!

Summer Stars is the public library national summer reading programme for children. Kerry Library invites all children throughout the county to join in the adventure and discover the fun and pleasure of reading over the summer by taking part in our Summer Stars Reading Challenge.

Summer Stars is non-competitive and every child who reads even one book or eBook is regarded as having completed the programme – and it’s all completely free!

From Saturday, 8 June children are invited to visit their local Kerry library and collect a Summer Stars Reading Challenge card to track

their reading. Children are welcome to join Summer Stars at any point over the summer and when they complete the challenge they will receive a medal and certificate of achievement.

Kerry libraries stock a vast range of children’s books suitable for all ages and interests. In addition, BorrowBox, our eBook / eAudiobook / eMagazine service, offers a large selection of titles for children. We have stocked up for the summer with a huge range of favourites and new gems to discover.

Kerry library staff are ready and waiting with great recommendations to help young readers

discover new authors and genres they might not have tried before.

During the Summer Stars Reading

Challenge libraries will be hosting storytimes, workshops, board game afternoons, sensory mornings and competition throughout the summer months. Visit your local library during in July and August to be in with a chance to win a prize! Keep an eye on our social media and in your local library to take part! Further details at www.kerrylibrary.ie





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KERRY COUNTY COUNCIL STOPPING HOUSE BUILDING IN KERRY

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

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

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

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



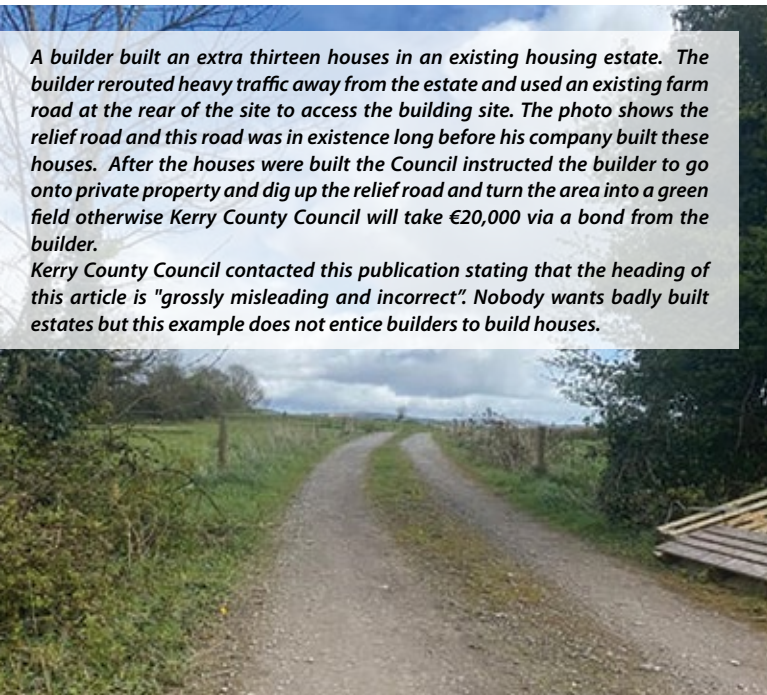
This is a photo of an item on a snag list from a builder. Kerry County Council wants the builder to remove the fence and replace it with a fence that's a few inches taller. Because there is a slope in the green area the fence measures 2 mtrs when measured from the back and 1.85mtrs when measured from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

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

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

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

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



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

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

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

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IRELAND **BikeFest**

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Matthew Quinn meeting his hero Grand Marshall of Ireland BikeFest, John Bishop, comedian, presenter, actor, leading out the annual Ireland BikeFest parade on Sunday



Bikers paradise, Miah O'Shea, at Ireland BikeFest.



Christine Hegarty and her Daughter Tess Hegarty.



Cathy Masterson and Tom Dolan at Ireland BikeFest.



Taking part in the annual Ireland BikeFest parade on Sunday - which was lead by this years Grand Marshall Comedian John Bishop.



The Muckross neighbourhood, at Ireland BikeFest.

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Grand Marshall of Ireland BikeFest, John Bishop, comedian, presenter, actor, with Patrick O'Donoghue, CEO Glenageagle Hotel Group and Fiona Carroll.



Taking part in the annual Ireland BikeFest parade on Sunday - which was lead by this year's Grand Marshall Comedian John Bishop.



Deputy Danny Healy-Rae, T.D., pillion passenger, taking part in the annual Ireland BikeFest parade on Sunday.



Artiste and INEC production team, Cathal O'Flaherty.



Paul O'Sullivan, left, Dermot Murphy, Martin Dewhurst and Noel McGlynn.



Karen O'Sullivan, left, Sinead Sugrue and Ciara Ni Shuilleabhain, at Ireland BikeFest.



Catherine Fleming, Colm O'Suilleabhain, and John Fleming.



Fiona Crowley, left, Aine O'Donoghue, Breda Ni Shuilleabhain, Ciara Ni Shuilleabhain and Sinead O'Sullivan.



Alice Thompson with her children, Siun and Finn Spellman.



Virgis Kraplavicius, left and Biker fanatic Liam, at Ireland BikeFest.




'Blossy of the Green Wolves MCC' at Ireland BikeFest.



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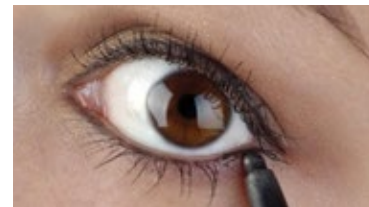
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Not only do they help us achieve our goals but they also can play a pivotal role in preventing some chronic diseases such as Type 2 Diabetes and some cardiovascular diseases.

So what is a good diet? Depending on who you ask you are likely to get different answers but for most of us limiting processed foods is a good starting point while introducing wholefoods and fresh fruit and vegetables.

There is the suggestion of varying your diet by "eating the rainbow" which is basically eating lots of colourful fruit and vegetables. They can be full of antioxidants that will help your body fight inflammation.

Increasing quality protein intake and eating enough healthy fats is also important. Your protein intake can be from meat or fish or eggs, and for those that prefer their protein to be from other sources there are vegetable options available as well.

For some the thought of making dietary and fitness changes will seem like a lot of work, but what is the alternative. If you want to see a change and you haven't seen one with what you are currently doing then it only makes sense that you have to make changes to see changes.

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UV-A
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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Cooling down with an ice-cream for Camouflage the dog, from Jimmy Jiang, with his owner Diarmuid Siucru at the first day of the June Bank Holiday weekend for the return of Ireland BikeFest – the country's largest motorcycle festival.
Photo: Valerie O'Sullivan

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**>CREDIT UNION SENIOR COUNTY LEAGUE DIVISION 1
Glenflesk 2-17 Laune Rangers 4-13**

2 early goals helped Laune Rangers to victory in Round 9 of the Credit Union County League Division 1, despite Glenflesk's strong second half comeback. Patrick Daly got the opening score of the game for the visitor's inside the first 2 minutes, finding the net with the help of the post. Gavin O Shea then saw his shot come off the post again, and deflect into the net. Eoin O Sullivan then fisted over a point, when another goal chance was on. Glenflesk needed a response, and got it from terrific point's from Callum Cronin and Ian Roche. The rest of the half was evenly contested, with 2 more fisted points from Daire Clearly and Fiachra Clifford for Laune Rangers, with Glenflesk replying with 2 Roche free's, and a superb outside of the left foot effort from Jamie Moynihan. The visitor's with a deserved 5 point lead at the break. They pushed on again after the restart. Two lightning quick attacks ended with 2 more well taken goals by Oisín Birmingham and Gearoid Hassett. The returning Chris O Donoghue then started Glenflesk's fightback, calmly finishing low to the net, after being set free by Moynihan. Luke Crowley then set up Cronin for another goal chance. Once again he was clinical, and Glenflesk looked like they could achieve a result that looked impossible just a few minutes earlier. It almost got even better for them, only a superb save from Jason Browne denying Crowley another goal. 3 superb Bowler point's kept Glenflesk in range as the end approached. Laune Rangers though, always kept the 2 to 3 points gap, and late points from Hassett and Birmingham confirmed their victory. They will be delighted how their return to Division 1 has gone. For Glenflesk, the second half performance was much improved, and the team will go into the final 2 round's hoping to finish on a high.

Thanks to Michael Healy for the match report.

**>CREDIT UNION SENIOR COUNTY LEAGUE DIVISION 5
Gneeveguilla 0-14 Glenflesk 1-9**

>UNDER 11S

Travelled to Templeoe for Phase 2 of their Go Games. Some beautiful football on display.

>UNDER 14S

Glenflesk / Kilgarvan 4:19 Dr Crokes 2:13

Glenflesk / Kilgarvan (B) 5:13 Currow 4-15

>UNDER 21S

Came up against a very strong St Brendans side, in Kilmoyley, in the Quarter

Final of the Acorn Life Under 21 County Football Championship. We played against a very strong wind in the first half which allowed St Brendans build up a substantial lead. We could never claw back the deficit in the second half despite our lads battling to the very end.

>GLENFLESK HEALTHY CLUB PROJECT

Glenflesk GAA Club will launch their Healthy Club Project shortly. The Healthy Club Committee, would welcome feedback on areas members of the community would like the Healthy Club to cover. Survey forms are available online(Club Facebook site and X/Twitter account). Survey forms are also available locally in businesses, the clubhouse and from Club Healthy Club Officers. Please return survey forms to Glenflesk Lotto boxes in local businesses by Sunday 16th June 2024.

>KERRY SENIORS

Well done to Darragh Roche & the Kerry team on their win against Meath in Navan.

>LOTTO

There was no winner of Glenflesk Lotto which took place on 29/05/24 in Glenflesk Hall. Jackpot €3,000. The numbers drawn were 11, 18, 26, 28. Consolation Prizes of €50 - Tom Murphy, Calfmount (Annual Ticket), Chris Brennan & Ann Marie Brosnan (Annual Ticket), Owen Reen Rathmore, Corner Bar (Sellers Prize). Next draw will take place in Glenflesk Hall on Monday 10th June. Jackpot will be €3,200. Thank you to all who support our Lotto, our committee and sellers.

>EUROPEAN TRIATHLON CHAMPIONSHIPS

Declan O'Donoghue of Beheenagh, Headford and of Triumph Coaching, will be representing Ireland at the European Triathlon Championships in Portugal in June. Declan has also been selected as the Captain of the Irish Triathlon Team. Best of luck to Declan and his Irish team in the upcoming events.

>KILLAHA CEMETERY MASS Mondy 10th of June 7:30pm

>ACADEMY continues every Tuesday evening 6:15 to 7:15pm in Barraduff Community Field. All welcome!

>NOTES

We welcome items of local interest. If you would like anything added in the notes please contact Sean on 086 6052054 or email to pro.glenflesk.kerry@gaa.ie

KILCUMMIN

Written by: Helen Moynihan

>KILCUMMIN LOOKING GOOD

Kilcummin Looking Good will host a coffee morning on Sunday the 16th June, from 12 -1.30pm in the Recreational Hall. Proceeds will go towards the upkeep of our parish and village. All Welcome.

>FLEADH CHEOIL CHIARRAI 2024

Kilcummin CCÉ wish all of our competitors in this year's Fleadh Cheoil Chiarraí the very best of luck. Fleadh takes place again in Ballybunion this year with dancing competitions on the weekend of 8th/9th June and music, singing, storytelling and comhrá competitions on the weekend of 15th /16th June. For timetables and a full programme of events, to include street entertainment, see www.kerrycomhaltas.ie

FLEADH PROGRAMME

Fleadh Cheoil Chiarraí programmes are now available to purchase for €5.00 from the Rural Development Office. Opening hours are Monday to Thursday 9.00am to 4.30pm, Friday 9.00am to 3.30pm, (closed Bank

Holidays).

**>KILCUMMIN GAA
LOTTO**

There was no winner on Monday 3rd June 2024 of the Jackpot for €11,500. Numbers drawn were 08, 09, 11, 30. Consolation prizes of €50 went to Johnny Reidy; Jason O'Connor; Breda & Tim O'Sullivan; Margaret Licup. The next draw will be on Monday 17th June for Jackpot of €11,750.

**>MASTERGEEHA FC
LOTTO**

There was no winner on Friday 31st May 2024 of the Jackpot for €11,600. Numbers drawn were 08, 17, 23, 27. Consolation prizes of €50 went to Catherine Keogh c/o Jimmy O'Brien's Kieran Nagle, Mastergeeha; Eileen & Michael, Glounonea; Cian Darragh & Evan Cronin, Rathmore. The next draw will be on Friday 7th June for Jackpot of €11.800.

LISTRY

Written by: Colette Leslie

>LOTTO

Winning Numbers 2,18, 20, 25. €100 Columba Glavin (online). €50 John O'Sullivan, Mallow. €50 Pat Fleming, Lahard (online). €25 Dan Dwyer, Ballytrasna. €25 Ellen Allman, Rockfield. Jackpot next week: €4,200. Next Draw: June 9th

>SENIORS

The seniors will play Knocknagoshel in listry Sunday June 9th at 2pm come out and support .

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SPA

Written by: Deirdre O'Sullivan-Darcy

>KILLARNEY CLUB 7S

The sun was shining once again for an epic weekend in Spa for the 3rd Annual Killarney Club 7s tournament. Huge crowds descended on Spa for 2 days of football, food, fun and lots of live music. The 7-a-side tournament was hotly contested as 36 mens and ladies teams from both Ireland and abroad battled it out to win the 2024 Cup & Shield titles. The mens Cup Final was won by Dunshaughlin Royal Gaels, while the Shield Final was won by Confey GAA who defeated Kildimo/Pallaskerry GAA on penalties. In the Ladies competition, the Cup Final was won by Clonakilty LGFA who defeated Castlehaven LGFA while the Shield Final was a local derby as Legion LGFA defeated the Spa Ladies. Well done to all the referees, officials and all the clubs that travelled to Spa this weekend and took part in 7s football tournament.

Off the pitches, the kids play area was full all weekend with plenty of fun for the younger groups, the food court was busy for the full 2 days while the Heineken Tent was rocking all weekend with live music over the 2 days with acts like Super Céilí, Ruaile Buaile and Chasing Abbey.

Congratulations to everyone who made this another hugely successful and enjoyable weekend yet again. Credit to the brilliant committee who have spent months putting plans in place, and to all the volunteers who helped out this weekend without whom the event could not happen, and of course to all our sponsors, neighbours and local community who helped make it another incredible weekend in Spa.

Roll on next year!

>CREDIT UNION CO LEAGUE ROUND 9 SPA V RATHMORE

Spa and Rathmore met in a sunny Fitzgerald Stadium on Friday evening for Round 9 of the Credit Union Co League, with Rathmore edging out a two-point victory on the night. It was a game with plenty of goal chances for both sides and, for most of the last quarter, it looked like the teams might share the spoils, but Rathmore finished well to take the win. Final score Spa 0-13 Rathmore 2-9. Well done to our team and management and wishing all our injured players a speedy recovery. Spa play Kilcummin this weekend in the penultimate round.

>SPA U12 GIRLS

Spa U12 ladies showed great improvement again last week against Legion in our second round of games. Well done to all the girls who played great football.

>SPA GAELIC MOTHERS & OTHERS

Spa Gaelic 4 Mothers & Others had their first game in Dr Crokes last week and there were great skills shown on the pitch. Coach Kieran McCarthy was delighted with the display and we had 25 players togged out on the night. It was a tough game well matched and we were delighted to have our first match under our belt! Well done to all the ladies and massive thank you to Dr. Crokes Gaelic4Mothers&Others for the warm welcome and the

Spa & Dr Crokes Mothers & Others group who played in a friendly last week



refreshments and chat after, we look forward to battling again.

>UPCOMING FIXTURES

MD O'Shea East Region U14 League Division 3: Rd 2 Spa v Scartaglen on Wednesday June 5th (7pm in Spa); Rd 3 Spa v Kenmare on Wednesday June 12th (7pm in Spa).

Credit Union Co League Division 1 Rd10 Spa v Kilcummin on Sunday June 9th (2pm in Spa)

Credit Union Co League Division 6 Rd5 Spa B v Castleisland Desmonds B on Wednesday June 5th (7.30pm in Castleisland) and Rd6 Spa B v Keel B on Saturday June 8th (7.30pm in Spa). ** Fixtures are subject to change

>KERRY TEAMS

Well done to Dara Moynihan and Kerry GAA team & management on their win over Meath on Sunday afternoon in Rd2 of the GAA Group Championship stages. Kerry play Louth next (neutral venue TBC) on the weekend on June 15th / 16th.

Good luck to the Kerry minor team & management, especially Joey McCarthy & Niall O'Mahony, in the All Ireland Minor Tier 1 quarter-final against Roscommon this Saturday June 8th (6.30pm in Cusack Park, Ennis). Best of luck to the Kerry Ladies team & management in Rd1 of the TG4 LGFA Group Stages this Sunday June 9th against Donegal (1.05pm in Ballybofey).

>SPA GAA CLUB LOTTO

Lotto Numbers 27/05/2024: 8, 17, 26, 27. No winner and €50 Lucky Dips to Sharon O'Sullivan, Darragh Brosnan, Annmarie O'Sullivan Darcy and Rogan Fleming. Next Monday's lotto jackpot is €5,800 and play on spagaa.com or in usual outlets.

>ITEMS FOR NOTES

Any items for the Spa notes please contact Club PRO on 0857762411 or email pro.spa.kerry@gaa.ie before 8pm on Sundays

BEAUFORT

By Bridget Hartnett

>FIXTURES

Senior men will be away to Ardfert and Ballylongford next weekend in Divisions 2 and 6, Co League. .

>RESULTS

Beaufort 2.12 Templenoe 1.15 in Div. 2, Co Senior league.Beaufort 2.08 Fossa 1.11 in Senior Co League, Div. 6, Phase 2.

>LOTTO

The next draw for a jackpot of €4,000 will be on Sunday, 9th June. Tickets are available from usual sellers, shops, and public houses and online at www.beaufortgaa.com. Please note that online lotto closes at 7pm on draw night. Any tickets purchased after 7pm are entered into the next draw. Thank you to everybody who support the lotto and our lotto sellers.

>GOLF CLASSIC

Beaufort GAA Club Golf classic will be held on Friday, 29th June in

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>GAELIC4MOTHERS&OTHERS

Beaufort has joined the Gaeli4Mothers&Others initiative which see Ladies playing Ladies Gaelic Football in a fun, non-competitive and social environment. It is confined to Ladies who do not play senior LGFA Club football and who are over 25 years of age. For more information, please contact Gillian on 087 9903552.

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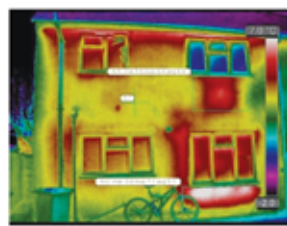
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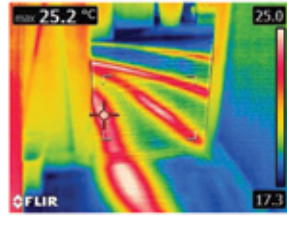
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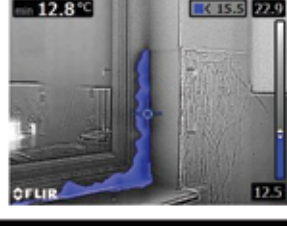
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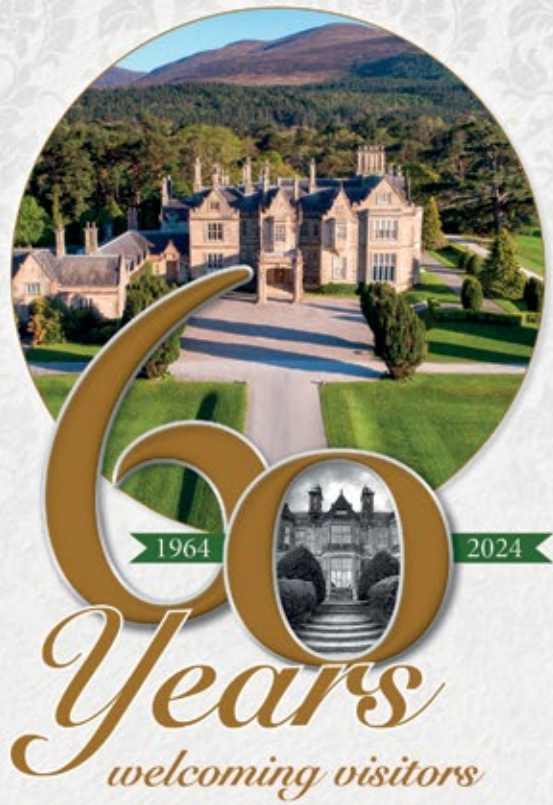
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Later in the Summer there will be traditional sessions in the Garden Restaurant featuring the Killarney School of Music and a series of concerts in the Schoolhouse including John Spillane and Siamsa Tíre amongst others. There will be a series of events on Muckross Traditional Farms to celebrate Heritage Week and Culture Night.

In September Celtic Steps will perform on the front lawn of Muckross House. All events will be added to our social media pages throughout the summer.

We invite people to visit the house, gardens and traditional farms as our guests throughout the weekend. Step into the story of Muckross House where history and heritage intertwine. Experience the legacy of Ireland's first National Park, wander through meticulously preserved Victorian elegance, and explore rural farm traditions amid stunning landscapes on our lake shores. Enjoy the essence of the Muckross Estate story, embraced by our community, dedicated to preservation and celebration.

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| 12.00pm | 12.20pm | 12.30pm |
| 1.00pm | 1.20pm | 1.30pm |
| 2.00pm | 2.20pm | 2.30pm |
| 3.00pm | 3.20pm | 3.30pm |
| 4.00pm | 4.20pm | 4.30pm |
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| | | 6.00pm |

Make the most of the opportunity to do well in the State Exams



By Billy Ryle

RELIEF

After a long wait, there is tangible relief that the state exams are finally underway. Like many important milestones, the anticipation is often worse than the event itself. The first morning was the most nerve racking as it involved some formality. However, once the question papers were distributed and the candidates warmed to their task, the tension of the morning quickly evaporated.

COMPULSORY

The exam timetable mainly prioritises compulsory subjects during the early days of the exam. As the exams progress into the second and subsequent weeks, the optional subjects are nicely spaced out allowing for study days. But, as they continue until Tuesday, 25th June, it's important to treat the state exams more like a marathon than a sprint. After sitting a few subjects, candidates now realise that exams test not only your knowledge but also your concentration and ability to utilise every available minute. So, stay in exam mode until you leave the exam venue after the very last subject.

FOCUSSED

Depending on the subjects being sat, the entire exam will conclude reasonably early for some candidates. Others will have to stay focussed until the very last subject on the final day. Irrespective of when you are due to finish the exam, keep in mind that you have prepared diligently for the exam. This is what you have been waiting for. Make the most of the opportunity to do well. Reap the rewards of years of study by performing to your optimum ability in each subject.

REVIEW

After three busy days of exams, the coming weekend will bring welcome relief and give candidates a chance to relax a little, to take

stock and plan ahead. Spend as little time as possible on post-mortems. Review your tactical approach over the first week. If you are totally satisfied with your strategy before, during and after each subject then you need change very little. Focus on next week's subjects and forget about the subjects that have already been examined. Your entire concentration must be on the subjects still to be examined.

LEISURE

The weekend provides an opportunity to recharge the batteries for the second week and to do some subject revision. Take some active leisure to burn off the residual tension of the first week. It will help you to sleep soundly and to maintain the levels of stamina, endurance and staying power needed for the challenges ahead. Avail of a few good nights' rest, which is essential for alertness. Resist the temptation to study late into the night. Confine your study to daylight hours, enjoy your period of exercise and go to bed early. Defer any late-night socialising until your exam is over. Keep your fluid intake high to avoid dehydration but be moderate in your use of artificial stimulants such as tea and coffee. Keep a clear head by abstaining from alcohol during the exam period.

QUALITY

Concentrate on subjects being examined next week. Prioritise your revision according to the timetable. Go over the tips and predictions that have been made for the subjects you are sitting during week two. Use your study days well and study wisely by not cramming. At this stage the quality of your revision is more important than the length of time you spend at it. On the evening before each paper spend an hour or so looking over your notes so that the important concepts are fresh in your mind.

POSITIVE

You are off to a great start after the first week. Maintain your discipline during week two. Keep a good thought for yourself and stay positive. Have confidence in your ability to do well in your second week's papers. You are now well settled in and rising to the challenge. Deal with each subject as it comes and by this time next week it may all be behind you.

CHECKLIST

- As the exams progress, the optional subjects are nicely spaced out
- Stay in exam mode until all of your subjects are completed
- Reap the rewards of years of study by performing to your optimum ability
- During the weekend, review your tactical approach to the first week
- If you are satisfied with your strategy, then you need change very little
- Focus your attention on next week's subjects
- Prioritise your revision according to the timetable
- The weekend provides an opportunity to revise for second week papers
- Get out for a few hours of active exercise
- Defer late night socialising until your exam is over
- Keep your fluid intake high to avoid dehydration in warm weather
- Keep a good thought for yourself and stay positive

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Delighted with English Paper 1, the first exam in the Leaving Certificate 2024: Olivia Gaffey, Laura O'Shea, Anne Hickey and Hannah Ryan from St. Brigid's Presentation Secondary School



Stephen Wickham and Kieran Nagle pictured after English Paper 1 at St. Brendan's College



Mohammad Shaheed and Markas Brieloves pictured after English Paper 1 at St. Brendan's College

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KILLARNEY GOLF & FISHING CLUB

PRESIDENT HELEN'S PRIZE TO THE LADIES 18 HOLE LADIES STROKE COMPETITION PLAYED ON MAHONY'S POINT COURSE ON 2ND JUNE 2024.

Overall, Winner & Presidents Cup Winner: Mary Chute (21) 66
 Loughitane Cup Winner (HI Over 26): Kate Anu Culloity (30) 63
 Best Gross: Tracy Eakin 75
 3rd: Bridie Brosnan (38) 66
 4th: Maire Geaney (21) 68
 5th: Ursula Daly (24) 70
 6th: Ursula Desmond (16) 70
 7th: Evelyn McCarty (16) 70
 8th: Maura Fitzgerald (30) 70
 9th: Noreen Coffey (17) 70
 10th: Mary Lacey (22) 71
 Front Nine: Elaine O'Sullivan (40) 32
 Back Nine: Anna Marie Gallivan (25) 32
 Past Presidents: Breda Duggan (28) 75

CALOR GAS CORK GOLF CLUB EXCHANGE DAY ON 28TH MAY 2024

Overall, Winner: Kathleen Brosnan (20) & Noreen O'Callaghan (15) 37pts Back Nine
 2nd: Teresa Down (17) & Geraldine Tarrant (21) 37pts
 3rd: Nuala Meade (25) & Ann O'Keefe (20) 36pts
SCARLETT BOUTIQUE AUSTRALIAN SPOONS QUALIFIER PLAYED ON MAHONY'S POINTS
 Overall Winner: Sharon Ormonde & Kate O'Leary
 Best Gross: Ciara O'Mahony & Amy Arthur
NEXT FIXTURE will be 8th June 2024 Eileen Murphy (Greensomes) Qualifier on Mahony's Point sponsored by Safeguard Security.
 On 9th June 2024 Tralee Exchange Day Fourball Better Ball sponsored by Adams of Tralee.

DEERPARK PITCH & PUTT CLUB

NATIONAL MATCHPLAY
 Damien Fleming made it to Round 3 of the Senior Mens event last Sunday in Larkspur Park in Cashel before being knocked out by Cork's Eoin Shannon. John McGrath made it to Round 2 before losing out to Limerick Tommy Hanley with Derry McCarthy losing out in Round 1 on his return to the competition after 19 years.
BANK HOLIDAY WEEKEND DRAWS
 Sunday- Fourball Betterball- First Nett: Sean Ashe & John Murphy 40, Gross: Denis Looney & John Looney 50, Second Nett: Noel Moynihan & Dan Kiely 42½ and Hole-In-One: John Murphy (13th Hole), Monday- Fourball Betterball First Nett: Sean Ashe & John Murphy 44, Gross: Dave Spillane & Aidan O'Keefe 53 and Second Nett: Sean O'Brien & Dan Kiely 44½ (B9).

WEDNESDAY COMPETITION
 Wednesday May 29th- Two Ball Scramble: Brian McCarthy & Luke Doolan 37½. Reminder that these events are now taking place at 7.30pm on Wednesdays during June and July.

SCRATCH CUPS
 We are looking forward to hosting these on Saturday. Any late queries on tee-times to either Sean Kelly or Damien Fleming. Please note that the course will be closed all day Friday in preparation for the event.

BOB CASEY MEMORIAL
 Begins next Tuesday night (June 11th) in Tralee.



President's Prize winners in the Ross GC Presidents Prize to the Ladies
 Front (l to r): Mary McCarrick, Lady Captain, Elaine Casey, Winner, Betty Farrell, President, Johnny Brosnan, Gents Captain.
 Back (l to r): Mary Moynihan, Brenda Kelliher, Jennifer Nash, Miriam Hickey, Helen O'Donoghue, Eileen Fleming, Cathriona Shanahan, Susan Good, James Flavin on behalf of Breda O Farrell.

Best Wishes from all in the club taking part.
BILLY LYNCH RIP
 As a club we were saddened to hear the news of the death of former Pitch & Putt Ireland President Billy Lynch on Sunday morning. A frequent visitor to our course, he enjoyed attending our social gatherings such as last year's 50th Anniversary and also made some memorable and impromptu speeches at them! We send his wife Mary, son Liam, his entire family along with the Royal Meath Pitch & Putt Club our sincerest condolences at this time. May he Rest in Peace.

ROSS GC, KILLARNEY (GENTS)

RESULTS
 On June 2nd our President Betty Farrell held her President's Prize. This was a stableford competition with a very large turnout and both the weather and the course were in fantastic condition. The prizegiving took place in the Clubhouse on Sunday evening as part of the President's Dinner and a great social evening was enjoyed by a very large attendance. Thanks to our ground staff, our clubhouse staff, to Ollie and his team for the catering and to our many musicians for a great night's entertainment.

- THE WINNERS WERE :-**
 1st: Michael J O'Connor (7) 39
 2nd: Tim Ryan (24) 38
 3rd: Joanthan Casey, (5) 37
 4th: Ivo O'Sullivan (11) 37
 5th: Donie Broderick (15) 37
 6th: Mike Brosnan (6) 37
 Past President: Michael J Casey
 Seniors Prize: Pat Mitchell
- Division 1**
 1st: Alan Flynn (8) 36
 2nd: David MacIndoe (3) 35
- Division 2**
 1st: Jimmie Smith (16) 37
 2nd: Maurice O'Shea (13) 36
- Division 3**
 1st: Ned Buckley (22) 37
 2nd: Jim Delaney (27) 35

ON THURSDAY 30TH OUR SENIORS HELD THEIR WEEKLY COMPETITION.

The winners were :-
 1st: Mossie Cremin 20 pts
 2nd: John Ivory 19 pts
 3rd: Denny Lucey 18pts.
ON FRIDAY MAY 31ST WE STARTED OUR SUMMER MIXED 10 HOLE SCRAMBLES with a brilliant crowd, good golf and weather and all finished off with some great food, banter and craic in the Clubhouse.
 The winning teams were:-
 1st: Dan Cronin, Tom Shields, Ger Flynn.
 2nd: Mary Moynihan, Captain Johnny Brosnan, Gerard Murphy.
 3rd: M J O'Connor, Fiona Murphy, John Keane.

FIXTURES
 On Friday June 7th we will hold our Summer Mixed Scramble at 6.15 pm. Please get your name on the entry sheet in the clubhouse, either in person or by phone before 5.45 pm. The scramble will be followed by the prizegiving and some food in the Clubhouse.
 On June 8th & 9th we will hold a stableford competition. The usual process applies for tee time bookings for both Saturday and Sunday.

CASTLEROSSE GOLF CLUB (LADIES)

WEEK: 27/05/24 - 02/06/24
RESULTS OF 9H STABLEFORD
 1st: Gina O'Shea
 2nd: Kay Spillane
RESULTS OF 18H STABLEFORD
 1st: Mary O'Reilly
 2nd: Barbara O'Shea
SOCIAL GOLF
 Social golf every Wednesday. Book on BRS.
SPRING LEAGUE
 Deadline for Round 2 matches is 20th June. Good luck to all participants.
MIXED SCRAMBLES
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EXCHANGE DAY
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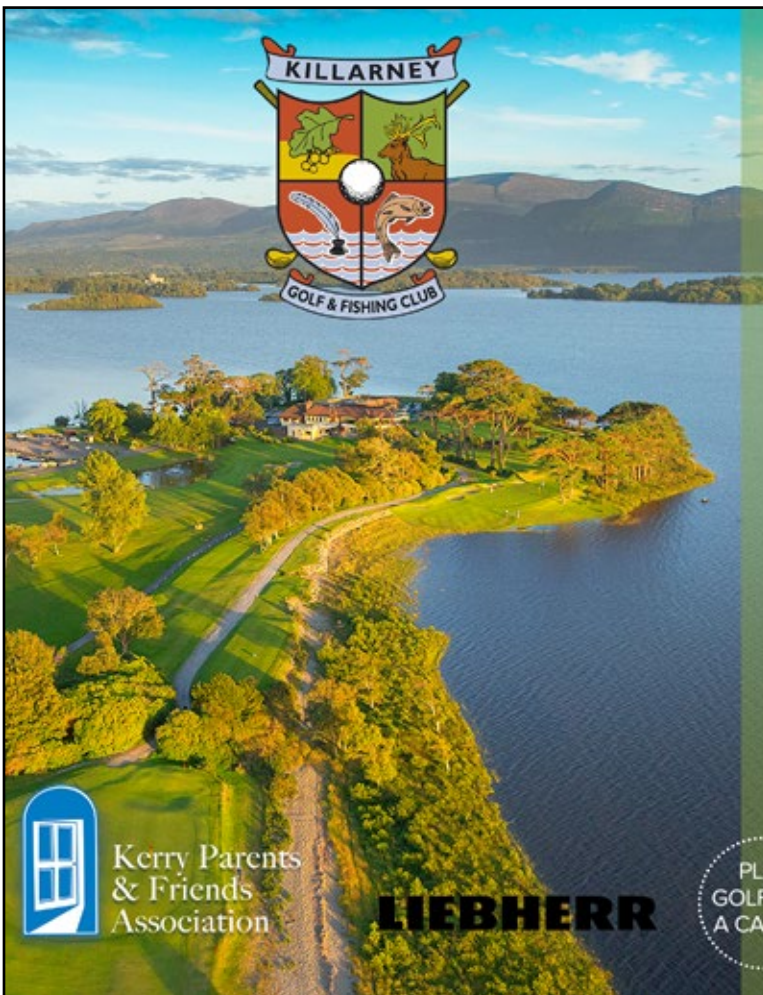


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**BEAUFORT GOLF CLUB (MEN'S)
SINGLE STABLEFORD - 1ST & 2ND JUNE
2024 - RESULTS**

Yellow Tees

1st: Brian O'Connor (18) 40pts
2nd: Declan O'Leary (23) 39pts

White Tees

1st: David Carroll (14) 43pts
2nd: Kevin Byrnes (11) 39pts
3rd: John Murphy (21) 37pts (last 6 holes)

Thanks kindly to Killorglin Industries for sponsoring the outing.

UPCOMING FIXTURES

7th June - Friday night scramble (11 holes) - members 5e & guests 15e

8th & 9th June - 18 hole singles sponsored by Killarney Medals & Trophies (1st GOTY & 3T's competition)

ROSS LADIES GOLF CLUB

**RESULTS - PRESIDENT BETTY O'FARRELL
PRESIDENT'S PRIZE SATURDAY JUNE 1ST**

President Betty O'Farrell prize giving on



Ross Ladies Golf Club Winner of the President's prize to the Men was Michael O'Connor pictured with President Betty O'Farrell, Lady Captain Mary McCarrick and Men's Captain Johnny Brosnan

Sunday 2nd June. A great evening was had by all. Congratulations to the winners. Winner of Ladies 18 hole competition was Elaine Casey, winner of 9 hole competition was Jennifer Nash and the President's prize to the Men's winner was Michael O'Connor, Seniors winner was Pat Mitchell and Past President was Michael J Casey.

COMPETITIONS

9 Hole Scramble Saturday 8th June very kindly sponsored by Kaye Cremin & Susan Shorten.

Names in the book please. All Members welcome

WEDNESDAY MORNINGS MEET & PLAY

Meet and play every Wednesday morning. Meet in the Club House 10.30am tee off 11.00am. All members welcome.

GOLF LESSONS

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



Ross Ladies Golf Club Winner of 9 hole competition was Jennifer Nash pictured with President Betty O'Farrell, Lady Captain Mary McCarrick and Men's Captain Johnny Brosnan



Ross Ladies Golf Club Winner of Ladies 18 hole competition was Elaine Casey pictured with President Betty O'Farrell, Lady Captain Mary McCarrick and Men's Captain Johnny Brosnan



Ross Ladies Golf Club Winner of Seniors was Pat Mitchell pictured with President Betty O'Farrell, Lady Captain Mary McCarrick and Men's Captain Johnny Brosnan



Ross Ladies Golf Club Winner of Past President prize was Michael J Casey pictured with President Betty O'Farrell, Lady Captain Mary McCarrick and Men's Captain Johnny Brosnan

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Helen Prendergast Club President Killarney Golf and Fishing Club presenting her President's prize to the winner 18 hole Girl's competition Eimear O'Sullivan with (right) Kate Culloty winner 13 hole girl's competition at Killarney Golf and Fishing Club on Sunday. Photo by Michelle Cooper Galvin



Helen Prendergast Club President Killarney Golf and Fishing Club presenting her President's prize to the Boy's winner Cormac O'Sullivan with (back from left) James O'Meara Cat 1 winner, Dara Whelton Cat 2 winner and Matthew Lucey Cat 2 runner up at Killarney Golf and Fishing Club on Sunday. Photo by Michelle Cooper Galvin



Helen Prendergast Club President Killarney Golf and Fishing Club presenting her President's prize and the President's Cup to the Ladies winner Mary Chute with (front from left) Bridie Brosnan 3rd, Kate Culloty 2nd and winner of the Loughquittane Cup, Kate O'Leary Captain, Breda Duggan Past President's prize (second row from left) Maura Geaney 4th, Ursula Daly 5th, Ursula Desmond 6th, Evelyn McCarthy 7th (back from left) Maura Fitzgerald 8th, Noreen Coffey 9th, Mary Lacey 10th and Elaine O'Sullivan front 9 at Killarney Golf and Fishing Club on Sunday. Photo by Michelle Cooper Galvin



Helen Prendergast Club President Killarney Golf and Fishing Club presenting her President's prize to Men's winner Danny Healy with (front from left) Jason O'Sullivan 2nd, John Kerrisk Best Gross, John O'Mahony Captain (back from left) John Lynch 3rd, James Jones 7th, Maurice Lyons 4th, Tony Walsh 4th and Louis Holland Cat 3 winner at Killarney Golf and Fishing Club on Sunday. Photo by Michelle Cooper Galvin



Killarney Golf and Fishing Club Captain's Kate O'Leary and John O'Mahony presenting a cheque for €6000 proceeds of their Charity Day's at the Club to Fiona Mangan and Bridget Delaney of Killarney Cardiac Response Unit at Killarney golf and Fishing Club. Photo by Michelle Cooper Galvin



Killarney Golf and Fishing Club Captain's Kate O'Leary and John O'Mahony presenting a cheque for €6000 proceeds of their Charity Day's at the Club to Brid O'Connor and Mary Horgan of Comfort for Chemo at Killarney golf and Fishing Club. Photo by Michelle Cooper Galvin

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MEP ON THE CAMPAIGN TRAIL IN KILLARNEY

MEP Grace O' Sullivan visited Killarney on Saturday evening as part of her campaign for European Elections 2024. Grace joined local candidate Diarmaid Griffin on the doors of Castle Falls and Scrahan Mews along Ross Road with a large canvass team.

'It was a great opportunity to highlight the upcoming local and European Elections with local residents, and to stress the importance of voting on June 7th' said Diarmaid Griffin.

After the canvass, Grace and Diarmaid called into Luna to speak with Killian Tracey about the Killarney Coffee Cup Project.

The importance of introducing the 'latte levy' was highlighted by Killian.

Grace O' Sullivan contacted Minister Ossian Smyth on this immediately and said 'Let's get on with the Latte Levy as soon as possible'.

'I am delighted with the initiative Killarney took in being the first town to become disposable cup free. Now the project needs support and assurance from the government that it will

support the introduction of a levy on single use cups.

Grace O' Sullivan is the shadow rapporteur with the Greens/EFA on Packaging and Packaging Waste Europe.

"In the face of intense lobbying from the plastic and chemicals industries, and others who benefit from our single-use, throwaway culture, the EU has set more ambitious targets for reducing packaging waste, and increased the scope of many rules. Agreement has been reached that will see PFAS - harmful forever chemicals used in food packaging, banned within 18 months, a ban on plastic wrapping on fruit and veg, mandatory roll-out of deposit and return schemes across EU member states, and measures to tackle over-packaging, including a ban on oversized boxes and parcels being used for small items, and a ban on polystyrene in-fills in packaging." Grace O' Sullivan said on the issue at European Parliament earlier this year.



Grace O' Sullivan with local election candidates: Cleo Murphy, Diarmaid Griffin, and Paul Bowler at Killarney House and Gardens.

DANGERS OF DEER

Fianna Fáil Councillor, Michael Cahill has again raised the dangers posed by Deer wandering on our roads throughout the county. He feels that since the major fire in Killarney National Park a few years ago, Deer have been dispersed away from their former home to practically every parish in Kerry.

"Everywhere you travel now, you come across Deer crossing roads in the county, causing accidents and causing drivers to swerve to avoid hitting them. These animals by nature are skittish, (unpredictable) as one constituent described them and you cannot judge in which direction they will run to, when you come on them" stated the Rossbeigh based Councillor.

"Every day I am hearing about Deer jumping out onto the roads all around South Kerry. On a regular basis, you will come across Deer in Killorglin, Beaufort, Dromin, Cromane, Glenbeigh, Glencar, Kells, Cahersiveen and throughout the entire Iveragh Peninsula. I am hearing reports of accidents and near misses on almost a daily basis and there will be more major accidents and sadly, fatalities, if action is not taken now" said

the Fianna Fáil man.

"Another issue of course, is the matter of insurance. If your sheep or cattle jump out onto the road, then you are responsible for any damage caused to a vehicle. If a Deer jumps out and damages your car, you are left high and dry and this is not fair" stated Councillor Cahill.

"A Deer round up and cull must be organised to ensure the safety of people travelling our roads. I am calling again on the National Parks and Wildlife Service to recognise the fact that many of our Deer no longer live within the confines of Killarney National Park and to initiate a major drive to return these Deer to their original environment where they can be successfully managed" said Councillor Cahill.

"With no natural predator in Ireland for Deer, the herds are growing at a phenomenal rate, causing mortal danger to road users and spreading ticks that carry Lyme Disease. This is a major Health and Safety issue, which I believe, the Road Safety Authority must take into consideration. We must deal with Deer now" added Councillor Cahill.

€1 million in funding for projects in Kerry

Minister for Education and Kerry T.D. Norma Foley has welcomed confirmation of over €1 million in funding for outdoor recreation projects in Kerry.

The investment, under the Outdoor Recreation Infrastructure Scheme (ORIS), will be key to enhancing forest walks, cycleways, rivers, lakes and beaches across the county.

It will also provide a boost to the local economy by attracting more visitors to our rural communities.

The funding includes: €445,140 Construction of a 1.5km extension to the Kilderry Wood Walk in Milltown in mid-Kerry, creating a looped countryside amenity walk of 3.1km. The project also

includes the provision of 600m footpath to link Milltown and to Kilderry Wood Entrance.

: €200,000 to further extend the Ballyseedy Wood Amenity Trail

:: €200,000 to repair and upgrade the Jarvey Lane, the 1 km pedestrian/cyclist surface which runs between Killarney town and the main entrance of Killarney National Park.

:: €198,000 for recreational support facilities at 3 Blue Flag Beaches -Ballinskelligs, Banna and Rossbeigh. This includes cycle stands, seating and picnic areas, drinking fountains, shower areas and lifeguard facilities.

Cllr. Maura Healy Rae on Housing

Housing continues to be one of the biggest issues facing our area despite the fact that there has been positive developments in Killarney and Barraduff.

There is substantial need for more social housing to address the waiting list which now has in excess of 1,500 applicants. Vacant and void properties need to be brought back into use. Furthermore affordable housing development needs to take place so that families and single

people can have a realistic opportunity of purchasing a home. I have time and time again campaigned for St.Finians landbank to be used for social and affordable housing development. I want to continue my work in this regard. "I am very active in assisting elderly people and people with disabilities to make applications for housing grants to make their homes more suitable for their needs", Cllr. Healy Rae told Killarney Outlook.

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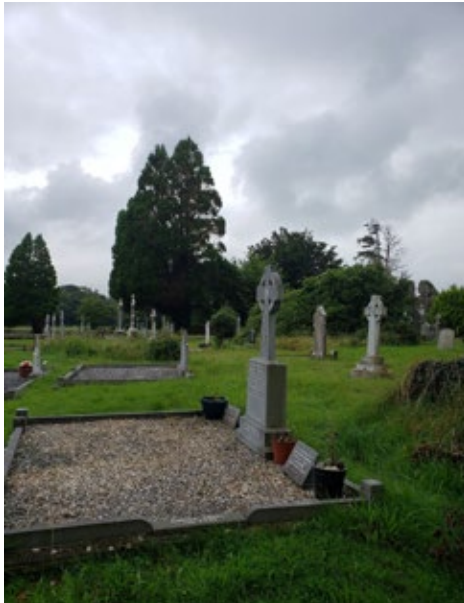


DEAL REACHED FOR BEAUFORT BURIAL GROUND

Cllr. Johnny Healy Rae has announced that the deal has been reached for the extension to Beaufort Burial Ground and contracts have been issued for signing and this should be concluded very shortly.

"I have continuously worked on this over the last council term and I'm glad that by the skin of its teeth it will be over the line before the new council term starts", Cllr Healy Rae said.

I want to thank everyone involved. I'm especially glad that I played my part in dealing with Kerry County Council and the land owner involved as much as I possibly could. I want to thank the land owner in a very special way for dealing with Kerry County Council on this parcel of land as it was not offered for sale but he has dealt with them in a professional and nice manner all the way along. I also want to thank Kerry County Council



management and staff for all the work that they have put into this, particularly Moira Murrell, Martin O'Donoghue and Paul Neary, who played a leading role in concluding this.

I'm glad that the people of the parish of Beaufort will not have to be taken to another parish to be buried as it would be very hurtful to them not to be buried alongside their own loved ones", he added.

PROPOSAL TO DOUBLE PENALTY POINTS

The proposal to double penalty points for speeding and mobile phone use has been strongly criticised and condemned by Independent T.D Michael Healy Rae. The relentless pursuit of drivers by the RSA has been raised on many occasions in the Dail by Deputy Michael Healy Rae and he has continuously sought for the Government and the Gardai to look at all causes of road deaths on our roads, not just attributing it directly to driver behaviour. The RSA seems hell bent on taking the simplistic and easy route of blaming the driver all the time and the proposal to double the penalty points was an absolutely insane nonsensical and a wrong proposal.

Deputy Michael Healy Rae has welcomed the fact that the Tánaiste Micheal Martin has rubbished this proposal and is now looking forward to seeing it being binned for good.



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Billy Kelleher MEP, Cllr. Mikey Sheehy, Mikey Sheehy Snr, Darragh Ó Sé and Marc Ó Sé.

Kerry football legends back Billy Kelleher MEP for Europe

Kerry football legends with a combined 19 All Ireland Senior Football winners medals between them have come out strongly in support of Billy Kelleher MEP's campaign for re-election to the European Parliament. Mikey Sheehy Senior (eight titles), Marc Ó Sé (six titles) and Darragh Ó Sé (five titles) all recently met with Billy Kelleher MEP to show their support for his re-election

campaign. Speaking after the meeting, MEP Kelleher said, "I am truly honoured to have the Ó Sé and Sheehy families backing my re-election campaign. "They know what it takes to win, and I'm proud to have them on Team Kelleher and on Team Fianna Fáil."

LEA candidate welcomes confirmation that CCTV scheme will be installed in 2024

A candidate in the forthcoming local elections has welcomed the confirmation from the Department of Justice that the CCTV scheme, first promised for Killarney in 2017, will now be installed later this year. Caroline Kenneally, a native of the town who is contesting next month's local election in Killarney LEA for Sinn Féin along with her party colleague, Damien Switzer, has said that after representations made to Minister Helen McEntee's Department by Sinn Féin's Pa Daly TD, the Department has now agreed to release the required funding in 2024. 'Earlier this year I spoke with residents in Ballyspillane regarding the CCTV scheme, as the estate was one of the three schemes to be funded under the CCTV Grant Scheme,' Kenneally said: 'while this decision is to be welcomed,

what is not acceptable is the time delay. The people of Ballyspillane and Killarney in general were told in 2017 that these schemes had been approved, but here we are, seven years later, and work on the installation is only being confirmed now,' she continued. Kenneally concluded: 'I can confirm that officials in the Department have been in contact with Kerry County Council regarding the query raised by Deputy Pa Daly TD. The Council has informed the Department of Justice that work on compliance issues associated with the application is ongoing and it is expected that the Council will fully draw down funds this year for the scheme, which is to be welcomed,' she concluded.

The LEA candidate said that she will work with community leaders, particularly in Ballyspillane, to ensure that Kerry County Council initiate the tender process for the scheme in 2024.



€1.4m for Co Kerry roads damaged by excessive rainfall

Fianna Fáil Local Election candidate Niall Kelleher has welcomed €1.4m in additional funding for regional and local roads in Co Kerry damaged by persistent rainfall over the winter and spring months. Minister of State Jack Chambers TD today announced €30 million in emergency funds to deal specifically with the impact of climate change, which has contributed to a deterioration in the surface quality of certain parts of the roads network. Cllr Niall Kelleher, who is running in the KILLARNEY LEA on June 7, said: "I'm delighted to receive confirmation from Fianna Fáil Minister Jack Chambers that €1.4 has been allocated for regional and local roads in Co Kerry. "We need to keep our roads safe. This emergency investment will give Kerry County Council the funds necessary to repair potholes and other damage on our roads caused by the extremely heavy rainfall over the winter and spring months.



"In persistent wet conditions, water seepage contributes to damage such as the development of potholes or pavement collapse. "These funds will significantly improve the worst impacted areas of the road network." He added: "Fianna Fáil in Government is committed to supporting local authorities in the maintenance and renewal of the regional and local road network."

DISGRACEFUL SITUATION AT DENNEHY'S BOREEN



Cllr. Brendan Cronin has contacted Uisce Éireann's senior management in relation to the disgraceful situation where the households in Dennehy's Boreen are not connected to the Killarney wastewater sewerage scheme. "I have sought an explanation as to why this is still the case in 2024 and as to why Uisce Éireann have failed to address this issue. It is crucial that this area is connected to the wastewater sewerage scheme in the interest of public health and the protection of the environment", Cllr. Cronin told Killarney Outlook.




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Workman Rowing Club at Bantry Regatta

A selection of medal winners this weekend in Bantry. L-R: Amelie Counihan, Michael J Burns, Kayla Wharton.



Workman Rowing Club Quad Crew In Bantry Regatta

Stoke L-R: Kayla Wharton, Roisin O'Donoghue, Leah Counihan, Faye Mannix, Cox - Derva Ireland.

KILLARNEY VALLEY ATHLETIC CLUB

Congrats and well done to all our distance runners in action in Cork over the weekend. Paul Doolan ran another sub 3hr marathon in 2hr 57mins, Conor O'Leary ran it in 4hr 29mins. Cian Murphy ran the Half Marathon in 2hr 08mins. In the 10k, Naoise Daly ran it in 37min 43sec, Orla Mhic Suibhne ran 53min 11sec and Mike Riordan ran 67min 22sec.

The Irish Schools Championships was held on Saturday in Tullamore. Congrats to Tunde Smith who came 2nd in the Junior High Jump with 1.65m and came 3rd in the Junior 80mH with 12.65sec. Congratulations also to Oisín Lynch for his Gold Medal in the Senior 800m. Also well done to Conor Duffin who came 8th in the Junior 1500m with a PB of 4min 26sec. Anna O'Shea came 6th in the Intermediate Pole Vault. Dominik Wasila came 11th in the Intermediate Long Jump. Oisín O'Regan came 5th in the Senior 400mH with a PB of 62.50sec and came 8th in the Senior Long Jump with a leap of 5.53m. Mollie O'Riordan came 6th in the 400m in 60.93sec and Cian O'Brien came 7th in the 200m in 22.83sec. Well done to our club coaches, parents and to the schools for supporting the athletes in our sport.

Our Summer Camps are back this year with 4 weeks to choose from .. July 8th – 2nd August. Our Multi activity camp is for kids aged 5-12 years. Book on our website to avoid disappointment. All relevant information on our club is on our website www.killarneyvalleyac.ie

FARRANFORE MAINE VALLEY

The All-Ireland Schools championships took place in Tullamore on Friday and Saturday last. Kevin O'Shea was competing in the javelin and discus on Friday. A clash in the timetables meant both events were on at the same time. Moving from one event to the other so quickly meant there was little chance of breaking any records this time, however winning 2 All-Irelands in 15 minutes must be a record in itself. He managed to win the javelin by a massive 10 metres and the discus by 7 metres.

Saturday morning Ryan Vickers faced a similar problem with only 45 minutes between the 100 and 800 metres. He came 2nd in the 100 and won the 800 metres. A strong headwind in the home straight meant he was unable to break

the record. Later in the day he won bronze with the relay team and led St Brendan's Killarney to the overall team prize in the Minor Boys category. Congratulations also to coach Arthur Fitzgerald who afterwards left to join the Kerry team for their game in Navan the following day. Conor McCarthy ran in the U-16 mile. Despite running out of age he still managed to be in contention for most of the race only losing contact in the final lap. Hopefully this experience will stand to him next year. Well done to all 3 of the athletes on a tremendous performance. All will now turn their attention to the Munster Club Championships in Waterford in 2 weeks time.

WORKMEN'S ROWING CLUB NEWS

We basked in glorious sunshine at Bantry Regatta this June Bank Holiday weekend. All crews and supporters had great fun where medals galore were secured on the day. We want to congratulate all who took part particularly the new members who competed admirably on their first day out.

Our crews are preparing well for the Munster Branch Regatta which will take place at the national rowing centre Farran this Saturday 8th June 2024. The club is looking forward to the outing.

The club would like to wish all our oars people who are sitting the state exams the best of luck which commenced this week.

Training continues as usual for all members.

MUCKROSS ROWING CLUB

BANTRY REGATTA

On Saturday last, the club's younger rowers had an enjoyable outing to Bantry Regatta which was held at Reendonegan Lake. Congratulations to Orla Forde and Bebhinn O'Donoghue, winners of the Womens J13 Double and also to their crew mates Olivia Murphy and Amelia Mackiewicz, who completed the line up of the winning Womens J13 Quad. The club was also second in four categories. Well done to Se Kennedy in the Mens J14 Single, Aaron O'Connor and Aaron Hegarty in the Mens J14 Double, Orla Forde in the Womens J13 Single and to Olivia Murphy and Amelia Mackiewicz in the Womens J13 Double. The club placed third in 12 categories and a full results round up can be found on the club Facebook page. Well done to everyone who participated and to all the coaches and helpers on the day.

MUNSTER BRANCH REGATTA

Best of luck to the 36 Muckross crews entered in this Saturday's Munster Branch Regatta, taking place at the National Rowing Centre (NRC) in Farran, Cork.

EXAM TIME

Best of luck to all our members sitting Leaving and Junior Certificate exams.

UPCOMING

Cork Regatta (Grand League), NRC Farran, Sat-Sun, Jun 22-23rd; Rowing Ireland 1km Classic, Lough Rynn, Sat, Jun 29th; Killarney Regatta, O'Mahony's Point (Killarney Golf & Fishing Club),

UTILITY TRUST ST PAULS ANNOUNCED SECOND SIGNING

Megan Ormiston has signed on with Utility Trust St Pauls for the upcoming Superleague season. Ormiston is the second signing following the capture of point guard Gracen Kerr. Ormiston is a native of Murietta, a city in California and graduated from the University of Nevada in 2023. In that season she started all 31 games and led the team in both field goals and field goal percentages. At 6ft 3 inches she can play in both the four and five position where your height can be utilised. In her high school years she set a school record 23 rebounds twice while she averaged ten points per game in her final season in Nevada. Listing Breanna Stewart and LeBron James as her heroes, it is hoped that her combination with the aforementioned Kerr will help St Pauls hit the ground running in the upper echelons of Womens Basketball.



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- 1. Tim & Mai Corcoran
- 2. Mary Gleeson & Evelyn O Leary



Babatunde Smith of Killarney Valley AC Silver Medal in High Jump & Bronze in 80m Hurdles in Junior Boys Irish Schools Championships representing his school Killarney Community College.



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The Junior Boys Cup was won by Scartaglen with a strong second half performance having trailed by ten points in the early stages, Aaron OSullivan super performance contributing 18 points saw them overcome undefeated Holy Family Rathmore in a thrilling final.

The Gaelscoil Faithleann had a very successful week taking both the boys & girls Shield titles with close hard earned victories in thrilling games against Knockaderry boys & Gneeveguilla girls.

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Junior Girls Shield Winners Gaelscoil Faithleann



Junior Girls Cup Champions Currow NS

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- Final MVP Ruby Ni Chofaigh
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- Runners up Holy Family Rathmore
- MVP Aaron O'Sullivan
- Junior Boys Shield Winners Gaelscoil Faithleann
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CELTIC LOTTO

Numbers drawn 2, 9, 19, 20. No jackpot winner. Match 3 winner received €150. Next jackpot €8,800 on Monday June 10th. Tickets available from The Dungeon Bookshop, Amber Shop (Top of Ross Road), club members and online through clubzap.

HEALY FAMILY U15 CUP FINAL

Killarney Celtic 2-3 Mastergeeha

Ignacy Truchan, Kiernan Kelly

Despite a fantastic 2nd half Celtic went down to Mastergeeha in the Healy Family Cup Final. Celtic opened well with the breeze at their backs and were unlucky not to go ahead but it was Mastergeeha who got the breakthrough. Celtic regrouped and created chances but failed to take them and it was Mastergeeha who struck again. Just on half time Mastergeeha struck for a 3rd goal. Celtic could have folded facing the breeze and being 3 down but instead they rose again in the 2nd half and Ignacy Truchan got Celtic moving with a great finish. Kiernan Kelly got the 2nd and Celtic piled on the pressure forcing Mastergeeha to defend resolutely. Celtic hit the crossbar with their last effort but unfortunately it was not to be and Mastergeeha took the honours.

KILLARNEY CELTIC SUMMER CAMPS are now open for booking through Clubzap on killarneyceltic.ie/products. The camps are fully inclusive for boys and girls aged 4-13 years. Week 1 runs from Monday July 1st - Friday July 5th and Week 2 is from Monday July 15th - Friday July 19th. The time for all days is 10am - 1pm.

KERRY SCHOOLBOY/GIRL SOCCER

Another year of action in the Kerry Schoolboys & Girls Leagues comes to a close. The end of the season was as dramatic as the entire season proved to be. Nessa Kirby was the hero once again as Park recorded Premier success along with their Cup triumph a week earlier.

Killorglin who won the U13 Boys Munster Regional Final recorded KSBGL success as they claimed the U13 Premier Title. A thrilling U15 Healy Family Cup tie saw five goals as Mastergeeha weathered a second half storm from home side Killarney Celtic to lift the title.

Elsewhere Park lost in their National Trophy semi-final and did not make a decider in the Cup, ended the year on a high point as they produced two strong results in a matter of days to lift the U15 Premier title.

KIRBY DOES IT AGAIN AS PARK ARE CROWNED U14 GIRLS PREMIER CHAMPIONS

Nessa Kirby sprinkled more magic on the Park U14 Girl's season once again, delivering the only goal of the game to see them past MEK Galaxy 1-0 in the decider. A couple of days after Kirby found the net to see Park claim the U14 Eve O'Callaghan Cup, she did the same to record the double success.

Pitting the Cup winners against the Shield winners it was always going to be a tight game. A thrilling contest from start to finish as two sides unbeaten this year in the Premier went down to the wire. Park did prevail again and it was the hero Kirby who popped up at the right moment to find the net.



Killarney Celtic U16 Girls squad winners of the 2023/24 U16 Premier Title & the Lol O'Leary Cup.

MASTERGEEHA TRIUMPH IN U15 BOYS HEALY FAMILY CUP FINAL

Having recorded the Tucker Kelly Shield success last weekend, it was another weekend of celebration for Mastergeeha, as their U15's were crowned U15 Boys Healy Family Cup Champions. Defeating Killarney Celtic 3-2 in Celtic Park.

While Mastergeeha were ahead 3-0 at the break, they were put under severe pressure as Celtic netted twice in the second half to almost force extra-time in the tie.

It was Geeha who started the better despite Celtic dominating a lot of the opening half. A swift counter attack and after a number of great phases in their attack, Cillian O'Donoghue fired a left footed rocket from 20 yards giving the Celtic keeper Jack O'Grady no chance to open the scoring.

With just their second chance of the game, Mastergeeha made it 2-0 when Fabian Lorkowski got on the end of a Conn Deally through ball to slot past the keeper. On the stroke of half time Geeha added their third, Roan Guerin with a dangerous delivery from a free kick that was not dealt with by Celtic and O'Donoghue pounced to add his second.

Celtic had a mountain to climb at the break, but Mountains are there to be climbed. Just a minute after the restart, they managed to get in behind the Mastergeeha cover and Iggy Truchan fired home to pull a goal back. As the half wore on Celtic soon added a second goal when Kiernan Kelly fired home to make it game very much back on.

Celtic had number chances including Sean Collins having an effort bounce off the crossbar, Geeha defender Daniel Buckley blocked an effort heading for goal and net minder Liam Moynihan tipped an effort over the bar.

Hearts were in the mouths in those final minutes. Mastergeeha weathered an incredible storm to in the end be crowned U15 Healy Family Cup Champions.

PARK CROWNED U15 PREMIER CHAMPIONS

A busy week for St Brendan's Park saw them play two games on course to being crowned champions of the 15's Premier first a 4-2 win at home to Mastergeeha before defeating MEK 5-0 away from home to confirm the title lift.

Park utilised home advantage to record the first three points of the week. With just ten minutes gone some good build up play down the right

flank led to a low cross into the box where striker Tuoyo King was on hand to finish from inside the six yard box for the opener.

Mastergeeha responded by equalising not long after. Park kept their heads up and some determined play from Samson Abubakar restored their lead. Abubakar made a strong run through the middle of the Mastergeeha half, before he was fouled on the edge of the box. Managing to stay on his feet he continued into the box, where he finished with a toe poke shot to the bottom corner.

Momentum remained with Park and King soon added his second goal after some strong build-up play resulted in another low cross into the box, for the forward to strike and make it 3-1 at the interval.

Geeha soon made it 3-2 after the restart, however some solid saves from Park netminder Sean Sargent thwarted Mastergeeha from adding a third goal. With five minutes left on the clock, Seadhna O'Brien unleashed a curling shot from outside the Mastergeeha box into the top corner to make it 4-2 and effectively game over. That gave Park a boost going into their next meeting of the week and after a roller-coaster of a season involving National Trophy, KSBGL Cup and League competitions they cemented their place as League Champions with victory away to MEK Galaxy.

After a slowish start, with both sides having half chances early on, the scoring was opened after ten minutes by Danny Kingston. He turned and unleashed a speculative shot from well outside the box, the flight of the ball seemed to catch the MEK keeper unaware and it flew into the back of the net to make it 1-0 to Park.

Shortly after Kingston was on hand again to double the lead, this time from inside the box, a low diagonal shot across the keeper found the bottom corner. The third goal came shortly before half time. After some excellent pressing work by the Park attackers, Touyo King dispossessed the MEK 'keeper inside their box near the byline and crossed the ball across the face of the goal, where unfortunately it deflected off one of the MEK defenders and into the back of the net. 3-0 to Park at the break.

Not long after the restart Park added their fourth. Striker Demola dribbled into the box towards the left byline where he superbly cut the ball back to King, standing on the edge of the six yard box,

who finished sharply. The fifth goal arrived when midfielder Darragh O'Callaghan got on the ball and unleashed a shot from outside the box which rifled into the net.

A four in a row now for this group of players from their U12 days right through to being U15's.

RESULTS

U14 Girls Premier

Park 1-0 MEK Galaxy

U13 Boys Premier

Killorglin 2-1 Listowel Celtic

U15 Boys Premier

Park 4-2 Mastergeeha

MEK 0-5 Park

Mastergeeha 1-7 Tralee Dynamos



Jamie Vermiglio of Chorley FC took the time to run a training session for the Killarney Athletic U10's while back in Killarney on holiday. All the kids really enjoyed the session and the advice from the ex Athletic player.

KILLARNEY ATHLETIC AFC

KILLARNEY ATHLETIC AFC OFFICIALLY LAUNCHED ITS ANNUAL 7 A SIDE TOURNAMENT IN KILLARNEY CREDIT UNION THIS WEEK.

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

Application forms are available from the Beech Road of Killarney Credit Union and at www.killarneyathletic.com.

The entry fee for Senior Men: €200; Over 35s: €200; Senior Ladies: €150

U14/16: €100. U10/12: €100 (this competition takes place on the 28th -29th June)

The closing date for all ages (to be returned to the credit union) is Thursday 6th June before

5.30pm

The draw will take place on Monday 10th June Further information is available from www.killarneyathletic.com.

U13 CUP SEMI-FINAL RESULT

Killarney Athletic 4- 3 Listowel Celtic

Eric Corcoran x3, Rory Moynihan x1

Our young Blues are through to the U13 Cup Final after a cracking game of football this evening in Ferndale.

Our boys got off to a flying start when Eric Corcoran scored after 4 mins. Listowel are a very good side, and they git a deserved equaliser near the end of the half. 1- 1 at half time.

With everything to play for, both teams went on the offensive and everyone was treated to a fantastic second half of football.

Listowel went ahead to go 2-1 up but Eric scored again to bring us level. Eric scored again & completed his hat-trick, Listowel quickly equalising to make 3-3 with 6 mins remaining. The winning goal came with 2 mins remaining from Rory Moynihan when he reacted quickest inside the penalty area to slot the ball into the goal. Listowel attacked straight from the kick off and put our defence under serious pressure, but our boys held out to put us through to the final. Thanks to Listowel for a great game.

Well done to all our boys who worked their socks off and kept fighting till the final whistle. Well done lads

We await the winner of St Brendan's Park/ Castleisland in the Final.

Tadhg Dalton Looking To Lead By Example On The Sidelines

It is a tough time for Tadhg Dalton as after all the hard work over the years, he will be ruled out to play in this year's Kennedy Cup. The St Brendan's Park player had a heartbreaking ACL injury this season and will not be back in time for next week's tournament in UL.

No doubt it is gutting and heartbreaking for the young man from North Kerry. The Kennedy Cup is the dream of every young player and while Dalton cannot play, his campaign will involve a different Captains role off the field.

Dalton was left disappointed that he is injured, he will still head up to UL and be a motivation to his side when they need it most.

"I'm obviously disappointed on a personal level that I'm injured and won't be able to play, but I'm excited to go up and support my teammates and my incredible coaches and yeah can't wait."

"It's great to have a great togetherness and comradery in the squad and to be able to drive someone on if they're having a poor game or making mistakes, lift people up and hopefully then we can get across the line." He added.

When the news was delivered to Dalton, naturally it hit like a tonne of bricks. Thoughts quickly turned to the Kennedy Cup to see if he would return in time, it did work out for him and he hopes to return to the field shortly after rehabbing from the injury.

"When I heard the news my heart sank. And immediately thought to the deadline of the Kennedy Cup would I be back for it and sadly just the ACL injury takes that time, hopefully I will be back again now soon."

Killarney's Lachlan Scannell Always Wanted To Play In The Kennedy Cup For Lachlan Scannell he has always wanted to play in the Kennedy Cup. Having been involved for years developing his trade at Killarney Celtic, the young midfielder will put on the Kerry jersey in the 2024 instalment. Scannell is hoping to go out on the pitch in UL and deliver a top quality



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performance along with his teammates.

"Can't wait. Just wanna go out and represent the county to the best ability that we have and just put a good account of ourselves out there." With school and being involved at club level, Scannell has been around players who have been there and competed at this tournament. He was almost waiting for his time to play in the Kennedy Cup and it arrived this year. Now it's all about putting in the performance.

"Even last year and the year before, I would have known other fella's older than me doing it and it's always something I was always almost waiting for it like. But I'm happy it's finally here. Just a sigh of relief and just can't wait to go out and show what I can do and what the team can do."



JIMMY O'SULLIVAN-DARCY

takes a look at all things sport...



The late Seán Óg Sheehy

FAREWELL TO TWO KERRY LEGENDS

SEÁN ÓG SHEEHY

Kerry GAA were deeply saddened to hear of the passing of the late Seán Óg Sheehy. If any family could claim to be Kerry royalty, the Sheehys of John Mitchels surely could. John Joe was an iconic figure in the twenties. A staunch republican leader, he emerged from the crowd for the 1924 Munster Final under a truce brokered with his friend, team-mate, and Civil War opponent Captain Con Brosnan. It remains one of the greatest GAA moments of all time in any county. The two went on to be key figures in Kerry's first four in a row team. John Joe's influence extended far beyond even his great playing career. Tralee Mitchels were the most dominant club side Kerry has ever seen (they were later split into Mitchels, Rock Street, and Strand Road) and John Mitchels continued that dominance in both codes. John Joe didn't quite select Kerry teams himself but, such was his influence, he could have done so without objection. Famously, he recused himself from the meeting to select the team to contest the 1953 All Ireland Final, with his son Paudie dropped and losing out on the captaincy to Jerome O'Shea.

In 1962 Kerry were smarting after losing two years in a row to newcomers Down. Kerry had brought in some new blood such as the Lucey brothers and Donie O'Sullivan and the youngest of the Sheehys to join his brothers Paudie and Niall. Seán Óg lined out at wing back and, although deceptive light in physique, his speed and uncanny ability to read the game soon made him a stalwart. Mitchels were on their way to claiming five Bishop Moynihan Cups in a row, a feat unmatched ever since, and Seán Óg was nominated as captain. Kerry saw off Cork to win Munster, beat Dublin in a brilliant semi-



The late Tom O'Connor

final and then saw off Roscommon (in what is considered a disappointing encounter). All of John Joe's sons played football, and it's sometimes forgotten that they were a great hurling and camogie family as well. John Joe himself played Railway Cup for Munster (later on, he would have been a regular at Kerry's usually sparsely enough attended hurling games) and Niall was an iconic full back. Seán Óg actually retired from playing senior for Kerry in 1963, although he did play junior for a number of years afterwards. A quiet, modest man, he was unobtrusive at Mitchels' games in later years, but enormously popular in the community – including, significantly, many neighbours who never followed gaelic football.

TOM O'CONNOR

Tom O'Connor of Kenmare Shamrocks was another who never needed any introduction for Kerry GAA supporters. His greatest claim to fame was probably as a selector with Jack O'Connor, wise counsel in the background as Kerry went on to lift the Sam Maguire, and his masterful stewardship of a 1991 Kerry Junior team than won the All Ireland against all the odds. However, his greatest impact was surely around Kenmare. He was an absolute icon with Pobal Scoil Inbhearr Sceine. The school famously almost batted far above its population weight. No doubt you have heard of players like Adrian and Killian Spillane, Dara and Seán O'Shea, Paul O'Connor, Stephen O'Brien, Stephen O'Sullivan, Tadhg Morley, Donal Down O'Sullivan,.....it is not mere speculation that makes me think that without Tom O'Connor, you might very well not have heard of any of them. I have literally never attended an Inbhearr Sceine game, at any level (including First Year League games) where Tom wasn't present and if I happened to miss one, Tom was always just a quick phone call away. It says something about the man that he always remembered and credited the good players on

the opposition team as well.

FACILE VICTORY FOR KERRY OVER MEATH

ALL IRELAND GROUP STAGE ROUND TWO

Kerry 2-18 Meath 0-9

Meath were giants once. Meath were the ultimate in durable. They always refused to buckle down the years. They had some of the greatest players ever to grace the stage. Boiler McGuinness, Peter McDermott, Paddy 'Hands' O'Brien, Jack Quinn, Mick Lyons, Liam Hayes, Colm Coyle, Geraghty, Giles (one of the best passers of a ball that I ever saw).... Colm O'Rourke himself, of course. A lot of will remember that day in 2001 when they absolutely destroyed Kerry in an All Ireland semi-final....Declan Quill got our only second half point that day. I remember it; I still think it was just one of those days where everything goes awry. They weren't actually that good and we weren't actually that bad, but once we started floundering, we sank like stones. Go back before that, even before they appointed a soft-spoken herbalist and former hurler....to me, they absolutely shafted Boylan in the finish and that was the day that an inexorable decline set in.

That was then;; this is now. Meath are not the power of yore, far from it. In GAA terms, they are more like a Dublin suburb than actual rivals. It's a shame, but it's the truth. Fair play to the due-hard supporters who made their way to Navan last weekend. I gave it a skip myself. Actually, wild horses couldn't have dragged me. I'll be giving the Louth match a miss as well. These games are absolute rubbish. This is rip-off central by the GAA. The idea of group stages after the provincial championships is gaelic football is pointless. There just aren't enough real contenders, and we all know it. We are creating tests of stamina, not skill, and charging people for the privilege.

I'm not saying too much about the game. I was expecting it to be basically a non-contest, and it didn't even live up to that much billing. Meath defended with everything they had and it took Kerry a while to really get going. Neither of the Cliffords nor Seán O'Shea really sprang into life. Cillian Burke tried hard but didn't really hit the afterburners. Paul Geaney found it hard to find space in which to operate. Kerry had some poor shot selections and some poor wides and could maybe have let the ball in faster when forwards were one on one.

I never paid the slightest attention to this notion of Kerry not scoring goals and that being a big issue. That didn't bother me in the slightest at any stage, and I wouldn't have cared if we didn't score any goals against Meath either. That 'monkey on our back' was never



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Joe O'Connor in action for Kerry. Photo: Orla Coyne, Kerry GAA Fans

more than media nonsense trying to foment drama where there isn't any. Kerry missed some shots. Meath missed all round them. Three points out of fourteen chances in the first half? Ouch. My heart goes out to them. I have always been a long-time admirer of Colm O'Rourke. Great player and a great guy. But he's drawing from a shallow well and all of Leinster is overshadowed in blue these days. That's not Kerry's problem, but it should be a huge one for the GAA. Dublin's pre-eminence doesn't worry me as much as it does many others, that's a genuinely great team and I actually like how they play the game. But the fact that Meath, Kildare, and Laois in particular have declined rather than risen in response is a real problem.

Eoghan Freyne kicked a couple of beauties. But Kerry's defenders had the freedom of the entire pitch. The likes of Tom O'Sullivan and Brian Ó Beaglaoich made hay all day.

0-10 to 0-3 at half-time, and commentators were saying that Kerry were struggling to open Meath up. Jays, talk about gilding the lily! Kerry did press on, more with a sense of purpose than urgency. David Clifford did get those two goals in the second half – my word, but he struck that first one with absolute venom!

What did we learn about Kerry that we hadn't known? Absolutely nothing. That game was utterly devoid of purpose. Everyone would have been better off if it had never been played. If I was in the Kerry dressing room afterwards, I'd genuinely be saying not to bother with any post-match analysis. There was no bench mark here to measure yourself against. It was a chore. Kerry got the win, gave some runs to aspiring players, picked up no injuries. Most importantly, they didn't have to reach too deep into the fuel tank. I genuinely believe that, including that coveted week off, is what will be the key factor later on. When the actual All Ireland Championship, not this awful drawn-out pre-game show, actually takes place.

Roll on the quarter-finals. Like, as soon as possible, because right now it's immensely boring.

STATE OF PLAY

Group 1

Armagh with a statement win over Derry. Armagh have been the 'nearly' team for the past three years. Personally I think discipline

has been an issue for them and so has caution – having Rian O'Neill supporting midfield in tight games is a bit like playing Lionel Messi as a sweeper. Nobody's saying that he can't do it, but it's not where he has most value. Last weekend Armagh went for goals, having seen Derry's vulnerability. I still have questions about Armagh, but that Derry scalp could do a lot for them. Dark horses. As for Derry, I'm not trying any 'I told you so' (I was far from the only one saying it) but I go back to that National League game where they brought lads back from holiday a week after a Club All Ireland Final to beat Kerry by a single point. The schedule is longer than they realised, just like Mayo last year, and I believe that it is now catching up to them. Galway struggled to put Westmeath away but have their two wins from two. Like Kerry and Dublin, they have been quietly getting the job done without showing too much of their hand (Connaught Final excepted). I don't think Galway are as good as they were two years ago, but I suspect that they are coming good at the right time. Armagh would be a ferocious battle, but I think we would just about prevail. Galway? Bit of an unknown quantity, and I'll be watching out for them.

Group Two

Mayo don't need to beat Dublin. But I suspect that Mayo think that they need to beat Dublin, and I think they'll go handle after hatchet at this one. Dublin have been quietly and solidly going about their business. Apart from hammering Kerry in the National League (and that one felt like a real message being sent out) they haven't actually looked to hit the higher gears. They'll want to win this – that week's break is a massive incentive – but personally I think there will be more hype than substance about this particular clash. They are both through. They will both want to win, but neither will need to win, and that's a completely different mindset. I expect Roscommon to end Cavan's involvement, but I respectfully don't see them lasting too much longer themselves.

Group Three

Hon the Rebels! I don't care what anybody says. Cork have hurt us plenty of times over the years, but I've always had a lot of respect and a little bit of grá for them. They have been trying hard after a very rough patch – it's always been predominantly a hurling county with some great footballers in the mix. They

needed a lift, and I have suspected and stated that they have had a lot of potential if they can put a full performance together – I think people forget how much they had us rattled last year in the group stage. That was the real Cork; they just didn't believe until too late in that game and that penalty (it was a good call) made a difference. Once again, the team that went for goals got them. Interesting to see long kick-outs and to see Donegal falling for the quick counter-attacks. Bit of a role reversal there, biter bit one might argue. Jimmy McGuinness brought an aura of clinical invincibility to Donegal; whether their self-belief can recover from this is the question. They could still have beaten Cork and came very close. They'll surely beat Clare and qualify comfortably; I expect they will still top the group.

Tyrone, as expected, saw off Clare fairly comfortably, but they have no room for error. I might be being a bit unfair, given that they compete in easily the toughest province by far, but there has been something brittle and unconvincing about Tyrone ever since their covid All Ireland. They have some of the best forwards in the modern game but their whole game plan revolves around blocking up their half back line and attacking at pace. Will they cut the likes of McCurry and the Canavans loose against Cork? No – and that gives Cork, who play a high line, a real chance. I still favour Tyrone, but every game is sapping a little bit more energy out of them.

ROUND THREE PREVIEW

Kerry v Louth

Arrah, stop. No disrespect to Louth, but we beat them by 5-24 to 0-11 last year. Louth have certainly improved since then, but anything like enough to bridge that gap? I don't want Kerry experimenting too much – as far as I am concerned, it's time to click into championship mode. There shouldn't really be starting jerseys up for real grabs at this stage. Get it done, done get any injuries, don't get any cards.

ALL IRELAND MINOR QUARTER-FINAL PREVIEW

Kerry v Roscommon

Next Saturday sees Wayne Quillinan's minor side line out against Roscommon in an All Ireland quarter-final. It amounts to Kerry's first



Dodgeball... Jason Foley gets past a Meath player. Photo: Orla Coyne, Kerry GAA Fans



Eyes on the prize: Tony Brosnan in action for Kerry. Photo: Orla Coyne, Kerry GAA Fans

knock-out game, which brings a dynamic all of its own, but Kerry will go in here as favourites after a fifteen point demolition of a very listless Cork in the Munster Final. Kerry had initially beaten Cork by two points in a game of no huge significance to either side before seeing off Tipperary by 2-19 to 2-5. That one wasn't as clear-cut as it might sound; Tipperary actually gave Kerry a stern test until a one-sided last quarter.

It would be easy, too easy, to read too much into that Munster Final. There's no denying that Kerry have a lot of work put in – they had more than Cork in terms of workrate, strength and conditioning, and tactical awareness. But – and I truly hate seeing this – that was as much to do with a certain malaise on the part of Cork (I saw a lot of those lads in colleges football, they are better than they showed that night – as any perceived excellence by Kerry. Credit where it's due, though. Gearóid White put on an absolute exhibition, while the likes of Ruadhan O'Donovan, Seán Ó Cúinn, midfielders Ben Murphy and Killian Dennehy, and playmaker Jack Joy would be outstanding talents on any team.

Roscommon will be far from any pushover. They lost their opening game in Connaught to Mayo, who are considered up among the favourites this year but recovered to beat Galway (who contest the new Tier Two semi-finals along with Donegal, Kildare, and Tyrone) by three points. A comfortable win over Leitrim saw them face Sligo in the last round of the league section (that format works for Connaught, but I would expect too many one-sided games in Munster, which has been traditionally dominated by two counties with the occasional breakthrough by Tipperary) which they won by 2-8 to 0-8. That put them into the semi-final against Galway, and Roscommon's greater penchant for goal saw them triumph by 3-5 to 0-7.

The only Roscommon minor game I have managed to see is the Connaught Final against Mayo (with all the fuss about GAAGO, which I haven't gotten and won't be getting, I think TG4 deserve far more praise than they get for their excellent coverage of mens' and ladies GAA). Mayo won it, and won it fair and square, but Roscommon showed enough quality to concern me. Mind you, they had a lot of numbers back, and I don't think that style is going to stop a Kerry side whose support play

has been one of their strongest features. Kerry know how to thread through blanket defences. Roscommon have been putting up around ten scores a game consistently, including a goal or two. Kerry, and I accept that this is a higher level, can confidently aim for higher totals and know how to tuck away their own chances. Look, predictions of anything when it comes to 17 year olds is a fool's game. Roscommon's strongest area appears to be their midfield. Darragh Devaney and Cathal Enright are excellent, but I'd put my money on Ben Murphy (let's face it, that guy is an absolutely phenomenal talent) and Dennehy. Wing back Eoin Collins is a superb footballer as well, but as against that, I thought they left a few scoring chances behind them that Kerry would be taking. I'm tempting fate I know, but I fancy Kerry to win out in Cusack Park at 6.30pm next Saturday.

GOALS KEY AS KERRY SEE OFF DUBLIN CHALLENGE

Intermediate Camogie Round Two
Kerry 2- 12 Dublin 0-13

Kerry had a morale-boosting first victory of the year last Saturday in the opening round of the All Ireland Intermediate Group Stage, but with all due respect, a home game against a very depleted Antrim is a whole other proposition to travelling to St.Peregrine's in the heart of Dublin city to take on the home side. Just to flavour the broth, Dublin were playing in a double-header, with their seniors (who beat Kerry by 2-14 to 0-9 in the National League) taking on Clare straight afterwards.

This was tough hurling, neither side willing to give an inch. Space was always going to be at a premium. Dublin made the brighter start, Jennifer Moore opening their account and the outstanding Roisín Ní Chathasaigh doubling the advantage. Laura Collins in particular was already asking questions inside for Kerry, though, and the peerless Jackie Horgan confidently despatched a '45 to get Kerry on the board. In the 10th minute she doubled her tally from a free. In a game like this, dead ball accuracy was always going to be crucial, and Kerry have one of the best in the business. Another free, this time from the stand side, was just as comfortably converted, and Kerry were in front for the first time, 0-3 to 0-2.

Dublin kept coming, and while Kerry were able

to cut out any sniff at goal, the metropolitans did win frees and Gráinne Skelton proved just as adept as her counterpart at the art, slotting three in a row.

Roisín Ní Chathasaigh picked off her second point, with Jackie Horgan replying with a twenty metre free. 0-6 to 0-4, and Dublin probably deserved their slight lead at that stage. But then came arguably the game's turning point. Ann-Marie won possession out around the middle, spotted Amy O'Sullivan inside in a fraction of space, and drilled a superb pass straight in. Amy gathered just ahead of the defender and cut inside before unleashing rocket that gave the hapless keeper no chance. Jackie Horgan added another free, quickly cancelled out by Gráinne Skelton. Kerry were definitely on top now, and came very close to two more green flags, Chloe Ní Cheallaigh doing well to parry a rasping effort from Jackie Horgan. Before the break, Jackie swung over a long range beauty to give Kerry a 1-6 to 0-7 lead at half-time.

Once again it was Dublin who burst out of the blocks faster. Grainne Skelton snapped over another free and Roisín Ní Chathasaigh lofted over another fine score to level the tie. Jackie Horgan nudged Kerry back in front with a free and exchanged further minors with Skelton to make it 1-8 to 0-10.

With the game right in the mix now, it was Kerry again who came up with the little bit of magic to break it open. There didn't look to be too much on when Kate Lynch scooped up the ball 40 metres from goal until a sudden burst of acceleration suddenly found her with both space and momentum. She unhesitatingly burst inside and coolly unleashed a thunderbolt that rattled the net. 2-8 to 0-10, and for the first time in the game, there was real daylight between the teams.

Gráinne Skelton hit back with another free, but Kerry had the momentum now and Jackie swung over her first point from play and added a free. Skelton raised another white flag, Roisín Ní Chathasaigh picked off her third point, and sub Emma Moran got in on the scoring act for Dublin. They needed goals now as the time got tight, but a redoubtable Kerry defence didn't cough up a single opportunity, and the relentless Jackie Horgan closed out an invaluable win with the last two scores to take her personal tally to an even dozen.

There's an awfully long way to go yet, but

this one was a real statement win by Kerry. Next Saturday they have another big task in an away trip to Kildare to face the Lilywhites' senior team, but after this display, Kerry will be entitled to travel with a bit of confidence.

Kerry: Aoife Fitzgerald, Rachel McCarthy, Sara Murphy, Ciara O'Sullivan, Áine O'Connor, Sara Murphy, Aoife Behan, Caoimhe Spillane, Ruth O'Connor, Laura Collins, Kate Lynch (1-0), Ann-Marie Leen, Amy O'Sullivan (1-0), Jackie Horgan (0-12, 9f, 1'45), Amy McCarthy Subs: Roisín Quinn (for Áine O'Connor, 39), Ellen O'Donoghue (for Amy McCarthy, 47), Niamh Quinn (for Ann-Marie Leen, 48), Emma Conway (for Amy O'Sullivan (59)

Dublin: Chloe Ní Cheallaigh, Aoife Kenny, Niamh Gleeson, Caoimhe Tierney, Roisín Ní Drisceoil, Sinead Murphy, Niamh McCormack, Chloe O'Connor, Eimear O'Leary, Roisín Ní Chathasaigh (0-3), Gráinne Skelton (0-8, 7f), Ciara Murphy, Jennifer Moore (0-1), Anna Sullivan, Éile Ní Cheallaigh Subs: Helen Reynolds (for Ciara Murphy, 39), Caoimhe French (for Niamh McCormack, 46), Emma Moran 0-1 (for Eimear O'Leary, 55)
Referee: Martin Molloy (Wicklow)

IRELAND WOMEN STRUGGLING FOR GOALS

Euro Qualifiers
Sweden 0 Ireland 3

Ireland gripped the heart of a nation with a brilliant World Cup and Nations League B campaigns. The likes of Katie McCabe deservedly became household names. But I suspect that expectations maybe got slightly ahead of reality. I think that the always pragmatic Vera Pauw paid the price for not being fooled by the hype and understanding our limitations at the higher levels. After her treatment, Eileen Gleeson was absolutely right to insist on guarantees regarding her long-term development role and insisting on the title of 'interim' manager – in the FAI, these things never last long and never end well.

We got just the one goal in the World Cup and to be honest, that was a corner that had a certain amount of hit-and-hope about it. We are actually a very solid team with one definite world class performer and a lot of solid ones. But we always struggle to get it on the board.

We actually started well here. Lily Agg got on the end of a very good McCabe cross, but couldn't direct it downwards – Quinn almost got a head to the loose ball but credit Sweden's sharp defending. We had Sweden – and that's definitely a top team – under pressure. To be honest, Agg should most definitely have tucked away the opening goal after very good work by Amber Barrett. That's a bread-and-butter finish, but she nudged it wide. A few minutes later, Sweden showed exactly how its done, slicing us open very simply and opening the scoring. They almost got another, Kannaryd showing great feet to slip Louise Quinn (and that's not an easy feat at all; I rate Quinn) but Caitlin Hayes getting back to block the finish.

Great play by McCabe – I know I am harping on a theme here, but do you actually understand how many genuinely world class players, male

or female, this country has produced? You can count them on your hands and have fingers left over – on to Agg, and a very good cross. It wasn't any 'gimme' like Agg's earlier effort, but I thought Barrett could have gotten over the header a bit more. It went just over. Fair enough; this was good soccer to watch. Before the end of the half, Barrett pounced on a defensive error (a bad one) but her touch at full stretch was just a fraction too heavy. No fault; she was in the right place at the right time. Some days those ones fall for you, this time it didn't. 1-0 at half-time.

We never got going in the second half. Courtney Brosnan had to be rescued by alert defending after missing a ball across her goalmouth, but she redeemed herself with a good save (I thought the Swedish player could have just slipped it across to the support player). Our defence was looking very rattled and Sweden were beginning to play those measured balls for forwards to run onto that defenders hate.

The second goal arrived in the 61st minute and again, it looked simple, but it was the absolutely perfect weight on the pass that made it look that easy. Louise Quinn's deflection actually took it past her own defender, but there was a sense of inevitability about it anyway.

The third goal really hurt. Kanneryd simply just burst through empty space, her speed carving Ireland open, before putting it across. How do you have the entire defence sucked to one side with a lone striker waiting patiently in prime position? At least force Kanneryd into her own shot. As it happened, Brosnan actually saved the first attempt, but Kanneryd coolly slotted the rebound.

Much of the aftermath has been taken up with the two goal chances missed in the first quarter. We are definitely relegated, but I'm afraid that the narrative that those misses are the only problem we need to fix is wrong. We are now certainties for relegation – arrah, in fairness, with France, England, and Sweden in the one group, it would have been asking a bit much of any team. We do have a play-off pathway towards Euro qualification

Ireland: Courtney Brosnan, Jess Ziu, Anna Patten, Louise Quinn, Caitlin Hayes, Katie McCabe, Jessie Stapleton, Megan Connolly, Lily Agg, Amber Barrett, Kyra Carusa. Subs Tyler Boland (for Jessie Stapleton, 59 mins), Aoife Mannion (for Kyra Carusa, 73 mins), Leanne Kiernan (for Lily Agg, 73 mins), Megan Campbell (for Anna Patten, 73 mins), Emily Murphy (for Amber Barrett, 84 mins)

GAYNOR CUP

By the time that you read this, it'll be more or less out of date, and you'll know how Kerry got on throughout the week in the Gaynor Cup. They certainly got the perfect start, opening their campaign with a hard-fought 2-1 win over Inishowen.

Trailing 1-0 at the break, the Kerry Girls dug deep in the second half and struck two decisive goals in a three minute window to change the narrative of the tie.

Inishowen took the lead 26 minutes into a cagey opening half, racing down the left channel. Tess Graham cut inside and struck a beautiful shot to land in the Kerry net.

Eight minutes into the second half, Casey Shanahan found the net to equalise, with a lovely chipped finish over the Inishowen net minder

Three minutes later it was 2-1 to Kerry. Leona Meaney from the close range struck a powerful shot that found the back of the Donegal side's net to complete the comeback.

It was a dominant performance by Kerry who never let their heads drop having conceded a wonderful goal on the stroke of half time. Solid at the back for the second half and were unlucky not to convert future chances.

Kerry: Clodagh Quirke, Evanne Mason, Casey Shanahan, Caoimhe Ní Lionáird, Sofia Rybanska, Taylor Kate Leane, Abbie Fleming, Saoirse Brosnan, Meabh Kennedy, Maja Wolska, Leona Meaney. Subs: Grace O'Regan, Izzy Lyons, Ava Fealy, Fleur O'Neill, Malwina Jankowska, Niamh O'Callaghan, Sadhbh Dowling.



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Our GoFundMe page is up and running to raise as much money as possible to send our Under 15 girls to Regional Féile in Roscommon on 22nd June in just over 2 week's time. All donations would be greatly appreciated. Search for "Killarney Camogie" on the GoFundMe platform or click the link in our Facebook page!

UNDER 12

Our Under 12's played 3 very sporting & entertaining games in a blitz Bank Holiday Monday in Causeway against Cillard, Causeway and Tralee Parnells. Many thanks to Causeway for hosting, and also to the 2 young referees who did a great job, including our own minor player Tiarna Dineen.

KERRY SENIORS

Congratulations to the Kerry senior team and management, especially Kate Lynch and Aine Devlin, who had a win v Dublin in the Intermediate Championship last weekend on a scoreline of Kerry 2-12 Dublin 0-13

DR CROKES

SFL DIV. 1

Dr Crokes 1:15 Legion 0:07

With two games left to be played, we have continued our winning streak and remain top of the Division 1 table, after a good win over neighbors Legion. It was our opponents who opened the scoring with their first of 4 first half points, through a David O'Sullivan point from play. Daithi Casey, who finished the game with 5 points to his name, replied a minute later. The crucial moment of the game came when Michael Potts was introduced as a blood replacement for Neil O'Shea. We worked well, and remained patient until Michael Potts found the ball and knocked it in to the back of the net, giving us a 1:06 to 0:04 lead at the break. The second half saw another fantastic display of football from the home side with Mikey Casey, Gavin O'Shea, Tom Doyle, Daithi Casey, David Naughton and Brendan Falvey all stepping up to kick some great points. Legion played the remaining 10 minutes with 14 men after a black card incident and we ran out comfortable winners in the end. Next up is Miltown Castlemaine away.

ACADEMY

Our Academy continues this Saturday morning with Hurling from 10-11 and Football from 11:15-12:15. Fun and friendship guaranteed. Bring a friend.

LOTTO took place June 3rd Numbers drawn were 10, 22, 23m 24. Jackpot of €7,100 was NOT WON. 3 patrons matched 3 numbers and receive €135 each. Jackpot for draw on June 10th will be €7,400. Play online by following the link below and follow instructions attached https://play.clubforce.com/play_newa.asp?ll_id=734#Anchor (https://play.clubforce.com/play_newa.asp?ll_id=734#Anchor)

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Killarney Under 12 team who played in Causeway blitz on bank holiday Monday

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BINGO

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

OLD CLOTHES BANK is located at the rear of the clubhouse. All clothes should be deposited in bags. Donations will help to provide valuable funding to our club.

CONGRATULATIONS to Lisa Courtney and partner Alan on the recent birth of their baby boy Teddy.

NOTES

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

KILLARNEY LEGION

SENIOR MEN

A disappointing result in Round 9 of the County League when our neighbours Dr Crokes held the upper hand all through. The result, 1-15 to 0-7, now means a win against An Ghaeltacht in Direen next Sunday at 2pm is imperative if we are to preserve our top flight status.

KILLARNEY 7S

The Senior ladies competed in the well organised and very successful Killarney 7s over the weekend to great effect. Solid performances throughout the weekend saw them qualify for the Sunday morning quarter finals, where two wins set up a final against the hosts Spa. In a thrilling finale they were first out of blocks to hold out for the win. Well done to the entire squad, Ted Healy, John McCarthy, Orla Culloty et al for representing the club so well. Congratulations to Spa on a very well run event.

FEILE

The U15 Ladies are off to the regional Feile finals being held at Moyle Rovers GAA in Co Tipperary on Saturday, June 29th. There will be many fundraising initiatives to help fund the Feile adventure. We are asking all our members to donate their plastic bottles and cans to help raise funds. They can be dropped to designated points in the club grounds (only items displaying the Re-Turn symbol are accepted). The club will also host a bingo night on this Friday night, June 7th, in the Killarney Plaza Hotel. A fun night is planned and as with all club function we ask for the full support of the club. Rounding off a busy

weekend there is a U10 girls blitz on Saturday where a bake sale will be held. So whether its bingo or buns your support is needed.

U11 BOYS

Phase 2 of the County Go Games kicked off for our U11 boys on Thursday evening in Ballyrickard where Kerins O Rahilly provided the opposition. Two good games of competitive football ensued, and some very impressive skills were on display by both teams. A big thank you to all parents who travelled and to our hosts Kerins O Rahillys, who had their teams well drilled and provided a great challenge on the evening. Also, like ourselves, it is good to see the youths of the clubs taking up the whistle and refing the games.

U13 BOYS

Well done to the U13 Boys who qualified for their respective County League final with a tremendous win over Rathmore in Rathbeg on Sunday morning. In glorious weather they started well and led 2-8 to 2-2 at half time. An onslaught from the hosts was weathered early in the second period and some smart point kicking saw the advantage extended to 2-15 to 2-5 by games end. They now face Finuge next weekend in the final, in what promises to be an interesting clash. Best of luck to team and management.

U14 BOYS

An excellent game of football on Wednesday night in Keel with the hosts Keel / Listry in Round 1 of the East Kerry League. After an even first half we led at the break by 0-8 to 1-2. The scores continued to flow in the second half in an open game of football. In the end we emerged with a 4 point victory. Well done to all 19 boys who all contributed well in a strong performance. Thanks to Keel/ Listry who are a fine side for a great game and thanks to John O'Neill for excellent officiating. Next up Kilcummin in Round 2 at home next Wednesday.

U12 GIRLS

Our Legion u12 Girls White and Green teams took on our neighbours Spa on Tuesday evening at home in Direen. It's good to see two games played in a good spirit with nice play and scores from both sides on a lovely summer evening, a far cry from the pitch and weather conditions of only a few weeks back. Thanks to both our TY refs who ably handled both matches. Also, thanks to all our supporters who give encouragement to our teams and to everyone who assisted this evening. The next games are away to Scartaglen on Tuesday evening.



U14 GIRLS

Away to Laune Rangers for the last fixture in County League Division 3, the U14 girls knew that they would be facing their toughest competitor yet. Short some regulars, a couple of our U12 girls were called up. On a sunny, hot Sunday afternoon, our panel gave it their all and left nothing on the pitch. Playing with the wind in the first half, the girls grew with confidence as the scores came freely. Leading at half by 2-9 to 1-5, it would take a renewed focus by the team for the second half. But the girls kept up a mighty effort going throughout, pushing forward while defending well and always tracking back to support each other. Thank you to our strong U12s as well who managed a full pitch with ease. The future is bright with them on board! Final score 3-18 to 1-7.

CUMANN NA MBUNSCOIL

Bua iontach ag cailíní Rang 6 go háirithe Mia, Leah, Sophie agus Elisa a bhí ag imirt sa chraobh. A great win by Gaelscoil Faithleann in the Cumann na mBunscoil final in Austin Stack Park during the week. Congratulations to our Legion members on the team Leah Mannix, Eva Cox, Sophia Culloty, Elisa Mosca.

ORLA BENSON AWARD

Congratulations to Andrea Murphy on being awarded the prestigious Orla Benson Award in St Brigid's Presentation School at the end of school year function.

LOTTO

Results Monday May 27th. Numbers were 11, 13, 18, 22. Bonus No 20. No Jackpot winner. Match 3s / Lucky Dips: 1. Pat Moynihan 2. Lyno 3. Ethan O'Neill 4. Elaine Lyne 5. Maureen Lyne

EAST KERRY NEWS

KILLARNEY TROPHIES AND MEDALS LTD SPONSORED U17 EAST KERRY LEAGUE FINALS

Division 1: Rathmore 8-11 Kenmare 4-12 AET.



Mark Murphy CEO and Joy Clifford Chairperson Killarney Credit Union associate sponsor of Killarney Club 7s with (left) Dara Moynihan Kly CU and Spa GAA, Evan Cronin and Michael O'Donoghue Spa GAA at Killarney Credit Union recently. Photo by Michelle Cooper Galvin

Division 2: Glenflesk 1-13 Kilcummin 1-05

Division 3: Fossa 2-17 Beaufort 3-11.

EAST KERRY U14 ROUND 1 RESULT

Div 1: Keel/Listry 2-12 Killarney Legion 1-19, Kilcummin. 4:09 v Firies 5:10

Division 2: Glenflesk / Kilgarvan 4.19 v Dr Crokes 2.13

Division 3: Spa 5-29 Beaufort 3-10

Division 4: Glenflesk/Kilgarvin 5-13 v Currow 4-15, Rathmore 5-18 Gneeveguilla 1-4

ALL IRELAND FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

Congratulations to the Kerry team on their round 2 win against Meath in the All Ireland Championship.

ALL IRELAND MINOR QUARTER FINAL.

Good luck to the Kerry Minor team in next weekends All Ireland Quarter Final against Roscommon.

SYMPATHIES

Sympathies to the Families of Tom O' Connor Toni's Cottage and Ardmore House, Gortamullen, Kenmare, Kerry / Rathmore, Kerry on his recent death.

FOSSA TWO MILE CCÉ NOTES

Fleadh Cheoil Chiarraí 2024 competitions will be held over two weekends from the 8th - 16th June in Ballybunion. Wishing all those taking part the very best of luck.

Fossa Two Mile Comhaltas wish to extend their deepest sympathies to the family and friends of Tracey Foley, Milltown. Tracey regularly attended our Set Dancing classes in Fossa and will be sorely missed. Rest In Peace

U11 TOURNAMENT WILL REMEMBER DYLAN



AT The Dylan Crowley Memorial Tournament Launch: Front; Sonny McGuire, Nathan Jordan, Luke Jordan, Josh Buckley Middle; Cait O Connor, Elaine Keane, Eileen Crowley, Emer Crowley, Kit Crowley, Denise Kelliher Back; Oran O Connor, Martin Crowley, Sean O Keeffe, Eamon McGuire, Micheal Jordan, Jerh Buckley, Sean O Sullivan, Lorcan Keane, Micheal O Leary, Stephen Crowley, Dan Cremin, Paddy Crowley, Don Casey. Photo Seamus Healy.

The Dylan Crowley Under 11 Memorial Tournament will be held on Saturday 15th June at Gneeveguilla GAA grounds. The following teams are taking part, Firies, Kilcummin, Rathmore, Legion, Listry, Kenmare, Glenflesk, Currow, Scartaglin, Cordal, Spa and Gneeveguilla. Games start at 10am sharp with the finals at 3pm. Refreshments served on the day, give a call in for a cup of tea and a chat. As always a great day of fun and football is promised while remembering a very special young man, Dylan Crowley. All Welcome.



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NEW LOCAL GRANTS SCHEME ANNOUNCED FOR SPORTS CLUBS IN KERRY

Up to €5,000 is up for grabs with the announcement that Kerry sports clubs can apply for grants under a new funding scheme announced this week by the Kerry Recreation & Sports Partnership

The aims of the Partnership include increasing participation in sport and physical activity, improving the quality of coaching and training and supporting volunteers in sport. The Sports Club Grant 2024 aims to assist new and existing clubs in creating structures which achieve long-term development and offer benefits to the club. The grant is targeted at voluntary and non-profit sports clubs and groups that can contribute to the strategic goals of Kerry Recreation & Sports Partnership under the following categories:

Increased participation in Sport and Physical Activity

Greater access to training and education
Better club Governance

Online applications are now being accepted for assistance under this fund, which is available on Kerry County Council's website, under three strands:

Strand 1: Sports Club small equipment grant programme (max €3,000)

Strand 2: Sports Club Education and training supports (max €1,000)

Strand 3: Sports Club participation initiative support Scheme (max €1,000)

Sports Clubs may apply (where eligible) for one or more of the strands.



New local grants scheme announced for sports clubs in Kerry. Pictured at Tralee Town Park were: Colm McEvoy, Chairperson of Kerry Recreation & Sports Partnership, Gearóid O Doherty, Coordinator Kerry Recreation & Sports Partnership Kerry County Council, Cllr Jim Finucane Mayor of Kerry and Niamh O'Sullivan Kerry County Council. Photo By: Domnick Walsh © Eye Focus LTD

The closing date for applications is Friday, 5th July 2024.

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Fossa Beaver scouts aged 6 to 9 undertook a little community project. The steps leading from the back of Fossa school to the woods were in very bad condition and they set about cleaning them with great humour and not a word of complaint.

Killarney active retirement Making a Presentation of baby clothing to Eddie Sheehy Kenya education project



Members of the Barraduff Women's Social Club pictured at Dail Eireann with Danny Healy Rae. The ladies watched Danny and Michael raise issues that affect Kerry people in the Dail chamber, touring the building and learning about its history and enjoying a fabulous meal in the Dail restaurant. All the women were struck by the kindness shown to the group throughout the day including Donal O'Connor at Rathmore Station, Michael on Dublin Bus, our tour guides - both Johns, and all the staff in Dail Eireann.



Killarney Hoteliers (L-R) Ann Mangan, International Hotel Killarney; Caroline Doherty, Dromhall and Randles Hotels; Caitriona White, International Hotel Killarney; who attended the Irish Hotels Federation People Day 2024 - Shaping Brighter Futures event at the Midlands Park Hotel.

Sean Coffey Principal St. Brendan's College presenting Callum O'Leary with the Gradam Cuimhneacháin an Easpaig Diarmuid Ó Suilleabháin as ucht "Eacht curtha í gcrích sa Ghaeilge" at the recent St. Brendan's Awards, Killarney.. Photo by Michelle Cooper Galvin



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"The human heart is the most deceitful of all things, and desperately wicked. Who really knows how bad it is? But I, the Lord, search all hearts and examine secret motives of the mind. I give all people their due rewards according to what their actions and conduct deserve" (Jeremiah 17:9-10)

Welcome back dear student, last week we saw how God looks at the heart, whereas people judge by outward appearances. Proverbs warns "...guard your heart above all else, for out of it flow the issues of life - it determines the course of your life" (Proverbs 4:23). Another translation reads... 'keep your heart with vigilance for from it flow the springs of life' (ESV). Vigilance is a strong word - it implies focus: being ready to correct if we get off course. "People may be pure in their own eyes, but the Lord examines their motives" (Proverbs 16:2). They say we look at ourselves with rose-tinted glasses while examining others through a microscope - so true! It's much easier to overlook shady motives under the umbrella of good intentions, while actions reveal something different. Equally one can be fooled by the smooth talk and flattery and gestures of goodwill by others, whilst oblivious to their - sometimes glaring - character flaws. Everything boils down to character. And good character must be cultivated - this requires work, but human nature can be lazy and it's easier to not put in the effort to develop good character which is a higher level follow-through of a person's basic good intentions.

Character transformation takes courage and humility, and is learned in the study of God's Word, through the leading of His Holy Spirit. Solomon puts it this way... "trust in the Lord with all your heart, lean not on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct your paths. Don't be impressed with your own wisdom. Instead fear the Lord and turn away from evil. Then you will have healing for your body and strength for your bones" (Proverbs 3:5-8). Humbling ourselves before God and looking unto Him for help, wisdom, and His Grace to overcome is a triumph, not weakness. People fear being vulnerable and weak. But God is attracted to weakness - genuine and heartfelt cries for His strength by a repentant heart.

"Don't copy the behaviour, customs, or pattern of this world, but let God transform you into a new person by changing the way you think. Then you will learn to know God's will for you, which is good, and pleasing, and perfect" (Romans 12:2).

If you like, the study God's Word and leaning into a meaningful relationship with the Lord Jesus is akin to letting God re-programme you to resolve the glitches. When we make Jesus Lord of all - repenting of sin and asking Him into our hearts - it's actually an act of obedience, trust, and humility. Admitting by confessing aloud - 'God, I cannot do this by myself, but Lord Jesus Your Word says that I can do all things through Christ Who strengthens me, so I'm going to put my hand in yours. Melt my heart Lord, forgive me, change my way of thinking, heal my attitudes and motives, deliver me from evil Lord Jesus, and fill my heart with Your Joy, Your Love, Your Peace and baptise me with Your Holy Spirit of Life. Teach me Your ways that I may obey You always, Jesus, in Your Name I pray. Amen.' So as the song says... turn your eyes upon Jesus, look full in His wonderful face... and the things of earth will grow strangely dim, in the Light of His Glory and Grace.

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KILLARNEY BRANCH, KERRY HOSPICE FOUNDATION, are holding their annual Sunflower Day collection on Friday, 7th June. Your support for this worthy local charity would be very much appreciated.

FAMILY FUN DAY

Two Mile Community National School are holding a Family Fun day out on Saturday 8th June 2pm to 4pm Live music by The Killarneys, Bake Sale, Face Painting, Giant Jenga, Races, Prizes and much much more Everybody most welcome, Admission Free!

TUSLA Kerry are seeking foster carers from across the county. information evenings are being held on: Friday 07th June, 10 am to 11 am in the Killarney Library, Rock Road, Kilcoolgaht, Killarney, Co Kerry V93 YE35 And Wednesday 12th June, 11 am - 12 noon in the Listowel Family Resource Centre, John B Keane Road, Listowel, Co Kerry. V31 EC62 For more information or to register for an information session: please call freephone 1800 226 771 or email tusla.fostering@tusla

EVENTS OVER THE COMING MONTHS

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ST ANTHONYS NOVENA: from Tuesday 4th June to Thursday 13th June Daily /Sat Mass 10am & 7pm, Sun 11.30am Mass, Student Mass Tues 4th June 7pm. Reconciliation Services Mon 10th June, after both 10am & 7pm Masses.

Healing Service & Adoration Sun 9th June 7pm

FEAST OF ST ANTHONY; Thursday 13th June Masses at 10am & 7pm with the Blessing of the Lilies. Blessing for Expectant Mothers & Blessing of the Children and Families at 4pm.

Kilaha Cemetry Mass Monday 10th June 7.30pm

Agligh Annual Mass: Friday 14th June 8pm

Inisfallen Island Mass: Friday 21st of June. Boats leaving Ross Castle from 4pm onwards, Mass on Island at 6.30pm.

Killarney Burial Ground Mass: Monday 24th June 7pm.

Muckross Abbey Pilgrimage and Cemetery Mass: Monday 1st of July, pilgrimage at 6.30pm with Mass at Abbey Graveyard at 7.30pm

Aghadoe Cemetery Mass: Please contact Fossa Parish.

New Cemetery Mass: Monday 5th of August at 7pm.

KILLARNEY LOOKING GOOD; judging will begin later in the month, please can all home and business owners make another great effort to keep our town looking good. Tidy Towns will meet again on Monday Evening at 6pm at the bottle bank in High Street Car park .All are welcome to lend a helping hand.

A SCATTERY ISLAND TURAS organised by Kerry's Cumann na Sagart will take place on Wed 5th June. Pilgrims meet at Kilrush Pier at 12.30pm sharp for the one hour guided island tour followed by Aifreann Dé in honour of St. Senan. Booking with €30 fee by May 31st to Fr. Eoghan O'Cadhlá S.P. (087 6951318) or Fr. Tomás O'Luanaigh (087 2213799 N.B. The Tarbert to Killimer Ferry is on a half hourly schedule - Contact 065-9053124.

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 And now your birthday's here
 I'll place some flowers where you lay
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 I'll whisper 'Happy Birthday Dad'
 And ask the Lord above
 To kiss you gently on your cheek
 And give you all my love.*

Love Cathal, Naoishe and Caitriona x

3RD ANNIVERSARY

IN LOVING MEMORY OF
MICHAEL O'CONNOR



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*As we lovingly remember Mike
 on his third anniversary,
 Happy Memories keep forever of days
 when we were all together.
 They bring a smile and often a tear,
 and always a wish you were still here.*

Lovingly remembered by his wife Norah,
 daughter Kerry and family.

Mike's 3rd anniversary mass will be
 celebrated in London.

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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT & 1ST ANNIVERSARY

IN LOVING MEMORY OF
PAUL COGHLAN



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 RIP 8TH JUNE, 2023.

As we lovingly remember Paul on his first anniversary, his wife Peggy, his children and their spouses, his grandchildren and extended family wish to express our heartfelt thanks and appreciation for the sympathy and support shown to us on our heartbreaking loss.

A special thanks to the nurses and carers of Our Lady of Lourdes Care Facility, Kilcummin, Killarney, Dr. Donal Coffey, Dr. Fiona Coffey and their team in Ross Medical Practice.

A sincere and special word of thanks to Fr. Kieran O'Brien and thank you to Bishop Emeritus Bill Murphy, Msgr. Seán Hanafin, Msgr. Dan O'Riordan, Fr. Paddy O'Donoghue and Fr. Tom Looney, who concelebrated his funeral mass.

Thank you also to Grace Foley who sang and Edel Heenan who played the music at his funeral Mass and Ger Healy who sang at the graveside.

Sincere thanks to Mary and Michael O'Shea and Ger Fitzgerald of O'Shea's Funeral Home for their kindness and professionalism.

A word of thanks to his many friends and his colleagues from the world of politics who attended the removal, funeral Mass and graveyard, especially those who travelled long distances to be with us.

We were touched by the presence and support of Fine Gael, Trustees and Staff of Muckcross House, Killarney Golf Club and Killarney Chamber of Commerce who formed guards of honour.

To all mentioned and all those who it is not possible to thank individually please accept this acknowledgement as a token of our deep gratitude.

Mass be offered for all your intentions.

Paul is sadly missed today and everyday and is forever in our hearts.

ANNIVERSARY MASS

Paul's First Anniversary Mass will take place on Saturday, 8th June, at 6.15p.m. in St. Mary's Cathedral, Killarney.

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Then in his merciful eyes it will become your favour not mine.

Amen.

Say this prayer three times for three days and your favour will be granted.

Thank you for favours received.

PRAYER TO SAINT MARTIN DE PORRES

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

May we, by imitating thy charity and humility, find quiet and contentment all our days, and cheerful submission to God's holy will in all the trials and difficulties of life.

St Martin Pary For Us
 Amen.

MEMORARE

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thy intercession, was left unaided.

Inspired by this confidence I fly unto thee, O Virgin of virgins, my Mother.

To thee do I come, before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful.

O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer me.

Amen.

THANKSGIVING

For favours received from Sacred Heart of Jesus, Our Lady of Lourdes, St. Bernadette, St. Martin De Porres,

St. Roch, St. Padre Pio, St. Michael

the Archangel, St. Perigrine for

many favours received and that

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