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Twins Hassan and Hussein Benhaffaf enjoyed their 12th Birthday in Killarney at last weekend's Christmas In Killarney Magic Parade. The boys were overjoyed to meet Santa. More on this on page 6
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Aisling Crosbie.

FROM THE EDITOR

As the county picks up the pieces following the battering from Storm Barra this week, we thank the emergency services and the local authority staff who faced the challenges of the clean up in the days that followed.

A family from Cork enjoyed a royal Christmas In Killarney welcome, a magical Christmas duet has been recorded and students in St. Brendan's launch an awareness campaign.

We have full coverage from the County Championship Final and the Killarney regulation battle along with some fantastic Christmas offers from our loyal advertisers.

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MAGICAL WELCOME FOR HASSAN AND HUSSEIN AS THEY ENJOY

Christmas In Killarney



Enjoying their birthday at the Christmas In Killarney Magic Parade are Angie Benhaffaf with her sons Hassan and Justin and Cathaoirleach of Killarney Municipal District Marie Moloney.

Christmas in Killarney welcomed two very special guests at the Magic Parade last weekend when Hassan & Hussein Benhaffaf were in town with their mum Angie and family to celebrate their 12th birthday.

The family, from Cork, were treated like royalty by the people of Killarney who pulled out all the stops to ensure that the boys had a birthday to remember.

The family met with Cathaoirleach of the Killarney Municipal District, Marie Moloney who enjoyed a meal with them at JM Reidy's where they presented her with the book which their mum Angie wrote with Edel O'Connell,

a journalist with the Irish Independent and formerly of the Cork Evening Echo.

They were treated by Niamh Sheehan at Reidys with homemade treats and hampers from Centra on Main Street, then it was off to Moriarty's Photographic store for a photo with Santa before heading off on a trip around Killarney courtesy of Laura Tangney from Kilalrney Sleigh Rides.

The boys also received lovely gifts and hampers from Denis O'Neill on Plunkett Street, Sean O'Donoghue of the Blackthorn Gift Shop and Sheila at Quills Woollen Market

They also want to give a special thank you to the person who saw the boys at the parade and bought them blankets to keep them warm.

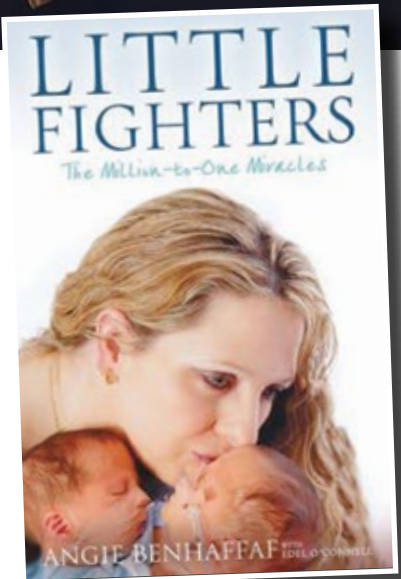
The boys hit the headlines when they were born on December 2nd, 2009 at a London hospital. Joined from chest to pelvis, the conjoined twins Hassan and Hussein Benhaffaf's from Cork stole the hearts of the nation with their remarkable fight for life against all odds earned them the title "The Little Fighters".

Their mum Angie, with the help of journalist Edel O'Connell wrote a book about their journey.

This inspirational book takes you on a miraculous journey from the life-changing moment she discovered her babies were joined to the agony of their separation surgery.

From conception to separation and beyond this is a gripping tale of a mother who risked everything so that her boys could have a chance at life. Featuring personal family photos, Little Fighters is a story of courage under fire, hope and unconditional love.

As they face into their 59th surgery in the coming weeks, the boys truly enjoyed the magic of Christmas in Killarney during their visit.



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JACK PATRICK RELEASES DUET WITH THOMAS



With Christmas approaching the family of young Thomas Healy (14) who died tragically this summer in a road traffic accident will no doubt feel the pain of his loss even more.

Thomas' brother, musician and performer Jack Patrick Healy, knows the grief that he and his family are going through along with many who have lost loved ones.

In 2009, as a student in the Intermediate College in Killorglin, Jack Patrick penned a song on a page in a maths copy entitled "Christmas Without You (Candle on the Window)" and never thought any more of it.

"Over the years I taught it to my brother Thomas and we always had a plan that we would record it at some stage", Jack Patrick told Killarney Outlook.

"Life got in the way and I moved to London, Covid arrived and we never got around to recording the song", he added.

"While I still have that piece of paper with my 15 year old handwriting,



unfortunately I no longer have my darling brother, Thomas, but through the power of modern music technology, some recording I have of Thomas singing the song and the bond between two brothers I have made the duet happen", he added.

"We all have someone we miss - maybe they're abroad and cannot get home, maybe they're a frontline worker and have to work through the holiday season or maybe indeed, like the Healy family, they've gone to sing in Heaven's Choir above us and if so, I hope you can enjoy this song and that it will in some way go towards easing your grief and loss", he added.

You can view the song on....

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3nXtozKTVRI>

CHRISTMAS IN KILLARNEY FLOATS DAMAGED IN STORM BARRA

With the county under a red alert on Tuesday due to Storm Barra, the Christmas in Killarney committee has been left counting the cost of the devastating winds which damaged a number of the spectacular floats that feature in the festive season magical parades.

The painstakingly created artistic floats were housed in a heavy-duty, purpose acquired marquee in the grounds of Fitzgerald Stadium from where the parades commence on Saturday nights.

The marquee had been secured in a walled-in corner of the outside pitch on the Lewis Road side of the stadium but the sheer force of the violent gusts ripped the structure open and caused significant damage to some of the floats.

"We are still assessing the cost of the damage but we expect that it will at least run to a couple of thousand euro such was the ornate features of the floats," said Christmas in Killarney Chairman and Killarney Chamber of Tourism and Commerce President Niall Kelleher.

"The annual costs involved in running the Christmas in Killarney festival are very considerable and this was a big setback because, in the current climate, generating financial support was proving very difficult," he added.

"If people want to offer support at this stage, they can donate online or buy a bulb for the Tree of Light Shine A Light project at one of the participating stores," Mr Kelliher said.

It is understood that the damage occurred just before lunchtime on Tuesday when Killarney was taking a real battering with trees being knocked and slates ripped off buildings.

Another added cost for the festival organisers is the impact the red alert storm had on the spectacular Tree of Light on the grounds of St Mary's Cathedral.

A number of the 4,500 energy-efficient feature bulbs on the 100ft tree were blown about in the strong gales with the connections becoming loose and there will be significant work and costs involved in repairing the damage.



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CATHAOIRLEACH THANKS PUBLIC FOR COOPERATION DURING STORM BARRA

The Cathaoirleach of Kerry County Council, Cllr Jimmy Moloney has thanked members of the public in Kerry for their patience and cooperation during Storm Barra. He paid tribute to local authority staff and the emergency services for their work in dealing with road closures and other challenges over the past two days.

'Thankfully, Kerry escaped from Storm Barra without any serious injury or loss of life. That was due to the cooperation of the public in heeding the weather warnings and remaining indoors on Tuesday.

'Tremendous work continues to be done today by the staff of Kerry County Council around the county in clearing roads of fallen trees, branches and debris and in assisting ESB Networks in their work.'

The Chief Executive of Kerry County Council, Moira Murrell, said that the interagency cooperation in advance of Storm Barra was hugely important.

'The Kerry Severe Weather Coordination Team had been preparing for a Status Red alert for several days and met regularly to coordinate the response.

'Our crews responded to the issues which arose when it was safe to do so and ensured that routes were reopened as soon as possible.

'I would like to thank the many agencies who assisted in coordinating the response including An Garda Síochána, the HSE, ESB Networks, Kerry Fire Service and Kerry Civil Defence.'

FERGAL QUINN AWARD FOR KALIN

A former St. Brigid's Leaving Certificate Applied student, Kalin Paterson has received the Fergal Quinn Award. The LCANA "Fergal Quinn Awards" are presented each year to those students who obtain the top credits in the Leaving Certificate Applied Examination of that year. The top performing students are notified by the State Examinations Commission. The student's final credit total is of course based on their performance in the Leaving Certificate Applied Examination over the two years.

'Kalin is a very diligent, determined and hardworking girl. Her commitment to the LCA programme was astonishing. She is self-motivated, shows excellent initiative and she completed all her LCA tasks to the highest standard', Ms. Peggy Dowling, LCA Co-ordinator. at St. Brigid's told Killarney Outlook.

"She completed a course in barbering in 2020 whilst on her LCA Work Experience in Session 2. She also received a certificate for training in First Aid as part of her LCA Practical Achievement Task. She was a worthy winner of the LCA Fergal Quinn Award", Ms. Dowling added.



Photo Left to right: Mairéad McElligott, Vice-Principal, LCA student Kalin Paterson and Rory O'Connor, comedian, author and creator of 'Rory's Stories' on social media.

STUDENTS RAISE AWARENESS THAT ONE PUNCH CAN KILL



St Brendan's College students launching One Punch Can Kill Jack McCrohan, Ross Twomey, Markas Pouicas, Nathan Cox, Callum Cronin (second row) Padraig O'Donoghue, Adam Murphy, Brian O'Sullivan, Gearoid Healy, Dermot O'Connor, Darragh O'Connell (back from left) Colm O'Mahony, Eoin Carroll, Mark Sheehan, Finn Kennelly, Brian O'Connor, Con Stack, Shayegullah Nasar and Bobby Gallivan at St Brendan's College, Killarney on Monday. Photo by Michelle Cooper Galvin

Students at St. Brendan's College have launched a campaign to raise awareness of the terrifying fact that One Punch Can Kill.

The Group of Transition Year Students are hoping to highlight their initiative through a series of talks in the school.

The project is part of the Young Social Innovators (YSI) is a non-profit organisation that empowers young people to use their talents, insights, passion and creativity to come up with innovative solutions to social challenges. Although the One Punch Can Kill programme is a very serious topic, YSI projects also have fun and engaging programmes, students are supported to create team-based action-projects on issues they care about, putting their innovative ideas into action to bring about positive social change for the benefit of people, communities and the environment.

Their initiative dedicated to creating safer communities through engaging with young people and discussing the impact of alcohol and violence. Ultimately building social awareness that one punch can, and does, kill.



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STORM BARRA BATTERS KILLARNEY



Work continues to remove a tree which fell across the River Deenagh onto Port Road.



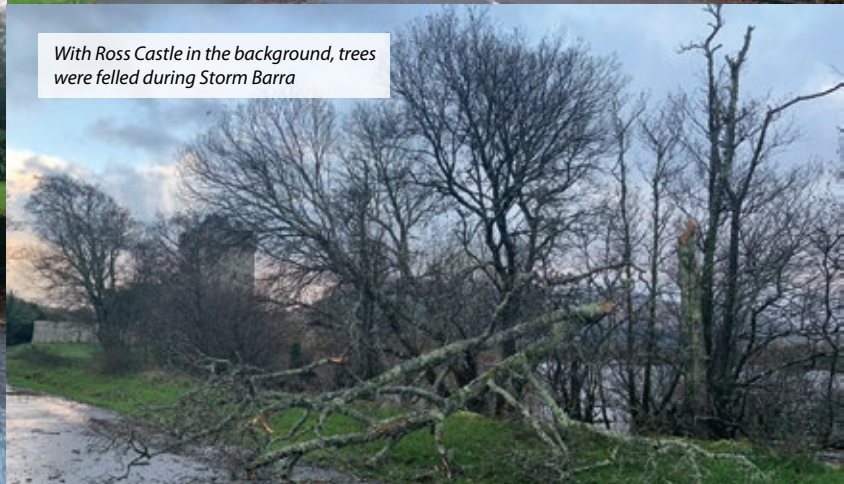
Killarney Municipal District staff, Denis Doody and Saulaus working on removing the fallen tree on East Avenue Road



The Muckross area experienced a number of fallen trees during Storm Barra



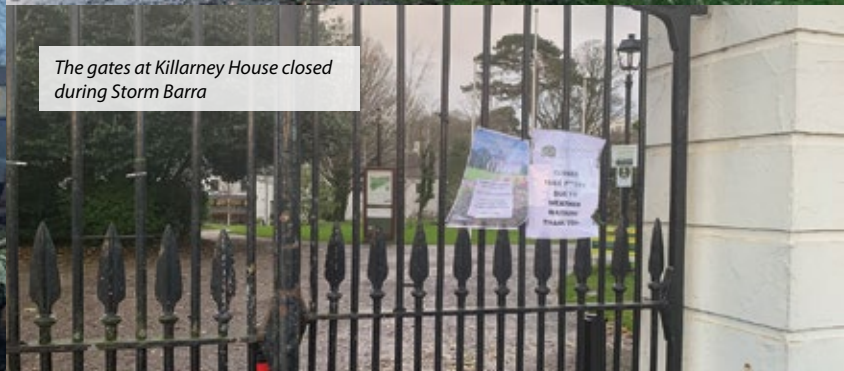
The gates at Muckross House & Gardens closed during Storm Barra



With Ross Castle in the background, trees were felled during Storm Barra



One of the iconic Lime Trees on New Road falls during Storm Barra,



The gates at Killarney House closed during Storm Barra



Ger and TJ Brosnan remove branches from the fallen Lime Tree on New Road



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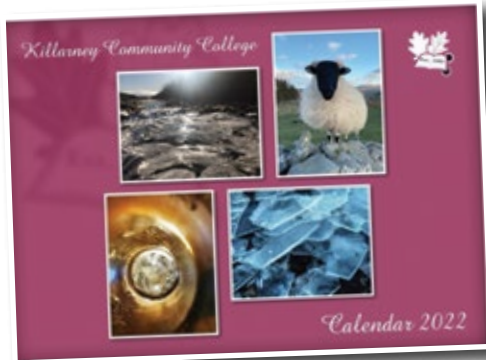
New calendar launched AT KILLARNEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE

With all money raised from the sale being donated to St. Vincent de Paul, Killarney Community College Calendar 2022 was launched last week and it is proving a resounding success.

Students and staff in the college got involved with this initiative by the Parents Council and Ms. Crowley during the lockdown at the beginning of 2021. They were

given themes every 2 weeks and the array of photographs that were sent for the calendar were full of creativity, beauty and imagination. The calendar features the winning and highly commended photographs taken as part of this photography competition.

Ms Crowley said "it was a great opportunity for our students to showcase their creativity and provides students with a fun focus during lock down. We are delighted and proud of how it turned out and are glad to help out a local and worth charity" The calendar is on sale now in the main office. €5 each or 3 for €10 Proceeds will be donated to the society of St. Vincent de Paul, registered charity number CHY6892



Pictured with the calendar:
Back row l-r: Ms Crowley and Principal Ms Loughnane
Front l-r Rabea Fluegel, Ava Sheehan, Mia O'Brien and Jamie O'Sullivan

BEFORE AND AFTER....

DENIS SHAVES BEARD FOR PIETA



In the hope of raising awareness for the work of Pieta House, Killarney man Denis Breen has undertaken a beard shave to raise funds for the charity.

"I have know many people who have lost their lives to suicide and it is because of this I decided to raise some funds", Denis told Killarney Outlook.

Steve at Steve's Barber Shop on Park Road shaved Denis' beard this week and to date he has raised over €200 for the charity.

You can still donate at Steve's Barber Shop, Charlie Foley's Bar on New Street, Julie Barber Shop or Boru Barbers until the end of December.

Denis, who is well known and popular in Killarney is calling on everyone to support this cause with all money going to Pieta House in Tralee.



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THREE-MONTH PUBLIC CONSULTATION BEGINS ON DRAFT KERRY COUNTY DEVELOPMENT PLAN



Kerry County Council has commenced a three-month public consultation process on a new strategic plan which will govern planning and development in the county over the next six years. The Draft County Development Plan, which covers the period 2022 to 2028, is an extensive statutory plan which sets out how the proper and sustainable development of the county can be achieved over the next six years.

The draft document provides a broad framework for the way in which the local economy, society, environment, and the use of land in Kerry should evolve in an inclusive, sustainable, and progressive way. It covers issues such as climate change, towns and villages, water and wastewater, housing, energy, Gaeltacht areas, and tourism and recreation.

Members of the public are now being asked to engage with a consultation process over the next eleven weeks during which the plan can be viewed and submissions can be made. The six-volume document is now available to download from kerrycoco.ie and submissions and observations can be made through a user-friendly consultation portal on the council's website.

'This plan impacts every individual, family and community in our county and is the most

important strategy which will be put in place for Kerry over the next six years,' said the Cathaoirleach of Kerry County Council, Cllr Jimmy Moloney.

'That's why we want everyone to contribute to the debate about how our county should be developed in the coming years, what should be doing with land, how do we address economic and community needs, how to we address climate change and how do we achieve objectives in areas like housing, the environment, energy use, planning, tourism and development,' said Cllr Moloney.

Chief Executive of Kerry County Council, Moira Murrell, said that the consultation period on the Draft County Development Plan offers citizens a democratic and meaningful say in their own futures and the future of the county.

'We have already been through a number of steps in the process including consultation on a broad Issues Paper and there has been extensive input from elected members of the council. Now it is

over to the people of Kerry to have their say.

'The vision set out in the plan is to provide for the development of County Kerry as an attractive, competitive and sustainable place to live, visit and do business, and where the quality of employment and educational opportunities, natural and built environment, cultural experiences and the strength and viability of its rural and urban communities are to the highest standards,' she said.

The Draft County Development Plan 2022-2028 is now available online and in hard copy at all public libraries and the principal offices of Kerry County Council in Tralee, Listowel and Killarney. Submissions can be made only through the online portal or in writing and must be received by 23 February 2022. Over the coming weeks, the Council will share information on various aspects of the plan on social media and will encourage public engagement.

**Draft Kerry County
Development Plan
2022 - 2028**



MARY RELEASES SELF PENNED CHRISTMAS SONG

Just in time for Christmas, Killarney Singer/Songwriter, Mary Culloty O' Sullivan has released an original Christmas EP.

Mary was announced as one of the recipients of the 2021 Eamonn Kelly Bursary Awards from the Kerry Arts Council, which funded her self penned EP, "Christmas Bells." "I am delighted and grateful to be one of the recipients of this prestigious award", Mary told Killarney Outlook. "It was because of this that I was able to produce this song", she added.

Mary's song is available to Download on Spotify, iTunes and all other streaming platforms worldwide. "I would like to say a huge *Thank You* to Tony O' Flaherty Sonas Studios who has recorded and produced her EP", Mary added.





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Celebrating their 60th anniversary this year, Farranfore Maine Valley AC is the promoter of one of the oldest road races in Ireland and this year will take place as usual on St. Stephen's Day. This year however, all entries are on line with no entries being taken on the day.

Beginning at 12 noon on December 26th, the event has been run on the same route since 1961, the R561 Farranfore to Fries road.

It's an out and back looped course with the start and finish at the entrance of the Kerry Mill in Farranfore. The course Road is closed so all can enjoy the run without having to worry about traffic.

The 5K Timed Race is open to all those aged 13 years and over on race day. (AAI permit rules).

Due to popular demand we have added a 2K Family Fun Run / Walk to ensure that everyone can enjoy the day.

As ever, this is the club's main fundraiser. We look forward to your support on what will be a fun morning catering for singles, friends

and family.

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Numbers can be picked up at the Fries GAA Hall from 10.30 that morning.

All current COVID recommendations will be strictly adhered to.

Register at www.maprunresults.com



Students Celebrate PRESENTATION DAY

Students at Presentation School in Castleisland marked the celebration of Presentation Day on 22 November, with a number of events throughout the day.

Presentation Day is a day in honour of the Presentation Sisters and Nano Nagle, the founder of the Presentation Order.

The day began when the second year students visited the Presentation Sisters in the nearby Convent.

A large card designed by the Art Department and a bouquet of flowers were presented by Síleoonagh Mansfield and Maggie Riordan on behalf of the school.

A message of thanks from the Student Council was read by Lucy McKenna and Síleoonagh Mansfield. The Student Council acknowledged the dedication of the Sisters to provide an education to students, to improve their lives and deepen their faith.

In the splendid November sunshine, the Sisters expressed their joy with the visit and thanked all the members of the school community in continuing to lead by the example of Nano



Síleoonagh Mansfield, Sr. Maureen, Sr. Margaret, Sr. Mary, Sr. Attracta, Sr. Teresa

Nagle. Members of the school choir, led by music teacher Deirdre O'Brien, sang a rendition of One Step Beyond, a song in memory of Nano Nagle.

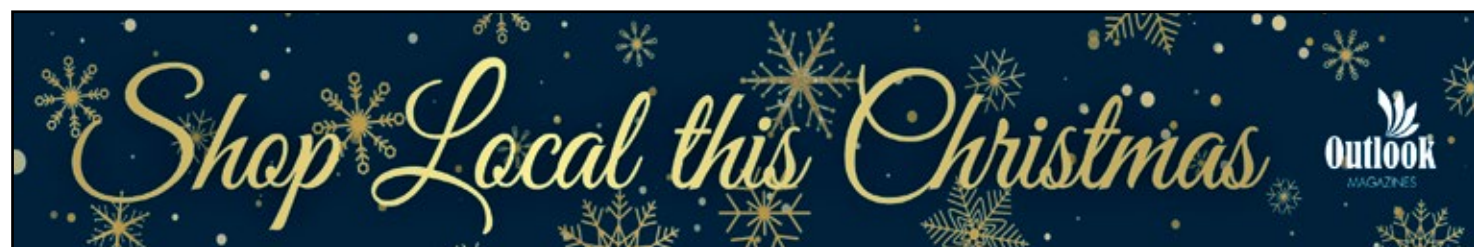
The Sisters said it was a pleasure to be visited by the students and wished them lots of happiness in the school. Sr. Mary Buckley thanked management and staff, saying "I know they will keep Nano Nagle's wishes always to

the forefront". The Sisters also offered Mr. Dargan their support in his new role as School Principal.

A prayer service was held in the afternoon, to remember the dedication and commitment of the Sisters. It was a moment for everyone to reflect on the inspiration of Nano Nagle and her vocation to practicing 'Not words but deeds'. Students lit candles in the classrooms and offered prayers for the Sisters, families and the school community.

The celebration concluded with a school wide quiz on Nano Nagle, bringing great excitement, cheer and competition. The top 3 winners were Fiona Brosnan, Megan Dennehy and Ailbhe Fleming.

Reflecting on the day, Principal Pierce Dargan commented "Remembering Nano Nagle and the contribution of the Presentation Sisters is a very important part of our school's heritage. The day gives all students an opportunity to reflect on the contributions we can make to others and how we can live by Nano's vision of 'Not words but deeds' in our own lives".





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KERRY FILM WINS BEST IRISH SHORT FILM

A film shot in Castlegregory, "Ship of Souls", which was the winner of the Kerry Short Film Bursary in 2020, has been awarded best Irish Short Film at the Foyle Film Festival in Derry. This award puts the film in consideration for the BAFTAs & Academy Awards. Kerry County Council and the Arts Council of Ireland fund this Bursary of €10,000 and were delighted to see the film achieve this success. Cathaoirleach of Kerry County Council, Cllr Jimmy Moloney, congratulated the team and wished them further success saying that "this Bursary was put in place in 2018 to support and encourage filmmaking in the county and we are delighted to see films of this calibre coming through." Siobhan O'Sullivan, Kerry ETB Film Development Officer, further congratulated the team on their "beautifully crafted film", noting the input of a number of local crew who were involved in the production.

"Ship of Souls" tells the story of a young Japanese woman, recently widowed, who arrives in Ireland to mourn her husband's tragic death with his family. Their different approaches to grieving a loved one become clear and a clash of cultures ensues.

Writer/Director Jean Pasley lived in Japan for a number of years and while there witnessed Obon, the annual Festival of the Dead. She was deeply moved by the festival, inspiring her to write "Ship of Souls". She explains that "essentially it is a film about different ways of dealing with loss and grief. It is also about the way different cultures think about the

dead. Ship of Souls offers hope to anyone who has suffered loss."

Producer Greg Burrowes was delighted to work with Jean on the film; "I was immediately struck by how heartbreaking but elegant the story was. The funding that Kerry County Council provided us to make the film allowed Jean to craft a powerful story about loss, grief and the search for redemption, themes that have universal appeal."

The film was shot in Castlegregory, Co. Kerry, something of a second home to Jean, and the production team found "the stunning landscape elevated the emotion of the piece". They are thrilled to have won Best Irish Short at the Foyle Film Festival and, as Greg explained, are "excited to have the opportunity to present the film to wider audiences all over the world".



Picture L-R Rebecca O'Callaghan, art teacher MS O Mahoney, Darya Gaeva, Karena McCarthy (Killarney Credit Union) and Areej Gul.

STUDENT ARTISTS CELEBRATE CREDIT UNION WINS

The artistic endeavours of students at Killarney Community College was rewarded this week when they were announced as winners Credit Union Poster Competition Winners

The three Killarney Community College students whose artistic skills were recognised and rewarded in the annual Credit Union poster competition were

- Darya Gaeva (2nd Year) came 2nd in the 14-17 yr category.

- Rebecca O'Callaghan (6th Year) got 1st place in the 14-17yr category.

- Areej Gul got 1st place in the over 18yr category.

Karena McCarthy, from Killarney Credit Union, presented all three students with amazing prizes and certificates. The 1st place prize winners, Rebecca & Areej, posters are now entered into the National finals at chapter 23 level. Their teacher Ms O Mahoney beamed with pride noting "its lovely that our students talents are being recognised, rewarded and displayed at both local and National level for others to enjoy. We are very proud of them in the College"



The amazing artwork was painted by (from left): Darya Gaeva, Rebecca O'Callaghan and Areej Gul

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LISSI WINS NATURE BLOGGER PRIZE

Following a call for young people who love nature and the outdoors to take part in a summer writing challenge this year, and after a successful launch year in the Isle of Man in 2020, The Young Nature Blogger 2021 went international as Kerry Biosphere and Dublin Bay Biosphere joined the competition.

The competition was open to anyone under 21, entrants were asked to write up to 500 words about their favourite experience or place in nature.

Each Biosphere participating awarded local prizes with the top entry from each being submitted to the international competition between the three.

This week the two judges for the international element Author Dara McNulty and Professor Martin Price, Chair of the UK Man and the Biosphere Committee, have unanimously chosen The Otter, by Lissi Nickelsen from Kerry as winner of the inter-Biosphere Young Nature Blogger 2021.

Dara McNulty (author of 'Diary of a Young Naturalist' and the youngest ever winner of The Wainright Prize for nature writing) said: 'I absolutely love the observational detail in this piece. You can really feel that breathless excitement and tension of seeing an otter. The drawing shows how multimedia can be used to great effect in a blog.' Professor Martin Price, Chair of the UK Man and the Biosphere Programme said: 'This is a beautifully written blog about a very special encounter. I really get the feeling of what Lissi observed so carefully, and her joy about spending time with an otter! And the drawing is wonderful too!'



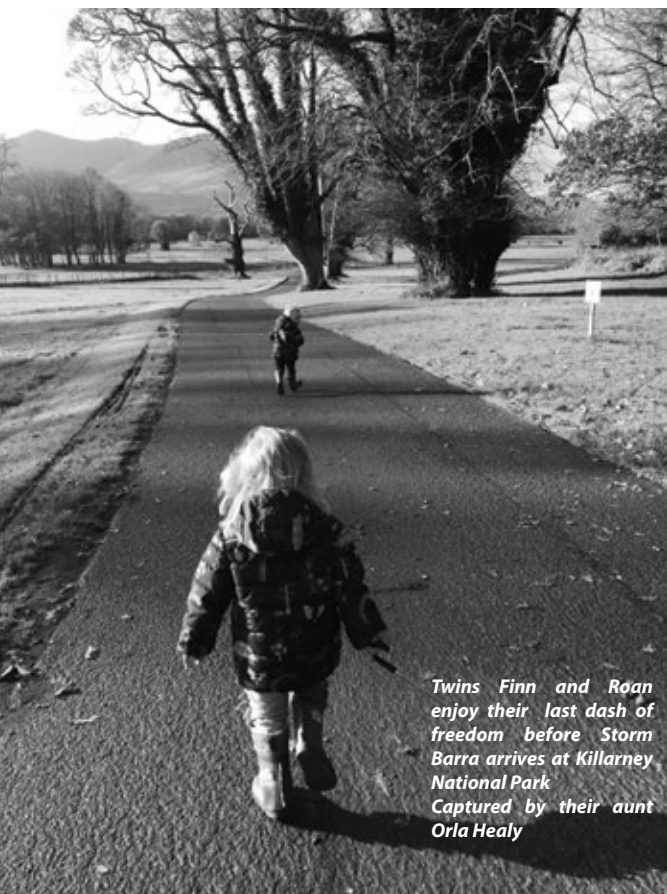
This week the two judges for the international element, unanimously chose 'The Otter', by Lissi Nickelsen. 2nd left, (Kerry) as winner of the inter-Biosphere Young Nature Blogger 2021. Lissi will receive a young naturalist writing set from Author, Dara McNulty, a framed Otter picture from Wildlife photographer Vincent Hyland, Wild Derrynane, (pictured left) and a family kayak trip in the Kerry Biosphere. Included also is, Eleanor Turner, (3rd left) Biosphere Officer, Kerry Biosphere Reserve (South Kerry Development Partnership), Carina, rosie, Jesper and Cia Nickelson, (Milderton). Photo: Valerie O'Sullivan



Lissi will receive a young naturalist writing set from Dara McNulty, a framed Otter picture from Wildlife photographer Vincent Hyland, Wild Derrynane, and a family kayak trip in the Kerry Biosphere.

The winning entry can be read on the Kerry Biosphere website www.kerrybiosphere.ie/news

Last dash of freedom before Storm Barra



Twins Finn and Roan enjoy their last dash of freedom before Storm Barra arrives at Killarney National Park. Captured by their aunt Orla Healy

TOP STUDENT CLAIRE WINS SCHOLARSHIP

A Leaving Certificate student from the class of 2021 at St. Brigid's Secondary School in Killarney has received an undergraduate entrance scholarship to the Bachelor of Education (Primary Teaching) programme at Mary Immaculate College.

Claire Stagg received the maximum 625 points in her Leaving Certificate this year and won the scholarship, valued at €2000.

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third level college should not be eligible for the award of an Undergraduate Entrance Scholarship.

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SADNESS AND SHOCK AT THE PASSING OF POPULAR JJ



The town of Killarney was shocked and saddened this week when news broke of the unexpected and sudden death of popular Glenflesk man JJ O'Donoghue who passed away while travelling abroad. JJ, who was well known in the town having run the popular JJ's Bar on Main Street before opening his thriving Nu-Era Health Store in the 1990's in the Killarney Shopping Arcade on New Street before moving to Plunkett Street where he retired. Formerly of Clonkeen PO, JJ had been living in Countess

Road in recent years.

JJ will be sadly missed by his family Pam, Padraig, Valerie, Grace and Rachel. Adoring grandfather to Frankie, Lily-Rose, Amelia and Hope. Sadly missed by his sons-in-law Mark, Alan, Hardip and Alan Mc, brothers Gerard and Seamus, sisters Kay, Josephine, Noreen, Celine and Angela, brothers and sisters-in-law, Noel, Eddie, Pat, Andrew, Paul, Cáit and Therese.

In lieu of flowers, the family has asked for donations to the Kevin Bell Repatriation Fund or Talbot Grove, Castleisland as JJ supported many people throughout his life and will be dearly missed by his treasured friends and extended family.

Funeral arrangements have yet to be finalised.

PRESENTATION SECONDARY SCHOOL CASTLEISLAND

CELEBRATE RAINBOW COLOUR DAY

Celebrating Rainbow Colour Day 2021-LGBTI+ Stand Up Awareness Week, Presentation Secondary School Castleisland made a pledge to stand together and combat bullying and discrimination, focusing in particular on the LGBTI+ community.

"The week gave us an opportunity to take steps to make our school safe and supportive for LGBTI+ young people. Students had an action packed week where they first learned about the topics of Sexuality, Gender Identity and Sexual Health in their SPHE classes. This enabled them to understand what

Club, designed posters, updated their wellness wall, created a rainbow arch, had a rainbow picnic and worked together to write messages of support and encouragement for those in the LGBTI+ community. As a school, we linked up with the organisation Belongto.org, who sent us an information pack with resources and ideas to guide us through the week. Overall, the main highlight of the week was on the final day, November 19th, where our school celebrated Rainbow Colour Day in style. This was a nationwide day and it was all about supporting the LGBTI+ community. The morning started under the rainbow balloon arch where everyone all collectively gathered, chatted, listened to music, took pictures and made Tik Toks. To add to the fun of the day ahead students and teachers all wore rainbow colours to show support for our LGBTI+ community. Everyone then spent the rest of the morning working on the Solidarity Board. This was where students and teachers all chose a paint colour of their choice and then placed their hand on the Rainbow Colour Wall. The idea being that we all agreed to be accepting and supportive of each other, that we will not bully or discriminate against anyone no matter their background. We are an inclusive community and want the board to serve as a reminder of the pledge we have made. The board will always be displayed in our school for all to see.

The atmosphere in the school that day was electric and students as well as teachers spirits were high with the air of positivity and happiness that they day generated. It was a day full of colour and activity and one that the whole school community thoroughly enjoyed and will not forget. Please check out our Instagram and Tik Tok at Pres_Castleisland for lots of videos and pictures of our fun and educational awareness week.



The students in the Wellness wall photos are:
Front left to right: Aibhe O'Connor, Alicia O'Connell, Edel O'Donoghue, Michelle Myers.
Back left to right: Maeve Hurley, Erin Mitchell.

our main focus was and they were then able to put their knowledge into action. They started by making rainbow loom bands in lunch time Chill

A novice member of Killarney Camera Club has scooped first prize in her category in the club's November competition with her exquisite 'Lime bubbles' photo. Anne Kelly has given us an insight into her technique which was taken using a lime in sparkling water in a square glass vase, with a black card as a background.

"I always wanted to try this photo as I love a nice gin and tonic, so our "bubbles" themed competition was the perfect time to try it out. I followed a tutorial on YouTube by Peter Baumgarten on <https://www.creativeislandphoto.com/blog/a-bit-of-bubbly>. I had to use a skewer through the side of the slice of lime that's out of shot to keep it from floating up, and I stabilised that with a combination of clothes pegs and chopsticks across the top of the vase. I then set my camera on a tripod, and as I don't

have a macro lens, I used my 50-150 lens with a macro converter to allow me to focus close up, and used my flash as the bubbles were moving around.

After lots of trial and error I managed to get a few decent shots."

Here are the Novice category results :-

1st Place: Anne Kelly, Image 2, Lime Bubbles, 165 points

2nd Place: Noel O'Neill, Image 19, Bubbles, 159 points

3rd Place: Maryann Heidtke, Image 5, Leaf Bubble, 153 points

The next Club zoom meeting is Thursday 9th December, when we will be sharing our members' images on screen. Do join us for our pre Christmas image feast! Anyone interested in joining the club can email secretary@killarneycameraclub.ie

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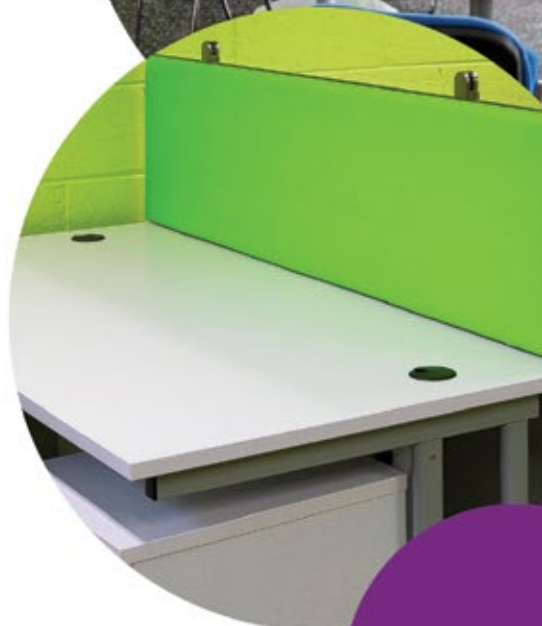
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€1.5 MILLION IN DIGITAL FUNDING FOR 159 KERRY SCHOOLS ANNOUNCED

Funding to support Kerry schools in the purchase of digital devices and equipment

Minister for Education and Kerry TD Norma Foley has today announced significant ICT funding for schools across Kerry to support the use of digital technologies within the classroom. This funding will issue to primary and secondary schools around the county in the form of grant payments, allowing schools flexibility in the use of the funding. The funding is paid depending on a school's enrolment. For example, a primary school with 100 pupils will receive €8,000 under this scheme and a secondary school with 500 students will receive €22,311. This funding was secured as part of a major investment programme for the Department of Education in the Government's National Recovery and Resilience Plan (NRRP) approved by the European Council. Minister Foley said: "All of our children and young people must be



prepared to learn, work and live in a digital world. This is particularly true in a county such as Kerry where remote working and online connectivity offer huge opportunity.

"School communities made incredible strides in digital teaching and learning during the pandemic. An enormous effort was made by teachers and students, and a huge amount has been learned. This funding will support schools to maximise their capacity to engage fully with digital technology and development of digital skills.

"The enhanced investment under the NRRP will advance greatly the efforts to ensure that technology and infrastructure is in place to support teaching and learning in the classroom across all schools and ensure inclusion of all learners."

10 NEW POSTS ANNOUNCED FOR KERRY COUNTY COUNCIL



Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage, Mr Darragh O'Brien TD, with Minister for Education Norma Foley TD visited CLUID, Armagh House, Park Road, Killarney - with Cathaoirleach Kerry County Council, Cllr. Jimmy Moloney, also included Chief Executive Kerry County Council, Moira Murrell, Cathaoirleach Killarney Municipal District Cllr. Marie Moloney, also included is Deputy Danny Healy-Rae, TD., Cllr. Niall Kelleher, James O'Halloran, CLUID, and Deputy Michael Healy-Rae, TD when he visited Killarney in September. Photo: Valerie O'Sullivan/

Minister for Education and Kerry TD Norma Foley welcomes the approval of 10 new posts for Kerry County Council to assist with the delivery of their social housing targets.

Housing for All, the Government's new housing Plan, commits to strengthening the capacity of Local Authorities to initiate, design, plan, develop and manage housing projects.

The Plan acknowledges that this requires the resourcing of housing delivery teams and the posts being announced today include a wide range of positions from engineers to quantity surveyors and architects with provision also made for the necessary administrative resources.

To assist with the delivery of their social housing targets ten new posts have now been approved for Kerry County Council.

Commenting on the announcement Minister Foley said: "I welcome this announcement by my Cabinet colleague Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage, Darragh O'Brien. Housing is a key priority for Government and these new posts are an endorsement of the excellent work carried out by Kerry County Council and a deserved recognition of their continued commitment to providing social housing to all local communities across Kerry."

€100,000 FOR MILLTOWN TO DELIVER THE FIRST EVER TOWN CENTRE FIRST PLAN

There has been a broad for the announcement of €100,000 for Milltown to develop the first ever Town Centre First Plan in the county.

As part of the initiative, Kerry County Council will be provided with the funding to support the development of its own unique master plan for Milltown.

These Plans (to be known as Town Centre First Plans) will be central to the delivery of the Town Centre First Policy at a local level as they will chart the path forward for the revitalisation of each town as a desirable place to live, work, socialise and operate a business.

It is envisaged that the Plans will cover the importance of place-making, town centre living, the social and economic purpose of the town, and respond to emerging opportunities such as those linked to remote working, climate action and digitalisation.

The Plans will also be central to addressing vacancy and dereliction in Milltown.

The process of a creating the Plan is a collaborative exercise, supported by Kerry County Council, that will involve stakeholders such as community representatives, local residents and business people, and other stakeholders as part of a Town Team.

This initiative is a key part of Our Rural Future – the Government's ambitious five year strategy designed to reimagine and revitalise Rural Ireland.

It is also linked to the Government's 'Housing for All' strategy and the forthcoming 'Town Centre First Policy', which will be announced in the coming weeks.

Welcoming the news, Minister for Education and Kerry TD Norma Foley said: "This significant funding for Milltown will facilitate the development of a plan to support the future potential and advancement of this growing and vibrant town."



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Seán Kelly MEP has been elected as First Vice-Chair of the European Parliament's new standing delegation to the EU-UK Parliamentary Partnership Assembly. Speaking from Brussels on Wednesday, the Ireland South MEP said he was "honoured" to take up the position on the delegation which will play a vital role in encouraging constructive dialogue between the EU and UK post-Brexit.

KELLY ELECTED FIRST VICE-CHAIR OF EU-UK PARLIAMENTARY ASSEMBLY

"I look forward to taking up a leading role as First Vice-Chair of European Parliament's delegation to the Assembly. It was established following the entry into force of the EU-UK Trade

and Cooperation Agreement (TCA), struck between the European Commission and the UK government last year. Moving forward from Brexit, this delegation offers the EU a strong voice, which will be vital in shaping the implementation of the EU-UK TCA and the Northern Ireland Protocol", Kelly said.

"The newly formed Parliamentary Partnership Assembly will be a valuable forum for mutually

beneficial dialogue with our UK neighbours."

"Brexit has fundamentally changed the relationship between the EU and the UK, and while there are existing structures of communication, this Assembly stands alone in providing a platform for parliamentarians to discuss high level political issues that will be fundamental to a positive relationship", the Fine Gael MEP added.

"This Assembly deserves to be prioritised as a means of transforming the EU's admittedly frayed relations with the UK, but this will not happen automatically. I urge both the UK government and the MPs nominated to the Assembly to reflect on the positive opportunity such dialogue presents."

Seán Kelly is the lead MEP for UK trade matters in the European Parliament and chair of the UK Monitoring Group.

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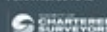
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MUCKCROSS ROWING CLUB**MUCKCROSS HOR:**

The bad weather of Saturday last unfortunately forced the cancellation of our own Muckcross Head Of the River time trial event at the National Rowing Centre in Cork along with the Head Of the Shannon time trial due to take place in Carrick-on-Shannon. It was a case of especially bad luck as the conditions on both the Friday and Sunday would have allowed both events to proceed. The club is now in contact with Rowing Ireland regarding a rescheduled fixture in February 2022. A special word of thanks to all our adult members, supporters and parents of junior members who had volunteered to help with the event organisation. We hope to build on the plans made for a successful event in February.

EVENTS CALENDAR

Shandon Boat Club will host its inaugural Head Of the River, a 4.5km time trial at the Marina in Cork city, on Saturday 29 January 2022.

KILLARNEY VALLEY ATHLETIC CLUB

KVAC athlete, Tony Harty ran the Valencia Marathon last weekend and did fantastic with yet another new PB of 2:41:25. Congrats and Well Done to Tony.

The Monday and Thursday night training for U9-U14 is finished now for 2021. We would like to wish all our members a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. We will let you know when registration opens up for 2022.

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GNEEVEGUILLA ATHLETIC CLUB**LOTTO**

No winner of our lotto draw 03/12/2021, numbers drawn were 12, 16, 18 & 28. Sellers prize winner Gneeveguilla PO, €50 Y/T prize to Gneeveguilla Basketball Club, €50 to Nono Looney Gneeveguilla PO, €40 each to John Doody Gneeveguilla Po, T J Mahony Rathmore, Ellen Snaith c/o Mgt Hayes. Bonus not won, numbers drawn were 14, 16, 22 & 25. Next weeks

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KILLARNEY RFC NEWS**MINIS HOST CASTLEISLAND THIS WEEKEND**

Our minis are due to host Castleisland Minis at Aghadoe this Saturday morning. Please be sure to complete the online Covid form, bring the gumshield and waterbottle and wrap up warm. We look forward to welcoming Castleisland for the first time in two years for what promises to be a cracking morning of rugby.

U16 AND U18 GIRLS IN MUNSTER TRIALS

Last weekend some of our U16 and U18 girls played their hearts out in the Munster development league games to make next reduction in numbers to the squad - a very tough decision for Munster. The U18s were in Fermoy on Sat and U16s in Ballina /Killaloe on Sun. To have 9 girls in the u16s programme and 4 girls in 18s programme from Killarney rugby club is a very proud moment for our club - a result from all the hard work put in from players, our excellent coaches and parents. Our u16 girls who took part were Niamh and Bronagh Dorrian, Clodagh Foley, Ali O'Donoghue, Molly Gabbet and Fia Whelan. Congratulations to our 3 KRFC u18 players who went forward for Munster Trials today in tough wintry conditions in Fermoy. The girls have been training in MTU Friday evenings for the past few weeks. Lily Morris Aisling Cahill and Molly Jenikson. Killarney RFC are incredibly proud of you all.

RESULTS

U14 Boys Black 29 - 15 Killorglin

RCD 12 - 0 U14 Red

Seniors 36 - 26 RCD

FIXTURES

U18 Girls host Development

Blitz Sunday @ 11am.

U14 Girls V Clonakilty Red away, Sat

@ 10:30am

U16 Girls V Shannon away,



Tony Harty - Killarney Valley AC

Sat @ 12

U16 boys V Midleton, Aghadoe, Sat @ 12:30pm

U18 boys V Highfield, Aghadoe, Sat @ 2pm

Seniors away to RCD, Sunday @ 2:30pm.



Killarney Rugby Club U16 girls who took part in the Munster Rugby trials



Killarney Rugby Club U14's boys who beat Killorglin



Killarney Rugby Club Seniors who played Rugbaí Chorca Dhuibhne




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2: Seamus McCarthy, Rolandas Benbikas, Brian Courtney 46 pts

FIXTURES:

On Sunday Dec 12th we will hold a Champagne Scramble with a shotgun start and the online entry will open at 7pm on Thursday.

The prizes for the recent Christmas Hampers Competition sponsored by the Killarney Race Company will be presented after the champagne scramble.

KILLARNEY GOLF AND FISHING

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MAHONY'S POINT SINGLE STABLEFORD SAT/SUN 4/5 DECEMBER 2021

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3rd: Jane Dwyer 37 pts (17)

4th: Catriona O'Leary 36 pts (23)

LADIES ROSS GOLF CLUB NOTES

RESULTS CHRISTMAS HAMPER COMPETITION 9 HOLE COMPETITION

1st prize kindly sponsored by Daly's Super Valu Winner: Bernie Reen

2nd: Maureen Crowley

3rd: Doreen Brosnan

18 Hole competition

Winner: Eileen Fleming

2nd: Betty O'Farrell

3rd :Mary Moynihan

Great turnout. Well done to all.

UPCOMING COMPETITION

6 Hole Scramble on Saturday 11th December. Tee off at 10.30am.

Single Stableford competition 9 & 18 hole on Friday 3rd & Saturday 4th December 10.30am.

All Members welcome

MEET AND PLAY

Each Wednesday morning meet at 10.15am for



Photographed at the presentation of prizes for the Ross Seniors Christmas Hampers are Front (l to r) Seamus McCarthy, Outgoing Captain, Mary McCarthy, Andy Cole, Winner, Donie Broderick, Captain, M J Casey, President, Dermot O Connor, Michael O'Leary. Back (l to r) Jim Casey, Mike Casey, Donal Doherty, John Joe Healy, John Ivory, Tadhg McCarthy, Sean O'Brien, John Hurley, Jim Fleming, Ned Buckley, John Fleming, Maurice Coffey, Jim Larkin.

10.30am. All members welcome.

DEERPARK PITCH & PUTT CLUB

CHRISTMAS TURKEYS

Last Sunday saw Round 3 take place in the Tim Jones Butchers sponsored series. Results as follows as Overall Gross was main prize last Sunday in the Fourball V Par format: Overall Gross: Sean Ashe & Ger Casey 6up, First Nett: Sean Ashe & Robbie O'Brien Snr 12up and Second Nett: Noel Moynihan & Dan Kiely 11up (B9). This Sunday's format is Scotch Foursomes. Draws at 9am and 10.45am as usual. Entry €5 per draw.

PRESENTATIONS

Just to let everyone who won prizes in the following events know that these will be available for collection after Sunday's competition is over- (i) Willie Parker, (ii) Ricky Kelly (iii) Club Strokeplay and (iv) Club Matchplay. All Christmas related competitions will be presented the following Sunday, December 19th.

U16 CHRISTMAS COMPETITION

Takes place this Saturday (11th) at 1.30pm. Entry €5 per player. Format will be an 18 hole Three

Ball Scramble.

DANNY NOLAN MEMORIAL

Scheduled for St Stephens morning again this year. It will be an 18 hole Three Ball Scramble at 10am. Competition will once more be played as bring your own prize

MURPHYS GOLF SOCIETY

CHRISTMAS HAMPERS 4TH DECEMBER 2021, MAHONY'S POINT

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1st Denis Nash (22) 49 Points. 2nd James O Neil (4) 40 Points. 3rd Ger Moroney (10) 39 Points. 4th Paddy Looney (25) 38 Points. 5th Paul Corridan (15) 37 Points. 6th James Curran (9) 37 Points

1st Nine Seán Murphy (19) 20 Pts

2nd Nine Jimmie Smith (15) 20pts

Match play Winner 2021: Pat Carroll

Golfer of the Year 2021: Paul Corridan

New Members Welcome for 2022: Application Forms Available From Murphys Reception



Killarney Golf Club member, Ann Stewart pictured after she scored a hole-in-one on the 18th of Mahony's Point at the weekend. Ann was presented with a Certificate of Achievement by Lady Captain Anne Dugan and Golf Operations Manager, Patrick Fleming.



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Hot on the heels of the world premiere of the next-generation Astra hatchback in September, Opel has now unveiled the sleek estate model version, the all-new Astra Sports Tourer. The newcomer will be available with plug-in hybrid electric drives, making it the German carmaker's first electrified estate. The new Astra Sports Tourer also continues Opel's successful tradition of compact estates, which began almost 60 years ago with the Kadett Caravan, the first such car in this class from a German brand.

In addition to electric drive, the new Astra Sports Tourer will be available with highly efficient petrol and diesel engines. Power ranges from 110hp to 130hp with the petrol and diesel variants and up to 225hp with the electric plug-in hybrid variants. A six-speed gearbox is standard on the petrol and diesel power units, with an eight-speed automatic transmission (electrified on the plug-in hybrids) optional on the more powerful engines.

With vital statistics of 4,642 x 1,860 x 1,480mm (L x W x H) and a loading height of around 600mm, the practical new Astra Sports Tourer displays the brand's typical talent for efficient packaging; the overall length is 60mm shorter than that of the previous model, thanks to the particularly short front overhang, yet the vehicle remains more than roomy and comfortable for all passengers.

The boot provides up to more than 608 litres of storage space, with the rear seatbacks upright, and up to 1,634 litres when folded. When the 40:20:40-split rear seatbacks are folded down, the floor is completely flat. Even with their underfloor lithium-ion batteries, the plug-in hybrid variants still

offer cargo volumes of 548 litres and 1,574 litres respectively.

The boot volume of combustion engine variants is optimised with an optional "Intelli-Space" moveable load floor, which can be easily adjusted with only one hand to high or low positions. Tyre repair and first aid kits stored in clever underfloor compartments can be accessed from the boot, or cleverly, from the rear passenger seating area, without the need to fully unpack the boot. An optional tailgate opens and closes automatically with a movement of the foot under the rear bumper.

Together with its five-door hatchback sibling, the stylish new Astra Sports Tourer is a true design statement and Opel's first estate to bring to life the brand's bold and pure design philosophy in the form of the new Opel Vizor brand face. At the rear, the vertically aligned high-mounted brake lamp and the slim tail lamps create a strong lighting signature.

The interior has taken a big step forward too. The fully digital Pure Panel offers customers a pure, intuitive experience. Operation is via an extra-wide touchscreen, just like a smartphone. Important settings such as climate control can still be selected directly via just a few switches. There is no need for cables either, since the new generation of multimedia infotainment and connectivity systems can be connected to wireless Apple CarPlay and Android Auto via compatible smartphones.

The new Astra Sports Tourer also makes a clear statement with the technologies it brings to the market sector for compact estates. The latest version



of the adaptive, glare-free Intelli-Lux LED® Pixel light system comes directly from the Opel flagships Insignia and Grandland, with 168 LED elements. Drivers receive additional support from optional state-of-the-art assistance systems such as the Intelli-HUD head-up display and Intelli-Drive 2.0. Hands-off detection on the steering wheel ensures that drivers remain engaged at all times.

Developed in-house, the front seats of the new Astra Sports Tourer are certified by Aktion Gesunder Rücken e.V. / Campaign for Healthier Backs (AGR). The ultra-ergonomic seats are the best the compact class has to offer, featuring a wide range of optional adjustments, from electric tilt to electro-pneumatic lumbar support. In Nappa leather, they even offer ventilation and massage for the driver, and heating at the rear as well as the front.

The new Astra Sports Tourer will come to market in Ireland in summer 2022. Prices, trims and standard equipment will be announced closer to launch.



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>KILCUMMIN GAA

It has been a busy week for Kilcummin with our 3 AGMs taking place. Our thanks to everyone who was involved in 2021 and to all those who are helping out in 2022. The following is our complete list of officers for 2022 across each part of the club. We still have a vacancy for Juvenile PRO so please contact a member of the Juvenile club if you are interested in helping out.

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There was no winner of the Jackpot on Friday 3rd of December. The numbers drawn were 6,11,12,17. Consolation prizes of €50 each went to Helen Moynihan, Rathaneane. Shane Mangan, Sp., Elaine & Sean Kerins C/O John Kerins. Chris, Sarah, Jack & Isabelle, Mastergeeha. Next draw is next Friday 10th Dec 2021. Jackpot will be €6,800.

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➤KNOCKNAGREE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT group are offering people the chance to win an eco garden room and €4000 or a cash prize of €20,000. Draw takes place the 6th Jan 2022. Tickets €20 each, three for €50 and are available from Mairead 0876427520 or Yvonne 087-9450997 or on www.knocknagree.ie

➤BESPOKE CHARITY CHRISTMAS CARDS featuring paintings of local area for sale. All proceeds to Cork Penny Dinners. 5 cards €10. To purchase contact Laurence Hickey 0863402852.

➤COVID 19 Support Line for Older People ALONE manage a national support line and additional supports for older people who have concerns or are facing difficulties relating to COVID19. Professional staff are available to answer queries and give advice and reassurance where necessary. The support line is open seven days a week, 8am - 8pm, by calling 0818 222 024.

➤SUICIDE AWARENESS

A Clothes Bank in Aid of Suicide Awareness in Aid of Suicide Awareness in now Installed in the Creamery yard Rathmore. Anyone in need of support call Mary on 087-3162257

➤GNEEVEGUILLA COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL AND GNEEVEGUILLA BASKETBALL CLUB

Congratulations is this week's winner of €319. Well done Congratulations to Edel Lehane this week's winner of €319.

➤KERRY LIBRARY will host a number of free online events for children during December. Bedtime Stories: Authors Katie O'Donoghue and Roisin Meaney will do 4 live Bedtime Storytelling events each on select evenings at 7pm. Art: Lisa Fingleton will host a Wild Child creative nature and drawing workshop on Saturday 11th December at 11am. This is also a live event. Yoga/Pilates: Pre-recorded beginner yoga and pilates classes for families will be available throughout the month of December on the Kerry Library website. Booking for the live events is available via the following link: <https://www.kerrylibrary.ie/family-time-at-your-library.html>

➤NOTES

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

By Michael O' Mahony

LISTRY

➤LISTRY WEEKLY LOTTO RESULTS

Congratulations to Stephen and Mauraid Darmody, Margaret Lehane, Lahard winners of our Christmas hampers. Numbers Drawn 3, 17, 26, 27. €100 - Declan Spillane. €50 x 2 - Mary Maloney, 103 Ardshanavooley. David Nolan, Listry. €25 x 2 - Sean Browne, Tullig Mor, Killorglin. Mary O'Sullivan, Rockfield. Jackpot next Sunday €3,150. Congratulations to all our winners this week.

➤MID KERRY MINOR SHIELD

Congratulations to Keel/Listry minor team and management in The Semi Final of Mid Kerry Minor Shield. Keel/Listry 1.15 GGC 2.11.

➤PLAYER OF THE WEEK

Congratulations to Niamh Broderick MKL Gaels voted player of the week on twitter, Livescore Ciarrai. Well deserved winner.

➤MKL GAELS LGFA MUNSTER FINAL

Best of Luck to MKL Gaels LGFA team and coaches in the Munster Ladies Gaelic Football Junior A Championship Final V Mullinahone Ladies (Tipperary) on Sunday 12th December in Mallow at 12 noon.

➤PARISH DRAW

Your support is Kindly requested for the Parish draw, Which take place on

December 19th. Tickets are being sent to all parish households at present.

➤SYMPATHY

Listry Community Council want to Votes of sympathy to bereaved families, relatives and friends of following people who died in 2021 and recently.

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Thomas Healy. Gap of Dunloe, Beaufort, Kerry

Noel Lucey. Curraglass, Glenflesk, Killarney, Kerry

Sheila Doyle (née Larkin). Cooleenig, Beaufort, Killarney, Kerry

Kathleen (Kate) Crowley (née Finnegan)

Coomacullen, Clonkeen and late of Cockhill, Kilcummin, Killarney, Kerry

Robert Green. Faha

David (Crocker) Bradley. Faha East, Killarney, Kerry / Cobh, Cork

SEAN MURPHY. THE STARLITE, Killorglin, Kerry / Barraduff, Kerry

Betty Crosbie (née Shanley). Mill Road, Killarney, Kerry / Dublin

BRENDAN CLIFFORD SLIEVEGAURA, Beaufort, Kerry / Causeway, Kerry

John Scannell. Pinewood Estate, Killarney and late of Coolroe, Listry, Killarney, Kerry

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Written by: Anne Sugrue O'Brien

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GLENFLESK

>AINE NI SUILLEABHAIN

Congratulations to Áine Ni Súilleabhain on her appointment to the executive position of County Children's Officer with Kerry County Board GAA. Áine, who was born in Dublin of staunch Kerry GAA parents, arrived in Glenflesk by circuitous routes in 2006 with her work as Environmental Officer in the Regional Fisheries Board. Áine quickly assimilated into the local community, and she has been an enthusiastic supporter of the GAA club ever since. She found that the Club was open, welcoming and supportive to everyone who wished to join and become involved in the Club.

Áine has served as PRO with the local Club and also with the East Kerry Board. She is currently a member of the County Health and Wellbeing Committee.

During her 'spare' time she is leading a local committee in producing a social history of Glenflesk parish.

Áine, who is the first Club member to be appointed to an executive position with the Kerry County Board, will have a key role in ensuring the implementation and promotion of the relevant Child Welfare and Protection Codes and Guidelines for good practice in the County, so as to ensure that young people can participate, enjoy and benefit from our Gaelic Games in safe and enjoyable surroundings. With her proven talents and gregarious personality, Kerry will be well served with the appointment of Áine.

>EAST KERRY UNDER 17 A CHAMPIONSHIP FINAL

GLENFLESK 3 - 15 KENMARE/KILGARVIN 3 - 11

The wonderful unpredictability of sport was on show again in Farranfore this afternoon, as Glenflesk fought back from what looked to be a hopeless position, to win their first East Kerry A Championship since 1982, overcoming a fierce challenge from Kenmare, in one of the great final's.

It was Kenmare who got off the quicker start. Attacking straight from the throw in, they won a free. Full forward Darren Allman, who was extremely influential, converted it to give his side the early lead. Eoin Kelly found the target with his left foot to bring Glenflesk level. Glenflesk then dealt the first big blow of the final. After brilliantly intercepting a pass, Cian Lynch burst forward from full back, finding Roche with a clever pass. He was on hand to take the return, and his finish found a tiny gap between goalie and post to grab the first goal of the day. Allman's accuracy from place balls kept Kenmare in touch as Glenflesk held a four point lead at the water break.

Glenflesk almost grabbed a second goal but Roche's effort cannoned off the post. Kelly was first to the rebound, and tapped over his second point of the day. Allman then cleverly swerved into space and got his first score from play. Center forward Darragh O Connor then turned on his left, and his shot just crept inside the near post. Luke Crowley then pointed after great passes from John Kelleher and Callum Cronin. Allman found the target again from an extremely tight angle, and it looked like that would be the last score of the half. Glenflesk though, created one more opportunity to increase the lead. A long ball from Kelleher beat the Kenmare defense, and reached Roche who had crept inside. After steadying himself, his low shot found the net, just beating Vaughan O'Brien in the Kenmare goal. It left Glenflesk five ahead at the break.

Kenmare needed a quick start to the second half to get back in the game. With Tom O'Sullivan becoming more and more influential at midfield, Yago Cornide charged in on goal and blasted to the bottom corner of the net. Allman then fired over from out near the sideline as Kenmare began to take complete control. After winning another Glenflesk kick out, corner forward Sean Treyvaud was the man to apply the finish, finding the net to put Kenmare two points up, after completely dominating since half time.

Kenmare then looked like they had got the score that would have finished the game. After taking a mark, Allman's quick pass ended with Kenmare being given a penalty. O'Connor was entrusted with the penalty, and he made no mistake, finding the corner of the net. Kenmare now held a five point lead and looked certain to drive on to victory. They would score only one more point. A free from Roche and two Callum Cronin points brought Glenflesk within three. Roche then looked to be in on goal, only to be stopped illegally. Penalty for Glenflesk. With time running out and three points behind, only a goal would do. Roche found the bottom corner,

and the sides were level. The next score with be massive. Glenflesk now had the momentum, and center back Kelleher took his chances from miles out. It just about cleared the crossbar. A score worthy to win any final. Luke Crowley then doubled the lead as the clutch players for Glenflesk stood up strong. Jamie Moynihan's amazing leap and catch to steal a Kenmare kick out, allowed Roche to point a free to increase the deficit to three. One more superb Roche point at the death secured the remarkable victory. Stephen Moynihan was the man to collect the trophy for his thrilled team mates afterwards.

What a sixty minutes plus of football! Credit to both teams

for the terrific entertainment offered up. Kenmare will feel devastated that their terrific second half performance didn't bring victory. Glenflesk never say die attitude saw them over the line. An end to a great year for the team. County League Division One finalists, a credible showing in the County Championship, and today's

superb win. Congratulations to all the player's and management team of Eamon Spillane, Michael O'Shea and Jerry Mullane.

Team. 1. Liam O'Donoghue, 2. Ignatius O'Leary, 3. Cian Lynch (1 - 0), 4. Oisín Lynch, 5. Sean Guerin, 6. John Kelleher (0 - 1), 7. Darragh O'Connor, 8. Eoin Kelly (0 - 2), 9. Darragh McCormack, 10. Darragh O'Connell, 11. Luke Crowley (0 - 3), 12. Stephen Moynihan (Capt), 13. Callum Cronin (0 - 2), 14. Dylan Roche (2 - 7), 15. Jamie Moynihan, 20. Jack Kenneally, 23. Brian O'Connor, 16. Jack O'Donoghue, 17. Gearoid Healy, 19. Diarmuid Furlong, 21. Ben Switzer.

>LOTTO

There was no winner of the Glenflesk Lotto which took place tonight 29/11/2021 in Glenflesk Hall. Jackpot was €6,000. The numbers drawn were 7, 13, 19, 26. There was no winner. Consolation prizes of €50 each to:

1. Peter O'Donoghue, Salmon Leap, Clonkeen. 2. Seán O'Donoghue, Salmon Leap. (Sellers' Prize). 3. Con Lynch, Loreto Rd (Yearly Ticket). 4. Liz Mahony, Headford. Next draw will take place in Glenflesk Hall on 13/12/2021. Jackpot is €6,000. Tickets can be bought from our ticket sellers, in O'Briens and O'Donoghues shops or online at: https://play.clubforce.com/play_newa.asp?ll_id=2534#Anchor

Thank you to all who support our Lotto and our sellers.

Written by: Seamus Healy



Glenflesk minor team East Kerry Div 1 Champions after they defeated Kenmare Kilgarvan last Sunday
Photo Seamus Healy.



Glenflesk captain Stephen Moynihan revives the East Kerry Minor Div1 cup from East Kerry Treasurer Donald O'Sullivan Photo Seamus Healy.



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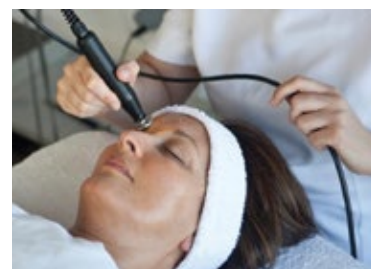


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- Agatha Christie

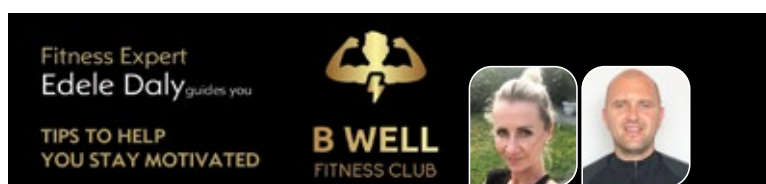
I love the above quote by Agatha Christie. I also agree that just to be alive is a grand thing. No matter what challenges and losses we may have come through this past year, we are here and we live to see another day. And in that day, we have choices and chances, possibilities & potential. Life is constantly inviting us to adapt and allow ourselves to flow from one moment to the next.

Sometimes we get stuck and feel unable to move. Trauma or challenging life events may feel insurmountable at times, however, if we can step back, find support, slow down, share our worries and be compassionate and kind to ourselves as we travel this journey, we can move through any difficulty.

Connect with your heart
When you are feeling upset or scattered, place your right hand over your heart and your left hand over your lower belly. Close your eyes and focus on your breathing. Imagine that the breath comes in through your lower belly and rises up towards your heart and then as you exhale the breath flows back down to your lower belly. This simple exercise helps you to feel calmer and regulate your nervous system.

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This week was a particularly difficult one personally for Neilus as 'Real Life situations got in the way'. He could have easily made excuses and thrown in the towel, But even though he had to cancel 1 training session he smashed it with a few runs to make up for it & take responsibility for his fitness over the weekend. He overcome his own fears and discomfort in these runs & went above and beyond what the trainers at B Well set out for him this week. He blasted an 11k run on Saturday which was something he really struggled with physically and emotionally in the past.

This week we would like to share Neilus' own words to his private weight loss what's app group that are following and supporting hi through this journey.

"Good morning everyone...thrilled to say I'm down to 14 st.3 and a half pounds this week...so delighted..it was bit of a challenging week..as saying goes, 'what doesn't kill you, will only make you stronger'..what I will say is sometimes we have to get comfortable with being uncomfortable..on my run the last nite, doubts started to creep in about how far I could jog..the usual stuff like my hips are sore, I jogged far enough, and so on..so I had bit of a positive self talk to myself and I pushed past those doubts, fears and kept telling myself nothing bad is going to happen...and if I can push past my doubts, everyone here can as well so get comfortable with being uncomfortable sometimes...u will certainly find out more about yourself"

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EAT HEALTHILY

Eating a healthy, balanced diet reduces your risk of eye disease. Include lots of omega-3 fats, found in oily fish, and lutein, found in dark-green, leafy vegetables such as spinach and kale. #

STOP SMOKING

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➤SANTA STOPPING IN FOR A VISIT THIS FRIDAY

Visit Santa at the Spa clubhouse in next Friday 10th December between 5pm - 7.30pm! Covid regulations will be strictly adhered to. Take your own photo or €5 photo will be provided.

➤O'DONOGHUE CUP FINAL

Best of luck to our senior team and management in the 2020 O'Donoghue Cup Final against Dr Crokes this Sunday December 12th at 2pm in Fitzgerald Stadium.

➤EAST REGION MINOR LEAGUE DIVISION 3 FINAL

The East Region Division 3 Minor League final took place on Friday night under lights in Spa in cold, rainy, wintry conditions. We had a good start to the game with Aidan Cronin (2) and Luke O'Neill (3) on target in the opening quarter to give us a 0-5 to 0-1 lead by the first half water break, Dara Fitzgerald with the point for Gneeveguilla. Aidan and Luke added another point each as play continued, with Fitzgerald adding another one for Gneeveguilla, and at half time Spa were ahead by 0-7 to 0-2.

Spa started the second half well and were quickly targeting the goal, two good chances well blocked by the Gneeveguilla keeper. A black card infraction meant we were reduced to 14 men for a spell of the third quarter but the defense did brilliant work to keep Gneeveguilla at bay. Spa notched up three more points before the next water break, Oran O'Neill, Ryan McCarthy and Donagh Fahy adding their names to the score sheet. At the second half water stoppage Spa were now in a commanding lead at 0-10 to 0-2.

Gneeveguilla fought on however with Ross O'Leary rattling the Spa net as soon as the play had resumed. Cian Russell landed a great score but Ross O'Leary was quickly heading for the Spa goal again and slotted last the keeper to make it Spa 0-11 Gneeveguilla 2-2. It made for a nervous finish but Spa won out by the three points in the end to claim the East Region Minor League Division 3 title. East Kerry Board vice-chairman John Dineen was on hand to present the cup to the Spa team and team captain Rian O'Neill. Well done to our minor team and management of Patrick Cronin, Paul Casey & Des Spillane, a nice way to finish out the year. Wishing all our injured players a speedy recovery.

➤31 CARD DRIVE CHEQUE PRESENTATION

A special Card Drive was organised at the start of 2020 to raise funds for Comfort for Chemo in memory of our club member Johnny Batt Cronin. Despite only some of the early rounds going ahead before Covid restrictions paused the event, an incredible total of €4,040 was raised for this very worthy cause. As the competition kept getting delayed, the decision was made recently with a heavy heart to cancel the event and to go ahead and present the money raised up to now to Comfort for Chemo. A draw for spot prizes for teams that had entered the competition took place last week, and the cheque presentation was made at the Spa clubhouse to Mary Fitzgerald (Comfort for Chemo) by the Cronin family and members of the organising committee.

The committee have expressed their thanks to everyone who took part, helped out, organised, donated and to the local people and the businesses that supported the event - Killarney Credit Union, Skellig Hotel Dingle, Kennelly's Pharmacy, Hegarty's Spar Muckcross Rd, Daly's Supervalu, Killarney Oil, O'Leary's Electrical, Paul Herlihy Contractor, Liam Chute, Killarney Oaks Hotel and Bowler's Centra, Tralee Rd, Great Southern Hotel and Killarney Carpets & Furniture Centre. Well done to everyone involved.

➤SPA KILLARNEY HANDBALL TOURNAMENT

It was a very enjoyable night in the Spa Sports Hall last Monday for the Spa Killarney Handball Tournament. BEGINNERS TOURNAMENT: Sinead



Congrats to lotto winner Julie McGowan who won €5,200 in last week's Spa GAA lotto. She collected her cheque at the weekend and is pictured here with ticket sellers Mick & Ian O'Connell & Lotto Chairman Tadhg Hickey and Julie's daughter Rachel. Picture: Anne Holland

Moriarty Won the Beginners by 15 - 11. This game was close Sinead played some great shots and that's what got her over the line. Elena O'Donoghue also played very well but just couldn't push on to win the game. She ended up with a runner up medal. ADVANCED TOURNAMENT: Eoghan Daly vs Evan Enright by 15-12. This Final was at the highest level. The standard was top class and the rallies were exceptional. Both players gave it everything and it was a brilliant spectacle for everyone to watch. Eoghan Daly had enough in the tank to see out the game. Congrats to all players who did very well in the tournament - Aoife Walsh, Brendan O'Donoghue, Niamh Faulds, Sheila Kelliher, Neil Horgan, Brid Horgan and Michael Clifford. Well done to all!

➤SPA GAA MERCHANDISE SHOP

The Spa GAA Merchandise Shop (top of the stairs in reception) will be open this Thursday December 9th from 8pm - 9pm for Christmas orders. Any queries contact Mathilda 087 648 7356.

➤SPA GAA 2022 CLUB CALENDAR

2022 Spa GAA club calendars on sale now (€10 each) and can be purchased on spagaa.com/shop with click & collect or post options available. They will also be on sale at the clubhouse this Thursday December 9th between 8 - 9pm and this Friday December 10th between 5 - 7.30pm. Our thanks to calendar sponsors Igloo Memories & Kerry Physiotherapy Centre. Any queries please contact 085 1216359 or pro.spa.kerry@gaa.ie. *Limited stock available*

➤SANTAS POSTBOX IS BACK IN SPA

Santa's coming! His postbox is ready for all the boys and girls letters to be delivered in time for Christmas. The postbox is located at the entrance of the clubhouse and when posting your letter, why not take a photo and send to Coiste na nóg PRO Anne on 085 7780883.

➤CONDOLENCES

Our deepest condolences to the Dan, Mike and all the Kennedy family, Clashes, on the passing of Margaret Kennedy RIP. May she Rest in Peace.

➤SPA LOTTO RESULTS 29/11/21

Numbers drawn: 3, 5, 12, 14. Congratulations to our lotto winner Julie McGowan (seller Mick O'Connell). Next Monday's jackpot is €5,000 and tickets on sale online on spagaa.com or from Dalys Supervalu, Killarney Hardware, Centra Muckcross Rd, Spa clubhouse or from usual sellers.

➤AGM

Our 2021 Spa GAA Club AGM will take place shortly (details tbc). There will be some positions vacant so if anyone would like to get involved with the club for next year please get in touch.

➤ITEMS FOR NOTES

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

Written by: Deirdre O'Sullivan-Darcy

BEAUFORT

➤FIXTURE

Good luck to Beaufort senior men and management who will play Laune Rangers on Sunday, 12th November at 2pm in Milltown in the Mid Kerry Senior championship final.

➤LOTTO

The next draw for a jackpot of €5,600 will be on Sunday, 12th December. Tickets available from usual sellers, shops, public houses, direct debit

and online at www.beaufortgaa.com.

This is also the Christmas draw with extra prizes of hampers and bottles

➤SPORTS PREDICTION QUIZ

End of November leader board is as follows: Jeremiah O'Sullivan 84 pts. Danny Doona 80 pts. Jack O'Connor 78 pts. Joan O'Brien 77 pts.

By Cliona Coffey



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FOSSA

MINORS

Fossa 3-09 Furies 2-09

In a hugely entertaining game fossa came out on top in the East Kerry championship Division 2 final goals from Sean Dineen, Cathal Breen and Jake Ryan saw Fossa win by 3 points. Congratulations to all the players and management on a great end to the year.

Management: Dermot Clifford, Willie Buckley, Mick Clifford, Tom Finn and Eddie Myers.

UNDERDOGS

Best of luck to Fossa's Erica McGlynn who was selected on the final panel for TG4's Underdogs 2021. They take on All Ireland Champions Meath this Saturday 11th December @ 1:30 with coverage on TG4 at 7:15. Tune in to support the Erica and the Underdogs.

LOTTO

17, 21, 26, 28. €40 WINNERS: NIAL GRIFFIN, TWO MILE SCHOOL; DANIEL O'KEEFE, DROMIN FOSSA; MARY FRANCES O'SHEA, PALLAS; BERNIE MCCARTHY, TWO MILE SCHOOL; DERMOT MCGUCKIN, CURRAGH. MEAT VCHRS: ANN GUERIN, GORTROE, BRENDAN LYNCH, MAULAGH.

Next weeks lotto jackpot €6,900 tickets on sale from Foleys Spar Fossa, the Golden Nugget and usual sellers thanks for the support.

LIBRARY

Kerry Library has a number of resources for teachers including Block Loan accounts, Toys and Sensory resources, seasonal online events, and online resources such as TTTS multisensory, Ask About Ireland and eLanguage learning. Further information is available on www.kerrylibrary.ie

MILLTOWN/CASTLEMAINE GAA

LOTTO

Sponsored by Almas Takeaway, Milltown Here are the results for the Fortnightly Milltown-Castlemaine GAA Club Lotto Draw on Monday, November 29th, 2021. Jackpot €12,600. Lucky Numbers: 22 - 23 - 26. Bonus Ball: 10. There were no winner of the Jackpot or match 3 prizes but congratulations to our Lucky Dip Prize Winners: €50 - Brother John, €50 - Ruairi Mac Entee, €25 - Prince Breen, €25 - Mossie Harmon, €25 - Micko Griffin, €25 - Andrew Fitzpatrick.

Well done to the prize winners & best of luck to everyone in our next draw Monday week (Monday, December 13th, 2021) where the jackpot will be €12,600.

You can renew or play the Milltown/Castlemaine GAA Club fundraising lotto online with Clubforce or get your tickets from all usual outlets.

Mile búiochas do gach duine for playing Milltown/Castlemaine Clubs Fortnightly Fundraiser, the money raised is vital to the day to day running of our club and your support is sincerely appreciated.

MINOR TEAM

Well done to our Milltown/Castlemaine Minor Team who took on Beaufort in the Mid Kerry Shield Semi Final this morning and booked their place in the final with a win.

Well done to the whole panel and their coaching

team on their win this morning with the final score ending up 1-14 to 0-11.

Our Milltown/Castlemaine Minor U17 side will now go on to face Keel/Listry in the Shield Final next weekend with details to be confirmed. Stay tuned to our social media page for updates.

CLUB COFFEE SHOP OPEN

Mondays 7.30-8.30pm. We will be opening up the Club Coffee Shop every Monday until Christmas for an hour between 7.30-8.30pm.

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PARISH DRAW

It's that time of year again and the entry forms for the Annual Fundraising Parish Draw have been delivered throughout the area. If you did not receive one last year and wish to be added to the list for delivery please contact Father Danny Broderick or call the office during opening hours. You could be in with a chance to win one of the fantastic cash prizes, heating oil voucher or hampers above.

Tickets can also be picked up in the sacristy after mass and completed tickets can be dropped to James Arthurs Shop (Murphy's Food-store), the Parish Office Post Box, to Father Danny Broderick at 18 Ballyoughtragh Heights or into the collection plate at mass. The draw will take place on the 19th of December after mass and Father Danny Broderick and his team would like to thank everyone sincerely for their generous and continued support.

PARISH OFFICE

Sacred Heart Church, Milltown, Office Hours: Tuesday & Thursday from 9.30-12.30. Contact the office on 066-9767312 or contact Father Danny Broderick on (087) 9061255

MKL GAELS

The very best of luck to the MKL Gaels Senior Team in the Junior A Munster Championship Final where they will face Mullinahone Ladies (Tipperary) on Sunday 12th December in Mallow at 12 noon.

Make sure to keep an eye on the MKL Gaels Facebook page for all the details on anything from match tickets to flags for sale and transport options for the match.

Best of luck to the whole panel and management team from all at Milltown/Castlemaine GAA.

OPERATION TRANSFORMATION

The year has not finished but we are looking towards the new one and hoping to create a team at our club for Operation Transformation in January. At the moment we are looking for anyone interested in helping to organise our clubs OT efforts? Please contact Danny on 087 653 6631 if you are interested.

COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP FINAL

Congratulations to former Milltown/Castlemaine Manager Wayne Quinlivan and

his Austin Stacks team on claiming the Bishop Moynihan Trophy on Sunday in the County Championship Final. Commiserations to former Milltown/Castlemaine player and coach William Harmon and his Kerins O'Rahilly's who just missed out after a great run to the final in this years championship.

KEEL GAA CLUB

OFFICERS 2021: President: Mary Foley, Chairperson: Ian Foley, Vice Chairperson: David Clifford, Secretary: Mary T Murphy, Assistant Secretary: Linda Flynn, Treasurer: Rachel Hilliard, Assistant Treasurer: Aidan Benson, PRO: Ailís Murphy, Assistant PRO: Terry O' Sullivan, Coaching Officer: Sean O' Dowd, Registrar: Danny Murphy, County Board Delegate: Dónal Ashe, Mid-Kerry Board Delegate: Dónal Ashe, Social and Facilities: Sean O' Dowd, Alcohol & Substance Abuse Prevention (ASAP): Mike Murphy, Health and Wellbeing: Mike Murphy, Oifigeach Gaeilge: Ailís Murphy, Chairperson of Coiste na nÓg: PJ Ryan, Secretary of Coiste na nÓg: Aisling Flaherty.

KEEL GAA ZOOM BINGO

Our Christmas Bingo will take place on Friday the 10th of December at 8pm. €1000 jackpot must be won as well as lots of more prize money and spot prizes! Books are on sale in all local shops NOW! Please purchase your books as soon as possible as there is a very limited amount available. We have great plans to improve facilities at the club specifically a player's gym and the development of an area for parents and visitors to enjoy a tea/coffee and some home baking while at the pitch. Your support is greatly appreciated. If any business or individual would like to sponsor a game for €50, we'll give you a shout-out on the night and across our social media. Please share with friends and family! You could be the lucky winner of €1000 before Christmas.

CLUB LOTTO

There was no winner of the jackpot of €4,500 on Monday the 29th of November. The two €50 winners were Peggy Kelliher and Charlie Coyle Donegal. The next lotto draw will take place on Monday the 6th of November at 8pm. Lotto results will be posted on social media and the results will be in the notes next week. Thank you to everyone who supported our club lotto last week. Tickets are available in usual outlets and available from club officers.

U17

Well done to our U17 team who were victorious over Glenbeigh/Glencar/Cromane in Keel on Sunday morning. The final score was Keel/Listry 1-15, GGC 2-11. Keel/Listry will play Milltown/Castlemaine in the Mid Kerry Shield Final. Fixture to be confirmed.

MKL GAELS

Munster Final bound! MKL Gaels face Mullinahone of Tipperary in the Munster Junior Final on Sunday at 12 noon. Safe journey to all the players, management and all the supporters to Mallow Sports Complex. Best of luck to all the players and management. This is a wonderful achievement for all at MKL Gaels LGFA! A



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historic achievement for the club. Special mention to Keel players, Caoimhe Evans, Zeta Ashe, Dearbhla Foley, Laura Prendergast, Ciara Murphy, Ailís Murphy, Clodagh Evans, Katie Pigott, Liath Lenihan, Gillian Kennedy, Rachel Hilliard, Nichole Griffin and Dora Wynne Morgan. MKL Abú!

CLUB GEAR

Anyone interested in getting their hands on some club merchandise before the Christmas rush please the O'Neills, McKeever & Azzurri Online club shops. Please note all merchandise can now only be bought online. The direct links are available on our social media or just search Keel GAA on any of those websites.

BALLYHAR-FIRIES GAA

LOTTO

Numbers drawn; 8, 13, 21, 26. No jackpot winner. 5x€30: Billy O Rourke, Ballybrack; Pauline O Leary, Ballyhar; Tony Marshall, c/o Aherns; Brendan Quirke, c/o Bridies Shop; Jo O Callaghan, Kilcummin West. Next weeks jackpot €7400. Thanks to everyone who purchased a ticket and don't forget to get one for next week!! Get your lotto tickets online via the Furies page on Clubforce or tickets are also available to purchase physically in some of the local shops incl. Aherns Pharmacy, Farranfore, Sherwood Bar and Restaurant Farranfore, Sheehans Shop Farranfore, Moriarty's Centra Farranfore, Bridies Shop Furies, Hendersons Shop and Bar Furies and from all the usual sellers. We thank these businesses for their continued support. Thank you all for your continued support.

FRIENDS OF FIRIES

Congrats to our winners in the Annual Friends Of Furies Draw. If anyone is interested in becoming a Friends of Furies Member please make contact with the Club.

Friends of Furies draw 4x€40: Roger O Donoghue, Mike & Mary O Leary, James & Shelia O Sullivan, Brendan Spring

RESULTS

Minor Boys East Kerry B Championship Final Fossa 3-09 Furies 2-08

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DR. CROKES

SENIOR RELEGATION PLAYOFF

Dr. Crokes 2-18 Legion 1-08. We ran out winners in this relegation battle over our local rivals on Sunday last.

Legion were in the ascendancy in the opening quarter leading at first water break 1-03 to 0-04 our scores coming from Tony Brosnan.

We upped the pace considerably on the resumption with further minors from Miceal Burns(2) Gavin O'Shea (2) David Shaw and Brosnan to lead at half time 0-11 to 1-05.

We started the second half brightly and a goal in the 40th minute by evergreen Brian Looney following good work by Jordan Kiely gave us a commanding lead. Our opponents following 2 red cards were giving up acres of space and we fully capitalized. Our second goal came from Tom Doyle who was at the end of movement following great work by Mark O'Shea.

At the final whistle the tension was lifted and we maintain our Senior status for 2022.

O'DONOGHUE CUP FINAL v Spa on Sunday next Dec. 12th @ 2pm in Fitzgerald Stadium.

Scor As Rachel Foley, Cultural Officer, continues preparing for Scor, which hopefully will go ahead this year, she is encouraging boys and girls of all ages who are interested in set dancing and figure dancing to join/re-join one of the 3 dancing schools that assist us in this competition. There are 3 levels of competition for various age groups throughout the year. So get practicing with.. Daly King.... Hegarty.... and Hannah Majella with Daly King School of Irish Dancing. Contact Cliona 0862444354. Hegarty Irish dance academy contact Lisa 087 6403828 and Hannah Majella O Donoghue set dancing classes, contact Hannah 087 6451910

THANK YOU to all volunteers who helped out with flag day.

DR. CROKES BINGO will continue on Sunday Dec 5th in St. Marys Parish Hall @ 8.30pm. In accordance with government guidelines pods of no more than six with appropriate social distancing will be in place. Vaccine certs and proof of identification will be in place. Patrons are requested to wear masks until seated. Doors will open at 7.15pm and admittance is on first come first served basis..

LOTTO draw took place on Monday December 6th Numbers drawn 6 7 12 25 5 patrons matched 3 numbers receive €80 Jackpot for draw on December 13th will be €

We are calling on all members to support our weekly lotto as this represents one of the main sources of revenue for the club. With activity likely to recommence on the fields over the next few weeks we need people's support to maintain our facilities in Lewis Road. We have made a number of alterations to make things easier for members to play the easiest one being to play it online by following the link below And

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EAST KERRY GAA NEWS

By Michael O'Mahony

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EAST KERRY UNDER 17 A CHAMPIONSHIP FINAL.

Report By Michael Healy

Glenflesk 3 – 15 Kenmare/Kilgarvan 3 – 11

The 2021 East Kerry Under 17 A Championship finished up with a final to remember, as Glenflesk finished strongly to edge out Kenmare/Kilgarvan after a thrilling 60 minutes of action.

It was Kenmare who got off the quicker start. Attacking straight from the throw in, they won a free. Full forward Darren Allman, who was extremely influential, converted it to give his side the early lead. Eoin Kelly found the target with his left foot to bring Glenflesk level. Glenflesk then scored the first goal of the final. Cian Lynch charging the whole length of the field, to get on the end of Dylan Roche's pass and find the net. Allman's accuracy from place balls kept Kenmare in touch as Glenflesk held a four point lead at the water break.

Kelly got his second of the day, after a Roche shot cannoned back off the crossbar. Allman then cleverly swerved into space and got his first score from play. Center forward Darragh O Connor then turned on his left, and his shot just crept inside the near post. Luke Crowley replied for Glenflesk, as the hectic nature of the match continued. Allman found the target again from an extremely tight angle, before Glenflesk struck for their second goal. John Kelleher's long ball bypassed the Kenmare defense, and reached Roche who had ghosted inside. He made no mistake firing low into the net. It left Glenflesk five ahead at the break. Kenmare needed a quick start to the second half to get back in the game. With Tom O



Eye on the ball... spectators enjoy the Dr. Crokes v Legion relegation play off at Fitzgerald Stadium on Sunday last.
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Sullivan becoming more and more influential at midfield, Yago Cornide charged in on goal and blasted to the bottom corner of the net. Allman then fired over from out near the sideline as Kenmare began to take complete control. After winning another Glenflesk kick out, corner forward Sean Treyvaud was the man to apply the finish, finding the net to put Kenmare two points up, after completely dominating since half time.

Kenmare then looked like they had got the score that would have finished the game. After taking a mark, Allmans quick pass ended with Kenmare being given a penalty. O Connor was entrusted with the penalty, and he made no mistake, finding the corner of the net. Kenmare now held a five point lead and looked certain to drive on to victory. They would score only one more point. After Callam Cronin two point's reduced the deficit, a foul on Roche earned Glenflesk a penalty. With time running out and three points behind, only a goal would do. Roche found the bottom corner, and the sides were level. The next score with be massive. Center back Kelleher provided it. A long range shot that just cleared the cross bar. Further points from Crowley and Roche sealed the victory. Stephen Moynihan was the man to collect the The Brendan Cronin Perpetual Cup trophy for his thrilled team mates afterwards, after an outstanding final of the highest quality.

EAST KERRY MINOR B CHAMPIONSHIP

FINAL

East Kerry Minor B Championship Final

Full time Fossa3-(18) Furies: 2-9 15)

EAST KERRY MINOR B CHAMPIONSHIP FINAL

This was very entertaining game held in cordal Furies did make come back and came with 3 points of Furies it was draw few occasion & Fossa got third goal thst seal it for Fossa. Fossa proved two strong held on to victory John Dineen vice chairman of East kerry Board presented the cup to Fossa Captain Harry Kelly Cordal GAA & pitch was excellently great condition for this time of year great credit to cordal GAA

Full time score: Fossa 3-9(18) furiesGAA 2-9(15)

Fossa goals: Sean Dineen, Cathal Breen, 1st quarter. Jake Ryan 4th quarter.

FIXTURES

East kerry senior championship Dr O'Donoghue Cup Final this sunday at 12th December at Fitzgerald Stadium at 2pm.

LEGION

SENIOR MEN

The Legion Senior Men played Dr.Crokes on Sunday 5th December in a relegation playoff in an attempt to stay in the Senior Club Championship for 2022. The Legion team started off the game excellently with Conor

Keane flicking in an early goal. However, Crokes were able to rack up points quickly, ending the first half with a scoreline of 1-5 in favour of the black and amber. It was still all to play for at the second water break for Legion with a scoreline of 1-8 to 1-15 but playing with a 13 aside team is a battle in itself. The final scoreline, in favour of Dr.Crokes, was 2-18 to 1-8. Commiserations to our the Senior Men who left everything on the pitch. Congratulations to Dr.Crokes on the win and remaining at senior level for 2022. The Legion team will now contest in the Intermediate Club Competition next year.

LADIES

There is a changing of the guard at the top table of the Killarney Legion Ladies Management Committee after last week's ladies AGM. Ted Healy, an underage coach for the past 11 years has been voted in as Chairperson for the coming season. Best of luck to Ted and his fantastic committee on their efforts to progress the Legion Ladies.

LEGION LOTTO RESULTS Sunday 5th December Numbers drawn: 5, 22,25,27 bonus 10. No jackpot winner. Match 3/lucky dips: • Aidan Doyle Bellview Woods • Enda O Mara 37 High Street • Tom Prendergast Countess Grove • Angela Coffey 25 Old Woodlawn • Micheal Coffey 6 Torc Terrace. Next draw Sunday 12th Dec, jackpot €13,800 including €10K bonus number



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Paul's the top Saints in the 12's:

In the u12 Division 1&2 Boys Group A St Paul's saw off St Brendan's 44-20. St Paul's started the better with 4 baskets before St Brendan's hit back leaving it 8-5 at the end of the first quarter. Into the second quarter and St Paul's were making their offensive plays while St Brendan's were lipping out. The second half saw both sides making some great plays but St Paul's were able to keep their lead and take the win against a battling St Brendan's side.

Rian Weldon led the St Paul's scoring on 10 followed by Darragh Keane on 8 and Aodgoan O'Sullivan on 6 while Rory Bowler on 8 and Padraig O'Connor 7 led the St Brendan's scoring.

Imperials defeat St Joseph's in a thriller:

The Tralee boys have gotten their season underway with a narrow 23-21 home win over St Joseph's Duagh in the u12 Boys Division 1&2 Group B. Tom Dawson proved to be the Imperials hero scoring late to take the win. He ended with 12 points followed by Jack Hanlon on 6 points.

Falcon's take to points:

The first two quarters in this u14 Boys Division 2 game were tight with Glenbeigh Falcons leading 15-12 and 27-19 and they pulled away in the remaining two quarters to take the win 53-32 over Tralee Imperials. The Falcons scoring was led by Tadgh O'Sullivan on 26, Darragh Duffy on 12 and Sean Doherty with 7.

St Anne's defeat St Mary's after double overtime:

St Anne's were the quickest out of the blocks and were 13 points up at half time 27-14. St Mary's pulled three back in the third quarter which they won 14-10 to leave 10 points between the sides going into the final 10 minutes. But St Mary's don't give up at home and two free throws from Darragh McCarthy with 6 seconds to play levelled the game at 43 points each. The sides were still level after 5 minutes overtime but in the second period St Anns took the win by 5. Jerry Twomey and Darragh McCarthy both shot 13 for St Mary's with Graham O'Connor and Ray Slattery ending with 9 each for St Annes.

Bridget's leave it late to see of Colman's:

In the latest battle of the Saints in the u12's Girls Division 3 Group A Bridget's made the better start to lead 8-4 and 18-10 at the half before St Colman's Sparks hit 5 baskets in a row to take the lead into the 4th quarter. But St Bridget's rallied and hit the last 4 scores to win by 6 points 26-20. For St Colman's Aishling Quirke hit 10 and Leah McCarthy 8.

Falcons fly past Gneeveguilla

In the u14's Division 2 Gneeveguilla led by 1 at the break but Kenmare Kestrels enjoyed the better of the final two quarters to take the win 41-28. Phoebe O'Shea with 12, Toa Arsenic and Muireann Rochford on 6 each were the Kenmare leading scorers while Lauren O'Riordan ended with 12, Abbie O'Leary on 8 and Grainne O'Leary 4 were the top Gneeveguilla scorers.

Ravens fly higher than Kestrels in 14's Girls game:

In the u14 Girls Division 3 Group B game it was Rathmore Ravens took the win over Kenmare

Kestrels 33-17. The Kenmare scoring charts were topped by Doireann O'Neill, Lillian O'Sullivan and Grace O'Shea.

Imperials u14 girls make it 2 from 2:

The Tralee Imperials u14 Girls made it two wins from two in the u14 Girls Division 1&2 Group B as they defeated St Colman's leading at the end of the four quarters and winning 46-23. The main damage was done in the 3rd quarter when Imperials went on a 12-0 run. Ciara Costello ended with 12 for Imperials followed by Anna O'Sullivan on 10, Sophie Mitchell on 7 and Anna Chute with 6.

Gneeveguilla girls in action:

In the u16 Girls Division 2 Gneeveguilla led all the way and survived a late Cougars burst to take the win 48-42. Lily Sheerin and Chloe O'Leary impressed for Gneeveguilla while Kathryn Ryan and Avril Ahern stood out for the Cougars defence. Sarah O'Neill hit 10 with Leah Murphy and Jennifer Dineen on 8 each top scored for the winners with Seodhla Collieran 14, Mia Griffin 12 and Lucy O'Sullivan 5 led the Cougars scoring.

Imperials defeat Kestrels after see-saw battle:

In the u18 Division 3 Ladies game Kenmare Kestrels welcomed Tralee Imperials for their home game with both sides off the court for over 20 months. Abbie Dunlop and Mairead Dwyer were working hard in defence for the home side and they held a slim lead until the 4th quarter when the Tralee girls opened a small winning gap 35-29. Alva Daughton levelled the game in the 4th quarter and then scores from Imperials Aine Walsh and Katie Nix gave them the narrow win. For Kestrels Ella Hussey and Rachel O'Sullivan both hit 8 with Abbie Dunlop and Grace O'Brien on 4 each. Aisling O'Connell led the Imperials scoring on 10 points followed by Keelin Coffey on 8 and Aine Walsh with 7.

KILLARNEY COUGARS BASKETBALL CLUB

JUVENILE NEWS

Kerry Airport Leagues

U16 Boys

St Annes 43 Killarney Cougars 37

The Cougars travelled to Farranfore on Sunday and despite a good performance they came up short in the closing minutes, Cougars took the

early lead with a three pointer by Jack Kelliher as the teams went basket for basket through the first half. Cougars had a strong third qtr to take a good lead 32 - 25 with good scores by Cian Forde, Rory Clancy and Jack O'Driscoll. The home side came strong in the final qtr with three pointers by Daithi O'Shea the important scores as Cougars did not convert good opportunities with frustrations leading to foul trouble and the home side finished the stronger. Best for Cougars on this occasion were Cian Forde, Rory Clancy and Jack Kelliher.

U12 Boys

Killarney Cougars 36 Kenmare Kestrels 19

An excellent first qtr by the Cougars set the boys on the way for the win at home to the Kenmare Kestrels, Jayden Hurley opened the scoring with a basket from the tip off as Cougars starting five were on target. Kenmare opened the scoring in the second qtr with good baskets by Ronan Hussey for the Kestrels but they trailed despite a good response to their slow start as they trailed 20-8. Paddy Reddan and Noel O'Neill added baskets for the visitors as the teams went basket for basket in the second half but Cougars finished the stronger with good baskets by James O'Callaghan and Setanta Hurley saw the Cougars finish comfortable winners.

U14 Boys

Killarney Cougars 28 St Brendans Tralee 44

Cougars welcomed St Brendans to the Pres Gym early on Saturday morning and the home said made a great start with baskets by Derek O'Gorman, Jack Hallisey and Jack Spillane saw Cougars lead by 8 points in the first qtr. The Tralee boys had a great start to the second qtr with great baskets by Luke O'Sullivan as they went into halftime ahead by three. St Brendans were on top through the second half playing with great confidence with great baskets by Fionnan Brosnan they increased the lead and despite a great effort for the Cougars by Fionn Doyle and Conor O'Mahony the visitors took the points.

U14 Girls

St Colmans 14 Killarney Cougars (White) 4

A good performance on the road saw the Cougars take the win with a strong performance



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throughout the game. Cougars led in the opening qtr with Kate O'Toole opening the scoring and 6pts by the impressive Ellen Moriarty as the team settled well into the game. Cougars continued to dominate the game with a good second qtr with Jenna Coffey and Megan Lynch scoring some great baskets as Cougars raced into a big lead. The home side improved in the second half but Cougars lead from the first half ensured the points for the Killarney girls. Best for Cougars were Jenna Coffey, Ava Griffin, Ellen Moriarty and Megan Lynch.

Academy Practice

Our Academy boys and girls practice continues on Friday evenings, the Sem Gym hosts the U6 & U8 teams and at the Parish Hall. is the venue for the U10 Girls & Boys continues until Friday December 17th .

Senior News

Men's National League Division 1 Killarney Cougars 59 Fr Mathews 77

The Cougars welcomed Corks Fr Mathews to the Pres Gym for their latest National League game and with injuries dominating the preparations following a midweek game with Limerick. The visitors were quickly into their stride and settled well to race ahead 26 - 11 with two three pointers by Mark O'Shea the main positive for the Cougars with injury to Jaime Fernandez in the opening minutes a further blow as he was unable to continue. The home side made little impact with a flat performance as Fr Mathews increased their lead to 43-22 by haltime despite some good scores by Justin Tuason. There was an improved second half performance by the home side with Coach Ignas introducing some of the younger members, with Jack Lynch, Ciaran Cronin, Nathan Cox and Daire Murphy all getting their opportunity to gain good experience as Cougars finally started to improve with some good baskets by Jack Lynch and again Mark O'Shea contribution to reduce the arrears. A week's break for the Cougars due to the National Cup scheduled games with Cougars next outing a long trip to Waterford on December 11th. Top scorers Cougars Mark O'Shea 29, Justin Tuason 14 Fr Mathews Jonathon Garcia 16, Jack O'Mahony 14.

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St Colmans 14 Killarney Cougars (White) 34

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Basketball Ireland National League Div 1

Saturday Dec 11th

Waterford Vikings v Killarney Cougars

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Updates on fixtures and the latest training times go to our website www.killarneycougars.com

LAKERS SET TO TAKE ON THE EAGLES

Scotts Lakers St Pauls will be hoping to take full advantage of home comforts when they welcome Limerick Sports Eagles to the Killarney Sports and Leisure Centre this Saturday December 11th with a 7.30 tip off time.

The match will see new signing Godwin Boahen make his home debut and the University of Illinois graduate will look to build on his first appearance for the squad in Portlaoise two weeks ago. On that occasion he shared court time with fellow Canadian Ben Miller but with Miller having returned home since he can expect to play a much fuller role in this game. The signs are definitely encouraging and he will be hoping to show the home fans a taste of his talents.

Indeed December will see the Lakers stay close to home with the Limerick Celtics visiting on December 18th and a big Christmas derby against the Cougars on December 30th.

In Limerick Sports Eagles the Lakers will face one of the form teams in the League. Boasting a record of 4 wins and 1 defeat they possess in Manny Payton one of the best players in the League, averaging just short of 40 points per game. Hell have a strong support cast of Jack Coyne, Steve King and Nikola Ivkovic. So the Lakers will have to be at their best to clip the Eagles wings.

Having got a win under their belts versus



Gameday Sponsor Four Star Pizza MVP Justin Tuason, presentation by Coach Ignas Sijanas.

the Waterford Vikings ,recent defeats to UCC Blue Demons and Portlaoise Panthers should see Jarlath Lees side hungry for a home win. Godwin Boahen will look to link up with Emilian Grudov(averaging 23 points per game) and with Jamie O Sullivan and Senan O Leary chipping in regularly the Lakers offense should improve with better shot selection. The impact of David Gleeson at the defensive end last time out in Portlaoise will be a big boost with Paul Clarke also performing solidly. Rui Saravia continues to contribute and with his scoring averages starting to compliment his defense he'll be anxious to avoid the foul trouble he sometimes lands himself in. A home game may also afford the Club's younger players an opportunity to build up their minutes with Luke Crowley, Lorcan Keane and Daniel Carroll all likely to figure.

A reminder that the most recent Government Covid restrictions limiting capacity to an all seated 50% should still allow a sizeable home following in the spacious Killarney centre. The players certainly could sense the vocal support last time out and a repeat of that would be a big fill up for the players. Again facemasks must be worn and a Covid Cert shown at the door for safe entry as the Lakers look to set out on a happy Festive season. Tip off is 7.30.





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

ALL CHANGE AT KERRY COUNTY BOARD

I remember when Kerry GAA's County Convention was a night of blood and thunder, as every topic that arose during the year came under review. Motions could be debated for hours, best friends could roar imprecations at each other.....arrah, it was temendous craic for an outside observer, to tell you the truth. I was young enough to buy into the illusionary frisson of excitement.

It's a lot more mundane now, to tell the truth. The Motions are debated at the previous meeting, and it allows a bit more space and (to be blunt about it) less posturing. Mind you, I'm not a fan of ".....motion withdrawn until we establish a committee to examine the matter some time next year" that prevails so often. I respect the idea of sub-committees of knowledgeable people – but their proposals should be notified to the clubs in advance of any meeting so that clubs can direct their delegates in how to vote on that matter. Just a small thing, but it would be a big improvement. Look, amateur organisation or not (hmmm!), Kerry GAA is massive business.

And it has done its business well. A surplus of over half a million euro is good going in these times. The Kerry GAA Store, which I believe was the brainchild of Niall O'Callaghan, has proven to be an absolute masterstroke, has been a key part of that. So has streaming technology, even if I believe that there are a lot of kinks to be worked out yet and, frankly, honesty should compel a refund policy where the games end up buffering on a constant basis.

All that said, Kerry GAA is run well. A lot of people seem to base Kerry's success on how our senior team get on in the All Ireland. I don't. I think that Kerry GAA is successful when clubs are the bedrock of their communities. When kids want to play the games their parents played – and get

the opportunity to do is a safe and encouraging environment. Things like Rathmore's success in minor hurling. Kilmoyley showing Munster hurling that Kerry clubs can stand up when the best of them. Mercy Mounthawk winning the Dunloe Cup. I watched Moyvane win the Novice Championship last weekend. Do you think that's a small thing? That's a story that will reverberate through generations. Until you understand that, you will never grasp what the GAA is about.

Both Tim Murphy in his outgoing Chairman's Address and Peter Twiss in his Secretary's Report had a real slap back some unnamed detractors. No harm, either. One or two people – at least one of them a national broadcaster – made nasty allegations about decent people. As we have learnt from the cesspit of US politics in recent years, that kind of thing needs to be publicly challenged.

We've been lucky to have good people step forward to take the helm. Patrick O'Sullivan was an outstanding Chairman, and beat the current Vice Chairman Eamonn Whelan by 127 to 112 to return.

Liam Lynch (the former Austin Stacks' Chairman had a very good week) beat Weeshie Lynch by 135 to 103 to become Vice Chairman. Joe Costello beat Bernie Reen by 124 to 115 to take over as Coaching Officer.

I do think there is a mandate for change that is coming from the ground up. I also think – in fact, in the above cases I know for absolute certain, simply because I happen to know the people – that no-one puts their hand up for the long hours and hard work involved in the above roles for personal gain. All of them deserve to be thanked, and moreover I hope (and feel confident) that those who lost will continue their enormous contributions to the communal wonder that is Kerry GAA.

STACKS CLAIM COUNTY

CROWN

**County Final: Austin Stacks 0-13
Kerins O'Rahillys 0-10**

The first meeting in a County Final between the Rockies and the Narries in an astonishing 86 years was always going to generate excitement and it was a day of fun and excitement and banter. It lived up to the billing in almost every way – except, possibly, the football.

Look, once Gavin O'Brien couldn't take the field, Rahillys were in trouble. O'Brien is a former county player and he was an immense loss. But the loss of David Moran just five minutes in? Con Barrett off injured at the same time? For anyone actually interesting in analysing the football, what team was going to recover from that chasm? Tommy Walsh did very well in midfield, but Walsh has been the fulcrum inside that has allowed Barry John Keane (he worked like a trojan, but I'd have preferred him to be more of a threat) and Conor Hayes (he had to hunt instead of sniping and tried very hard) to do damage. Instead Rahillys were mostly reliant on Jack Savage. He can be cranky to play against and referees do learn fast how to spell his name, but he is some footballer.

Michael O'Gara (the end product left him down on several occasions) opened the scoring. Jack replied, but a foul on Joe O'Connor (more industrious than top quality, I thought – but very, very industrious) saw Darragh O'Brien reply. O'Connor then set up Fiachna Mangan for a point. Jack Savage with another free made it 0-3 to 0-2 at the water break. This was tough football, very tough. It certainly wasn't pretty, and referee Jonathan Griffin had his hands full. Barry John Keane got Rahillys first point from play in the 18th minute – that's ominous enough in itself. O'Brien responded with a free before Kieran Donaghy leaped high to grab and convert a mark. The man they call 'Star' is aptly named. He may not be the force of old in terms of movement and effectiveness, but



Patrick O'Sullivan pictured with his family, wife Frances, daughters Zoe and Laura and son TJ.



Dr. Croke delegates l to r - Eamonn Fitzgerald, Matt O'Neill, Patrick O'Sullivan, Der Brosnan and Niall O'Callaghan at the Kerry County Board Convention where Patrick O'Sullivan was elected as Chairman

Stacks claim County Crown



Action from the Austin Stacks v Kerins O'Rahillys game at Austin Stacks Park, Tralee on Sunday.



he is some leader on the field of play. Darragh O'Brien got in on the Rahillys' goal, but Shane Foley made a superb save to deny him. Barry John pointed again at the other end and it was 0-5 to 0-4. Stacks could and should have been further ahead. Two frees from O'Brien and a great point by Brendan O'Sullivan (I was very impressed with O'Sullivan, himself and Con Barrett are midfielders who seem to thrive in roving commissions) made it double scores and was a fairer reflection of the overall play. Conor Hayes trimmed the gap back to a goal from the restart, but Stacks were starting to target Donaghy profitably with long ball and the introduction of super sub Sean Quilter also helped. He scored a good mark with the first ball that came his way and added a free. It has to be said that this was a much better brand of football than the first half. Darragh O'Brien kicked another two frees and Joe O'Connor kicked a great point from play. All Strand Road had in reply was a Jack Savage free and at 0-12 to 0-6, the game looked all but over at the three quarter mark.

To Rahillys' credit, they made it a battle all the way to the wire. Jack Savage was superb and slotted three frees to bring the margin back to a goal. Darragh O'Brien eased it back to four. Cormac Coffey was electric and his forays down the wing were always a problem. He kicked a fine point and there was just a goal between the sides.....but no team has been better at shutting up shop in this Championship than Stacks, and the switch of Kieran Donaghy back to his own square helped repel the blue tide. It's been a rocky County Championship, if you'll pardon the pun, but Austin Stacks stand proudly as deserving winners with their 13th title.

Austin Stacks: Wayne Guthrie, Colin Griffin, Dylan Casey, Jack O'Shea, Paul O'Sullivan, Conor Jordan, Barry Shanahan, Joseph O'Connor (0-1), Greg Horan, Michael O'Gara (0-1), Fiachna Mangan (0-1), Brendan O'Sullivan (0-1), Shane O'Callaghan, Kieran Donaghy (0-1, 1m), Darragh O'Brien (0-6, 5f). Subs: Seán Quilter 0-2, 1m, 1f (for Shane O'Callaghan, 42 mins), Jack Morgan (for Colin Griffin, 47 mins), Michael O'Donnell (for Michael O'Gara, 48 mins), Adam Curran (for Brendan O'Sullivan, 53 mins), Armin Heinrich (for Darragh O'Brien, 64 mins).

Kerins O'Rahillys: Shane Foley, Patrick Begley, Ross O'Callaghan, Cormac Coffey (0-1), Darragh McElligott, Shane Brosnan, Con Barrett, David Moran, Tom Hoare, Cian Sayers, Jack Savage (0-6, 5f), Gearoid Savage, Barry John Keane

(0-2), Tommy Walsh, Conor Hayes (0-1). Subs: Diarmuid O'Sullivan (for David Moran, 5 mins), Shane McElligott (for Con Barrett, bs, 7-11 mins), Shane McElligott (for Gearoid Savage, 52 mins).

Referee: Jonathan Griffin (Glenbeigh/Glencar).

TEAM OF THE CHAMPIONSHIP

Radio Kerry have a superb team on Terrace Talk to discuss Kerry sporting matters on a weekly basis. Commentatots like Tim Moynihan, Gary O'Sullivan, Ambrose O'Donovan, Billy O'Shea, and Joe O'Mahony tend to attract more criticism than praise, but they actually provide a fantastic service. Marc Ó Sé's voice has been a big addition on the streaming service. I find them all decent and understanding of errors but forthright in their opinions. Frankly, if you don't think Radio Kerry provide the best spors coverage of any local radio station in the country, you don't listen to the others (Highland are decent and I've a fierce soft spot for the entertainingly exciteable Clare Fm).

Weeshie Fogarty, of course, was the greatest of them all, ever since Seamus O'Mahony brought him on board this fledgeling (and, frankly, pirate) station in the late 1980s. But Weeshie wouldn't always have agreed with his colleagues, and I have to say that their Team of the Championship would have drawn a bit of ire. We'd have had fun discussing it, though. The team selected is Wayne Guthrie (Stacks), Cormac Coffey (Rahillys), Dylan Casey (Stacks), Jack O'Shea (Stacks), Gavin White (Crokes), Andrew Barry (Brendans), Paul O'Sullivan (Stacks), Joe O'Connor (Stacks), Tom Hoare (Rahillys), Michael O'Gara (Stacks), Jack Savage (Rahillys), Brian Looney (Crokes), Darragh O'Brien (Stacks), Tommy Walsh (Rahillys), Kieran Donaghy (Stacks).

Eight Stacks players? Look, they were unquestionably the best team but I'm not convinced that they had the best components. I thought it was the collective (Wayne Quillinan deserves the most individual credit for this title) that blended into champions. But that's subjective, so fair enough.

Tony Brosnan? Ah, c'mon, lads. That Tony Brosnan has been simply phenomenal throughout the entire championship is an objective fact. You can measure his displays by any metric you like.

To be honest, a 2021 Team of the Championship without Tony is like a list of successful musicians

that doesn't include Elvis Presley.

Senior Relegation Final Dr. Crokes 2-18 Killarney Legion 1-8

The County Final may be the highlight of the domestic season, but naturally enough, most Killarney eyes (mine included) were focussed on the Relegation Final up in the Fitzgerald Stadium. There was been plenty of anticipation for this one, plenty of pre-match banter, and neither sides' supporters let them down. In fact, it was a great atmosphere, and one with no bitterness attached. Ar scáth a chéile a mhairimid!

Both sides were unlucky enough to be there. They had injuries during the club championship that meant some rapid shifting of the decks and it took both teams time to find their rhythm.

I do think Legion were unlucky to run into a Brendans' outfit who played more like a club team than a divisional one after winning out an intense battle against neighbours Spa. That brought their run to an end while Crokes drew easier opposition. Legion didn't even know if they would get a chance to decide their fate on their field of play. If Crokes had beaten Rahillys in the County Championship semi-final, it would have been all over without a ball being kicked. I'm glad it was decided on the field of play, as such things should be.

In the end, you could have no argument. Crokes have undeniably been the team of the past decade and when it came down to it, they still have the power and pace to get past their neighbours.

I thought Legion actually made the better start, especially in attacking Crokes' kick-outs. But Tony Brosnan was clearly on song and he had two points on the board in the first five minutes. Legion needed a score and got a big one when Pdraig Lucey found Conor Keane and Conor, as is his wont, finished neatly past a hapless Brendan Falvey. Gavin White has been awesome all year and one of his trademark sprints forward drew a foul slotted over by Tony Brosnan. James O'Donoghue was a focal point for Legion and showed why with a stunning point before adding a free won by Conor Keane. A mighty catch by Shaun Keane allowed Cian Gammell to show a similar burst of pace and accuracy, but again White was fouled on the break and again Tony had the accuracy. 1-3 to 0-4 at the water break in favour of Legion.

A good interception by Darragh Lyne saw Legion break forward and James curl over his



Action from the Killarney Legion v Dr. Crokes relegation playoff at Fitzgerald Stadium on Sunday.
Picture: Tatyana McGough, Fitzgerald Stadium PR

third score. Crokes were beginning to up the tempo, especially with Johnny Buckley starting to dominate midfield. Brian Looney was on the end of a well-worked team move to slot over. David Shaw added a good point, and the unstoppable Tony Brosnan made it level at 0-7 to 1-4.

James O'Donoghue slotted a Legion free, but Crokes hit a real burst in the last minutes of the half and, moreover, were able to put it on the scoreboard. Micheál Burns pointed and gathered a beautiful pass from Tony to put his team in front. Gavin O'Shea, best known as a playmaker than a scorer, belied that with two very well taken scores.

Half-time: Dr. Crokes 0-11 Killarney Legion 1-5
Tony skillfully converted over his own shoulder after gathering from Mark O'Shea. Ryan O'Grady almost opened up a goal chance at the other end – and that would surely have inspired a cracking contest – but his former Sem team-mate Evan Looney got back at the last second to block. James O'Donoghue slotted a compensatory free, but the tide had definitely turned by now and Tony Brosnan emphasized that with yet another point.

Gavin White just about beat Jonathan Lyne in a race for the ball and Jonathan ended up with a second yellow after they collided – a bit unlucky, given the complete absence of intent, but he was late. James O'Donoghue, always Legion's most potent threat, teed up Ryan O'Grady to fist over.

Jordan Kiely was again hugely impressive on his introduction and quickly pointed a free. Then Legion received two massive hammer blows within a minute. Jordan Kiely found Brian Looney, whose close range piledriver was almost stopped, incredibly, by Brian Kelly's reflex save, but had just enough power to trickle over the line. Then James O'Donoghue contested a ball on the left wing and the referee deemed his challenge a red card.

In the space of six minutes, it had gone from a three point deficit to a seven point deficit, and Legion were down to thirteen men – and there is no better side than Crokes, a passing team anyway, to utilise numerical advantage and space.

Jordan Kiely and Ryan O'Grady (f) traded scores before the water break, but the game as a contest was already. Legion

never stopped trying, but Crokes were winning most of the individual duels as well as having players free in space. Gavin White wisely opted to fist over a point when he could have drove in on goal. Brian Looney caught the kick-out and a great pass to Michál Burns saw leather sail over the bar again instantly. Mark O'Shea impressively burst clear before laying off to Tom Doyle for the easiest of finishes to the net. Finally Daithí Casey, that great stalwart of so many Crokes' victories closed out the scoring. One thing that was nice to see was the conduct of both winners and losers after the game, no gloating and no begrudgery. The rivalry is real, but it is a football one, with no bitterness attached. The likes of Tadhgíe Lyne or Johnny Culloty have imprinted characters as well as footballers.

Intermediate Final

Na Gaeil 0-13 Beaufort 1-7

The game was in real jeopardy as Jack Barry had to withdraw from action, while Eoin Doody and Kieran O'Donovan were already unavailable. Diarmuid O'Connor wasn't expected to play (he had surgery on his hand recently after picking up an injury against Austin Stacks), but lined out at wing forward and was hugely impressive. I do think the adverse circumstances, and a desire to atone for their 2020 semi-final defeat to Beaufort when they hadn't done themselves justice at all, worked well in Na Gaeil's favour. That said, you simply can't look past the absence of Liam Carey – the sharpshooter is justifiably that important to Beaufort.

Beaufort opened the scoring with a mark by Kieran Dennehy, but Andrew Barry replied with a beauty in the heavy rain. Diarmuid O'Connor added another of similar quality and the impressive Jack Sheehan up front had Na Gaeil leading by 0-3 to 0-1 at the (extremely

superfluous!) water break. He soon doubled his tally and a brace each from Darragh Carmody (1f) and Jack Bourke had them well in front before Fergal Hallissey from a free kicked Beaufort's second score. The Mid Kerry side had played decent football in the first half, but were struggling to get the ball to their dangermen. Half-time Na Gaeil 0-8 Beaufort 0-2

The game was in danger of dying a death as Devon Burns lined up a '45, but it was cleared and quickly swept back down the field (this is the danger in having your keeper kick them). Kieran Dennehy hit the post and but gathered again and swiftly slipped it to Jack O'Connor. The former Kerry minor captain wasn't going to miss the net from that range.

A foul on Tomás Ó hAiniféin saw Darragh Carmody stretch the lead. Pádraig Doona pointed for Beaufort but Jack Bourke fisted over in reply. Ciarán Kennedy pointed, but every time Beaufort trimmed the gap, and just before the water break Ó hAiniféin with a great kick made it 0-11 to 1-4.

Jack Sheehan got off a shot under pressure to stretch the lead. Back came Beaufort, Fergal Hallissey with a free and a hard-working Sean O'Brien with a great point. Darragh Carmody's attempt at a clinching goal was just millimetres wide. Jack O'Connor slotted a '45 at the other end and the gap was just down to two points. However, a Dara Devine free calmed any Tralee nerves and they take a second trophy back to the town.

Na Gaeil have to be congratulated on their resilience against the tide, while Beaufort have to lick their wounds after a second final lost in a matter of months.

JAS. MURPHY RIP

Jas. Murphy was the oldest living Kerry captain. He lifted the Sam Maguire in 1953 in front



Action from the Na Gaeil v Beaufort game.



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ALL THINGS...SPORT

of a record crowd – but how he got there is an unusual tale in itself. Jas. was Tralee born and bred, a pure Strand Road man and was an obvious talent from a young age. The Street Leagues were hugely popular then in both Tralee and Killarney and young Jas. was enthusiastically emulating his heroes from a young age. However, he moved to Cork as a young garda and it was they who gave him his first call. He actually played Kerry in the 1947 Munster Final, marking fellow Tralee man Frank O'Keeffe (John's father). Kerry went on to lose to Cavan in the famous Polo Grounds Final. Jas., John Cronin, and Tom Moriarty all switched back to their native Kerry in 1949 after being approached by the great Micheal Ó Ruairc. Kerry were at a low ebb, having been well and fairly beaten by Clare in the Munster semi-final. In 1950 Kerry were taken to a replay by Clare. Two goals from Dan Kavanagh got Kerry past Cork, just about, but they bowed out to Louth in the All Ireland semi-final. A year later Paddy Bawn gave his best Kerry display to keep Cork at bay, but Kerry lost out in replay to the reigning champions Mayo – their last All Ireland. In 1952 we hit our nadir as Kerry were absolutely wiped out by Cork, 0-11 to 0-2. In 1953 Dr. Eamonn O'Sullivan and Paul Russel took over the Kerry team and quickly had an effect. Kerry won Munster thanks to a very brief

cameo from Tom Ashe – he came on, got a goal, and was sent off, all in a matter of minutes! The same player added another two goals in Kerry's semi-final victory over Louth. Dermot O'Brien, their popular captain and country singer, would later being moved off the outstanding Seán Murphy, only to be switched onto big Jas. Murphy, who met him with a smile and a handshake "How are you, you poor crathur?" Armagh in the final. You can hardly imagine the frenzy of excitement the game generated. Supporters broke down the gates of Croke Park on two sides. Kerry picked off their points. Armagh got a goal but needed another when Bill McCorry got a penalty for Armagh. Credit was given afterwards to a lucky horseshoe given to keeper Johnny Foley by Danno Keffe's wife in Kerry. In fairness to the man, he had Jas. doing the run-up on one side and Micksie Palmer on the other – I'd have missed it too! Jas. Murphy brought the Sam Maguire back to Tralee (ironically, he had been nominated by Mitchels). He only played once more for Kerry, losing his place after Kerry's defeat of Waterford a year later, and he was never given an explanation. I have no evidence, but I suspect that the Cork affiliation wasn't popular with a few of Kerry officialdom. Not that Jas. was ever anything but proud of his ties among our neighbours. At the time of his passing this

week, Jas. Murphy had the unique distinction of being President of two GAA clubs, Kerins O'Rahillys and Nemo Rangers.

GAA MCDONAGH CUP TEAM

Congratulations to Eric Leen, Fionán Mackessy, and Shane Conway on making the GAA McDonagh Team of the Championship.

LADIES GAA

Best of luck to Rathmore, Castleisland Desmonds, and MLK Gaels in their Munster Finals this weekend. Rathmore face Inch Rovers of Cork (they include Angela and Anne Walsh and Anne Marie O'Connor, All Ireland winners with Cork) tonight, Friday 8.00pm, in Mallow in the Munster Senior B Final.

MLK Gaels play Mullinahone of Tipperary (who beat favourites Castlehaven) on Sunday at 12 noon in Mallow while Castleisland Desmonds are up against Limerick senior champions Monagea at 3.30pm in Mallow on Saturday 11th December.

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GAYNOR AND KENNEDY CUP TEAMS ON THE ROAD

KENNEDY BOWL QUARTER FINAL

Galway SL 3-2 Kerry SBGL
 Gaynor Cups
 13's Plate Quarter Final
 Louth SL 2-1 Kerry SBGL
 15's Bowl Semi-Final
 Limerick Desmond 5-0 Kerry SBGL
 National Cup 13's Round 3
 Killarney Celtic A 5-1 Lough Derg
 Tralee Dynamos 0-1 Caherdavin Celtic
 MEK Galaxy 4-1 Herbertstown
 Killarney Celtic B 0-4 Neangh
 15's Round 3
 Killorglin 11-0 Castle United
 League Games – Girls
 12's Premier
 Camp Juniors 2-1 Inter Kenmare
 Fenit Samphires 1-3 Listowel Celtic
 13's Premier
 Killarney Athletic Blue 0-1 St Brendan's Park
 Camp Juniors 0-2 Listowel Celtic
 13's Division 1
 Killarney Athletic White 0-9 Killarney Celtic
 Mastergeeha 4-8 MEK Galaxy
 Boys
 Slattery's Carpets and Blinds 12's Division 1
 South
 MEK Galaxy 0-2 Ballyhar Dynamos
 13's Premier
 St Brendan's Park 5-0 Camp Juniors
 Fenit Samphires 2-1 LB Rovers
 Listowel Celtic 0-2 Mastergeeha
 13's Division 1
 Ballyhar Dynamos 2-4 St Brendan's Park C
 St Brendan's Park B 3-2 Tralee Dynamos B
 Dingle Bay Rovers 0-4 Iveragh United
 Inter Kenmare 0-1 Castleisland
 13's Division 2 South
 Killarney Athletic C 3-4 Inter Kenmare
 Killorglin B 2-2 Mastergeeha B
 13's Division 2 North
 Fenit Samphires B 3-2 Camp Juniors B
 Castleisland B 5-4 LB Rovers B
 Fenit Samphires B – Camp Juniors B
 World of Tiles 14's Division 1
 Ballyhar Dynamos 2-5 Mastergeeha
 15's Division 1
 Iveragh United 1-0 MEK Galaxy
 Camp Juniors 2-1 Dingle Bay Rovers
 15's Division 2
 Listowel Celtic B 4-2 St Brendan's Park B
 Killarney Athletic B 1-5 Tralee Dynamos B

Iveragh United B 0-3 Mastergeeha B

KERRY'S COMEBACK COMES UP JUST SHORT IN THE WEST

Kerry almost completed an amazing Kennedy Bowl comeback against Galway in Eamon Deasy Park. Having been 3-0 down inside the last 15 minutes Kerry scored twice but ran out of time to grab an equaliser.

Kerry started the better with James Darmody and Oisín Fleming on target but Galway were proving very dangerous from set pieces and both keeper Pearce Moynihan and James Darmody made vital interceptions to keep them out.

However in the 12th minute David Doms put the next corner on the head of Mikey Claffey at the near post and it was 1-0 to the host.

Kerry should have been level at the break. Brian O'Shea's free kick looked to be going in but the Galway keepers touch saw the ball just clear the cross bar, Oisín Fleming was just wide following a corner and then James Dempsey powered a header off the crossbar. And in the final minute another Kerry corner was flicked on by Jayden Deady but the ball hit the butt of the post.

In fairness to Galway Pearce Moynihan was called on to make a wonderful reflex save to keep it at 1-0 at the half time break.

A flowing move at the start of the second half involving O'Shea, Fleming and Luke Doolan should have seen Kerry level but again the keeper managed to block.

Galway hit Kerry with two sucker-punches to take control of the game. One came following a corner when Charlie Healy got free at the back post and the second when the same player benefited from a rebound following a Kerry tackle.

But credit to Billy Stacks side they kept fighting and O'Shea did very well to dispossess the Galway defender and round the keeper to get Kerry back into the game. As full time approached Kerry were throwing everything at Galway and James Jones slammed the ball home to make it 3-2 but within a minute the final whistle blew.

It was heartbreak for the Kerry boys who put in a huge effort in this different Kennedy Cup campaign and did everything the coaches asked of them.

GIRLS GAYNOR JOURNEYS ARE OVER:

The Kerry 13's Gaynor girls made the trip to Oriel Park in Dundalk to take on the Louth Schoolgirls League with a home tie in the Plate semi-final against Carlow the prize.

And it was Kerry that led 1-0 at half time thanks to a Naoise O'Donoghue goal and were still in front as the game entered the final stages. However the home side piled on the pressure and hit the Kerry girls with two late goals to take the win.

The Kerry 15's Girls Gaynor journey is also over as they went out in the semi-final of the Bowl to Limerick Desmond at Mick Hanley Park at Clounreask. The home side are one of the favourites to win this section of the Gaynor and did the damage in the first half. However credit to the Kerry girls as they held their hosts scoreless after the break.

The League is delighted with the effort the girls on both squads have put in throughout the long Gaynor competition and the improvements they have made under the coaching of David McIndoe and Natasha O'Sullivan, coach Caragh Kelly and goalkeeping coach Mike Crossan. Hopefully all these players will again be involved in the Inter Leagues in the New Year. We also appreciate the efforts made by the parents bringing the girls to training sessions and games.

TWO THROUGH IN 12'S NATIONAL CUP

Killarney Celtic A and MEK Galaxy have progressed to Round 4 of the SFAI National Cup. Celtic were 5-1 winners over Lough Derg at Celtic Park thanks to goals from Ryan Downing, Maurice Joy, Samuel Scroope 2 and Mark Conroy. MEK Galaxy were also at home and defeated Herbertstown thanks to goals from Cillian O'Donoghue 2, Leo Allen and David O'Shea.

Tralee Dynamos and Killarney Celtic B both went out after good runs. Dynamos lost 1-0 to Caherdavin Celtic while Celtic B lost out to Nenagh United.

KILLORGLIN THROUGH IN 15'S NATIONAL CUP

Division 1 side in their own League Castle United were no match for Killorglin in their 15's National Cup clash. The home side won thanks to goals from Darragh Lynch, Aaron Doyle, James Jones, Patrick O'Donnell and Sean Griffin.

GIRLS LEAGUES

CAMP WIN AT HOME IN 12'S PREMIER

On Sunday morning Camp Juniors were 2-1 winners at home to Inter Kenmare who had Niamh Healy on the score sheet. The Camp Juniors goals were scored by Niamh O'Callaghan and Maria Keane.

At the same time goals from Shona Griffin, Maja Wolska and Sarah Slattery gave Listowel Celtic a 3-1 away win at Fenit with Nessa Kirby replying for the home side.



Killarney Celtic U13A squad vs Lough Derg in the U13 National Cup.



The MEK Galaxy U13s who beat Herbertstown on Saturday



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AWAY WINS IN 13'S GIRLS PREMIER

St Brendan's Park made the trip to Woodlawn to take on Killarney Athletic Blue and after a cracking battle the Park girls won with a late goal thanks to Isabelle Cushen.

Goals from Eodan Larkin and Laura Meehan gave Listowel Celtic a 2-0 away win at Camp Juniors.

AWAY WINS IN 13'S DIVISION 1

Killarney Celtic A were too strong for a battling Killarney Athletic White side who never dropped their heads. For Celtic Ali Bowler, Niamh Brosnan, Amelia Carroll Kelly, Jessica Leggate. Erin O'Sullivan, Ella Murphy, Tara Cronin, Sadhbh O'Halloran and Mags O'Reilly were on the score sheet.

On Sunday there was a goal-fest in Kilbreen Park with MEK Galaxy winning 8-4. Isabelle Lyons hit 5, Zoe Daly and Lily Riordan were the MEK scorers. Amy Brosnan got all 4 goals for Mastergeeha.

BOYS LEAGUES

DYNAMOS DO IT IN 12'S DIVISION 1 SOUTH

Ballyhar Dynamos were 2-0 winners over MEK Galaxy in the Slattery's Carpets and Blinds 12's Division 1 South thanks to goals from Adam O'Meara and Dylan Fitzgerald.

Three teams take three points in 13's Premier: Goals from Danny Kingston, one in the first half to see St Brendan's Park lead 1-0 at the break, and one in the second half added to by goals from Daniel Farmer, Tuoyo King and Johnny Neilings gave the Tralee side a home win in Christy Leahy Park over Camp Juniors.

Goals from Mikey Corridan and Luke O'Carroll gave Fenit Samphires a 2-1 home win over LB Rovers. Ethan Buckley got the LB Rovers goal. Two goals from Roan Guerin gave Mastergeeha a 2-0 away win at Listowel Celtic.

BUSY DAY IN 13'S DIVISION 1

Goals from Aaron Moriarty and Jack O'Shea saw Ballyhar Dynamos go in level at 2-2 at home to St Brendan's Park C in Mort Scott Park. But two from Calvin O'Sullivan and one each from Brendan Duggan and Brooklyn Conway gave the Tralee side the win.

St Brendan's Park B were at home to Tralee Dynamos B and just got the better of their neighbours by the odd goal in five. Seodhan O'Brien, Rhys O'Connor and Dwayne Conway were on the mark for the Park with Adrian Molloy getting both goals for Tralee Dynamos B.

Two goals each from Kieran O'Dwyer and Killian O'Connell gave Iveragh United the win away at Dingle Bay Rovers.

There was only one goal in the game between Inter Kenmare and Castleisland and it went to the away side with Cian Cahill giving Castleisland the win.

A WIN AND A DRAW IN 13'S DIVISION 2 SOUTH

A hat trick from Ronan McCarthy wasn't enough to get his side anything from their game in Woodlawn as they lost out narrowly 4-3 to Inter Kenmare whose goals came from Oisín O'Connor 2, Jimmy McGann and Alec Cronon. Goals from Neil Thompson and Alan O'Leary gave Mastergeeha B the share of the points in a 2-2 draw away to Killorglin B.

Fenit win Sunday game in 13's Division 2 North Fenit Samphires enjoyed a narrow 3-2 home win over Camp Juniors in the Sunday afternoon game. David O'Donnell and Ollie McGuigan got the Camp Juniors goals. But two goals from Jack Corridan and one from Cillian Foley gave Fenit the win.

CASTLEISLAND TAKE THE POINTS IN 9 GOAL THRILLER IN 13'S DIVISION 2 NORTH

There were plenty of goals in the game between Castleisland B and LB Rovers B at Georgie O'Callaghan Park in the 13's Division 2 North. Adrian Walsh and John Healy both got two each for the home side with Conor Lenihan getting the fifth goal. Conor O'Reilly hit a hat trick for LB Rovers with Thomas Scanlon getting their fourth goal.

STRONG SECOND HALF SEES MASTERGEEHA WIN IN 14'S DIVISION 1

Ronan O'Connor, Ben Carmody, Thomas Myers, Conor O'Rourke and Zach Cronin were on the score sheet as Mastergeeha won away at Ballyhar Dynamos in the World of Tiles 14's Division 1. Conrad Long and Ross Lally replied for the home side.

HOME WINS IN 15'S DIVISION 1

A goal from Daithi Sugrue was all that Iveragh United needed to win at home to MEK Galaxy in the 15's Division 1. Jack Sheehy scored for Dingle Bay Rovers but they went down 2-1 to Camp Juniors.

THREE GAMES DECIDED IN THE 15'S DIVISION 2

Goals from Jerry Lynch and Fabian Petrysayn were not enough to earn anything for St Brendan's Park B as they went down 4-2 away to Listowel Celtic B. David Lawlor hit three for the winners with Dylan Costello getting the fourth. Francis O'Brien hit 4 and Killian O'Donnell the fifth as Tralee Dynamos B won at Killarney Athletic B whose goal came from Gleb Taranov.

Mastergeeha had goals from Eoin Cashman, Sean Cox and a penalty from Odhran O'Shea as they defeated Iveragh United B away.

KILLARNEY ATHLETIC

U13 (T3) KILLARNEY ATHLETIC (3) INTER KENMARE (4)

The blues got off to a great start with Ronán McCarthy scoring twice straight from corners. We were up 2-0 at half time but Kenmare came out fighting and pulled 2 back until Ronán got his hat trick to make it 3-2. Kenmare pulled 2 back. James Marshall won us a penalty in the last minute which was saved, Athletic were unlucky not to come away with anything as it ended 4-3 to Kenmare. Thanks to Kenmare for the sporting game...

U13 GIRLS PREMIER..

Killarney Athletic (0) St Brendans Park (1)

U14 GIRLS..

Killarney Athletic (1) Castelisland (5)

Scorer for the Blues: Avene Vaughan..

SENIOR A

Killarney Athletic (0)

Killarney Celtic (1)

KILLARNEY CELTIC

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Numbers drawn 3,11,14,20. There was no jackpot winner and Match 3 winners received €75. The next jackpot on Monday Dec 13th is €13,400.

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DENNY PREMIER A

Killarney Athletic 0, Killarney Celtic 1
Shane Lowth

DENNY PREMIER B

Killarney Celtic B 0, Castlegregory Celtic 3.

U13 NATIONAL CUP

Killarney Celtic A 5, Lough Derg 1
Samuel Scroope 2, Ryan Downing, Mark Looney, Maurice Joy.

Celtic led 2 nil early but Lough Derg pulled 1 back before half time. Celtic broke through again in the 2nd half to score 3 goals and earn a convincing win

Killarney Celtic B 0, Nenagh AFC 3.

GIRLS U13 DIVISION 1

Killarney Athletic 0, Killarney Celtic 9.



Killarney Athletic Girls U13



Killarney Athletic Girls U13

Ali Bowler, Amelia Carroll Kelly, Niamh Brosnan, Jessica Leggate, Megan O'Reilly, Erin O'Sullivan, Ella Murphy, Tara Cronin, Sadbh O'Halloran.

CONGRATS to Ella Murphy and Tara Cronin U13s who made the Girls Roll of Honour. Well done to all our players who were involved with the Kennedy Cup squad last weekend, also well done to our players and coaches involved with the Gaynor Cup U13 and U15 girls squads last weekend.

MEK GALAXY NEWS

U12 BOYS DIVISION 1

MEK Galaxy 0 Ballyhar Dynamos 2

This was the battle of the top two in this league, both with maximum points after five games. In testing conditions in Fossa Saturday morning, it was Ballyhar that adapted to the elements better. The visitors led 1 nil at the break. The hosts gave their all in the second half, but were caught with late break away by their neighbours, who finished 2 nil winners on the day. Conditions played a factor in the outcome, but these are without question, two very good teams.

U13 NATIONAL CUP

MEK Galaxy 4 Herbertstown 1

On a day made for ducks, MEK Galaxy u13s hosted Herbertstown of Limerick in the Dragons Den Killorglin on Saturday. This was as good a performance as you will see at this level, power, passing, pace, movement, this game had the lot. Galaxy Immediately started to create chances, but just could not take them. The hosts did not lose heart, and eventually got their reward when

Leo Allen fired home from 8 yards. The second came shortly after, when Cillian O Donoghue scored with a first time finish, following a move of the highest quality. Five passes from goalkeeper ending with a thunderbolt of a strike. The Galaxy went in at half time 2 nil up, and were deserving of a break, after a power packed first half. The second half started as the first had ended, with MEK dominating proceedings. Cillian o Donoghue got his second of the day with a neat finish following a Ryan Breen pass. David o Shea made it 4 nil, when he chased down a through ball and slotted it passed the keeper. Herbertstown got a goal back in injury time, but its the boys in orange and black who are deservedly in the hat for round 4.

U13 GIRLS DIVISION 1

Mastergeeha 4 MEK Galaxy 8

The Galaxy girls made light of conditions on Sunday, when it rained goals in Mastergeeha. This was an accomplished performance, with 5 goals from Izzy Lyons, 2 from Zoe Daly and 1 from Lily Riordan giving Galaxy the points. Player of the match Kate Lyons.

U15 BOYS DIVISION 1

Iveragh FC 1 MEK Galaxy 0

MEK made the long trip to cahersiveen on Sunday, to face a home side pushing for promotion. In blustery conditions it was the hosts who came out out on top. MEK pushed hard for the equaliser but it would not come.

SENIOR PREMIER B

Premier B Rattoo Rover's 3 Mek Galaxy 3

A depleted MEK side made the journey to Ballyduff to play Rattoo Rovers Sunday afternoon.

After a sloppy start by both sides a wonderful strike from outside the box gave Rattoo the lead. MEK started to grow into the game and were managing to control Rattoo's direct style with Jack O Driscoll bossing the game from an unfamiliar left back position. MEK equalised after a wonderful pass by Joe Donovan found Steven Corsini in the box who finished excellently under pressure. Against the run of play a mix up in the MEK defence saw Rattoo take the lead just before the break. 2-1.

2nd half and MEK struggled to get their passing game going and the heavy pitch was proving difficult for them. Rattoo made it 3-1 early in the second half which was against the run of play. The long direct balls keep coming in on the MEK defence and Andy O Sullivan Tadhg Fleming and Conor Murphy managed to keep them at bay. A string of substitutions gave MEK new legs and they started to control the game. The ball was bobbling around in the Rattoo area when Hubert Dziedzic pounced on the loose ball to score. MEK piled on the pressure for the last 15 mins and got a well deserved equaliser after a lovely through ball found Joe Donovan in the area who finished to level the game with a minute to go.

A hard earned point on a difficult surface.

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Gardening
with Killarney Outlook

by John O'Sullivan

HEDGING


Hedges can make a much more natural background to a garden than a wall or a fence. They can provide shelter and are cheaper and require a small amount of maintenance. Because a hedge allows the wind to filter through it reduces its velocity. Tall or low growing, clipped or informal, there is a hedging plant for every purpose. One thing to remember about a hedge is that it is intended to be a permanent feature in the garden so therefore should be chosen with care and planted in well prepared soil.

To choose the right hedge for your garden here are a few pointers to think about

1. The type of soil you have.
2. How exposed the garden is, i.e. what direction it is facing.
3. The eventual height and width the hedge will be.
4. Does it need to be evergreen.

When you have chosen the type of hedge that you want it is time to prepare the soil. start preparing the soil by digging thoroughly and forking in some well rotted farmyard manure. Hedges can be planted all year around, but the ideal time is between November and March as all hedging plants will be dormant at this time. What that means is when you go to buy your hedging plants they are lifted straight from the ground and are called bare-rooted hedging. This enables you to replant straight back into the ground when you get them home. Just make sure when planting that the roots are spread out well as this will encourage them to root quickly when the growing season starts. Now is the perfect time to plant hedging, however if you wish to wait until the end of March you can plant container grown hedging all year around.

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Outlook



Micheal O'Donnaghle and his Dad, Paul admiring a little Christmas Tree at Clonkeen Christmas Tree Farm. Please phone CLONKEEN CHRISTMAS TREE FARM on 087 - 9182710 to arrange pick up of your own favourite Christmas Tree



A Word of Victory

Welcome back dear student of God's Word, last week we spoke about how a good soldier is trained. In the same way we grow as we study God's Word the Bible. It strengthens us, expanding our understanding, giving increasing wisdom in every area of life (Proverbs 4:18). We closed last week with this verse "For they will see what they had not been told; they will understand what they had not heard about" (Isaiah 52:15 NLT) and related how a person who visited a Holocaust museum had their eyes truly opened as they were faced with the reality of what happened, especially seeing the Jews' personal items and their account of what happened.

I was horrified to see a pair of winter boots belonging to a German Sentry soldier in a museum in Normandy once. Because of the cold he was given warmer boots than the other soldiers - fur lined. Only it wasn't fur - it was the hair from the Jew's. It sickened me. I also visited Dachau concentration camp many years ago and I can still remember the chill in that place. There was total silence, not even a bird singing as I recall, and a dead coldness even on that sunny day.

Time moves fast and life changes quickly. Sometimes people make rash decisions having far reaching consequences that were never imagined. In World War II when the Jewish people were being transported like animals to the death camps, the trains passed by a church. The people in church were instructed to sing louder, to drown out the cries from those on the trains. Evil triumphs when good men do nothing. We are barreling towards Christmas. Many are in a frenzy of food and present shopping. All to celebrate the birth of Jesus. This is not a word of condemnation friend, but of warning because God is so merciful (Ezekiel 33:1-19). What are we celebrating? And how can we celebrate the birth of our Saviour, while having the corruption of abortion written in our Constitution? Voted in by well-meaning people, tricked into thinking they were helping women and girls. Have you ever really investigated what happens to the unborn child during an abortion? Or what happens to the baby after the procedure if they survive it? Just like those who realise the vile reality of what really happened in the Holocaust by personal artefacts, our eyes will one day face the truth about abortion. I think there is more concern for the welfare of stray cats, than the innocent babies being disposed of on a daily basis in our hospitals.

We will give an account to the King of all kings for what happened on our watch. "Don't excuse yourself by saying, "Look, we didn't know" For God understands...and He sees....He will repay all people as their actions deserve" (Proverbs 24:12 NLT) That baby in the womb is not a cluster of bubbles - he or she is an actual human being, with fingers and toes - who feels pain. "He will startle and cleanse many nations. Kings will stand speechless in His Presence. For they will see what they had not been told; they will understand what they had not heard about" (Isaiah 52:15 NLT).

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2nd Prize €250:

Teddy O'Brien, Marian Terrace
Seller: Mary O'Keeffe

Winners of €100 each are as follows:

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Cullina, Beaufort
Seller: Noreen Coffey
Eileen Colette,
Pinewood Estate
Seller: John Dwyer
Niamh O'Sullivan,
Knockaninane
Seller: Fr Kieran O'Brien
Miriam O'Sullivan,
Knocknahoe
Seller: Nuala O'Doherty
Donal McCarthy, Springlodge,
Woodlawn Road
Seller: Bridie Cronin

Winners of €75 each are as follows:

Kitty & Eamon Toland,
Scartlea, Muckross
Seller: John Doolan
Joan Ryan, Pinewood Estate

Seller: Eileen O'Connor
Fiona O'Donnell, Ross Dar
Seller: Tadhgie Fleming
Joan Kerins, Lissivigeen
Seller: Tim Corcoran
Michael Lynch, Coolevin Hse,
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Seller: Pa MacGillicuddy
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Nephew

*We will always have memories,
To cherish and to hold,
Of a wonderful nephew,
More precious than gold,
You always had a smile to share,
A laugh, a joke, a time to care,
A wonderful nature, warm and true
There are the memories I have of you.*

DEEPLY MISSED BY YOUR
UNCLE PAUDIE.
XX

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Brother

*When days are sad and lonely,
And everything goes wrong,
I seem to hear you whisper,
"Cheer up and carry on"
Each time I see your photo,
You seem to smile and say,
"Don't cry, I'm always with you
And we'll meet again someday".*

SADLY MISSED BY YOUR
BROTHER RYAN AND
HEATHER XXX

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16TH OF DECEMBER.

CHRISTMAS IN HEAVEN

*I see the countless Christmas trees
Around the world below,
With tiny lights, like Heaven's stars,
Reflecting on the snow.*

*The sight is so spectacular
Please wipe away that tear,
For I am spending Christmas
With Jesus Christ this year.*

*I hear the many Christmas songs
That people hold so dear,
But the sounds of music can't compare
With the Christmas Choir up here.*

*I have no words to tell you
The joy their voices bring,
For it is beyond description
To hear the angels sing.*

*I know how much you miss me
I see the pain inside your heart,
But I am not so far away,
We really aren't apart.*

*So be happy for me dear ones,
You know I hold you dear,
And be glad I'm spending Christmas
With Jesus Christ this year.*

*I send you each a special gift
From my heavenly home above.
I send you each a memory,
Of my underlying love.*

*After all 'Love' is the gift,
More precious than pure gold,
It was always more important
In the stories Jesus told.*

*Please love and keep each other,
As my father said to do,
For I can't count the blessings
Or love he has for you.*

*So have a Merry Christmas
And wipe away that tear
Remember, I'm spending Christmas
With Jesus Christ this year.*

LOVED WITH A LOVE BEYOND COMPARE
YOUR HEARTBROKEN MOM & DAD
XXX

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Brother

*Wrap your arms around him Lord,
Don't leave him on his own,
For it is his anniversary,
And I know he can't come home,
Call his name softly and
When he looks your way,
Tell him that we love him
And miss him everyday.*

LOVE ALWAYS KILLIAN &
AOIFE XXX

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PRAYER TO ST. PADRE PIO

PRAYER

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

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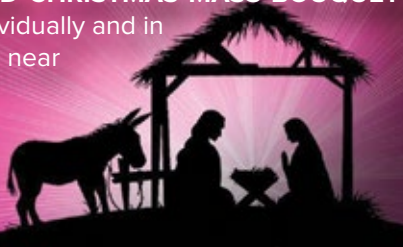
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WHOSE ANNIVERSARY OCCURS
ON THE
16TH OF DECEMBER.



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4TH ANNIVERSARY

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

SEAN O'SULLIVAN



DUNLOE UPPER, BEAUFORT.
WHO DIED 9TH
DECEMBER 2017.

*A loving thought, A silent tear
A constant wish that you were here
A loving place no one can fill
We miss you Dad and always will
Rest in Peace.*

Love always
Your daughter Geraldine, Denis,
Rory, Ashling and Ryan.

14TH ANNIVERSARY

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

NATHAN O'CARROLL



LATE OF ROSS ROAD,
KILLARNEY.
WHOSE ANNIVERSARY OCCURS
ON THE 16TH OF DECEMBER.

*Brother
You are a special brother,
But you had to go,
So we filled the hole in our hearts,
With your memories so,
But it will always be empty,
Until I'm in Heaven with you,
In our hearts you shall always be,
I cannot wait to laugh with you.*

Loved always remembered by your
Brother Aaron & Aimee xxx

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IN LOVING MEMORY OF

NATHAN O'CARROLL



LATE OF ROSS ROAD,
KILLARNEY.
WHOSE ANNIVERSARY OCCURS
ON THE 16TH OF DECEMBER.

*Brother
You are always on our minds and when
we talk about you,
It's always of happy times,
No one knows the heartache
of what you passing cost,
But God in all his glory he's gained
What we have lost.*

MISSED AND LOVED ALWAYS,
YOUR BROTHER
DAMIEN, CAITLIN AND
RÓISÍN
xxx

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BIRTHDAY REMEMBRANCE

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

SEAMUS O'CONNOR



LATE OF
THE ANVIL BAR, BOOLTEENS
WHOSE BIRTHDAY OCCURS
ON 12TH DECEMBER.

*Birthday wishes sent to heaven
from your family below,
We miss and love you dearly
and we wanted you to know,
Your birthdays not forgotten
and your memory lives on,
We celebrate the life you had
even though you're gone.
If we were given just one wish
One that would come through,
We'd wish you back beside us
To spend this day with you.
We will always love and miss you
And will often shed a tear,
Especially on your special day
Year after year.*

Sadly missed by your family Elizabeth,
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we may be preserved from all
dangers both of Soul & body.
Through Christ Our Lord Amen
St Roch Pray for Us.
Feast 16 August.

NOVENA TO ST MARTIN

Dear Lord, we thank You for giving us St. Martin de Porres as an example of holiness. Help us to imitate the devotion to You he showed beginning from his childhood and adolescence in poverty.

St. Martin de Porres, you and your family were very poor during your childhood and adolescence. Though you and your family suffered from poverty, you were eager to grow in love for God. Please bring my petitions before God Whom you loved! Your mother was barely able to support you and your sister. You had to begin work as a barber and surgeon from a young age, but you persevered in seeking God's will for your life. Pray for me, that I may never allow sufferings to deter me from serving God. Pray that I may eagerly seek His will for my life, as you did.

Please also pray for (mention your intentions here). St. Martin de Porres, pray for us!
In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

THE MIRACLE PRAYER

Dear Sacred Heart of Jesus, in the past, I
have asked for many favors.

This time I ask for a very special one.
(Here mention your request.)

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

Say for three days and promise to publish.

NOVENA TO ST. JUDE

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

Oh Sacred Heart of Jesus, pray for us.
St. Jude worker of miracles, pray for us.
Helper of the hopeless, pray for us.

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