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A Note from the EDITOR



Welcome to this week's Killarney Outlook! We have lots for you to enjoy throughout our 96 page magazine with some charity fundraisers taking centre stage.

Get ready to hit the road with Down Syndrome Kerry who have launched their charity cycle, or if golf is your passion, then there are still a few spaces on the Michael O'Sullivan Charity Golf Classic time sheet at Maine Valley Golf Club.

Plans are in place to decorate the Kerry Cancer Support Group bus with lovingly crafted blankets which will then be gifted to users of the service, Mayor Maura's dance has raised €6,775 for two very worthy charities and a local woman is braving the shave in aid of the Palliative Care Unit.

Anne Lucey takes a look at the Killarney natives who are making their mark in Japan, Strictly Goes Country has broken all records, raising €83,492.80 for the Irish Cancer Society and Lissivigeen are calling on golfers to tee off for a very special project.

All roads led to Dieren last weekend for the Legion Under 10 Girls Blitz, a free wellness festival is planned for Killarney Racecourse and the 20th Killarney Garda National School 7 A Side Blitz was a resounding success.

Flags are flying at Scoil Phobail Sliabh Luachra, Legacy projects are marking the 60th Anniversary of Muckcross House and a series of Cultural Spotlight events are planned by the Killarney Immigrant Support Centre.

Gleneagle Squash Club are celebrating another successful year, St. Brendan's Rowing Club have bestowed an honour on Donal "Dux" O'Donoghue and Jimmy takes a look at All Things Sport.

Hope you all enjoy this week's Killarney Outlook!

Aisling Crosbie



The stunning Deenagh River in Killarney National Park captured by Sue Blennerhassett.

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CYCLE for a Cause

with Down Syndrome Kerry!



Get ready to hit the road and make a difference! Down Syndrome Kerry is delighted to invite cyclists of all abilities to take part in our Charity Cycle on Sunday, June 22nd, with all proceeds supporting vital services such as speech and language therapy, occupational therapy, and job training for our members.

Choose from three stunning routes designed to suit every level of cyclist:

- 95km Challenge Route – For seasoned cyclists, this route promises a rewarding ride through Loo Bridge, Kenmare, Blackwater, and Molls Gap.
- 75km Scenic Route – Enjoy a moderately challenging ride with breathtaking views of Molls Gap and Ladies View.
- 25km Family Route – A relaxed, mostly off-road cycle around Muckcross and Dinis, perfect for families and casual riders.

Start & Finish Location: St. Oliver's National School, Ballycasheen – with ample parking available.

Start Times:

- 95km & 75km routes: 9:00 AM
- 25km Family Route: 10:00 AM

Along the way, participants can enjoy complimentary refreshments at designated rest stops and at the finish line.

"This event not only raises much-needed funds to support our members and their families, but

it also helps bring visibility to Down Syndrome Kerry and invites the wider community to get involved in a fun, active way," said branch chairperson John O'Connor.

Don't miss our raffle! Enter for your chance to win an overnight stay at the 4-star Castlerosse Hotel and Resort.

Registration now open at

<https://www.eventbrite.ie/e/down-syndrome-kerry-charity-cycle-22-june-2025-tickets-1380722360749?utm-campaign=social&utm-content=attendeeshare&utm-medium=discovery&utm-term=listing&utm-source=cp&aff=ebdsshcopyurl>

Entry Fees:

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- Accompanied under-16s: €40 (plus booking fee)

Join us for a day of cycling, community spirit, and meaningful impact. We can't wait to see you on the road!



Jessica Power
ready for the
cycle.

The Michael O'Sullivan Memorial Golf Classic is gaining momentum with spaces filling up fast for the fundraiser which will take place on Saturday, June 21st, 2025 at Maine Valley Golf Club, Killorglin, in aid of Brú Columbanus.

The fundraiser has been organised by the friends of Mike, who passed away in January of this year. During his time in the Mercy Hospital in Cork, his wife Christina stayed at Bru Columbanus, a home away from home for families of patients of hospitals in Cork and his friends have come together to raise funds for this fantastic facility.

There are some fantastic prizes on offer on the day including a number of 4 Ball vouchers for Tralee, Dooks, Killarney and Castlerosse Golf Clubs.

You can still support this wonderful fundraiser by taking part in the golf classic or by scanning the QR code and following the link to donate.

Tee times are available from 7:30am–8:00am and 11:00am–5:00pm, with the possibility of additional slots on Friday evening if needed.

€160 per fourball, with all proceeds going directly to Brú Columbanus.

If you would like to book a tee time, you can contact any of the following:

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Following the golf, the prizegiving will take place at Faha Court with entertainment on the night by the very talented Rachel Hctor.

There will be another opportunity here to donate to the fundraiser with a huge raffle taking place.

TIME TO TEE OFF

IN MEMORY OF MIKE



Talented singer, Rachel Hctor will perform at the prizegiving evening at Faha Court following the golf classic.



Mike O'Sullivan





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Kaya's Square to Share Blankets

plans to cover the Kerry Cancer Support Bus

Months of dedication and creativity will come to a stunning and memorable conclusion this Sunday at Féile na mBláth in Tralee, as Kaya's "Square to Share" blanket project reaches its heartwarming finale.

Everyone who has contributed to crocheting and knitting squares over the past six months is invited to see the Kerry Cancer Support Group's Cork Bus beautifully draped with the lovingly crafted blankets. The Milltown Knit and Natter Group has been the driving force behind assembling this vivid patchwork of community spirit. Breda from the Kerry Cancer Support Group expressed her hopes that as many contributors as possible will be able to attend and see the final result in person. "This project has been so inspiring," she said. "We've had people of all ages, men and women, from across Ireland and even abroad, take part. The reasons they joined were often deeply personal, and hearing their stories along the way was incredibly moving."

Breda also extended heartfelt thanks to everyone who donated both squares and funds, and especially to Kaya and the Milltown Knit and Natter Group for their tireless efforts in bringing the vision to life.

Once the project concludes, all of the blankets will be gifted to users of the Healthlink transport service.

The decorated bus will be on display just outside the Park from early Sunday morning. Everyone is encouraged to come along and witness this vibrant expression of community creativity and solidarity for themselves.

The bus will be on show just outside the Park on Sunday from early morning so come along to see this wonderful colourful project for yourself.

Donation link - <https://www.idonate.ie/fundraiser/SquaretoShare>

Kerry Cancer Support Group was established in 2007 and has been transporting the people of Kerry, West Cork and West Limerick to hospitals in Cork and Limerick for their cancer related treatments since 2010. Their motto is that "No one should face their cancer journey alone" and having transported over 75% of those diagnosed in the region since foundation they hope that they are living up to this. They also provide information and support to families experiencing cancer and to schools and groups in the region with their different campaigns.

Their centre at Maine Street in Tralee is very welcoming and people are always encouraged to drop in to discuss anything relating to their journey. Call 066-7195560 for information.



Members of the Milltown Knit and Natter group are the driving force behind the initiative.



Some of the beautiful blankets which will be gifted to users of the Healthlink transport service.



Mayor Maura Healy Rae presents funds to Breda Dyland from the Kerry Cancer Support Group.



Mayor Maura Healy Rae presents funds to the Social Action Group Rathmore.

MAYOR'S DANCE RAISES €6,775

A charity dance held by Cathaoirleach of Killarney Municipal District has raised €6,775 for two very deserving charity.

Mayor Maura Healy-Rae's dance took place in the Gleneagle Hotel in aid of the Social Action Group Rathmore and the Kerry Cancer Support Group. A total of €6,775 was raised.

"I would like to thank everyone who attended and to all who supported this event in aid of two organisations who provide invaluable care to vulnerable people in our community. I want to thank the brilliant entertainment on the night including Neily O'Connor, Derry & Rosie Healy and Up in Smoke, I also want to thank the Gleneagle Hotel for the excellent venue", the Mayor told Killarney Outlook.




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KILLARNEY MOURNS THE PASSING OF DERMOT GALVIN

There was an air of sadness in Killarney this week when one of its native sons passed away. Dermot Galvin, originally from St. Anne's Road, was a member of a popular family who ran a hardware store on New Street, where Dermot worked before forging a career in the construction industry. Married to photographer, Michelle Cooper Galvin, the couple have three children, Caoimhe, Grainne and Diarmuid. He will be sadly missed by his loving family, his son-in-law Kevin, Gráinne's partner Jonathan, daughter-in-law Siobhán, his precious grandchildren Pierce, Kate and Emily, sisters Maria, Sheila, Doreen and Brid, brothers-in-law David and

Andy, sister-in-law Katherine and her husband Bernie, nieces, nephews, relatives, neighbours and many good friends at home and in London.

Dermot is pre-deceased by his parents Murt and Bridie and his brother-in-law Tom O'Leary.

Dermot, passed away peacefully, surrounded by his loving family and in the wonderful care of the Palliative Care Unit, University Hospital Kerry on the 10th of June, 2025

Following his funeral mass in St. Mary's Cathedral on Thursday morning the 12th of June, Dermot was laid to rest in Aghadoe Cemetery.



Kerry footballers David and Paudie Clifford were on hand to help Annie to launch the fundraiser

Annie Braves The Shave for Palliative Care

A Killarney woman is planning to shave her hair in aid of the Palliative Care Unit at University Hospital Kerry.

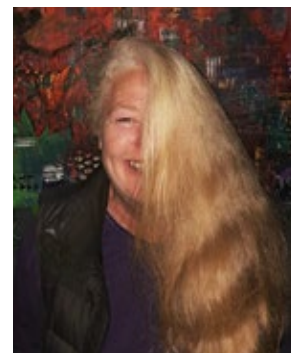
Annie O'Leary is hoping everyone will support this wonderful fundraiser which promises to be a fantastic night of entertainment.

Kicking off at 7pm in the Killarney Racecourse, the MC on the night is Brendan Fuller, Music will be provided by the fabulous Derry & Rosie Healy and the entry fee is only €10.

Annie is looking for more people to sign up for the fundraiser with heads and beards welcome for the great cause.

There will be some celebrity mystery celebrities braving the shave on the night and if you would like to sign up you can contact Annie on 086-3440770. Kerry footballers David and Paudie Clifford were on hand to help Annie to launch the fundraiser which sees her shave off her long blond locks!

Come and support the party for Palliative Care for those people we have lost, still have with us and those on their own journey



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Legacy projects to mark MUCKROSS HOUSE ANNIVERSARY

The end result of two remarkable legacy projects, undertaken to celebrate the 60th anniversary of the opening of Killarney's Muckross House to the public, will be unveiled at a very special event on Saturday next, June 14, at 7.30pm.

As part of the diamond anniversary celebrations, two hugely significant projects were initiated by the Muckross House Research Library to reflect on the history of the landmark attraction in Killarney National Park.

The first focused on the development of traditional Irish dance which involved revisiting the traditional dance styles of North Kerry, including the enormous contribution of legendary dance teacher Jeremiah Molyneux (1881-1965).

Between 1983 and 1985, Dr Catherine Foley, Emeritus Associate Professor with the Irish World Academy of Music and Dance in the University of Limerick, was tasked by the Trustees of Muckross House to record this important and fascinating dance legacy.

Building on that earlier work, last year she again agreed to revisit the area to determine how the dance tradition had evolved over the intervening four decades.

The project would not have been such a success without valuable contributions from respected authorities on such matters like Fr Pat Ahern, Patricia Hanafin and Justin Walsh.

The second initiative was the commissioning of a musical suite tracing the story of Muckross House, from its completion in 1843 up to its opening to the public in 1964.

The story unfolds through the medium of different musical styles and it was composed by award-winning producer JJ O'Shea who has worked closely with the Muckross House Research Library on a number of projects.

Both projects will be showcased at a free concert in Muckross House on Saturday, June 14 – the same date that the historic building was first opened



Feet of the Dancer...David Geaney, 5 times World Champion Irish dancer, and co-creator of the hit Broadway show, Velocity! Photo: Valerie O'Sullivan



Shoe tapping... Jimmy Hickey, from Listowel, Shoe Maker and Master Dance Teacher, who was interviewed by Dr Catherine Foley, Emeritus Associate Professor, Irish World Academy of Music and Dance, University of Limerick revisiting the traditional Irish dance styles of North Kerry which she undertook 40 years ago, at Teach Siamsa, Finuge. A special evening of music and dance will take place in Muckross House to unveil the special event on Saturday next, June 14, at 7.30pm.

Photo: Valerie O'Sullivan

to the public in 1964.

The concert will commence with a selection of tunes from the Muckross House Music Collection, performed by Mary Mitchell and Karl Nesbitt, followed by a selection of reels, hornpipes and jigs in the true North Kerry tradition.

Featured dancers will include five-time world dance champion David Geaney, Jimmy Hickey, Mossie Walsh and Jonathan Kelliher.

The Muckross Suite project will then be the centre of attention as the story of Killarney's most historic and important building is told through music composed by JJ O'Shea and delivered by Paul de Grae on guitar and keyboard and harpist Reidun Schlesinger and they will be accompanied by Barry Lynch on uilleann pipes and Seán Abeyta on fiddle.

Admission to the concert is free of charge but advance bookings are essential on 064-6670162.



The legendary Mossie Walsh, one of the last remaining elite traditional Irish dancers to have been taught by the great Jeremiah Molyneux being interviewed by Dr Catherine Foley, Emeritus Associate Professor, Irish World Academy of Music and Dance, University of Limerick revisiting the traditional Irish dance styles of North Kerry which she undertook 40 years ago, at Teach Siamsa, Finuge.



Jonathan Kelliher Dance Master / Dance Artist Co-Founder Céim Arts. Former Artistic Director, Siamsa Tíre, with musician Gretta O'Sullivan, interviewed by Dr Catherine Foley, Emeritus Associate Professor, Irish World Academy of Music and Dance, University of Limerick revisiting the traditional Irish dance styles of North Kerry which she undertook 40 years ago, at Teach Siamsa, Finuge.



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Anne Lucey
looks at the positive news
happening in Killarney



DEER: Mangerton venison on the menu?



The beautiful Muckross Gardens is being eaten alive and the hostas are all nibbled to the stem

Deer are over-running Inisfallen once again. There are so many sika, there is hardly a blade of grass, I am told. The NPWS assure me they are addressing the matter. This is thanks to a reader of this column who drew my attention to it. There are clearly too many sika on Inisfallen and too many deer everywhere.

Yes, there have been efforts by the NPWS. But the deer population is out of hand. The beautiful Muckross Gardens is being eaten alive. The hostas are all nibbled to the stem and there is serious damage to the dreamy hydrangea hedges which should be coming into their best now.

This is quite apart from the damage in the wild woodlands. If you visit healthy woods, you have a variety on the forest floor. Particularly deciduous or native pine woods. Here everything is eaten back and smothered in fern and rhododendron because the blueberries, the grasses, the flowers and herbs and young trees are chewed to the bone. There is no question but the deer are hungry. There isn't enough for them to eat because there are simply too many.

There is a spike again in car accidents as the creatures chase across roads to see if there is any blade of anything anywhere. Yet all the while, were any enterprising butcher to set up in Killarney selling venison and the State rowed in, there is good money to be made. The deer would be kept in good condition because there would be a steady demand to be filled. Mangerton lamb on the menu is already a winner. Think how big a seller Mangerton venison would be.

TIME TO GET ENERGISED ABOUT MATTERS OTHER THAN CIVIL WARS AND SEXUALITY

The RTE Prime Time on the French owned nursing homes for the elderly here should have us all out on the streets. It was shocking. This is not something happening at a comfortable distance in another part of the world so we can distract ourselves. It is right under our noses. And it concerns our own.

Apart from the complete lack of human empathy, the lack of communication skills was terrifying. There was simply no human connection. It is not just these two French owned nursing homes, you can be certain. Surely it should be a basic requirement for all care assistants to speak good English? And to have some bit of a kind nature. The other clear message was lack of training. These people were clearly not well trained. Or supervised. The great HIQA, the so-called independent inspectorate, where were they?

We have the balance wrong: Most of our care homes are privately owned, when it should be the State as the major provider.

Alas, private or State, we have the same neglect of other vulnerable cohorts: children, prisoners and the disabled, and sick lying in hospital

corridors crying out for help.

Once upon a time this State handed over its care of the vulnerable to the Church. Now it is to Corporations, accountants and agency staff - and the more global the better. Ireland likes the global so its leaders can strut the high moral ground of the world stage and tut.

There is an avenue we should all be exploring to bring everyone down to earth and that is the European Court of Human Rights in Strasbourg. The first ever international court case in Strasbourg was brought by an ex IRA member against the Irish State in 1959. We have brought a mere handful of complaints since - on the criminalisation of homosexuality, abortion, (twice), legal separation, the use of torture in Northern Ireland; and delayed justice.

It's such a pity we confine our outrage to war, sex, and law in this country. The European convention of human rights deals with much more, including basic dignity and civilised services. But we hear little about those aspects.

I suggest the following complaints to Strasbourg: the failure of the State to care for our elderly; the lack of State run childcare and creches; the overcrowded prisons and terrible facilities in courts (we could use Tralee as an example); the lack of access to basic health services - the waiting lists to see GPs in south Kerry could be used; the failure to provide mental health services - the Kerry CAMHS scandal is an example; the failure to provide basic affordable housing or a homeless shelter while allowing rampant unbridled profit from tourism/refugee and landlord businesses - multiple examples in Kerry; the tens of thousands of children here going to bed hungry and the parents going hungry themselves to pay bills. Even one such judgement from Europe would focus minds. Hopefully.

KILLARNEY FOLK MAKING THEIR MARK IN JAPAN

Congratulations to Sarah Hickey who has been appointed President of the Ireland Japan Chamber of Commerce (IJCC)—becoming the first woman to hold the important role.

Based in Tokyo, Sarah from Killarney now leads the Chamber in promoting business, cultural exchange, and stronger ties between Ireland and Japan. She also plays an active role in representing Irish interests to government bodies, embassies, and industry leaders.

There is strong Kerry and Killarney representation in Japan today. Alongside Sarah, Ambassador Damien Cole, from Tralee, is Ireland's Ambassador to Japan, while Brietta O'Leary, from Plunkett Street, Killarney, has been appointed Vice President on the IJCC executive team.

We can't forget our author Colin O'Sullivan ex Community College who is based in Japan too.

Sarah is the daughter of Michael (originally Woodlawn) and Ann. She went to Coolick national school, Presentation secondary school and then UCC, graduating with a good honours B.A. degree.

She saw an advertisement for the teaching exchange JET program in college, applied, was accepted and went to Japan in July 2008.

In March 2011 Fukushima prefecture where she was based was badly affected by the tsunami which killed in the region of 20,000 people.

It wiped out whole areas including Sarah's favourite school where she

had been just the previous Friday, killing all the teachers and pupils.

Sarah returned to Ireland briefly but insisted on going back to help with the recovery and clean up, working on the JET program for another year. Working at the coal face, her language skills improved no end and she felt a huge sense of connection with her adopted country. She joined the graduate program with Jameson, retraining in Dublin, going on to Pernod Richard, Bacardi and now Whisk-e where she leads the marketing team based in Tokyo.

Whisk-e is the leading premium spirits and craft beer import company in Japan. Sarah has been a director of the Tokyo based chamber since May 2020, was made Vice President in May 2023 and is now the first ever female President.

In a statement on the chamber website, Sarah said her main role is to lead a team to develop brands to grow in the Japanese market.

She also works alongside the top management in developing the organisation's vision, and is keen to promote what she says are the many opportunities Japan offers to Irish businesses. We wish her well.



Making her mark in Japan: Sarah Hickey



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RING OF KERRY CHARITY CYCLE WILL BE DEDICATED TO PADDY O'DONOGHUE

There was widespread shock and sadness when the news broke that veteran cyclist, Paddy O'Donoghue was killed in an accident in the village of Kilgarvan on Tuesday.

Mr. O'Donoghue, who lived in Muckross in Killarney was originally from Glenflesk and was well known throughout the county for his work with Kerry County Council.

Affectionately known as "Paddy the Engineer", Mr. O'Donoghue was involved in a collision with a car while he was out cycling in advance of the Ring of Kerry Charity Cycle, an event, which he helped to start back in 1982.

Speaking to the Killarney Outlook PRO for the Cycle and a close friend of Paddy's, Cathal Walshe, confirmed that this year's cycle on July 5th will be dedicated to him.

"On behalf of the Ring of Kerry Charity Cycle I wish to extend sincere sympathy to Brenda and the O'Donoghue family on the sad and sudden

loss of Paddy. He was a fantastic supporter of the annual charity cycle since it's inception back in the 80s", Cathal said.

"A regular participant and wonderful fundraiser for whatever charity he chose. Paddy loved a challenge in whatever he undertook and was the epitome of what the event was all about. We miss the banter and craic but he won't ever be forgotten. This year's event will be dedicated to his memory on July the 5th. His likes will never be seen again. Slán Abhaile our friend", he added.

A family man, through and through, Paddy will be sadly missed by his loving wife Brenda, his children, Florence, Áine, Denise, Brenda, Báirbre, Patrick and Alice. His adored grandchildren Niamh, Dáire, Edward, John, David, Lily Bea, Sadhbh, Sebastian, Abigail, Victoria, Anna, Amelia, Thomas, Hugh, Leonie, Patrick and Oscar, brother John, sisters Margaret, Kathleen



and Anna, daughters-in-law Noelle and Katie, sons-in-law Martin, Charlie, Paul, Marc and Jonathan, brothers-in-law, sisters-in-law, nephews, nieces, relatives, neighbours and many friends.

Reposing at O'Shea's Funeral Home this Friday the 13th of June from 4:00pm to 6:30pm. The Funeral of Paddy O'Donoghue will arrive at St. Mary's Cathedral on Saturday morning the 14th of June at 10:00am for Requiem Mass at 10:30am. Burial afterwards in Killaha Cemetery. Paddy is pre-deceased by his parents Florence and Anna, his brother Michael and sister Lily. May he Rest In Peace

STRICTLY GOES COUNTRY BREAKS ALL RECORDS RAISING €83,492.80



Strictly Goes Country Dancers presents funds to members of the Killarney Branch of the Irish Cancer Society following their sell out show in March.

An amazing €83,492.80 has been raised by the Killarney Branch of the Irish Cancer Societies Strictly Goes Country which was held in March in the Gleneagle Arena.

Chairperson of the committee, Eugene O'Sullivan told Killarney Outlook that they are blown away by the amount raised. "As always we have had fantastic support for our fundraisers and I want to say a huge thank you to the dancers who spent hours perfecting their steps for the big night", Eugene said. "I also want to thank their choreographer Cassie Leen for

all her hard work and Fiona O'Connor from the Gleneagle Arena for her continued support", he added.

Ten couples from different parts of Kerry along with one from Millstreet took part in the sold out show and this week they gathered to donate the funds to the Irish Cancer Society.

The money raised will be used for essential services in the Killarney/South Kerry area including Night Nursing, the Home Care Team, Drive to Care, Freephone Information, Breast check and bowel screening.



Committee members, Eugene O'Sullivan, Norma Talbot, Eleanor O'Doherty, Choreographer Cassie Leen, Kathrine Breen and Kathleen O'Shea.



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GOLF CLASSIC TO SUPPORT BIG PLANS AT LISSIVIGEEN NATIONAL SCHOOL

A sensory garden and sensory playground are being planned by the Parents Association at Lissivigeen National School and to help them in their quest they have just launched a Golf Classic fundraiser, which will take place on July 10th & 11th at the picturesque Beaufort Golf Club. This is a very special event for the school, with all funds raised going towards the development of a sensory playground and sensory garden at Lissivigeen N.S. These facilities will provide a safe, inclusive, and stimulating environment for all students, particularly those with additional sensory needs.

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Lissivigeen N.S. Parents Association, Golf Classic Committee, students, Principal & Bord of Management Chairperson welcomed Fr. Kieran O'Brien and their Named Sponsors Rob Stack (Tricel Killarney), Delores Daly (SuperValu), Assumpta O'Donoghue (Killarney Oils), Gemma O'Neill (O'Donoghue Ring Hotels) to the official launch of the school Golf Classic Fundraiser

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This is the first time in over a decade the school has organised a golf classic and so there is growing excitement around the event within the school and wider community. The Parents Association & Golf Committee would like to thank everyone who has sponsored and supported the event to date and are incredibly grateful to their named sponsors who together

have made organising this event possible; Tricel Killarney, Daly's SuperValu, O'Donoghue Ring Hotels & Killarney Oils.

Supporting Lissivigeen N.S. Golf Classic will truly make a difference in the lives of the students, now and for future generations to come.

Teams are filling up nicely, to book Tee Time please contact Tim O'Sullivan on 087 9273694 or email Lissivigeennsgolfclassic@gmail.com



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Lissivigeen N.S. students out in support of the schools Golf Classic Fundraiser, all funds raised will go towards the development of a New Sensory Playground & Sensory Garden



MY DOWN FIELD OF DREAMS

By Nicky Barry



Late last night on TV, I watched The Field of Dreams,
About old baseball legends, who come back to a corn field.
It is a sporting fairy tale, about ghosts from the past,
Who gather in a farmer's field, with a famous cast.
The farmer built a baseball diamond, on a premonition,
That these legends would turn up, for one last exhibition.
It tore at my heartstrings, for I was a sporting man,
With memories of playing, with my native Down.
Nostalgia overcame me, as I climbed the stairs to bed,
And tears were not far away, as I lay down my head.

Eventually I fell asleep, and then began to dream,
Of my boyhood heroes, from that glorious Down team.
They won their first All-Ireland, long ago in nineteen sixty,
When they beat the might of Kerry, to make sporting history.
I made the team in '63, with Sean O'Neill and Co,
And James and Dan Mc Cartan, and the legend Paddy Mo.
They dazzled in my reverie, as warriors of Mourne,
Rampaging through Croker, but now most are sadly gone.
James, Dan and Leo Murphy, now grace Valhalla's Hall,
And I awoke exhausted, with the memory of it all.





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KASI Cultural Spotlight

Killarney Events Planned

Killarney Immigrant Support Centre – KASI will facilitate members of different ethnicities and cultures in Killarney to host Cultural Spotlight Killarney events for the remainder of 2025. Starting in June with the culture of Palestine, these will be evening gatherings where people living in Killarney can learn about different cultures of the world in a spirit of openness and curiosity.

Cultural Spotlight Killarney events will be held in KASI's Log Cabin, at their Community Garden on Rookery Road in Ballycasheen. The first culture being highlighted is that of Palestine at 6pm on 19th June – the eve of World Refugee Day.

Locally-based Palestinian families will be cooking cuisine of their homeland and meeting people interested to learn more about Palestinian culture at the gathering. The free event will be held with support from the local Killarney for Palestine group, who have been organising regular solidarity vigils in Killarney since October 2023.

KASI's Coordinator, Marilyn Catapat-Counihan, welcomes all people in Killarney to join and engage with the new initiative.

"We are really excited to bring this to Killarney and give people living here an opportunity to engage with different cultures and ways of life. We think this will spark people's curiosity while also offering a chance for people to connect on the many related cultural aspects we all share. I hope all walks of life join this, whether you're from Kerry, Kenya or anywhere in the world."

"We are proud to be starting with Palestinian culture because that is a culture and people in the world whose very existence is under threat, due to Israel's ongoing onslaught in Gaza and



illegal settlement expansion in the West Bank." "I want to say a special thanks to the families eager to take part in this and connect despite such difficult times. Thanks also to the local Killarney for Palestine group for spreading the word. Any funds that happen to be donated on the evening will go to them to forward to a worthy cause in Palestine."

KASI has supported over 1,000 people from a migrant background in the past year, providing advice and information on rights and entitlements, as well as advocating and

supporting individuals and families. The organisation also hosts intercultural days, such as Killarney Le Chéile, as a forum for new and local communities to gather and get to know each other.

Cultural Spotlight Killarney events will be held at different times of the year, with cultures from the African continent, Asia, South America and Europe to be highlighted. Visit kasi.ie or KASI's social media channels to learn about details of following Cultural Spotlight Killarney events.

SVP SEEKS FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR STUDENTS

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The Society of Saint Vincent de Paul (SVP) is seeking donations for its Education and Training Bursary Fund to ensure that it can meet the demand to help third level students into universities and colleges.

Grants of between €1,000 and €3,000 from this fund can provide a lifeline for students who are struggling to ensure

that they have the funds for books, materials, travel, course fees and all the other expenses which can push learning out of their reach. Last year SVP received over 4,000 requests for help with third level costs.

The SVP Education and Training Bursary Fund was established to support students of all ages who may financially struggle to access or stay in third level education and training

programmes.

The Bursary Programme will consider all recognised third level education and training programmes for funding. However, postgraduate studies (Master or PhD) or private colleges are not eligible.

Individual donations to the SVP Education and Training Bursary Fund can be made at: www.svp.ie/svp-education-appeal/.

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Killarney Legion hosted their 3rd annual U10 Girls football blitz last Saturday at their club grounds in Dieren. In all 7 clubs took part involving 11 x 9 a side teams from Killarney Legion, Dr Crokes, Kilcummin, Spa, Glenflesk, Rathmore and Laune Rangers. The club was a hive of activity from early morning in preparation for the big day. A monster bake sale was organised as a fundraiser for the Killarney Legion u15 Ladies, who recently won the County Feile D2 title and will now go on


to the Regional Feile finals to represent Kerry on June 28th. There were lots of bakes and treats available on the day for all in attendance to enjoy. The weather played its part too in ensuring there were lots of smiles and laughter to accompany the high level of skills on show. Now in its third year, the event, spearheaded by Ladies Chairperson Ted Healy and Facilities Chairperson Eamon Maguire, has proved to be a highlight in the calendar for these underage

girls and a now eagerly anticipated event each year. 'It's a great fun day out for everyone involved and a pleasure to host, said Ted Healy. 'A lot of hard work goes in to making this event happen and we are delighted to see so many girls enjoying the day. We would like to thank all the clubs who participated and supported the event and for supporting our Feile fundraiser – it is great to see so many local clubs come together for a day of fun and we look forward to welcoming them all back again next year'.




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Adrian brings a grounding presence with Hatha, Yin, and strong Vinyasa classes, making

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Aoife Lennon, founder of Vanilla Matcha, is a qualified pilates instructor and personal trainer with a background in psychology. Her classes blend movement, breathwork, and mindset for full-body reset and empowerment. She'll lead two daily Pilates sessions, one energising workout and one restorative breath-focused reset. Aoife also runs Vanilla Matcha P'Lattes, a growing series of alcohol-free social events that nurture connection and wellbeing.

Family-friendly fun with live musicians and DJs, face painting, wellness zones, and even a visit from Kathleen the Clairvoyant!

Gourmet food trucks, artisan coffee, healthy snacks, pop up shops and wellness vendors plus giveaways round out the feel-good offerings.

Taking Part

Brenda Dennehy, podcaster, marathon runner, and producer on Good Morning Britain, is flying home from London to take part. A proud Ballydesmond native, Brenda's personal wellness journey from addiction recovery to resilience has made her a powerful voice in self-care and mental strength.

"I'm really looking forward to coming home and being part of Killarney's first Hyrox and Wellness Festival—fitness and wellbeing are such an integral part of my life," says Brenda.

Behind this groundbreaking

event are Gráinne McDonald and Paula Lenihan, long-time business colleagues and friends plus wellness enthusiasts who believe deeply in the healing power of the outdoors, movement, and mindful living. Together with Eric & Josie McDonnell of Belief Gym and Michael Foley they've crafted a weekend that celebrates fitness in all forms -from elite performance to restorative practice.

"We're excited to team up with @hyrox_killarney to bring you Killarney's first ever Hyrox Fest – a weekend of fitness, community, and entertainment like never before", Grainne McDonald, one of the organisers of the event told Killarney Outlook.

In partnership with @belief.gym.killarney and @breastcancerireland, this two-day festival will feature pop-up shops, masterclasses, live music, wellness experiences, freebies and a vibrant atmosphere for all!

Entry is free for spectators, so bring the whole family and enjoy an action-packed weekend with free family entertainment throughout the event.

"Whether you're tackling the elite Hyrox categories or jumping into your first-ever fitness challenge, all levels are welcome – from seasoned athletes to total beginners", Grainne added.

And let's not forget – Killarney is one of Ireland's most stunning towns. Come for the Hyrox, and stay for the scenery, the fun, the great bars and restaurants, and maybe even a hike or lake swim for day two. You're also just a short



Brenda Dennehy, podcaster, marathon runner, and producer on Good Morning Britain, is taking part in the event.

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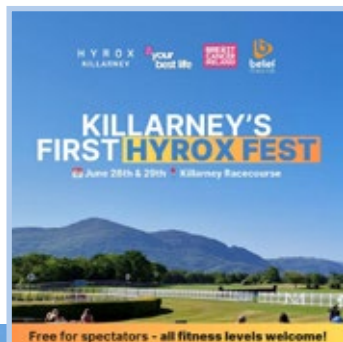
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Grainne McDonald and Paula Lenihan, the organisers of the event



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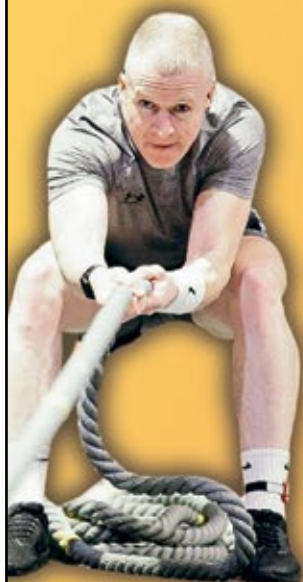
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23 SCHOOLS TAKE PART IN THE 20TH GARDA NATIONAL SCHOOL FOOTBALL BLITZ

The 20th Killarney Garda National School 7aside blitz launch took place at the Fitzgerald Stadium on Monday last with a record breaking 23 schools taking place.

Organiser of the event, Garda Eddie Walsh was delighted with the turnout and thanked everyone who was involved in the day. For the first time ever, the two semi finals ended in penalties after extra time.

In the first semi final, Nagle Rice Milltown beat Kenmare with Fossa taking the spoils over Brosna in the second semi final.

It was Nagle Rice who were crowned eventual winners with the winner of the Boys Player of the tournament Fionnan Burke receiving the O'Cinniede Memorial trophy. Fionnan's brother Darragh, won the trophy last year and they boys are the brothers of former Kerry footballer, Killian Burke who is now playing Aussie Rules with GeeLong in Australia.

The girls player of the tournament went to Clodagh Hegarty who received the Garda Paudie Twohig Memorial trophy from the late Garda's wife, Garda Diane Twohig.

Members of An Garda Síochána were out in force on the day and also in attendance was Sean O Sullivan who presented the cup to the winners in memory of his Father Tadhg O'Suilleabhain.

This year is the 20th year of the event with 23 schools taking part as follows Loreto, Gneeveguilla Holy Family Rathmore, St. Olivers, Monastery, Gaelscoil, Lissivigeen, Tiernaboul, Loughquittane, Nagle Rice Milltown, Scoil Mhuire Killorglin, Glenbeigh, Cullina, Fossa, Dingle, Knockaderry, Faha, St.Johns Kenmare, Boherbue Co.Cork, Kilcummin, Barraduff, Coolick and Anabla.

The tournament wouldn't be possible but for the sponsorship Tom Spillane Auctineers, Liam Brosnan Irish Drains, Kerry County GAA Board, Dalys Super Valu Killarney, Kelly Londis Rathmore/ Milltown, O'Keeffe Oil Rathmore and Kerry GAA Store.

"I would also like to thank all the Gardai in the Kerry Division who helped out with the event which also includes retired Gardai.

I also like thank Vince Cooper and the Ty students from St. Brendans College and to Der Brosnan Chairman of Fitzgerald Stadium and his staff for the excellent facilities", organiser Garda Eddie Walsh told Killarney Outlook.

He also went on to thank everyone for their help and cooperation, all the players, schools and teachers.

Photos: Lucy Shalimova Fitzgerald Stadium PR

Winners of the Blitz: Nagle Rice, Milltown pictured with the Tadhg O'Suilleabhain Cup.



Girls player of the tournament went to Clodagh Hegarty who received the Garda Paudie Twohig Memorial trophy



Winner of the Boys Player of the tournament Fionnan Burke receiving the O'Cinniede Memorial trophy



A Thumbs Up from the boys taking part in the tournament



The trophies from left: The Boys Player of the tournament, the Tadhg O'Suilleabhain Cup and the Garda Paudie Twohig Memorial trophy



Organiser Garda Eddie Walshe addressing the blitz.



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The unleashing of Creative Sparks across Kerry!

This year, Cruinniú na nÓg, the national day of free creative activity for children and young people, took place on Saturday 7 June with a programme of workshops, performances and events. The theme this year was 'unleash your creative spark'.

Kerry hosted a stunning day of creative activity as part of Cruinniú na nÓg. Kerry's Cruinniú na nÓg programme offered 67 free activities for children and young people. There was something for all ages and interests – including dance, magic, drumming, jewellery making, puppetry, comic books and much more besides.

Cathaoirleach of Kerry County Council, Cllr Breandán Fitzgerald remarked, 'Kerry County Council is delighted to partner with Creative Ireland on Cruinniú na nÓg. This is a great day for children and young people, who have many opportunities to explore creativity and maybe find a new skill.'

In Killarney Lily MacMonagle encouraged Swifties who were invited to 'Sing it, Shake it, Slay it' at the ANAM centre. Kerry International Film Festival hosted a Create Your Own Script workshop at Muckross Traditional Farms, in addition to a wonderful Singer's Circle with Grace Foley, and Music Generation Kerry offered a fun filled 'Whack, Strum, Play'. Emma Carmody, the Creative Communities Engagement Officer for Kerry County Council, who coordinated the day for Kerry stated, 'I especially want to thank all facilitators, artists, and organisers who make this annual day of youth creativity happen, and the young people and their families who came out to participate on the day.'

Kate Kennelly, the Creative Ireland Co-ordinator and Arts Officer at Kerry County Council commented, 'It is fantastic to see so much on offer to inspire up-coming generations to explore their creative potential'.

Cruinniú na nÓg Kerry 2025 took place across the county with

representation in every Municipal District. The programme was coordinated by the Creative Ireland Kerry Office at Kerry County Council. It is funded by Creative Ireland through the Department of Culture, Communication and Sport.

Check out Kerry County Council Arts Office social media channel @kerrycoarts and website arts.kerrycoco.ie to see images, video clips and reviews of the successes.

Cruinniú na nÓg Kerry is facilitated by Kerry County Council Arts Office/ Creative Ireland Kerry Office and Creative Ireland.



Taylor Swift Workshop with The MACademy at ANAM Killarney
Photo by Molly Thokwana

EIGHT YEARS OF ELECTRONIC MUSIC EVENTS CELEBRATED IN KILLARNEY

Funktion events, ran by Cian Shiels is Celebrating 8 years of putting on electronic music events in Killarney with a free all day / night party with 11 local DJs.

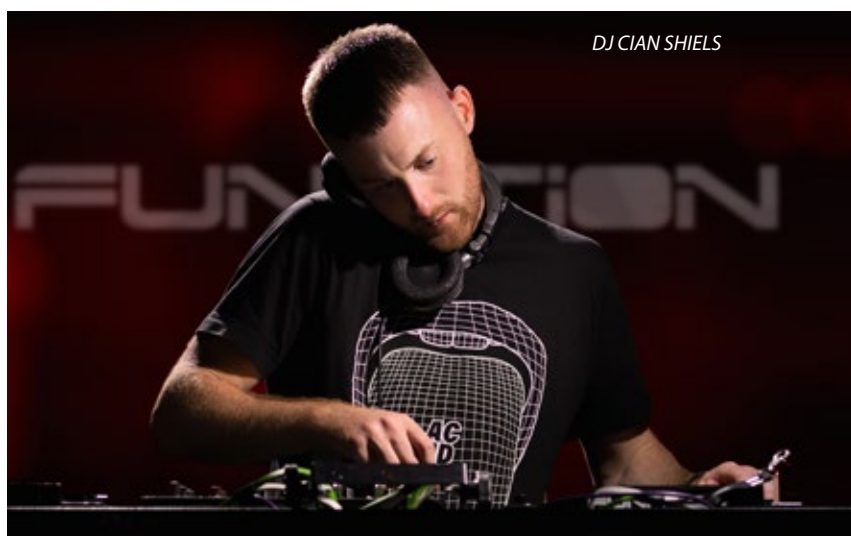
The event takes place from 2pm to 9pm in The Golden Nugget Outback with 8 DJs playing a range of electronic music.

Then onto Marcy's bar from 10pm till close W/ Sean Cummins, Kev O leary & SHIELS closing out the night.

"Funktion Events is the longest-running and only dedicated electronic music night in Killarney. From disco to house, techno to hip hop, we aim to give local DJs a platform to play while also bringing in national and International acts to Killarney", Cian told Killarney Outlook.

"We're grateful for the incredible community that has grown around this night over the years — a collective of like-minded people brought together for their shared love of music. The energy and support of each night has shaped something truly special, and it continues to evolve and expand with every gathering. We look forward to celebrating with everyone on June 28th", he added.

"I would also like to say a huge thank you as well to the venue owners past and present, who've generously opened their doors and given us the space to dance, connect, and celebrate", the Killarney DJ said.



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August 11th-15th:

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TWEENS Art Camp (10-15yrs) 2.30-5pm

Aug 18th-22nd:

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Flying the Flag for Wellbeing: Scoil Phobail Sliabh Luachra Earns Amber Flag Recognition



Amber Flag: Members of the Student Wellbeing Team in SPSL with the Amber Flag which they received recently from Pieta. Front Row - From left - Katelyn McCarthy, Nicole Warren, Marlene O'Brien, Nicole O Riordan, Jessican Guerin, Sophia Dela Torre. Back Row - Rebecca Twomey (Teacher) and Niamh Dwyer (Wellbeing Co-ordinator).

Scoil Phobail Sliabh Luachra is proud to announce that its Student Wellbeing Team has been awarded the prestigious Amber Flag by Pieta, recognising the school's exceptional commitment to promoting positive mental health and wellbeing across the entire school community.

The Amber Flag initiative recognises schools that go above and beyond in creating a healthy, inclusive, and supportive environment for students and staff alike. Through the dedication and collaboration of the Student Wellbeing Team, SPSL has implemented a series of impactful initiatives, activities, and campaigns throughout

the school year that foster emotional resilience, encourage open conversations around mental health, and build a culture of care and connection. Niamh Dwyer, Wellbeing Co-ordinator said:

"We are incredibly proud of our students and staff who worked tirelessly to earn this recognition. The Amber Flag is not just a symbol—it reflects our ongoing commitment to making mental health and wellbeing a visible, valued part of our school culture."

Over the past year, the Student Wellbeing Team has spearheaded a range of initiatives, including wellbeing week, monthly wellbeing priorities, a focus on wellbeing for exam students, physical



Cheque Presentation

SPSL Student Wellbeing Team who presented a cheque for €518.47 to Frank O'Rahilly from Jigsaw Kerry recently. This was the proceeds of a non-uniform day which took place at the end of their Wellbeing Week.

Front Row - From left Frank O'Rahilly (Jigsaw Kerry), Sophia Dela Torre, Nicole Warren, Katelyn McCarthy, Niamh Dwyer (Guidance Counsellor/Wellbeing Co-ordinator) Back Row - From left - Rebecca Twomey (Teacher) Jessica Guerin, Marlene O'Brien and Nicole O'Riordan.

activities and events to build connections among students. They also raised €518 for Jigsaw Kerry as part of their Wellbeing Week, which was presented to Frank O'Rahilly recently. These efforts have been instrumental in promoting open conversations about mental health and encouraging the whole school community to prioritise their wellbeing.

The Amber Flag is an initiative by Pieta, a national charity that provides free therapeutic services to people in suicidal distress, those engaging in self-harm, and those bereaved by suicide. The programme encourages schools, clubs, and groups to promote mental wellbeing and reduce stigma through a structured framework of goals and activities.

Local Triathlon Club Promotes Cycling Safety at National Road Safety Conference

Members of our Triathlon Club proudly represented the club at the National Road Conference held in Killarney. The event brought together road safety experts, transport officials, and advocates from across the country. As part of the conference, the club helped showcase the role of cycling in promoting safe, active travel, highlighting both the benefits and the challenges faced by cyclists on Irish roads. Club representatives engaged in discussions on

infrastructure, visibility, and cyclist awareness, proudly speaking from the perspective of both athletes and everyday road users.

It was a fantastic opportunity to place cycling safety at the heart of the national conversation and to represent our town and club on such an important platform.

*Members of Killarney Triathlon Club
Left Ciara Kane, Killarney Triathlon
Club chairperson and Caitriona Shanahan,
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CENTRAL POINT, PARK ROAD, KILLARNEY

Kerry County Council will re-establish the advisory clockwise traffic management system for motorists on Slí Cheann Sléibhe during the peak visitor season, from Friday 27th June to Friday 12th September.

During this period, the Council invites vehicles to travel in a clockwise direction around Cheann Sléibhe, commencing in Daingean Uí Chúis, then on to Ceannt Trá, Cheann Sléibhe, Com Dhíneol, Dún Chaoin, Baile an Fheirtéaraigh, Muríoch, An Fheothanach and return to Daingean Uí Chúis.

A Kerry County Council employee will be stationed each day from 10.30 am to 4.00pm at Com Dhíneol encouraging vehicles travelling anti-clockwise to respect the advisory.

Visitors will be encouraged to follow the recommended route from the outset resulting in more time to relax and enjoy the magnificent views, attractions, history and culture of this beautiful part of Kerry.

Local access will be maintained as normal.



Ade Desbrow top spot with this panorama of Doha.

Ade Desbrow has captured the winning photograph in the Unrestricted category in the recent Killarney Camera Club competition. The competition theme was 'At Night'. Congratulations to Ade who took top spot with this panorama of Doha. Ade said "This image was taken on a recent visit to Doha in Qatar. The financial part of the city called West Bay was photographed from Dhow Harbour and is four images stitched together."

Here are the top three in the Unrestricted category:

1st Place: Ade Desbrow, West Bay from Dhow harbour, Doha.

2nd Place: Elizabeth Browne, Ross Castle on a Clear Night.

3rd Place: Seamus Long, Grand Canal.

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

Forging a Tradition....



Phillip Pector-Young, a trainee blacksmith from County Kildare, currently gaining priceless experience, under the guidance of Master Blacksmith Tom Allison at Muckcross Traditional Farms, Killarney. Phillip is currently enrolled on the All-Ireland Heritage Skills Programme, which is a cross-border, joint educational initiative between the King's Foundation, The Heritage Council and the Historic Environment Division in Northern Ireland. Phillip originally trained as an engineer and fabricator in the UK before moving to Ireland in 2019, where he has been pursuing his passion for heritage, and developing his blacksmithing skills. For more information on the programme please follow this link <https://kings-foundation.org/study/all-ireland-heritage-skills-programme/>

Pictured are: Phillip Pector-Young (2nd left) under the guidance of Master Blacksmith Tom Allison, (Centre) at Muckcross Traditional Farms, Killarney., Toddy Doyle, first left, Manager Muckcross Traditional Farms, and Hugh Kavanagh, All-Ireland Heritage Skills Programme Manager at The King's Foundation. Photo: Valerie O'Sullivan

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Kelsee Moore is the 2025 *Miss Kerry*

Kelsee Moore (20) From Tralee will represent Kerry in the 2025 Miss Ireland Final coming up on June 14th at The Knightsbrook Hotel in Trim, Co Meath. Kelsee is currently finishing her first year of social care in Kerry. She aspires to become a social care worker in secondary schools. Her main goal in life is to be able to support and guide young people in the challenges they face.

The finalists vying for the coveted Miss Ireland 2025 crown will step into the spotlight next weekend and embrace their journey of empowerment, leadership, and community impact with a spectacular ceremony, vibrant performances and a star-studded audience. Since 1947, the Miss Ireland pageant has celebrated intelligence, ambition, and cultural pride, evolving into a platform that champions female leadership and philanthropy. This year's competitors will join a legacy of inspiring role models including Former Miss World Rosanna Davison and former Miss Irelands - Pamela Flood, Holly Carpenter, Rebecca Maguire, Lauren McDonagh, Aoife O Sullivan, Amanda

Brunker, Pamela Uba, Aoife Walsh, Michelle Rocca, Olivia Tracy, current Miss Ireland Jasmine Gerhardt and many more. In recent years the Miss Ireland Franchise has raised over €350,000 for various charities including Laura Lynn, Temple Street, Alzheimer's Ireland, Pieta House, The Cari Foundation and The Julian Benson Cystic Fibrosis Foundation.

The finalists of Miss Ireland are put through their paces in a challenging competitive process testing their skills in debating, public speaking, talent, sports, modelling, social media and each finalist will be tasked with raising much-needed awareness and funds for their chosen charities. Each finalist will advance to the national event for a chance to claim the Miss Ireland crown. The 77th crowned Miss Ireland will receive a lucrative agency contract and a host of prizes and will then have a chance to jet off to represent Ireland next year on an international stage at the Miss World Festival which is televised in over 100 countries around the world.



BIG WIN IN THE KINGDOM AS KENMARE PLAYER BAGS €259,089 LOTTO PRIZE

A Kerry player has secured €259,089 after matching 5 numbers and the bonus in last night's (Saturday, 7th June) main Lotto draw. The winning Quick Pick ticket was purchased on 5th June from Daybreak, Main Street, Kenmare. The winning numbers in last night's (Saturday, 7th June) Lotto draw were: 5, 7, 22, 23, 36, 47 and the bonus was 19. While there was no winner of the Lotto jackpot worth €6,594,226, in total, over 97,000 players won prizes in the Lotto & Lotto Plus draws including our Kerry player who matched 5 numbers and the bonus in the main Lotto draw.



Minister Foley welcomes the OPENING OF APPLICATIONS FOR THE BACK-TO-SCHOOL ALLOWANCE

Minister for Children, Disability, Equality and Kerry T.D Norma Foley has welcomed the opening of applications for the 2025 Back-to-School Clothing and Footwear Allowance.

The Back-to-School Clothing and Footwear Allowance provides a once-off payment to eligible families towards the cost of school clothing and footwear.

It is expected to benefit at least 3,688 children in Kerry next month.

The rate of payment for 2025 is €160 for children aged 4 - 11 and €285 for children aged 12 years and over in second level education.

Minister Foley said:

"This scheme is a hugely positive measure for families who qualify for it as it eases some of the financial burden facing them with back-to-school costs."

The majority of payments will be paid automatically with no application required. The Back-to-School Clothing and Footwear Allowance will be paid automatically to more than 114,000 families nationwide in respect of approximately 197,000 children during the week beginning 14th July 2025.



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MTU Welcomes New Road Signage Highlighting Tralee as a University Town



Pictured L-R: Ursula Barrett MTU Governing Body, Eoin Deane MTU Governing Body, Dan Manning MTU Governing Body, Tim Daly MTU, Simon Jennings MTU Governing Body, John O'Regan MTU Governing Body, John Reen Tralee Chamber, Jimmy Deenihan Chairman MTU Governing Body, Maggie Cussack President MTU, Cllr Fionnán Fitzgerald Kerry County Council, Stephen Fogarty MTU Governing Body and Anne Looney MTU.

Photo: Domnick Walsh © Eye Focus LTD

relationship between MTU and the people of Tralee and highlights the town's status as a centre of education and opportunity.

Placed at important entry points of the town, the new signage will greet residents and visitors as well as potential students and educators, showcasing Tralee's vibrant community. The signage symbolises the impact that MTU has had on the region's education, economy and culture. A photo shoot marking the new signage was attended by MTU's President, Professor Maggie Cusack, Chair of MTU's Governing Body Jimmy Deenihan, and representatives from MTU, Kerry County Council and Tralee Chamber Alliance.

The signs will be visible to thousands daily, serving as a reminder of Tralee's evolving identity as an academic and cultural centre in the southwest of Ireland. This recognition also positions Tralee alongside established university towns like Maynooth and Sligo, while also highlighting its role within the country's broader higher education landscape with cities like Limerick, Cork and Galway.

Munster Technological University (MTU) has welcomed new signage erected by Kerry County Council across Tralee in Co. Kerry which officially recognises the town as a University Town.

MTU was established in 2021 when the Institute of Technology Tralee (IT Tralee) and Cork Institute of Technology (CIT) merged to create one new university across six campuses. The new road signage celebrates the warm



Cllr Martin Grady, accompanied by Cllr Breandan Fitzgerald attended the International Housing Festival in the Convention centre in Dublin. Cllr Martin Grady pictured with Irishman Terry Kearney that experienced homelessness. He told his story to the attendees, Cllr Grady stated he is delighted to see Killarney has Emergency Accommodation restored after 3 years trying to find a premises. The Festival is initiative of Housing Europe, the European Federation of Public, Cooperative and Social Housing that gathers industry experts from around the world to exchange experiences, learnings and shared goals.



Dulux Is On The Search For Local Kerry Projects In Need Of A Colourful Transformation

Dulux Ireland has announced that the paint company has opened the Dulux Let's Colour Project to the public in a bid to 'colour every corner of Ireland' including Kerry. Dulux Ireland is on a mission to connect with the 'Doers' in Kerry, the people in life who get things done to the benefit of their community, people who may have projects locally, which are much in need of a colourful makeover.

The Dulux Let's Colour Project was born in 2011 and ran for three years, delivering much needed paint to hundreds of projects. The project which opens again

today, will run for a full three years and carries a broad remit on the type of spaces that can be helped, whether they be GAA clubs, meeting halls, national charities in need of help, men's or ladies sheds, all projects will be considered.

The first wave of projects will be announced in early August, so colourful transformations can begin over the Summer. People who are interested in making positive change, can simply enter their project's details by 21 July 2025 on www.Dulux.ie and Let's Colour Ireland | Dulux

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Garda Diane Twohig and her daughter Olivia pictured with one of the players taking part in the Killarney Garda 7 A Side Blitz this week.



A treat for everyone at the Legion Under 10 Girls Blitz



The Tralee Golf Club presenting a cheque for €7000 to Catherine Casey of Adapt from Nora Quinlan (Ladies President) and Jim O'Connor (Captain), Photo By : Domnick Walsh © Eye Focus LTD



Clay Creation Pottery Workshop with Tralee Pottery Club at Teach Siamsa Finuge at Cruinniú na nÓg last weekend



Too much to choose from at the Legion Under 10 Girls Blitz



The Tralee Golf Club presenting a cheque for €7000 to Breda Dyland and John Kelly of the Kerry Cork Cancer Support Group. Photo By : Domnick Walsh © Eye Focus LTD



Build a Mini Bedside Lamp Workshop with Stemmizz at Kenmare Library at Cruinniú na nÓg last weekend



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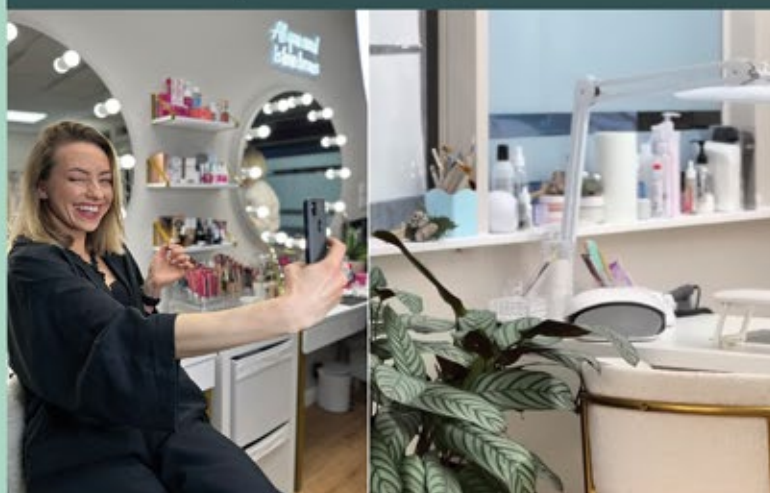


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There’s still a lot to play for as the State Exams reach the halfway mark

OPTIONAL

As the state exams approach the end of the second week, many candidates have reached or are close to the end of the road. The optional subjects now take centre stage. As the number of candidates taking these subjects is considerably less than the number taking the compulsory subjects some exam centres will close early. Candidates from these centres will be relocated to a different centre for the remainder of the exam. The number of candidates in the school environment will also continue to decrease, so it’s important for candidates who still have work to do, not to feel left behind or to become impatient to get over the finish line.

SEVEN DAYS

Normally in the final seven days, candidates will have one or two subjects from a standard seven left to do. However, it’s not unknown for students to take an eight or even a ninth subject to complete a particular vocational grouping such as Physics, Design & Communication Graphics and Applied Mathematics. So, there’s still a lot to play for. There are grades and points to be earned.

FOCUS

Candidates must guard against exam fatigue in the final weeks. The buzz of the early days is gone. There is less foot fall around the exam centres. Your remaining subjects are likely to be spaced out. These subjects have to be faced. They must be given priority between now and Tuesday week. Keep a lid on your impatience and stay in exam mode. You need to be as motivated, focussed and energetic as you were on the first exam day.

SESSIONS

Eight of the fifteen exam days will have passed by this Friday evening. There are fourteen more subject sessions in the remaining seven days. The number of candidates taking these subjects will be much less than in the earlier days of the exam. However, candidates concerned must

defer any post exam celebrations. In sporting parlance, the game ends only with the final whistle. Defeat has often been snatched from the jaws of victory by an untimely lapse in concentration.

WEEKEND

The weekend provides an opportunity to recharge the batteries and to plan for next week. Enjoy some exercise and fresh air to prepare for the third week. A good work out will help you to sleep soundly, to build up stamina and endurance and to maintain your concentration for the last lap. Enjoy a few good nights’ rest so that your mind and body are fully alert for the remaining papers. Organise your revision sessions for daylight hours. Don’t burn the mid-night oil but go to bed early. Go over the tips and predictions for your remaining subjects. Resist the temptation to spend endless hours cramming course material. Scan your notes on the eve of any remaining paper so that the key concepts are fresh in your mind.

APPROACH

Maintain your disciplined and organised approach over the remaining days. Avoid late night socialising with those who have finished the exam. Keep your distance from alcohol as you’ll need a clear head and lots of energy for the task ahead. Eat well as good nutrition is important in week three to avoid energy loss. Keep your fluid levels high to avoid dehydration.

PERFORMANCE

Candidates have performed very well during the past fortnight. Keep up the good work and bring your exam to a successful conclusion in your remaining subjects. Use your free days wisely. Stay positive and be confident in your ability to do well in next week’s papers. Take it subject by subject and bring the curtain down on a stellar performance.

CHECKLIST

- 140,457 for the state exams, 61,632 (Leaving Cert), 4,512 (LCA), 74,313 (Junior Cycle)
- In Kerry, 1,711 entered for the Leaving Cert, 143 for LCA and 2,217 for Junior Cycle
- The optional subjects are now centre stage in the state exams
- Use the remaining non-exam days for revision
- Candidates who have papers in weeks three and four must guard against exam fatigue
- Keep a lid on your impatience and stay in exam mode
- Remain as motivated, focussed and energetic as you were on 4th June
- Prepare a plan of work for the remaining subjects
- An exercise programme will help you to sleep soundly
- Organise your revision sessions for daylight hours
- Don’t burn the mid-night oil but go to bed early
- Resist the temptation to spend endless hours cramming course material
- Eat well in week three to avoid energy loss
- Keep your fluid levels high to avoid dehydration
- Stay positive and be confident in your ability to do well
- CAO ‘Change of Mind’ Form closes at 5pm on Tuesday, 1st July
- Leaving Cert results will be published on Friday, 22nd August
- CAO Round One offers will be available at 2pm on Wednesday 27th August

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RATHMORE | GNEEVEGUILLA PARISH

By Michael O' Mahony

SHARE THE BUCKET

Gneeveguilla Community Facility Group reminds you that Share the Bucket takes place weekly. The draw is every Friday evening in Teach Fáilte @8.30 pm and can be viewed live on our Gneeveguilla Community Facility Group Facebook Page. This week's jackpot was €209 and the winner was Cormac Collins. Tickets cost €2 each or 3 for €5. They are available at Teach Fáilte and can be bought online at <https://tinyurl.com/y2ade5om.or> in local businesses where you see the Green Share the bucket.

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

SYMPATHIES to Liz & Kevin Buckley & family on the death of Liz's father Timothy (Teddy) Leader whose funeral took place on Thursday 1st May in Kilcorney.

To Eileen (Dineen), Breda (Cronin) and Margaret (O'Leary) & families on the death of their mother Margaret (Madge) Crowley, (nee O'Callaghan), Inches, Rathmore. Madge's funeral took place in Tuesday 3rd June in Rathmore

To Pat Breen and Hannah Fitzgerald & families on the death of their sister Bridget (Biddy) Breen, Nohoval, Rathmore & Bolomore, Rathcoole, Co. Cork. Bridget was laid to rest on Thursday 5th June in Nohoval Cemetery May Timothy, Madge & Biddy rest in peace

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Our Adults train on Fridays from 7pm to 8pm on Fridays and on Sunday mornings, new or returning players are welcome to training, if you are new to the area, have returned home from college or want to return to fitness, we would be interested in hearing from you. If you want to check if you are eligible to play with our club please give us a call. Please contact our Chairperson Catherine on 083 3498778 or our Club Secretary Maura on 085 1450533

Good luck to our U12, 13, 14 & 15 Teams who will be playing in the Summer Leagues over the Summer months, there is a lot of football on offer for all players. Best of Luck to our Junior Player Katie Horgan for the Inter County Championship, Katie is on the Cork Senior Panel for 2025. Thank you to

Denis Brosnan Plastering Services for sponsoring a set of Jerseys for our new U6 Nursery Programme, please support those who support us

BUS TO KNOCK from Boherbue & Kiskeam on Wednesday 25th June. To reserve a seat contact Philomena (087) 7500151.

RALLY FOR LIFE will be held on Saturday 5th July in Dublin, assembling at 1.30p.m. in Parnell Square. To book a seat on the Kerry bus ring (087) 6590551.

TIDY TOWNS ADJUDICATOR

With the impending arrival of the Tidy Towns Adjudicator expected over the next few weeks, we would ask all house holders to make a special effort outside their houses to ensure it is presented at its very best. Please ensure if you are a dog owner that you take on your responsibilities associated with dog fouling on footpaths and park. We appreciate and thank you for your assistance and co-operation.

WEST KERRY PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES

September 14th – 19th. The Parishes of Dingle, Baile an Fheirtéaraigh, Annascauld Castlegregory are organising a Pilgrimage to Lourdes. Spiritual director Fr Michael Moynihan PP, Dingle. Cost €969.

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NOTES

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



Best wishes to 6th class pupils Grace O'Sullivan and Laura Cronin from Shrone N.S. as they transition to secondary school.

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KILCUMMIN PARISH

Written by: Helen Moynihan

KILCUMMIN PARENTS ASSOCIATION QUIZ will take place in Kilcummin GAA Club on Thursday, June 19th at 7.30pm. Adult Teams €40, Primary/Secondary €20. Raffle tickets €2 or 3 for €5. Lots of prizes to be won on the night. All welcome.

KILCUMMIN LOOKING GOOD

Kilcummin Looking Good are hosting a Coffee Morning on Sunday, June 15th at 12pm in Kilcummin Recreation Hall to support the 2025 'Jingle & Mingle' event. Donations of home baking & confectionary items can be dropped to the Recreational Hall the evening before from 7-8pm. All Welcome.

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TRIP TO KNOCK

Parish Pilgrimage to Knock on Sat 14th June, leaving Kilcummin Village @7am. Cost of bus €30.00, Food/refreshments in Gort (optional). For booking please contact Kilcummin Post Office.

KILCUMMIN HOSPICE WALK

The organisers of the Kilcummin Hospice walk wish to thank all those who supported the Good Friday walk in any way. A special word of thanks to Louise Ni Mhuirheartaigh for her presence on the day. A total of €2,921.68 was raised and has been forwarded to the Kerry Hospice Foundation and will be used for services in the Palliative Care unit at UHK. A special mass for all those names added to the memory book will be held in Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Kilcummin on Thursday, June 19th at 7.30pm.

KILCUMMIN GAA BY DONAL BARRY PRO

SENIOR COUNTY LEAGUE DIV 1

Kilcummin made it three wins on the bounce in Division 1 of Credit Union County Football League on Sunday when they claimed a vital two points after they defeated Spa 1-21 to 2-11.

The win all but secures the teams participation in the top tier for another season as they move to the 10-point mark in the table but will be anxious to keep their good form going with games to come against Glenflesk and Beaufort. Despite making a bright opening with points from Paul O'Shea, Philip O'Leary, Mark O'Shea and Cian Lynch seeing Kilcummin take an early 0-4 to 0-2 lead it was Spa through their own purple patch that led at the end of the opening quarter 1-7 to 0-4. If Spa owned the opening quarter, it was the away side that owned the second quarter as Kilcummin kept the hosts scoreless and with the help of a Philip O'Leary goal and five unanswered points Kilcummin held a two-point lead at the break 1-9 to 1-7. Matt Keane doubled the lead on resumption with a 2 pointer before another 2-pointer from Mark O'Shea saw them push 1-13 to 1-8 clear by the 40th minute. A Spa goal aided by a late scoring spree reduced the gap to just two points with 57 minutes remaining before a Brendan Kealy free settled the ship late on before points from Cian Foley and a brace by Matt Keane secured victory.

SENIOR COUNTY LEAGUE DIV 7B

Meanwhile in Division 7B Kilcummin are back on top of the eight team

group following a facile win over St Michaels/Foilmore on Saturday evening at home

UP FOR THE MATCH

On Friday 20th June we are holding a Feile "Up for the Match Night" at the Clubhouse from 7.30pm. It will run until 9pm when the team will be presented to the crowd. During the hour we will have a number of guest interviews along with members of the local Scor team who won Club of the Year recently. Also at the end of the evening the Feile team will be introduced to the club and it would be great to see as many as possible attend this club event.

U12 COUNTY LEAGUE PHASE 2

Kilcummin Green & Red Teams vs Ballyduff. We were back in action this week for our third Phase 2 Go-Game match in the U12 County League, taking on a strong Ballyduff side with both our Green and Red teams. As always, games between these teams are competitive, skilful, and full of heart—and this time was no different. Our Green team had another close encounter against a physically strong and skilful Ballyduff, a team we've had close games with in recent times. It was great to see our older group of players getting the chance to play together and really show what they're about. The attitude across the team was top-class from start to finish. There were excellent performances all over the pitch, but a special shout-out goes to Daniel McGuire, who was rock-solid in defence all game. Also, huge credit to Conor Murphy in goals—he's really settling into the role and made some excellent saves to keep things tight. Our Red team were excellent and put in a brilliant all-round performance to pick up a well-earned win. Everyone played their part, and the teamwork and foot-passing on display were really impressive. Conor Doyle had a great game in goal, pulling off some top saves. Ronan O'Leary was a powerhouse at the back, and Cillian O'Dwyer had a fine game in midfield. A big thanks to Ballyduff for two really sporting games. Also, to Rory and Jack, our TY referees.

O'BRIEN CUP

Congratulations to Connemara Gaels GAA Club in Boston especially Sean O'Leary, Dara O'Callaghan and Damien Doolan (Management). It was the first time since 2016 that the club last achieved the feat. Great to see so much Kilcummin involvement.

GAA LOTTO

There was no winner of our lotto on Monday 2nd June for the Jackpot of €2,500. Numbers drawn were 12,20,25,27. Consolation prizes of €50 went to Sheila McCarthy; Kevin O'Riordan; Jennifer Casey; Danny O'Leary. Our next draw will be on Monday 16th June for Jackpot of €2,750.

NOTES

If anyone has anything they want to add to our club notes please contact Donal by emailing pro.kilcummin.kerry@gaa.ie or Text/WhatsApp 087-7023681 before 8pm on Sundays.

MASTERGEEHA F.C.

LOTTO

There was no winner on Friday 6th June 2025 of the Jackpot €7,800. Numbers drawn were 01,03,05,22. Consolation prizes of €50 went to Philip, Elaine, Ada & Abbie Kelly; Ada, Abbie & Ellen Kelly; Dan O'Sullivan, Dooneen; Mary Carroll, Maulyarkane. The next draw will be on Friday 13th June for Jackpot of €8,000.

BEAUFORT PARISH

By Bridget Hartnett

RESULTS

Kerins O'Rahilly's 2.17 Beaufort 0.10 in senior Co League, round 9, Div. 6
Beaufort 1.16 Austin Stacks 1.20 in senior Co League, Div.1.

LOTTO

There was no winner of Beaufort G.A.A. Club lotto jackpot of €6,200 on Sunday, 8th June. Numbers: 4, 8, 10, 21. Consolation Prizes: €80 Olivia Brosnan, Deelish Park, Marie O'Rourke, Coolmagort, Brendan and Aoihbhe O'Connor c/o Cappaganeen, Paudie Casey, Black Valley. The next draw

for a jackpot of €6,400 will be on Sunday, 22nd June. Thank you to everybody who support our lotto.


GOLF CLASSIC

Beaufort GAA Club annual Golf Classic will be held on Friday, 13th June in Beaufort Golf Club. It is a 3 person team event, 2 best stable-ford scores at each hole. GUI/ILGU handicaps. Entry fee €200 per team. Tee Box €50. To book time or tee box, please contact Colm at 087 6737414 or colmkellymedia@gmail.com

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GLENFLESK PARISH

Written by: Sean Daly

KERRY U14'S

Hard luck to Anna Lenihan and the Kerry U14's who were beaten by Dublin in the All Ireland Gold Final held in Nenagh last weekend. A great achievement to wear the Kerry jersey and get to the All Ireland Final.

KERRY MINORS

Well done to Liam O'Brien and the Kerry Minors on their win against Cavan in the All Ireland Quarter Final on a scoreline of 0:14 to 1-9. Liam came off the bench and added the insurance point five minutes into added time.

EOGHAN RUADH

Well done to Glenflesk boys Danny Healy, Jason Culloty, Tiernan Cronin, Micheal O'Donoghue, Sean Angland, Colm Kelly & Dara O Sullivan representing Eoghan Ruadh U14's against Castleisland District, winning on a score line of 5-11 to 5-8.

NOTES

If you would like anything added in the notes, please email to pro.glenflesk.kerry@gaa



Glenflesk boys Danny Healy, Jason Culloty, Tiernan Cronin, Micheal O'Donoghue, Sean Angland, Colm Kelly & Dara O Sullivan representing Eoghan Ruadh U14's v Castleisland District in Fitzgerald Stadium winning on a score line of 5-11 to 5-8.

LISTRY PARISH

Written by: Colette Leslie

LOTTO

Jackpot €9,750. Numbers Drawn: 4, 10, 23, 24. Not Won. €100 Gerard O Connor, Kilcummin. €50 Christina Murphy, Faha. €50 Alison & Grandkids, Listry. €25 Cathal O Shea, Lissivane. €25 Kevin & Margaret Rockfield. Jackpot next week 15/06/2025 €10,000

U11S

Listry have been invited to the ever-popular Dylan Crowley Memorial Blitz in Gneevuilla on Saturday, June 14th – a fantastic event that the players are sure to enjoy.

U12S

Their final County League fixture is scheduled for Monday, 16th June away to Spa.

U14S

The U14 team will play Spa at home in the East Kerry U13 League June 18th.

U16S

Best of luck to U16 team who commence the County League, on Thursday, June 19th, with an away trip to Laune Rangers.

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MONEY MATTERS.....

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

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

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KILLARNEY VALLEY AC

enjoy Successful Trip to Waterford

Killarney Valley AC had a very successful two days in Waterford last weekend. Seven provincial medals were achieved for the younger team members one gold and six bronze medals. Competition was of a very high standard with thirty competitors taking part from Killarney valley ac in Waterford. Personal bests and high placings were recorded from all competing members over the weekend.

Olamide Smith won the u/13 long jump in a length of 4.53m for the up-and-coming athlete. Olamide also took the bronze medal in the u/13 80m in 11.33.

In the long jump pairs u/11 Charlie J Kelliher and James Doody took bronze.

Lucy Devane in the u/12 High jump was third.

Kayla O'Sullivan was third in the 60m in 9.11.

Teagan Lyne was third in u/13 60m hurdles in 10.53.

Swarbrick was third in the u/13 javelin.

The photos include u/13 gold medallist Olamide Smith who is judged to be an up and coming long jump prospect with u/13 60m hurdler Teagan Lyne.

These athletes now have qualified for the all-Ireland national track and field outdoor championships.

This weekend coming the older teenage athletes will be in action in the Munster championships also in the MTU (Munster technological university) in Cork. Over 35 athletes are entered in various disciplines.



Killarney Valley AC Athletes who won medals at the weekend.

2025 Season Another Successful Year for Gleneagle Squash Club

Gleneagle Squash Club's Final Competition of the Year took Place last Thursday and as usual did not disappoint, with Ireland international Paul O'Brien and his team pitted against Arthur Murphy's team.

First up on the night was Karina Murphy against Eabha Lynch. Eabha, a junior who has made massive strides this season, was the favourite as Karina was in her beginning of her squash journey. Eabha's dedication to training was evident on the night but Karina had some great scores to keep Eabha on her toes. Eabha won out, securing vital points for Team Paul.

Second up was Josh Moore playing Noreen Tobin. Noreen's skill and precise squash was a great spectacle, and Josh was up against it. The match was a very tight affair, but Josh's powerful squash got the better of Noreen and Josh came out the winner. Now Team Paul led two - zero.

Next up for team Paul was Eamonn Bowler and for team Arthur, Ray O'Callaghan, trying to keep each team's hopes alive. Ray (the slight favourite) went into a two - nil lead and was under the impression he was home and dry. Eamonn was having none of it and put the match back at two games a piece. The fifth game was a cracker and looked like Ray was going to lose the night at a score of 10-7 to Eamonn. A few costly mistakes by Eamonn allowed Ray back in, and the game went to 14-13 in Ray's favour. Sadly the cursed tin (don't you just love the Squash jargon!) was Eamon's enemy.

The Penultimate game was not played as Ignacy Truchan had to forfeit and James Cahill gmaking it two a piece in matches, leaving it to the captains to battle for the Season finale.

Paul, who has represented Ireland this year, was hot favourite. Arthur, a great clubman, was not going to let it happen too easy. Paul took the first game, but Arthur had chances to take it. Arthur dug deep and brought the match even at one a piece. This was Paul's cue to turn on the afterburners and took the next two games and winning the night for his

team.

We would like to thank Brendan Counihan and Sons Ltd for their sponsorship and great prizes this month. As this is the end of our season, we would also like to thank the Gleneagle Leisure Team: Eoin, Dieter, Lisa, Matthew, Jack, Eabha, Gordon, Eamonn and colleagues. We would also like to thank the committee and coaches for the ongoing support. The club is growing every year, and we have active Ladies, Beginners and Junior coaching during the season. Coaching will Commence again in September but the club is open all year round so any enquiries contact the Gleneagle Leisure reception for information.



At the presentation of prizes of the Gleneagle Squash Club monthly competition sponsored by Brendan Counihan & Sons Plant Hire were front from left, Eamonn Bowler, Paul O'Brien (Captain of winning team), Brendan Counihan (sponsor), Eabha Lynch, Hannah and Joanne McCarthy. Back from left are Connie Doyle, Nicole Murphy, Tim O'Leary, Karina Murphy, Mike Crowley, Chairman, Arthur Murphy, James Cahill, Mary O'Callaghan, Paudie McCarthy, Noreen Tobin, Ray O'Callaghan and Josh Moore. Picture: Eamonn Keogh

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Killarney Swimmers with their coach Elaine O'Donoghue.



Killarney Swimming Club members Maro Lucic Kovacevic, Timur Loi, Reece O'Donoghue and Pdraig Quill.

KILLARNEY SWIMMING CLUB

The club had 22 swimmers compete at the Kerry Cluster Kingdom Gala in Tralee last week. The club took home 31 medals and 36 personal bests!

Juan Avila 3rd 100 Free; Aideen Casey 1st 50 Back, 50 Free, 100 IM; Caoimhe Casey 3rd 50 Breast; Robbie Fennelly 2nd 50 Back & 50 Breast; Kaia Ferris 1st 100 Free, 50 Back, 2nd 50 Breast; Derbhla Kiely 2nd 50 Breast, 3rd 100 IM; Timur Loi 1st 50 back, 3rd 50 Free; Maro Lucic Kovacevic 2nd 50 Free, 3rd 50 Breast & 100IM; Kyrilo Lutchenko 3rd 50 Free & 50 Back; Reece O'Donoghue 1st 50 back, 50 Free & 100IM; Ronan O'Leary 1st 50 Back, 2nd 100 IM; Liam O'Mahony 1st 50 Breast, 2nd 100 IM; Nina O'Mahony 1st 50 Back; Pdraig Quill 2nd 100 Free, 50 Breast; 1st 50 Free; Cora Sheehan, 1st 50 Breast, 2nd 50 Free.

FOSSA BRIDGE CLUB

RESULTS 5TH JUNE

N/S

1st: Phyllis O'Regan & Pauline Lyne
2nd: Anne Looney & Michael McHugh
E/W

1st: Marie O'Sullivan Kenmare & Horst Rosler
2nd: Peggy Barrett & Maire O'Sullivan
Congratulations to all.

BEST OF LUCK TO THE KILLARNEY BRIDGE CONGRESS EVENT that is on this weekend (Friday, Saturday and Sunday) at The Castlerosse Hotel.

SUMMER BRIDGE continues every Thursday morning at 10am at The Castlerosse Hotel. All bridge players are welcome.

MUCKROSS ROWING CLUB

REGATTA CANCELLATIONS

The rowing community would be forgiven for thinking that Mother Nature has been lashing out recently with multiple event cancellations due to high winds. A number of June racing fixtures, including regattas in Carlow, Galway and Cork, have all been postponed or cancelled,

due to high winds. Last weekend, the Munster Branch Regatta scheduled for the National Rowing Centre in Cork, became the latest victim on the fixtures calendar. Hopefully we will see more settled conditions returning as the regatta season approaches its peak. Crews are continuing to train hard ahead of some major competition over the remainder of June and July. Last weekend, a number of our Junior 18 crews travelled to the Marina in Cork to avail of the calmer waters there with thanks to our good friends and hosts in Lee Rowing Club.

BOATHOUSE CLEAN UP

Many thanks to all our members and parents of juniors who supported our boathouse clean up last weekend.

UPCOMING

Cork Regatta, Sat-Sun, June 21st-22nd, NRC Farran; Rowing Ireland 1k Classic, Lough Rynn, Sat-Sun June 28-29th; Fermoy Regatta, Sunday, July 6th; Irish Rowing Championships Fri-Sun, July 11-13th.

KILLARNEY VALLEY

ATHLETIC CLUB

The Munster Juvenile U9-U13 T&F Championships were held in Waterford over the weekend and Killarney Valley AC were well represented. A huge thanks to all the supportive parents who made the journey and to our club

team – Alan Delaney, Tim Horgan, Fiona Doody, Declan Casey and Serena Delaney for their dedication and officiating.

Olamide Smith won the U13 Boys Long Jump with a jump of 4.54m and came 3rd in the 80m sprint. Charlie J Kelliher and James Doody came 3rd in the U11 Long Jump Pairs Team. Lucy Devane came 3rd in the U12 High Jump and Kayla O'Sullivan came 3rd in the U12 60m sprint. Teagan Lyne came 3rd in the U13 60m Hurdles. Finian Swarbrick came 3rd in the U13 Javelin. The U12 Girls Relay of Lucy Devane, Chloe O'Sullivan, Lily Horgan, Kayla O'Sullivan and Marcela Piechowiak came 4th overall. The U13 Girls Relay of Aoife Delaney, Kiley Biggins, Sinead Coleman, Teagan Lyne and Lauren Fleming also came 4th overall. Congrats and well done to all. The Summer Camps can now be booked on our website and you have 3 weeks to choose from. 21st -25th July, 28th July – 1st Aug, and 11th Aug – 15th Aug. Book now to avoid any disappointment.

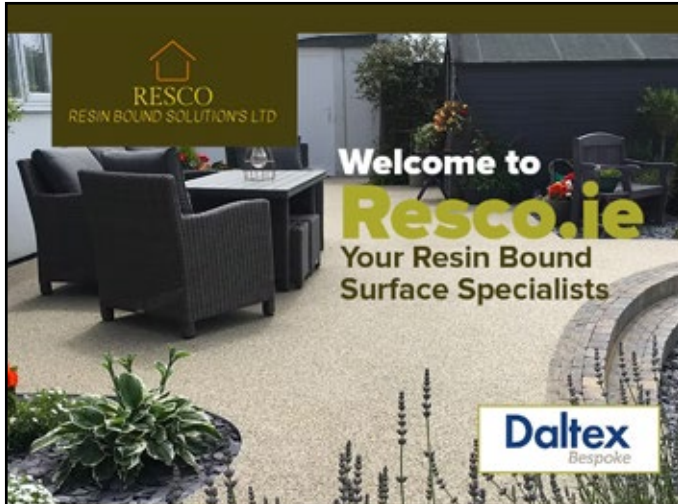
All relevant information on our club is on our website www.killarneyvalleyac.ie.

KILLARNEY JUDO - PARENT'S SHOWCASE

On Monday night, the mats were alive with energy as Killarney Judo Club hosted a spectacular in-house competition, giving proud parents a



St Brendans Rowing Club have bestowed a fabulous honour on Donal Dux O'Donoghue by naming their new boat 'Dux'. The family would like to thank the members of St Brendan's & Fr. Paddy for a great evening & hope the boat brings them plenty of success in the future. Pictured are Dux, with his family, wife Breeda, daughters Laura and Elaine, son Donal Dux Jnr and grandchildren Hollie and Danny Shevlin.



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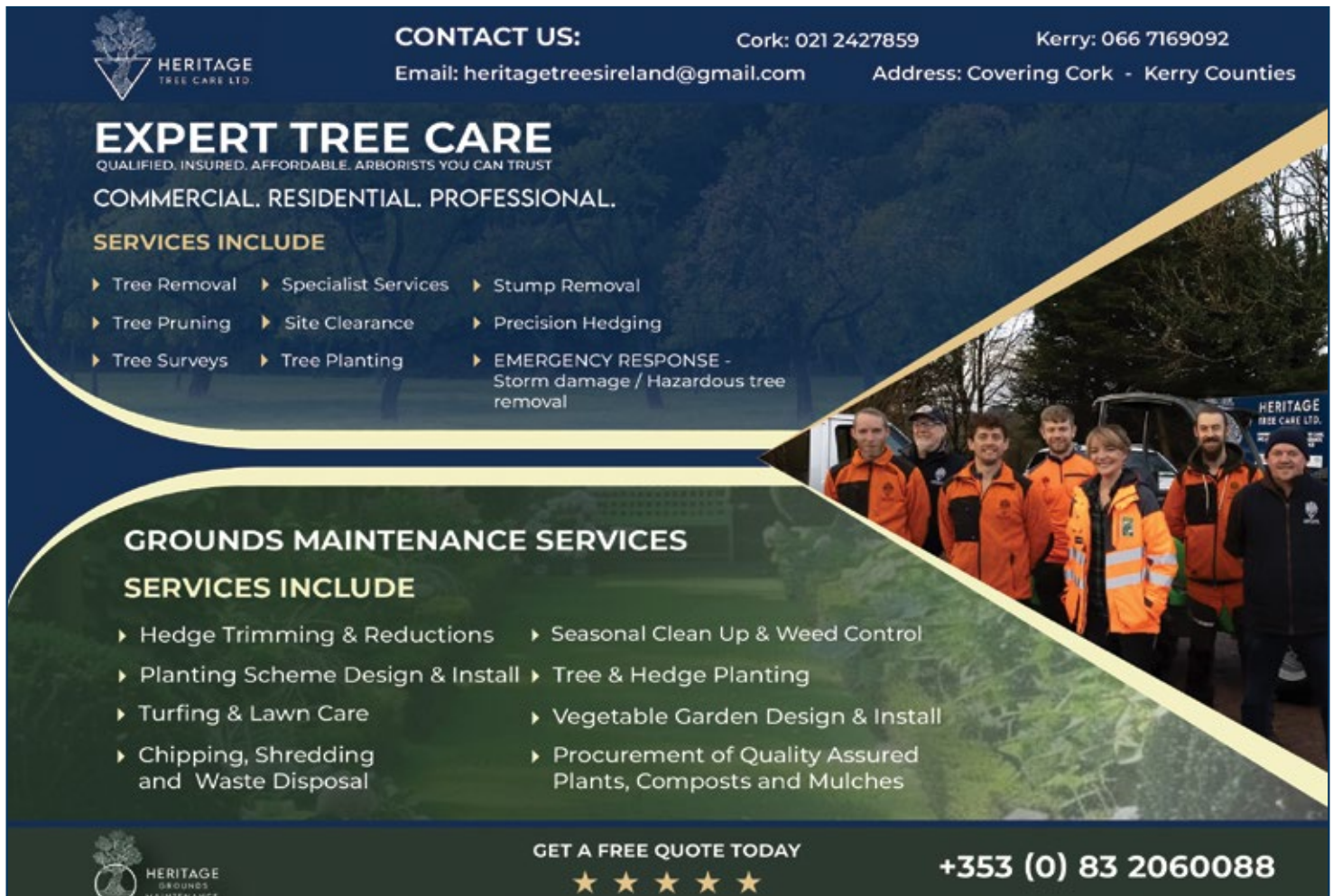
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front-row seat to witness just how much their children have learned over the past year. From dynamic throws to strategic matchups, the evening was a thrilling celebration of talent, growth, and sportsmanship.

For many of our young judoka, it was their very first taste of competition — and they rose to the occasion with courage and determination. Others built on a season of impressive achievements, having already taken home Gold, Silver, and Bronze medals from prestigious events like the Munster Open, Galway Open, All Irelands, and the Interprovincial Team Event.

The action didn't disappoint! Our youngest competitors showed incredible promise, hinting at a bright competitive future, while our older athletes delivered intense, tactical bouts that kept the crowd on the edge of their seats. Knowing each other's moves inside out, these experienced players dug deep, crafting clever strategies and trading rapid-fire throws — many matches coming down to points and split-second timing. It was judo at its best — skill, spirit, and split-second precision.



Killarney Judo Club Members

Michelle Walsh (Bronze), Danielle Walsh (Gold), Emily O'Donoghue De Vries (Silver) and Chloe Maher (Bronze)

Next Monday marks the final class of the term for our children's sessions before we take a well-earned summer break. Interested in joining us next September? Reach out to Tim at 086 260

1591 or visit killarneyjudo.com to learn more. Whether you're new to the sport or dreaming of your first medal, there's a place for you on the mat!



Killarney Judo Club Members

Alan O'Donoghue De Vries (Silver), Ethan Koen (Gold) and Rian Horgan (Bronze)



Killarney Judo Club Members



SINEAD REPRESENTS IRELAND IN EUROPE

Sinead Galvin has just finished her last training session before heading to Rhonda in Spain for the Nations Cup.

"Thanks to Jared at Integrity gym for all his help, now is the time to put in all into practice on court", Sinead told Killarney Outlook. Sinead is up against England, Scotland & Spain. She has also thanked Trudy at Munster badminton and her own club Killarney. "I feel very privileged to be representing Ireland in europe", she added.



Killarney Triathlon Club members taking part in schull triathlon at the weekend.

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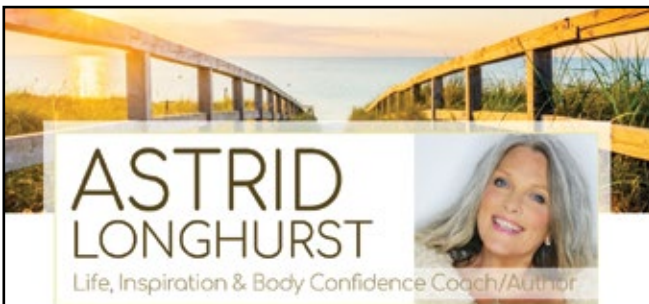
What you need:

- 3 medium slices day-old white bread from a small 400g loaf, torn into pieces
- 800g floury potatoes, such as Desiree or King Edward, peeled and cut into thick chips
- low-calorie cooking spray
- sea salt and freshly ground black pepper
- 4 x 170g skinless and boneless cod fillets
- 2 eggs
- 2 tbsp beer
- small handful of fresh parsley, finely chopped, to serve
- canned mushy peas, to serve
- lemon wedges, to serve

Method

1. Preheat your oven to 220°C/fan 200°C/gas 7. Line two baking trays with baking paper. Whizz the bread in a food processor until crumbed, then transfer to a plate.
2. Boil the chips in lightly salted boiling water for 4-5 minutes, then drain well, return to the pan and cover. Lightly shake to roughen up the chips' edges, then arrange on one of the baking trays in a single layer. Spray with low-calorie cooking spray, season lightly, then bake for 15-20 minutes, or until golden.
3. Meanwhile, season the cod fillets. In a shallow bowl, beat together the eggs and beer. Dip a fillet in the egg mixture, then coat evenly with the breadcrumbs. Transfer to the second baking tray. Repeat with the remaining fillets and bake for 15-20 minutes, or until cooked through and lightly browned.
4. Sprinkle the parsley over the fish and divide between 4 plates. Serve with the chips and plenty of hot mushy peas, plus lemon wedges for squeezing over.

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Personal growth starts with self-awareness. Take time to reflect on what matters most to you, what your strengths are, and where you want to improve. Set realistic goals and celebrate progress, no matter how small.

Being your best also means showing up with integrity, kindness, and consistency. It's about putting effort into your relationships, your work, and especially your own well-being. Sometimes, it means pushing yourself outside your comfort zone; other times, it means knowing when to rest and regroup.

Importantly, being the best you can be includes giving yourself grace. You will have off days, make mistakes, and face challenges—but these moments are part of the journey. Learn from them without being harsh on yourself.

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If you find it difficult to sleep on your back do not sacrifice a good night's sleep as this will be more damaging to your skin. Explore different sleeping positions and invest in a silk pillowcase to allow



your skin slide instead of stretching against the pillow. There are special pillows and masks to support your face while you sleep.

Try to massage your face when you wake up and exercise to increase blood flow to your face and body. Use Dynamic skin sculpting serum with pro-NAD to tighten and lift crepey skin. Apply a cold compress or tea bags to the eyes to stimulate and plump your skin.

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Mindfulness in exercise involves being aware of your body sensations, movements and breathing during activity. This improves focus and technique which in turn leads you to perform exercises at a higher level while reducing the risk of injury. Beyond the gym, mindfulness reduces the stress and anxiety caused by problems in our everyday life. Also, when we are calmer we naturally make more informed and better decisions leading to more efficient living.

When our stress levels are reduced, our sleep patterns move in a more positive direction. This will significantly improve performance in the gym as well as making us more efficient at work or school.

What's the best thing about all of this? Practicing mindfulness is not difficult. Taking a few minutes every day to focus on your breathing or keeping a gratitude journal can make huge differences to your stress levels and shift your mindset in a positive direction. Embrace mindfulness—not just as a practice, but as a way of life.

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Too much sun can damage the eyes. As with skin damage, it is the ultraviolet (UV) radiation from the sun which causes problems.

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Over time, the effects of UV rays may help cause several eye problems.

UV-A

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

UV-B

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

What Eye Problems Can UV Rays Cause?

Macular Degeneration

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

Cataract

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

Pterygium

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

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

Skin Cancer

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

Corneal Sunburn

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

Protecting your eyes from the sun

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

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Minister Foley welcomes confirmation of €920,000 in funding for Kerry County Council to upgrade housing for people with disabilities

Minister for Children, Disability, Equality and Kerry T.D Norma Foley has welcomed confirmation of €920,000 in funding for Kerry County Council to carry out adaptations, extensions and other improvements to its existing social housing stock.

This Disabled Persons Grant will ensure homes are adapted to allow older people and those with disabilities to continue living independently, while also providing funding for major modifications such as extensions to relieve overcrowding.

This scheme funds essential home modifications for people with mobility or disability needs. These include minor adaptations like stair-lifts, ramps, and grab rails, larger projects such as extensions to reduce overcrowding as well as creating accessible spaces like a downstairs



bedroom, en-suite, or wet-room.

The funding also extends to Improvement Works in Lieu scheme which allows works to be carried out on a privately owned house where the applicant has been approved for social housing.

Kerry County Council are getting €829,127 in funding and will make a contribution of €92,125 from their own budget, bringing the total budget to over €920,000.

Minister Foley said:

I welcome confirmation of this funding which will have a huge impact on the quality of life of many older people and people with disabilities throughout county Kerry."

HSE South West provides updates on health and social care services in Kerry to Regional Health Forum

HSE South West has provided updates on a range of issues relating to the delivery of health and social care services in Kerry, to local authority members of the Regional Health Forum.

The Regional Health Forum comprises of representatives from Kerry County, Cork City, and Cork County Councils, as well as local authorities from the South East within the functional area of each Forum.

Here are some of the issues related to the Killarney area:

Disability Respite Service

– Raised by Cllr Marie Moloney

"HSE South West Disability Services is acutely aware of the demand for respite services and has significantly invested in respite in recent years. The type and quantum of respite has been increased each year to meet the assessed needs and preferences of as many people as possible. In 2019, funding of €6.4m was allocated to respite services in Cork and Kerry, and in 2024 the allocated funding was €12.4m - representing an almost 100% increase in funding allocation for respite services in the six-year period. HSE South West Disability Services continues to invest in respite services, proactively seeking alternative respite models and using all available funding to provide respite services for all children and adults who require them. We are also working with service providers to create new residential and alternative respite supports for children and

adults in 2025 and we welcome any additional funding to continue to invest in these vital services.

HSE South West Disability Services provide a range of alternative respite models for children and adults. These include afterschool clubs, in-home support for children and adults, outreach supports and holiday breaks for adults. These options ensure that respite is provided in the manner which best meets the needs of children/adults and their families."

Vacant HSE Properties in Kerry

– Raised by Cllr Deirdre Ferris

"The HSE locally is working through the Land Development Agency and the Department of Public Expenditure Delivery and Reform process for the disposal of properties which are surplus to requirements.

As a matter of policy, no property is disposed of until there is absolute certainty that there is no alternative State use for that property. If, at the end of that process, no alternative State use has been identified for the property, it will be offered for sale on the open market."

Primary Care Centre on the grounds of the Áras Phádraig

– Raised by Cllr Marie Moloney

"The HSE wish to confirm that they are fully committed to building a Primary Care Centre on the grounds of Áras Phádraig. There have

been several previous attempts to provide a Primary Care facility in Killarney, with little positive results.

The provision of a Primary Care facility on the grounds of Áras Phádraig site was a joint venture planning application with Kerry County Council. Both the HSE and Kerry County Council officials are of the opinion that the provision of the Theatre and a Primary Care facility on the same site in an urban setting will be complementary to each development, from a planning and sustainability view point. Once planning permission has been successful, it will take approximately three years to complete."

Future use of the current Community Hospital/St Columbanus campus in Killarney

– Raised by Cllr Marie Moloney

"The new Minor Injury Unit which is planned for the Kerry area will be located in the grounds of the St Columbanus Home/Killarney Community Hospital campus. The space requirements and needs of the services in the Kerry area are currently being reviewed by HSE Estates, in conjunction with service management and Public Health. We await the outcome of this review and it will inform any decision on the future use of the remaining available space on the Killarney Community Hospital/ St Columbanus campus."



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IRISH BANKS SHOULD DO THE RIGHT THING and pass on ECB rate cuts to fixed term mortgage holders - MEP Kelleher

"Quite frankly, I don't accept the arguments coming from Irish banks that because they were slower to increase mortgage interest rates, they don't need to pass on ECB reductions in their fixed rate mortgage business," said Fianna Fáil MEP Billy Kelleher.

Kelleher, a member of the European Parliament's Economic and Monetary Affairs (ECON) Committee, was commenting after the ECB reduced its interest rate by 25 basis points to a new rate of 2%.

"There are thousands of mortgage holders who took out fixed rate loans in 2021 that are coming to an end. Many of these loans had interest rates in the 2-3% range.

"If a homeowner had a mortgage for €300,000, with 20 years remaining, at a fixed rate of 2.5%, their current monthly repayment would be €1589. If the best rate they can get is 3.2% when

their fixed term ends, their monthly repayment will rise to €1693, and their cost of credit will rise by over €25,000 from €81,500 to €106,557 over the term of their mortgage.

"At present, it's next to impossible to get a fixed term rate for less than 3% so for these customers they will see a major rise in their monthly mortgage repayments unless the Irish banks do the right thing and offer lower fixed-term interest rates.

"Irish banks are doing very well right now with significant profits being reported. Ireland's economy relies on everyone playing their part and banks must do their part and help take the foot off the necks of hard-pressed mortgage holders.

"Unnecessarily high interest rates only create long term difficulties for banks due to some customers not being able to repay their



mortgages. The banks should be seeking to avoid this as much as possible, especially as mortgage impairments are slowly creeping up already.

"I am urging the banks to think about the big picture and give these fixed term mortgage holders a break, and to support the overall Irish economy by playing fair when the ECB cuts its rates.

"And my message to mortgage holders would be to shop around. The Central Bank has introduced rules to make switching easier, so use your consumer power and support the competition in the market," concluded Kelleher.

EU proposals could lead to a RENTAL CAR SHORTAGE IN IRELAND which will hurt rural tourism in Kerry



Ní Mhurchú raises significant concerns about a shortage of rental cars and the impact this would have on rural tourism. Her concerns come as the EU Commission considers forcing rental car companies to switch to electric vehicles in a shorter timeframe.

As the summer season kicks off in Ireland, Ireland South MEP Cynthia Ní Mhurchú has called on the EU Commission to clarify their proposals that would force rental car companies to switch their entire fleet over to electric vehicles

in a very short period of time.

Ní Mhurchú, who is a high-ranking member of the EU Tourism taskforce, said there is no charging capacity currently available to car rental operators at Dublin Airport, but 52% of all car rentals in Ireland originate from Dublin airport.

"Forcing car rental companies to go electric before we have the necessary infrastructure in place will damage rural tourism by making rental cars more expensive and less available"

"I am 100% in favour of the switch to electric vehicles but if we put the cart before the horse in this case, we will hurt rural tourism in areas such as Clare, Cork, Kerry, Wexford and beyond. That means lost jobs for coastal communities and that is something I cannot stand over"

Ní Mhurchú welcomed existing targets that all new cars purchased from January 2035 be zero emission cars. Her concerns are around the news that the EU Commission is now considering

the introduction of mandatory electric vehicle quotas for corporate fleets ahead of the 2035 deadline as part of legislative initiative to be published by the end of 2025. This would mean that rental car companies would have to switch to electric before the 2035 deadline.

According to Ní Mhurchú, the car rental industry in Ireland could not cope with such a burden and it would ultimately lead to less rental cars at a higher price.

"We need to learn to walk before we can run and yes, car rental companies should go electric but we need to invest in the charging infrastructure across Europe first, in particular at Dublin airport where 52% of all rentals come from. We are making strides in developing the infrastructure, with Minister O'Brien announcing a large investment in charging infrastructure last week, but it takes time."

"Irish tourism depends heavily on the car rental sector. Rental


cars allow tourists to travel to remote parts of Ireland, where there isn't the necessary charging infrastructure. Tourists would be dependent on public charging points, and we just don't have enough in rural and remote parts of Ireland, as things stand"

The Car Rental Council of Ireland, cite higher maintenance costs of electric vehicles and argue that the average cost of renting an electric car is currently 33% higher than the average cost of renting a traditional car in Ireland. That average cost includes the current VRT relief.

Similar proposals to those now being considered by the EU Commission have already been rejected by the incoming German government, as well as in Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Czechia, Finland, Italy and Slovakia. Ní Mhurchú has called on the EU Commission to clarify their position and what impact any such proposals and new timelines would have on Irish Tourism.

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The holiday season can mean high temperatures, increased stress levels and extra demands on your car – so here are our seasonal tips to help with the challenges of summer driving.

PUNCTURES

If your tyres are already damaged or they're at the wrong pressure, the higher temperatures of summer will increase the risk of a blowout. Make sure you check tyres regularly – for condition and pressures – and increase pressures to suit extra loads, as advised in your handbook. Check caravan tyres too, and replace those that show any signs of cracking in the sidewall or tread grooves.

HEAVY TRAFFIC

During the summer you may encounter heavier traffic on the roads, as more people travel during this time to go on holiday. Here are our 6 tips on how to stay safe in the traffic this summer:

1. Drive defensively

Driving defensively means being able to 'expect the unexpected'. In heavy traffic, someone might cut you off or a motorbike may come filtering past you between lanes. Be aware of what's happening around you to avoid dangerous situations.

2. Remove distractions

Driving in heavy traffic requires you to be more alert and focussed, so keep your eyes on the road and both hands on the steering wheel at all

times. Checking your phone is illegal while driving and adjusting your car's infotainment system is distracting, so avoid doing this while stuck in traffic.

3. Plan ahead

Planning your journey ahead of time may help you avoid heavy traffic. Leaving early to avoid peak traffic hours and being prepared for unexpected delays can also help keep you calm during your trip. The AA route planner can help you find the best route to your destination when traffic is heavy.

4. Keep a safe distance

It's important to keep a safe distance from other cars so you'll have enough time to respond and slow down in an emergency. A safe following distance is 3 seconds behind the car ahead of you.

5. Drive at a safe speed

When traffic is heavy, you may need to keep your speed below the displayed speed limit. By slowing down you'll have enough time to brake and avoid a collision if traffic ahead of you stops suddenly.

6. Remain calm (and avoid road rage)

Heavy traffic can cause agitation which could lead to an accident. Try not to drive while tired and remember that other drivers are going through the same stress. Angry driving and road rage can also increase your fuel consumption and cost you more money. Check out our monthly fuel price report. Plan regular breaks as this can help to relieve your tension and give you the chance to stretch your legs, and perhaps even enjoy a cup of tea or coffee.

OVERHEATING

Cooling systems are under more strain in high temperatures, so issues are more likely to be exposed when it's hot. It's important to check the coolant regularly to avoid overheating.

It's not just the car that can overheat, so it's important to keep kids, pets and yourself cool in the car in summer. You can do this in the following ways:

Put a sun shield over the back windows – this will help keep the sun off the passengers in the back of the car and will keep some of the heat out. Have iced water in the car – this will help keep all passengers refreshed and hydrated throughout the drive.

Use the air conditioning – driving with the A/C on will help keep the internal temperature of the car nice and cool.

Try to park in the shade – if you stop along your drive, try to find a shady parking spot to avoid the sun heating up the car.

Use a windscreen shade when parked because most of the heat enters the car through the glass. Glare.

Dazzle from the sun can reduce visibility, but you can lessen the effect by keeping your windscreen nice and clean. Replace worn or damaged windscreen wipers to keep your screen clear and read our top tips on how to wash a car.

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Opel's Kadett C, first launched in 1973, became a huge sales success for the German car maker, paving the way for decades of compact family stars from the blitz brand. Initially available as a neat family car with two or four doors, a caravan with three doors, an elegant coupé or a powerful amateur sports car, in 1975, Opel revolutionised family motoring by releasing the Opel Kadett City hatchback variant. Celebrating its 50th anniversary in 2025, the Kadett City has bestowed all its star-selling qualities to the current Astra generation.

With a clearly defined body and a new double wishbone front axle, the rear-wheel-drive Kadett C made its debut in late summer 1973. Characteristic design features included the flat radiator grille, the front apron designed

to form a spoiler, and the bonnet with the brand's typical crease, now seen on all modern-day Opel models. But all this was not enough for those responsible at Opel at the time. They wanted to offer customers even more choice and at the same time further increase the practical benefits. As such, the new Opel Kadett City was born in 1975.

The City model inspired with its sleek lines and sporty design, thanks to optional 13" ATS alloys and 185mm tyres. Large windows provided plenty of light and a good all-round view and increased the feel-good atmosphere for passengers and safety in equal measure.

The most striking feature compared to the other Kadett variants was the large tailgate in the compact car, a car that measured just 3.9m

THE OPEL KADETT CITY TURNS 50

in length. Infinitely practical, new possibilities were opened up for families and working people looking for a compact, but functional car with a large boot. The sloping tailgate made it easy and convenient to load the Kadett City. This was all the easier because it could be opened with the little finger thanks to a gas spring lifter that was newly developed at the time. Thanks to the intelligent rear construction of the body without inward protrusions, the flat loading area was fully usable. When even more space for luggage, work materials or other things was required, the rear seat backrest could be folded forward in two simple steps and thus almost double the load space without further ado.

"It not only easily swallows the largest bags from the supermarket, but also complete mountaineering or diving equipment, according to the sporting inclinations of its owner. The car, which shows off its manoeuvrability and easy loadability in everyday use, also offers the driving performance and comfort for leisure trips to the mountains or the sea." With these words, Opel advertised the Kadett City when it was launched.

By 1979, the extremely successful Kadett C generation, and with it the Kadett City, had rolled off the production line as the last Opel

compact class model with rear-wheel drive. The successor was already ready and heralded a new compact class era at Opel: the Kadett D debuted in the same year as the brand's first front-wheel drive model.

Today, the current Astra generation seamlessly continues the success story of the compact class bestsellers from Opel, which began many decades ago with the Kadett. Opel's latest compact class bestseller is produced at Opel's headquarters in Rüsselsheim. The sporty, elegant five-door and the practical Astra Sports Tourer estate, offer the right solution for almost every need. Available with a variety of powertrains like no other model in the Opel portfolio, from efficient combustion engines, to full-electric, hybrid and plug-in hybrid, the Opel Astra offers a powertrain to suit all customers. The latest Astra thus continues Opel's tradition of always offering customers the right solution for their mobility needs; practical, efficient and at the same time packaged in a design that stirs emotion.

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The winners were :-

1st: Barry O'Grady 37 (12)

2nd: Michael O'Keeffe 36 (12)

Division 1

1st: Ryan Scott 36 (9)

2nd: David MacIndoe 34 (3)

Division 2

1st: Jerry O'Brien 35 (17)

2nd: Jer Lenihan 35 (18)

DIVISION 3

1st: Eoin Moriarty 35 (26)

2nd: Conor Corcoran 33 (37)

On Thursday June 5th our Seniors held a 10 hole stableford competition.

The winners were :-

1st: Mike O'Leary 23 pts (11)

2nd: Dermot O'Connor 22pts (9)

3rd: Donal Doherty 22 pts (11)

4th: Gerard Murphy 16 pts (10)

On Friday 6th we held our Friday Evening Mixed 10 hole scramble and again this was very well supported

The winners were:-

1st: Donie Broderick, Brian O'Keeffe, Muireann Hayes, Eoin Moriarty.

2nd: Daniel Cronin, Lucas Cronin, Mgt O'Donoghue, Sean Hickey.

3rd: Peter Wickham, Tadhg O'Mahony, Denis O'Connor, Peg Wickham

FIXTURES

On Friday 13th our Friday evening mixed 10 hole scrambles will continue.

Please get your name on the entry sheet before 5.30pm to enable us to be playing golf by 6pm. No Late entries allowed.

On Saturday 14th and Sunday 15th we will hold a V Par Competition kindly sponsored by Laura Sourke / Bake Killarney.

The usual process applies for tee time bookings for both days.

ROSS LADIES GOLF CLUB

RESULTS OF 18 HOLE & 9 HOLE (CLUB SPONSORED) COMPETITION ON SATURDAY 7TH JUNE. WELL DONE TO EVERYONE WHO PLAYED

18 Hole Results

1st: Elaine Casey

9 Hole Results

1st: Emir Coffey

2nd: Miriam Hickey

3rd: Catriona Shanahan

4th: Mary McGuire

COMPETITIONS

Castlerosse Exchange Day Saturday June 14th Ladies Scramble very kindly sponsored by Anne O'Leary, The Laurels. Meet at Castlerosse at 10.30am

LADIES OPEN DAY

Mark your diaries we will be hosting a Ladies Open Day on Thursday 26th June. Booking is now available via the BRS App.

WEDNESDAY MORNINGS MEET & PLAY

Meet and play every Wednesday morning. Meet

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GOLF LESSONS

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BEAUFORT GOLF CLUB

RESULTS 7TH/8TH JUNE

18 hole Stableford in aid of the 3Ts Charity, sponsored by Tom Tobin, Killarney Medals and Trophies.

Men's Section

1st: Tom Lynch (26) 45 points

2nd: Daniel G O'Sullivan (26) 43 points

3rd: John Looney (15) 41 points

Ladies Section

1st: Mary Jo Coffey (44) 41 points

2nd: Gerr Collins (49) 35 points (b6)

3rd: Maeve Quirke (19) 35 points

NEXT WEEKEND LADIES' COMPETITION is an 18 hole Stableford sponsored by The Great Southern Hotel, Killarney

CASTLEROSSE GOLF CLUB (LADIES)

WEEK : 02/06/25 - 08/06/25

RESULTS OF THIS WEEK'S COMPETITION

18 Hole Stableford

1st: Nora Long

9 Hole Stableford

1st: Nuala Ward

There is no weekly competition this week as there are two exchange days with Beaufort G.C. (Tuesday) and Ross G.C. (Saturday).

SOCIAL GOLF

Social Golf continues on Wednesday morning. Meet at 10.15am to play at 10.30am. Book on BRS.

MIXED SCRAMBLES

Mixed scrambles every Tuesday at 6pm. Visitors welcome.

GOLF LESSONS

Kieran Crehan is available to give golf lessons. Contact Kieran directly on 087 2748777.

KILLARNEY GOLF CLUB (LADIES)

TRALEE GOLF CLUB EXCHANGE DAY ON 8TH JUNE 2025 SPONSORED BY ADAMS OF TRALEE

Winner: Marie Chalk & Emma Loughnane 49pts

2nd: Geraldine Collins & Geraldine Rosney 45pts

3rd: Carmel O'Brien & Marie O'Brien 45pts

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Winner: Eimear O'Donnell & Julie Kelly 44 pts (12)

Runner - Up: Sinead O'Shea & Kate O'Leary 41 pts (18)

NEXT FIXTURE will be 14th & 15th June 2025 kindly sponsored by The Laurels GOY Prize 18 & 11 Hole Single V-Par on Killeen Course.

LADIES OPEN DAY on Thursday 19th June 2025, 3 Person Team Event on Mahony's Point kindly sponsored by The International Hotel.

DEERPARK PITCH & PUTT CLUB

U16 MEET AND GREET

Thanks to everyone who attended our U16 gathering last Saturday morning which featured a talk with the players and their parents as well as a practical demonstration of course etiquette. Thanks to our members who helped out on the morning as well as Shirley and Helena for the wonderful spread of food for all concerned.

SUNDAY DRAWS

Two Ball Betterball- First Nett: Sean O'Brien & Colm O'Dowd 37½, Gross: Gearoid Cronin & Ger Casey 49, Second Nett: John Murphy & James Foley 38½ and Hole-In-One: Bobby Kelly (8th Hole).

SUMMER SERIES

In association with the Flesk Restaurant- Wednesday June 4th Results- Winners: Nathan Cronin, Denis Duggan, Betty O'Brien & Trey Hurley and Runners-Up: Sean Kelly, Jason O'Connor, Fionn McMonagle and Aodhan O'Halloran. Same again every Wednesday this summer at 7pm. €5 per player.

COUNTY STROKEPLAY

Best Wishes to all our players taking part in these events this Sunday in Tralee. A reminder event is dress code.

CLUB MEMBERSHIP

Please note at a recent Committee Meeting it was decided to not consider membership applications for new U18 members from July 1st for the remainder of the 2025 season. We ask anyone U18 and interested in joining to have an application made prior to that date.

WELL DONE to Ben Kelliher and Mark O'Carroll on their involvement in the Kerry Minor Footballers win over Cavan in the All-Ireland Quarter-Final last Saturday.



Deerpark Pitch & Putt Club held an U16 Meet & Greet morning last Saturday for its members and parents where they were given an introduction into the game ahead of the summer season. The group involved are pictured here last Saturday.



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Danielle O'Leary of Kerry in action against Louise Kenny of Armagh during the Lidl Ladies National Football League Division 1 final match between Armagh and Kerry at Croke Park in Dublin in April. Photo by Sam Barnes/Sportsfile

KERRY 0-13 | MAYO 1-4

By Dan Kearney

Danielle O'Leary struck for four points off the bench and Siofra O'Shea also hit four as TG4 All-Ireland champions Kerry overcame a spirited Mayo at Austin Stack Park in this Group 2 Round 1 encounter.

Kerry, playing with a very strong breeze into the Dunnes Stores end of the ground, made the brighter start and found themselves four points to the good after 13 minutes.

Mixing long and short ball into Siofra O'Shea in the full forward line the hosts got off the mark 35 seconds in when midfielder Anna Galvin pointed from distance. Caoimhe Evans found O'Shea with a long ball and she punched over in the sixth minute before adding her second two minutes later following a sweeping move. Aishling O'Connell then popped over through the middle to put Kerry four ahead.

Mayo finally started to get their hands on the ball around the middle of the field, with Erin Murray showing well, and their reward came in the 13th minute when a shot for a point from Hannah Reape fell short and was fielded inside by Clodagh Keane.

Keane's initial effort was blocked by Emma Costello but Knockmore player gathered the rebound and finished expertly past Mary Ellen Bolger.

Kerry responded with Siofra O'Shea's second point of the game, before Hannah Reape responded for the visitors. Carmody slotted over for Kerry, before Julia Gawalkiewicz made a smart save at the feet of the energetic O'Shea.

Sinead Walsh then hit two brilliant individual points for Mayo before Siofra O'Shea struck for her third score of the half, and Kerry's third from outside the big arc, to see the hosts take a tentative 0-7 to 1-3 lead in at half time.

Danielle O'Leary was introduced at half time and pointed a couple of minutes after a fine effort from Niamh Carmody, Kerry taking advantage of the yellow carded Hannah Reape, who saw the

sin bin following a charge into Carmody. Snead Walsh responded with her third of the game from a free, but O'Leary responded for Kerry in the 40th minute with her second of the contest after good work from Ní Chonchúir and Anna Galvin to see Kerry lead by 0-10 to 1-4, the kingdom scoring 3 without reply during Reape's absence. O'Leary struck for her third and Siofra O'Shea added her fourth as a misfiring Mayo failed to add to their second half single score. O'Leary then hit her fourth as Kerry finished comprehensive six-point winners.

Kerry travel to play Munster rivals Cork next Saturday whilst Mayo have a week off before entertaining the rebels on June 21.

Scorers - Kerry: S O'Shea 0-4, D O'Leary 0-4, N Carmody 0-2, A Galvin 0-1, A O'Connell 0-1, K Brosnan 0-1f.

Mayo: S Walsh 0-3 (1f), C Keane 1-0, H Reape 0-1.

KERRY: M.E. Bolger; R Rahilly, E Lynch, F O'Donoghue; A O'Connell, E Costello, C Lynch; M O'Connell, A Galvin; N Carmody, N Ní Chonchúir, C Evans; K Brosnan, J Lucey, S O'Shea. Subs: N Broderick for R Rahilly 28, D O'Leary for K Brosnan, A Dillane for C Lynch (both h/t), N Quinn for J Lucey 52, K O'Connor for N Carmody 58

MAYO: J Gawalkiewicz; L Wallace, N O'Malley, C Durkan; D Caldwell, K Sullivan, S El Massry; H Reape, S Lally; L Hanley, S Walsh, A Flanagan; E Murray, C Keane, C Doherty. Subs: A Geraghty for S E Massry h/t, C Whyte for A Flanagan, A McDonnell for C Doherty (both 42), E Brennan for L Wallace 48, A Gough for H Reape 52.

Referee: Jonathan Murphy (Carlow).

All-Ireland U14 Gold Final Dublin 4-6 | Kerry 1-12

By Anthony Newman

Dublin were crowned All-Ireland U14 Gold champions thanks to a hard-earned win over Kerry at Nenagh Éire Óg GAA Club.

Three early second-half goals in an eight-minute spell turned the game in their favour and they never looked back as they took the title for the first time since 2007.

Both sides had some impressive displays with Kasey Deegan outstanding for the winners as she led by example from start to finish.

Kerry had the first real chance when Aoibhinn O'Driscoll's shot was well saved by Lucy Bourke.

With five minutes gone they did find the back of the net when Edie Corkery hit off the crossbar before bouncing into the net.

O'Connor added a point before Dublin had their first real chance when a shot from Deegan was well blocked by Anna Mangan as she was through on goal.

Dublin got off the mark after 10 minutes when Maisy Healy scored, with Holly Costelloe replying from a free at the other end.

Deegan got Dublin's second point from a free before they were back on level terms.

A great team move, involving Ella Mae Burns and Ruby Cosgrove, put Deegan in to score a goal, making it 1-2 each after 16 minutes.

A free from Edie Corkery put Kerry back in front and Costelloe also pointed from another free, to make it 1-4 to 1-2, with 25 minutes played.

Neither side added to their tally as the Kingdom led by two points at half-time. Just 30 seconds into the second half and Dublin were in front. Deegan picked up the ball and played a superb pass to Cosgrove as she scored their second goal to make it 2-2 to 1-4.

Healy added a point from the restart as Dublin started the second half much the better of the two sides.

Just four minutes in and they had their third goal, when Deegan found the back of the net again. Another soon followed from substitute Ellen Stafford, who was not long on the pitch, to make it 4-3 to 1-4.

Nessa Kirby pulled a point back for Kerry from a free, with Heidi McDonnell replying at the other end for Dublin. Stafford added a point to her goal as Dublin were now playing some great football. Kirby and Stafford exchanged scores to make it 4-6 to 1-6 after 47 minutes.

Kirby pointed another free for Kerry as they finished strongly to narrow the gap. Two more from her, along with a point from Nicole Twiss, made it 4-6 to 1-11.

Anna Lenihan reduced the deficit further, but time ran out as Dublin ran out deserving winners. Scorers - Dublin: K Deegan 2-1 (1f), E Stafford 1-2 (1f), R Cosgrove 1-0, M Healy 0-2 H McDonnell 0-1.

Kerry: E O'Connor 0-1, N Kirby 0-5 (5f), H Costelloe 0-2 (2f), E Corkery (1-0), D Sheahan, N Twiss, A Lenihan 0-1 each.

DUBLIN: L Bourke; S Leaney, M Conlon, M O'Keefe; T Cowap, F Bolger, B Collins; S Malone, R Haran; M Healy, E Murphy, E.M. Burns; H McDonnell, K Deegan, R Cosgrove. Subs used: E Stafford, C Gorman, A Le Blanc, A Doherty, R Byrne, S Winkless, Z Caulfield, A O'Dea, V Wilserhun, E Ryan.

KERRY: E Lynch; A McNamara Moore; A Mangan, H Mulvihill; A Duffy, D O'Sullivan, L Keane; E Barry, H Costelloe; E O'Connor, E McCarthy, C Coffey; A O'Sullivan, A O'Driscoll, E Corkery. Subs used: S Slattery, N Kirby, D Sheahan, R Reidy, A Lenihan, N Twiss. Referee: Declan Carolan (Down).

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KENNEDY CUP

Best wishes to Killian O Sullivan & Patrick O Connor who are members of the Kerry schoolboy league squad participating in the u14 Kennedy cup which is being staged at the University of Limerick complex.

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SYMPATHY

The club offers its condolences to the Kearney Family, Furies & the O Keeffe Family, Farranfore on their recent family Bereavements. May Julie & Tim rest in Peace.

KILLARNEY ATHLETIC

KILLARNEY ATHLETIC A.F.C. 7-A-SIDE SOCCER TOURNAMENT - UNDER 10 BOYS SUNDAY 15TH JUNE 2025

Team: Leanes Tool Hire, The Birches, St Brendan's Park, Tralee Dynamos, Fossa Warriors

10am: Pitch 1 Group 1 U10 Boys, Fossa Warriors v Tralee Dynamos

10am: Pitch 2 Group 1 U10 Boys, St Brendan's Park v The Birtches

10.20am: Pitch 1 Group 1 U10 Boys, Fossa Warriors v St Brendan's Park

10.20am: Pitch 2 Group 1 U10 Boys, Leanes Tool Hire v Tralee Dynamos

10.40am: Pitch 1 Group 1 U10 Boys, The Birtches v Fossa Warriors

10.40am: Pitch 2 Group 1 U10 Boys, St Brendan's Park v Leanes Tool Hire

11am: Pitch 1 Group 1 U10 Boys, Tralee Dynamos v The Birtches

11am: Pitch 2 Group 1 U10 Boys, Leanes Tool Hire v Fossa Warriors

11.20am: Pitch 1 Group 1 U10 Boys, Tralee Dynamos v St Brendan's Park

11.20am: Pitch 2 Group 1 U10 Boys, The Birtches v Leanes Tool Hire

11.40am: Pitch 1 QF U10 Boys, 4th Place v 5th Place

12noon: Pitch 1 SF 1 U10 Boys, Group Winner v 3rd Place

12.20pm: Pitch 1 SF 2 U10 Boys, Group Runner Up v 4th Place

1pm: Pitch 1 FINAL U10 Boys, Winner SF 1 v Winner SF 2

Games 15 mins straight.

FINAL 20 mins (10mins x 2)

KILLARNEY ATHLETIC A.F.C. 7-A-SIDE SOCCER TOURNAMENT - UNDER 12 GIRLS SATURDAY 14TH JUNE

Team: Wilton United, Johnny's Angels, Geeha Girls, Sue-Per Strikers

10.30am: Pitch 1 Group 1 U12 Girls, Sue-Per

Inter Kenmare U12 winners of the Dominic Scanlon Shield



Strikers v Geeha Girls

10.50am: Pitch 1 Group 1 U12 Girls, Johnny's Angels v Wilton Utd

11.10am: Pitch 1 Group 1 U12 Girls, Sue-Per Strikers v Johnny's Angels

11.30am: Pitch 1 Group 1 U12 Girls, Geeha Girls v Wilton Utd

11.50am: Pitch 1 Group 1 U12 Girls, Sue-Per Strikers v Wilton Utd

12.10pm: Pitch 1 Group 1 U12 Girls, Geeha Girls v Johnny's Angels

12.45pm: Pitch 1 SF 1 U12 Girls, Group Winner v 3rd Place

12.45pm: Pitch 2 SF 2 U12 Girls, Group Runner Up v 4th Place

13.30pm: Pitch 1 Final, U12 Girls Winner SF1 v Winner SF2

Games 15 mins straight.

FINAL 20 mins (10mins x 2)

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GIRLS

INTER KENMARE CROWNED SHIELD CHAMPIONS

A thrilling contest in the U12 Dominic Scanlon Shield Final saw Inter Kenmare A claim a hard-fought 3-2 victory over Killarney Athletic A after extra time, in a game that had everything, goals, determination, and end-to-end drama.

Athletic were 2-0 up at the interval through Caithlin Hickey and Abbey O'Leary, but Inter Kenmare showed great resilience to come back into the tie. Ally Cremin was the star of the show with a brace, while Laoisa Smyth scored the winner in extra time to seal the shield for Inter Kenmare after a closely contested and entertaining match.

BOYS

ST BRENDAN'S PARK CLAIM THE SPOILS IN U12'S FINALS

It was a remarkable clean sweep for St Brendan's Park in the U12 John Murphy competitions, with all three of their sides claiming silverware across Cup, Shield, and Trophy finals.

Park A proved too strong for Inter Kenmare A in a dominant 4-1 victory in the cup decider. Tadhg Gilligan led the way with two goals, supported by strikes from James Tansley and Kyle O'Flaherty, capping off a confident and clinical performance.

Park C continued the club's success with a composed 3-0 win over Killarney Athletic B in the shield final. Iarlaith Clifford was the standout performer with a brace, and Igor Jasinski added a third to secure the Shield title.

Park B completed the treble in dramatic fashion in the trophy final, drawing 0-0 with LB Rovers A in regular time before holding their nerve in a tense penalty shootout to win 4-2.

DINGLE SECURE DIVISION 2 NORTH HONOURS

Dingle A delivered a strong attacking performance to overcome Listowel Celtic C with a 5-2 victory in the U14 Boys Division 2 North, ending their campaign on a high with silverware. Oisín Madely was in top form, netting twice, while teammates Sean O Manin, Tommy Ferris, and Tomas Murphy also got on the scoresheet to seal the win.

KILLARNEY CELTIC WIN NAIL BITER TO SECURE LEAGUE TITLE

An entertaining clash in the U14 Boys Division 2 South saw Listowel Celtic B and Killarney Celtic B share the spoils in a 2-2 draw, enough to see the Killarney side take the title.

Fionn Culloty was the standout for Killarney Celtic, scoring both goals to earn his side a point enough for the silverware. For Listowel Celtic, Ruairi O'Brien and Seanie Kissane found the net in a game that remained tightly contested throughout.

KILLARNEY CELTIC

CADBURY KICK FIT is now at Killarney Celtic. Ladies, try something new, join up, meet new people. It's only 1 hour per week from 7pm-8pm. Start date was Wednesday May 28th and the programme continues on the following Wednesdays.

CELTIC LOTTO

Numbers drawn 6,12,25,28. No jackpot winner. Match 3 winners received €150. Next jackpot €15,000 on Monday June 16th. Jackpot is capped at €15,000 with the additional €200 going on to the 1st jackpot after the next jackpot win. Tickets available from The Dungeon Bookshop, Amber Shop (Top of Ross Road), club members and online through clubzap.

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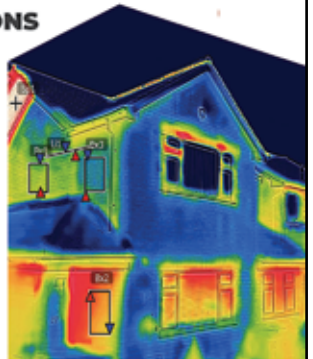


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KILLARNEY CELTIC AGM will take place on Wednesday June 25th at 7pm in the clubhouse.

PREMIER A

Killarney Celtic will defend their Charleville Premier A Title next Sunday against Tralee Dynamos. Kick off in Mounthawk Park is 3pm.

U14 DIV 2 SOUTH

Listowel Celtic 2-2 Killarney Celtic B

Fionn Culloty 2

Killarney Celtic B captured the league title after a draw away to Listowel Celtic. Killarney led 2-0 as Fionn Culloty continued his recent scoring form. Listowel pulled a goal back to leave Killarney ahead at the break. Killarney had chances to make the game safe but were unable to get that elusive 3rd goal. Listowel did equalise but a point was enough for the Killarney boys to secure the title. Congrats to the squad and coaches on a fine league campaign.

GAYNOR CUP

After a week filled with high drama, stirring performances, and heartbreaking near misses, the Kerry Gaynor Cup team signed off their 2025 campaign in style with a resounding 3-0 win over South Tipperary to secure 10th place overall in the competition.

In a tournament that tested their resolve, showcased their flair, their growth as a squad, the girls from the Kingdom walked away from the University of Limerick with pride and plenty of promise for the future.

While the week had some standout performances, Kerry saved their best for last. In Friday's 10th/11th place playoff, they delivered a performance of attacking intent and defensive steel to see off South Tipperary.

The opening minutes were anything but relaxed. South Tipp came out with purpose, forcing goalkeeper Sheolagh Daly into a sharp save from distance just seconds after kick-off. Daly would prove to be one of Kerry's standout performers, keeping her side in the game early with a brilliant one-on-one stop in the fifth minute and showing command under pressure from a dangerous corner shortly after.

Kerry gradually settled into a rhythm, with Orlaith Flynn looking lively down the right and testing the Tipp keeper inside four minutes. The midfield trio of Laura Heaphy, Isabelle O'Connor, and Lillian Slattery began to take control, and in the 15th minute, Kerry struck.

Slattery dazzled inside the box with silky footwork, dancing past her marker and tucking home the opening goal, her finish calm, her movement instinctive. Kerry led 1-0 and never looked back.

Tipperary did go close just before the break, slicing a shot just wide after catching Kerry's high line, but the danger passed and the girls in green and gold stepped up a gear in the second half.

Alice O'Connor's long ball in the 38th minute was expertly brought down by Eilidh Cregan, who teed up Alannah Daly to slot coolly inside the near post. Daly almost had a second minutes later, and Kerry came within inches of a third when a misjudged clearance looped off the crossbar.

But when Eabha Maguire was fouled on the



THE GAYNOR CUP SQUAD

Killarney Celtic U14B squad winners of Div 2 South



right touchline, Nessa Kirby stepped up and delivered a moment of magic. From all of 35 yards, she sent a curling free kick sailing over the Tipp keeper and into the net, a goal worthy of ending any tournament.

The clean sheet was preserved thanks to more excellence from Daly in goal, and as the final whistle blew, Kerry celebrated a deserved victory and a top-10 finish.

The week began with a character-filled win over Carlow & District. Kerry fell behind early but showed grit and determination. Just before the break, Arina Sucari levelled after a neat buildup. As wind and rain lashed the UL campus, the second half turned into a dogfight. It was Kerry who found the breakthrough in the dying minutes, Orlaith Flynn the hero, netting the winner to seal a 2-1 win.

It was a promising start and a testament to the team's resilience. The next morning brought stiffer opposition as Kerry faced Cork in the second Group Stage clash. A 2-0 defeat didn't reflect the performance, as Kerry created several chances.

Kirby, Sucari, and Alannah Daly all threatened early, but it was Cork who made their chances count. A ball over the top led to a penalty and the opening goal, after Caoimhe Daly tried to clear the danger but collided with a Cork attacker. A clever long throw gave Cork their second, and despite Kerry's continued efforts, they couldn't find a way past the Cork defence.

Though disappointed, Kerry remained in the hunt for knockout progression, and their next

performance would prove their most dominant of the tournament.

Kerry put on a masterclass against Inishowen, defeating them 6-1 in their final group match. The tone was set early as Cregan netted in the 7th minute from a Maguire through ball. Inishowen did equalise briefly, but Kerry responded instantly through Cregan again, this time bravely heading past the keeper from a long ball.

The second half was a showcase of Kerry's depth and attacking quality. Alannah Daly, Lillian Slattery, Isabelle O'Connor, and Flynn all found the net in a one-sided affair. The team clicked, confidence soared, and second place in the group was secured, booking their place in the Gaynor Bowl.

The draw paired Kerry with NERL in the Bowl quarter-finals, and it was another high-quality performance that followed.

Ava Harty's early free kick set the tone before Alice O'Connor added a second from a well-worked corner. Cregan then won a penalty just before the break, with Kirby converting to make it 3-0.

NERL pulled one back in the second half after Daly parried a long-range effort, but Kirby struck again, this time a wonderful free kick that floated into the top left corner, to make it 4-1. Though NERL scored again late on, Kerry were well worth their 4-2 win.

The opponents for the semi-final had been determined the day previous, and with Galway and South Tipperary on first, the attention

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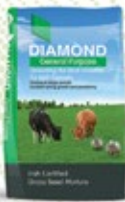


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quickly turned to Midlands after a wet afternoon in that quarter final.

It was however a semi-final that ended in heartbreak. Kerry fell behind early but responded brilliantly. Kirby equalised with a well-taken header after Maguire's pressing won possession from the goal kick, she found Cregan and a slick pass saw Kirby jump highest to find the bottom right corner. They dominated much of the first half and came close to taking the lead on several occasions, only to be denied by an inspired Midlands goalkeeper.

The second half was tighter, both sides trading chances but failing to find a breakthrough. After 60 minutes, it went to penalties.

The shootout was tense. Harty, Maguire, and Kirby all converted for Kerry. Midlands, though, were unerring from the spot and led 4-3 when Alannah Crossan's effort was saved. Midlands sealed it with their final penalty, 5-3 the final shootout score.

It was Kerry's third defeat in the past three seasons, a cruel end for a team that had played with such positivity.

Yet the girls showed real character in bouncing back in their final game. The 3-0 win over South Tipperary was not only a marker of their quality, but a symbol of their spirit. No team enjoys a semi-final defeat, especially on penalties, but Kerry regrouped, refocused, and finished strong. The Kerry Gaynor Cup team may not have lifted silverware this time, but they leave Limerick having made a clear statement. This is a team on the rise, full of technical quality, composure under pressure, and attacking threat.

Finishing 10th overall may not reflect the full story, but those who followed the week's action will know just how close Kerry came to going all the way in the Bowl competition.

For the players, coaches, and supporters, the week will be remembered not just for results, but for growth, resilience, and moments of brilliance. And the future looks bright for Kerry on the national stage, with these girls going forward at the U15 level.

From the narrow heartbreak to the convincing high of their final game, Kerry's Gaynor Cup 2025 journey was one of proud progress, a journey worth celebrating.

DANNY MAGUIRE REACTION

A perfect end to the week admits Maguire

"Delighted with the performance today,



The Gaynor Cup Kerry Team

especially with a good victory, solid victory over South Tipp in the tenth and eleventh place playoff. We've had a great week, between the showers and the heavy rain, we've had great memories.

We've played some lovely football. We've come up against some tough opposition. Very unlucky on the Thursday in the semi-final not to progress. I think strong performance against the Midlands in that one game. Unfortunately it went to penalties, but look penalties can be a lottery, and we came out the wrong side of it. But I'm immensely proud of these girls this week. They've played some lovely football. They've bonded stronger than they ever have been before. You know, it's been a great experience for them all."

A massive achievement to finish 10th

"And that's what it's all about leaving with a smile on their faces. Thursday was a lot of learning for us. I always say it, you either win or learn. There's no losing in sport, and sport mirrors life.

So these girls dusted themselves off after the penalty shootout to come back in and get ready to go again on Friday morning. We had an early kickoff. It was a quick turnaround, late evening game on Thursday and back in at 10am Friday morning.

So we've prepared well. We finished in the top 10. That's a massive achievement for this group of girls with the 28 teams. Great achievement. They can be proud of themselves. They've represented their clubs, their academies, their families, their communities, and their county of Kerry with great enthusiasm, and their attitude has been brilliant. On a separate note, I found out they're great singers as well. Pink Pony Club

has become the unofficial team tune of the Kerry Gaynor Cup Girls of 2025."

A bright future ahead for Girls soccer

"Girls soccer is definitely in a very, very healthy position, and that's testament to the clubs and the academies and the MC, at school boys and girls level and the families, they're testament. They encourage their girls.

I suppose the other side of it is, these girls are together the core from the last two to three years. So they're well used to each other. They're well used to playing with each other. So it's going from strength to strength. I reckon we're gonna be back again next year.

There's a good bunch of girls coming up in the 12 and thirteens with Kerry, so that'll be hopefully a success next year as well."

GAYNOR CUP SQUAD:

St Brendan's Park: Arina Sucari, Alannah Crossan, Eabha Maguire (Captain), Eve McEvoy, Laura Heaphy

MEK Galaxy: Ava Harty, Alannah Daly, Grace Ryan, Grace Barry (Vice-Captain), Isabelle O'Connor

Killarney Athletic: Esme O'Sullivan, Ella Crowley, Lillian Slattery, Sheolagh Daly (GK),

Inter Kenmare: Alice O'Connor, Niamh Healy

Camp Juniors: Orlaith Flynn

Tralee Dynamos: Caoimhe Daly (GK)

LB Rovers: Eilidh Cregan

Kerry top scorers: Nessa Kirby 4 goals. Eilidh Cregan, Orlaith Flynn, Alannah Daly, Lillian Slattery 2 goals. Arina Sucari, Isabelle O'Connor, Ava Harty, Alice O'Connor, 1 goal



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takes a look at all things sport...

KERRY LADIES SEE OFF MAYO IN GROUP OPENER

All Ireland Championship
Group Stage

Kerry 0-13 Mayo 1-4

The Kerry Ladies remain on course to retain the Brendan Martin Cup after a good win over a fairly tepid Mayo in Austin Stack Park. At the same time, you definitely couldn't say that Kerry exactly sprinted for the finish line or looked particularly assured themselves. Fair enough, players that were carrying knocks were rested and there were a number of switches made to both teams before the throw-in, but until Kerry made half-time changes, there was a bit of Sisyphus pushing rocks about the game. It wasn't really flowing for either side.

Kerry actually opened with a great score by Anna Galvin. Kerry hit the post a minute later before Siofra O'She gathered a long ball in from Caoimhe Evans and fisted it over. Siofra was obviously our main target and quickly added her second point. Kerry were looking good at this stage, and looked even better when Aishling O'Connell powered her way through to fire over. 0-4 to 0-0.

And then the game turned. I think myself that Hannah Reape was going for a point, badly needed by Mayo at that stage. But she just caught too much of the left side of her instep and it curled away. It looked to be going wide but Clodagh Keane was on it in a flash. Emma Costello managed to block her first shot but Keane just regathered and sent a precise finish past a hapless Mary Ellen Bolger.

A foul on a lively Katie Brosnan saw her notch a free, but Hannah Reape replied. Niamh Carmody – I thought she was outstanding all through, a real dynamo – made it 0-6 to 1-1. Scoring really dried up at that point, though. Both teams worked hard, but they seemed to be cancelling each other out rather than actually achieving anything. Siofra O'Shea did get in for a goal chance, but Julie Gawalkiewicz made a superb save from close range.

Sinead Walsh did kick an absolute beauty, I would say the best score so far, and she soon added another. Level pegging. Siofra O'Shea did kick one last point for Kerry, but I certainly don't think they will have been happy with that first half display.

Half-time Kerry 0-7 Mayo 1-3

Credit to the Kerry management. They had already brought Niamh Broderick on before the break and Danielle O'Leary and Aoife Dillane were on the field of play for the restart. That's a strong hand to draw in itself, and Kerry definitely looked a sharper outfit now. A yellow card (correct decision, but a little bit unlucky) for Hannah Reape didn't hurt, and it wasn't long before Niamh Carmody notched her second point. Danielle wasn't long at all joining her on the scoreboard – I'd consider Danielle one of the very best footballers in the country right now. Sinead Walsh scored her third point as she converted a free, but Danielle wasn't long in doubling her own tally. By the time Hannah Reape returned to play it was 0-10 to 1-4 and there was plenty to play for yet.

Mayo battled hard – was there ever a Mayo side that didn't? – but Kerry had scorers and Mayo just....didn't. Sometimes the narrative of a game is just that simple. Siofra set up Danielle for her third point and scored her own fourth to put five points between the sides. Mayo were frantically ringing the changes, but to no avail. Danielle kicked her fourth point and that was that. Mayo had just scored one point in the second half. Victory for Kerry and one foot in the All Ireland quarter-final as they head up to Pairc ui Caiomh to face Cork this coming Saturday. That will be a sterner test, and honestly I think Kerry need to face and overcome a stronger test. Scoring thirteen times against a team that can only muster five of their own isn't the form of All Ireland winners. Cork will have been looking at that Munster Final against Waterford and now this game against Mayo. Whether they think Kerry are vulnerable or not is moot. It's Cork, sure they'll be asking the question anyway.

Kerry: Mary Ellen Bolger, Roisín Rahilly, Eilís Lynch, Fay O'Donoghue, Aishling O'Connell (0-1), Emma Costello, Cáit Lynch, Mary O'Connell, Anna Galvin (0-1), Niamh Carmody (0-2), Niamh Ní Chonchúir, Caoimhe Evans, Katie Brosnan (0-1, 1f), Jadyn Lucey, Siofra O'Shea (0-4). Subs: Niamh Broderick (for Roisín Rahilly, 28 mins), Danielle O'Leary 0-4 (for Katie Brosnan, half-time), Aoife Dillane (for Cáit Lynch, half-time), Niamh Quinn (for Jadyn Lucey, 52 mins), Kayla O'Connor (for Niamh Carmody, 58 mins)

Mayo: Julia Gawalkiewicz, Lucy Wallace, Nicola O'Malley, Ciara Durkan, Danielle Caldwell, Kathryn Sullivan, Sherin El Massry, Hannah Reape (0-1), Saoirse Lally, Lynda Hanley, Sinead Walsh (0-3, 1f), Aisling Flanagan, Erin Murray, Clodagh Keane (1-0), Chloe Doherty.

Subs: Aoife Geraghty (for Sherin El Massry, half-time), Ciara Whyte (for Aisling Flanagan, 42 mins), Ava McDonnell (for Chloe Doherty, 42 mins), Ella Brennan (for Lucy Wallace, 48 mins), Annie Gough (for Hannah Reape, 52 mins).

Referee: Jonathan Murphy (Carlow).

NERVY KERRY SEE OFF CAVAN MINOR CHALLENGE All Ireland Minor Quarter-Final

Kerry 0-14 Cavan 1-9

The result is always the bottom line, The Kerry minors are back into the last four standing. Before we pick any holes – and yes, to be blunt, there is going to be a little bit of that – I'm genuinely of the belief at that minor, winning the All Ireland might always be the immediate end goal, but it isn't the ultimate purpose. That's about the quality of games and environment, not just to help in producing footballers (which it obviously does) but also character and responsibility. It can be tough going, plenty of hard challenges along the way. But life will throw that at young people anyway; I think having a foundation to deal with that, regardless of whether a player ever kicks a football again, is worth it anyway. That does seem to be happening with these minors, and that's a good thing. That's just an outside observation, by the way. I have no more idea what's actually going on inside the dressing room than anyone. I do know some of the people involved and I think they would trust me enough to tell me if I asked, but there's a certain catch 22 about that. In a way, they'd trust me enough to tell me if I asked, because they know I wouldn't consider it appropriate for me to ask.

The reason I'm emphasizing that the overall takeaway from that game is positive is because I saw a lot, an awful lot, that worried me. Cavan had some good football, but had no real cutting edge up front, but they still could have won that game. We absolutely should have put that game to bed....and we didn't, far from it. Our defenders – David Sargent and Ronan Sheridan were immense – had to withstand a siege in the last ten minutes.

First Half

I know a fair few people who weren't thrilled that the game was switched back to twelve noon in Portlaoise. My understanding is that it was to allow the Cork minors to watch the Munster Senior Hurling Final. Absolutely right and fair; sure the whole country pretty much wanted to see that. I had no problem at all with it; I like being on the road early and getting home early. I'd be fine with Senior All Ireland Finals kicking off at half twelve, the extra half an hour is because I'd have time to get from Heuston Station to Croke Park by getting the early train. I'll admit that I think far too much about these things; being lazy is harder work



The Kerry team before the LGFA All-Ireland U14 Gold Final match between Dublin and Kerry at Nenagh Éire Óg GAA Club in Nenagh, Tipperary. Photo by Tyler Miller/Sportsfile

than ye think.

Anyway, off we go. Good football by Kerry and a very nicely worked point by Danny Murphy. Kerry wide with a slightly over-ambitious effort. Kevin Griffin with a point from almost as far out, but inside the arc. Kerry had the strong wind and they were good and direct with it. Cavan were handpassing too much, trying to circle around and find a breach. I thought Cork had tried something similar, almost probing for goal openings. I'm very old school in many ways. It's football, use your feet.

Gearóid White with a handy free and he made no mistake. Kerry with two more long range attempts, though, both wide. It looked to me – and obviously this is just speculation – as if both sides are giving that wind far too much respect. Kerry are ballooning missiles from fairly daft range instead of picking off their scores. Cavan have only kicked one attempt and Ruairí Kennedy comfortably gathered that.

Kevin Griffin with a two point free from long distance and he nailed it. 0-5 to 0-0. When I said I'm old school in my approach to Kerry football, I really meant it. I've brought ham sandwiches with me and I'm tempted to take one out. I don't think I'll be spilling my tea in any welter of excitement.

Cavan finally got off the mark through Faolan Graham, but Ben Kelliher snapped off a real poacher's point in reply. There you go. Don't bother with those hopeful punts from long distance, lads, feed this forward line.

Cavan had begun to look more confident, though. They were doing very well in the middle third and now the ball was starting to flow better. Jake Brady, their dangerman, got their first score from play.

Maidhc Ó Sé with another long range monster that yielded no dividends and Gearóid White uncharacteristically wide from a free. I may be over-thinking it, but Kerry looked a bit shaky now. Is it just me, or were they trying to force things a bit?

Ouch. Jay Graham with a free, and he followed up with a two point free. Great kick, but it came from Kerry coughing up their own kick-out. There's no way I'm singling any U17 out individually, but some of our top performers against Cork are not going well today. Cavan have their homework done on our dangermen, and they are well on top now. Thankfully, they kick a couple of wides themselves.

0-6 to 0-5 to Kerry at half-time. I'm worried. We'll be facing that big wind in the second half and Cavan look to me like a team who know how to use it. They'll be upbeat now for the second half; that was a strong second quarter for them. Not only that, but Kerry look....off...to me. Nine wides, but worse is that at least four of them were poor shots to take on. As Seamus Moynihan said once (for all I know, he may have been quoting some-one), "football is a game of inches. The ones between your ears". Kerry are better footballers than this, but it's as if they have spent so much time focussing on strategy, they are forgetting to implement the basics.

Second Half

Just one point in it. The first ten minutes were always going to be crucial. Thankfully, Kerry move the ball well and Ben Kelliher picks off a good point. That will settle Kerry; I imagine that management did a bit settling things as well. I'm not a big believer in roaring and shouting in half-time dressing rooms. I always think that staying calm, easing any nerves, having drinks, towels etc. Ready to go.....quiet, efficient professionalism. But hey, easy for the likes of me to say.

Ben slotted a free and added another. That's Kerry four points to the good now. Alex Touhy's effort went short, but he was right to have a go. Ben slalomed his way through and rolled it..... left and wide. A goal chance. Gearóid White seems to me to be struggling a little bit (is he carrying a small knock? It looked like it) but still curls over a point. Double scores.

Cavan's turn to show what they can do. A beautiful move, in fairness to them. Jake Brady and Jay Graham combined to set up Matthew Duffy (any amount of minor teams seem to be using a nominal corner back as an auxiliary player at the moment) and he applied a great finish. 0-10 to 1-5. The game is right back in the mixer!

Kerry with an instant response, a fast and fluid move seeing influential Nick Lacey strike for goal himself, but Cian O'Connell made a terrific save.

I always worry that an opposition goal like that can swing the pendulum of a game completely, but it didn't throw off Kerry at all (a major positive). The outstanding Ben Kelliher twisted for space to pick off another point. Tadhg O'Connell, very impressive on his introduction, took a point (I thought it was Mark O'Carroll

that kicked it, as did others around me, but I'm assured that it was Tadhg). Pádraig Ó Mainnín, also off the bench, did likewise. 0-13 to 1-5. Just a lick of paint now and the job was finished.

And that's where I run into a real problem. At this position, if you can get into that position, you have got to finish it out. You can't suddenly switch tactics that are obviously working. Thanks to the new rules, you can't just smother the play by bringing everybody back into your defence (for which I give many thanks and praise, because I saw far too much of that game-killing nonsense in the last number of years). But you can stop the opposition gaining rapid momentum. Make it so that they need goals to get back into it.

Cavan, with nothing to lose, went hunting. They had been the better side in the middle third all through, but now they could have made a case for planning permission to build on it. And they started shooting.

Substitute Gary McCabe kicked a fine point.

Cavan brought on their sub keeper and brought Cian McConnell out the field. I haven't really seen it at inter-county before as a formal substitution, but I remember Kerry giving it real consideration in regards to goalkeeper Shane Ryan in preparations for the 2014 All Ireland Minor Final. Regardless, it worked, because McConnell swung over a beauty. Gamekeeper turned poacher, I suppose.

Nathan Quigley with a point. Lads, that's 0-13 to 1-8 now. And we aren't even getting the ball into their half. We need the next score, thinks yours truly....just as Jay Graham pointed over the bar. One point game.

One break by Kerry. Just one break, a clean air of heels by Liam O'Brien, and the Glenflesk marksman calmly took his score. That was vital. I still believe, not just in the moment but right now, that Kerry would have lost the game without that.

Cavan weren't done. In fairness to them, they had a fairly Dylan Thomas attitude about going gently into the night, and rightly so. Just two points in it, but that is a nervy enough lead when your defence are brilliantly bailing water. Have Kerry ever surrendered a two point lead to a last minute goal? I'll give ye a clue (because I am proud of looking up this extremely random bit of trivia). 'Eye of the Tiger' by Survivor was number one in the Irish charts at the time.

I'm not going to be making any big deal out

of it, but I have seen a couple of clickbait sites screaming headlines about 'Kerry Furious About New Rule in Minor Game'. I haven't clicked on them so I don't know what they are talking about. There was no controversy. There were no Kerry (or Cavan) supporters 'furious' during or after the game. There's far too much of this nonsense masquerading as some sort of 'analysis' nowadays, but that's because too many fools indulge the rubbish. I don't and won't. I'm not going to pretend it was a good game (it simply wasn't). But I've spoken to wiser people than myself at the game, including two referees, and that game was refereed correctly. None of that is going to bother Kerry. They have enough to be getting on with, because quite frankly, that display would not win an All Ireland. Better shot selection, lose the lull after strong starts to both halves (a repeat of the Cork game), have back-ups for midfield. As for the finish.....defence were brilliant, but absolutely had to be that. You won't get away with it again. I'm very happy with the defence. I think we have great inside forwards, our best strength is playing to the corners rather than aiming at the posts from outside. We certainly have very good options off the bench. But there really is an awful lot of work to do. Kerry: Ruairí Kennedy, Ronan Sheridan, Eoghan Joy, Tadhg Ó Slatara, Danny Murphy (0-1), David Sargent, Marcus Clifford, Maidhc Ó Sé, John Curtin, Mark O'Carroll, Gearóid White (0-2, 1f), Alex Tuohy, Nick Lacey, Kevin Griffin (0-3, 1tpf), Ben Kelliher (0-5, 2f). Subs: Tadhg O'Connell 0-1 (for Nick Lacey, 41 mins), Pádraig Ó Mainnín 0-1 (for Kevin Griffin, 48 mins), Liam O'Brien 0-1 (for Ben Kelliher, 56 mins), James Kissane (for Alex Tuohy, 58 mins), Conor McGibney (for Clifford, 63 mins).

Cavan: Cian McConnell (0-1), Danny Brady, Christopher Bough, Matthew Duffy (1-0), Michael Smith, Harry McMullen, John Donohoe, Sam Maguire, Faolán Graham (0-1), CJ Fitzpatrick, Jake Brady, Cathal Smith, Fionán McIntyre, Nathan Quigley (0-1), Jay Graham (0-5, 2f, 1tp). Subs: Donagh Lynch (for CJ Fitzpatrick, 36 mins), Senan Smith (for Cathal Smith, 47 mins), Gary McCabe 0-1 (for Michael Smith, 48 mins), Kevin Heery (for Harry McMullen, 54 mins).

Referee: Niall Quinn (Clare).

AROUND THE GROUNDS

There's so much going on in terms of GAA that I'm just going to give my own thoughts on a lot of what I saw. Just so that ye understand, I did actually watch one or two things, others were just following updates on teslatoxictrumtaco.com formerly known as 'x' formerly known as 'twitter', some were just gossip from people who were there, and at least one was almost certainly a dream I had.

Cork v Limerick

Loved every single minute of it. A lot of the guff about it being 'the best field game in the world' is more suitable for a tourism brochure than reality (I'd like to discuss one of these days how



Action from the LGFA All-Ireland U14 Gold Final match between Dublin and Kerry at Nenagh Éire Óg GAA Club in Nenagh, Tipperary. Photo by Tyler Miller/Sportsfile

the Gaelic revival after the British Empire had spent generations trying to wipe out native Irish culture saw a lot of false mythologies being cast in stone and now printed as fact) but I think it is true at the elite level. The top hurling games have always had more skill and unpredictability than the best football matches.

But the hype is getting out of control. Was the Munster Final entertainment. Oh jaysus, yes, it was absolutely gripping. I watched it on television and I couldn't sit down. I started giving advice to the players....through the television. That's a great sign of a game, it probably says a bit about me as well.

It was gripping. But was it actually great hurling? I'm less convinced. For me, Limerick started really, really well (Cian Lynch at his peak is a genuine phenomenon) but Cork took control. My sympathies always lie with referees in as far as possible, but the plain truth is I thought that he let too much go in that first half. Far too much. And as for the have-a-go heroes with the 'it's a man's game' and 'leave them off the leash'.....these are the same people who whinge about referees after defeats. When frustration sets in and it inevitably kicks off, those same spoofers will be calling for the referee's head.

For me, Cork were the better side overall. And I have a bit of a soft spot for Cork hurling. Limerick have dined well and often recently after a long famine. Cork haven't, and the belief around the county is almost becoming a religion – it's a little bit frightening actually. I don't actually expect Cork to win the All Ireland I wouldn't begrudge them). The fact that they came back to go toe to toe with Limerick without their most talismanic player off form – for once, it was Patrick Horgan who looked human among demi-gods instead of the other way around – is great. Penalties are an awful to win, of course, everybody agrees with that. But anyone who wants to complain can start off with how they plan to fix the calendar to render it unnecessary. And anyway, in my head, that game was a draw. But I think that was as deep as their tank can go. I think Limerick will find that little fraction extra later on. That 'later on' is what kills me about too many of these games.

Hurling games like this are brilliant, but they are not sensational. Not when there's another 'sensation' just around the corner.

Kilkenny v Galway

I didn't watch it, just followed the scores. Apparently few enough people watched it, both in person or on television. Kilkenny were very good, by all accounts, but it's embarrassing how completely overshadowed the Leinster Final is by Munster. Congratulations to Ardfert native Fionán Mackessy on winning a Leinster Senior Championship.

JOE MCDONAGH FINAL

A little case of what might have been, to be honest. I can't help looking back at the naive eejit I was at the start of the McDonagh Championship (don't feel bad – that happens to me a lot). I knew, most people did, that Kerry were in serious trouble. Too many absentees. Our most important game was going to be our first one. Everybody else was obviously going to beat Kildare, so as long as we triumphed over them, we would at least be safe. And we beat them by just a single point, with an awful lot of things going our way, and I was delighted. We haven't won a game since and did get relegated. Kildare haven't lost a game since, and last weekend they beat Laois well to lift the Joe McDonagh Cup. And while I know that Naas have pretty much taken over Slaughtneil's mantle as the best dual club in recent years (when you look at what they have won at all grades, including colleges, in both codes in the last six or seven years, it's phenomenal) Kildare have no bigger a hurling base than we do.

LORY MEAGHER CUP

Congratulations also to New York, who won the Lory Meagher Cup by beating Cavan on a 4-17 to 2-17 scoreline. Look, there have been a

few fully understandable grumbles about the fact that the likes of Cavan had to jump a lot of obstacles to reach the semi-finals, whereas New York were basically inserted at that point. Ah, lads. Ye don't think there were plenty of hurdles to keeping New York GAA going in the hard years? New York minded plenty of us in it's time. Kerry, and a lot of other counties, have done plenty of fundraising there. Particular congratulations to manager Richie Hartnett, who hails from Ballyheigue.

SOCCKER

International Friendly

Ireland 1 Senegal 1

No, I didn't sit down and watch it. I actually forgot that it was on, to be honest, I watched it on the RTE Player the following day. For some reason, I seemed to be skipping the half and full-time match analysis (actually, the reason is because you can fast forward the RTE Player). There's just so much sport at the moment. Locally you have the U14 football leagues just finishing and the County Championship just starting, not to mention the Senior County League. Rugby, tennis, golf...and so much soccer it just blurs into one meaningless tangle. The display, apparently, was quite good. That ancient and long since tiresome cliché of 'green shoots' is yet again appearing in match reports. There's only so much false jollity a man can take.

These friendlies are very important for squads and players who get very little time to train together, let alone play. And I do believe that familiarity breeds efficiency. But as for assessing a team from the outside on the basis of a game like this? Arrah, would ye ever stop. That was basically a mix of Irish senior players and reserves against a Senegal reserve team. No Sadio Mane and the likes of Koulibaly, Mende, Gueye and Jackson on the bench? Those are the only Senegal players I could come close to naming, and don't ask me too many questions about Gueye or Jackson.

Kasey McAteer, apparently, is the latest player to be labelled as a budding star by Irish journalists. And yes, there's no question but that he was good, created a great chance after quarter of an hour for Smallbone (a very poor attempt at a finish) and just got better after that. His follow-up after the initial save for the goal was excellent; that was a poacher's instinct. But a little bit of perspective would be no harm. McAteer shining in a game like this is a little bit like a Kerry panellist impressing in the County League. It does not mean that you have found the next David Clifford or Colm Cooper. Good for McAteer, he has put himself in the conversation, but no more than that.

These are the type of games that I believe players do out of a sense of obligation as much as anything else. You can't really nail down a starting berth for the qualifiers by doing well against Senegal's B team; that just matches expectations. But you can take yourself out of the running with a poor display.

Early in the second half Smallbone had another great chance but shot too close to the keeper. Good save, but I'd have expected a better strike. Manning – he was lively too – tried to follow up but the defender did enough. Nice little spark to that kind of play.

Within minutes, though, Senegal should have been level. Great header off the underside of the crossbar. In the replay – I didn't realise at first and I doubt if anybody did – Kelliher got a bare fingertip of a deflection on it. In the 61st minute we were lucky enough again as a bobbling ball hit the post and Kelliher managed to bat the loose ball away. That could and probably have been the equaliser. To be fair, Senegal had started unloading the big guns by then from the bench.

Ireland had Ferguson the pitch at this stage but had switched from five across the middle to a more traditional 4-4-1-1. And I'm honestly not being disrespectful to trojan workers like Knight or Cullen, but the idea that Ireland can control a centre with two players has been disproven as nauseam. It's not happening for at least a decade.

An equaliser was inevitable and it duly arrived. Ndiaye (never heard of him) with a lovely jink and excellent cross into danger. Kelliher once again saved the first effort but Ismaili Sarr tapped in from close range. In fact, Senegal would go close again as they finished strongly, but the header whizzed just wide.

Ireland weren't bad, by any means. We have seen much, much worse in recent years. But 'green shoots'? Really? For all the praise about McAteer, I thought our best player overall was our goalkeeper. That says a lot.

Super Club Magic World Soccer Superbowl Thing

No. You know what I think about it, and I know you feel the same. Let's just move on.

Ireland 0 Luxembourg 0

In a way, I'm actually happier about the game against Luxembourg. A little bit more of a grasp on reality, I think. Yes, both sides were poor, and that's fine. Once again, these games are all about the learning curve, not the shop window. Heimar Hallgrímsson has to play the game of pretending that our opinions matter – but this was about the team learning, not the public. And it was poor – dear God, it was fairly dreadful. I watched it on television, if I had paid for a ticket, I'd be a lot less more content.

This was not the Senegal game. This was, frankly, a more honest measure. And I think it's fair to say that Ireland didn't show up well. The same old story, lots of hff, not much by way of puff. That's grand; a work in progress. There was a disconnect between our forwards and midfield. Ferguson and Parrott are both very highly talented, but either they need to get more involved in games or they need to find a way to bring themselves into it. I don't know how to do that – but I'm not getting paid to figure it out, either. We are poor enough, that's the cold reality of it, and that's okay. Everyone is a professional and trying their best – this was a poor game but the fact that nobody is trying to

pretend otherwise is actually kind of refreshing.

Kennedy Cup

Ever since their history-making win in the Kennedy Cup back in 2015, Kerry have pretty much been in a slow decline. The tournament seedings are based on three year averages and Kerry entered this year's competition from the second pot. The knockout stages are yet to unfold as I write, but the simplest measure is that under manager Danny Diggins, Kerry are already guaranteed to finish in the top eight.

The first game always sets the tone and Kerry's convincing win over North Tipperary laid down a great marker – anything less than a win in that game, and you are left always chasing lost ground. Kian Cronin made the breakthrough after 22 minutes and deep in injury time, Joe Joy wrapped up a 2-0 win to get Kerry off to a strong start.

Kerry made a blistering start to the Tuesday with a 3-0 victory over South Tipperary. Kerry always looked the better side and had already left two chances behind before captain Joe Joy of Listowel Celtic fired them in front with a brilliant individual goal. In the 27th minute an unfortunate Tipperary defender attempted to deal with a dangerous ball into the box from Joy, only to end up turning it into his own net. Early in the second half, Joy intercepted a headed back pass to the keeper and very calmly slotted home for his second goal and Kerry's third. 3-0, and in truth it could have been more. Kerry followed up with a more challenging encounter against South Belfast and made the breakthrough after just eight minutes, Max Moynihan firing home an exquisite goal from distance. South Belfast came straight back down the field to equalise within a minute, but Kerry always looked the better side here. It took quite a while before Kerry took a deserved lead, the outstanding Joe Joy firing home to put Kerry in front, and shortly before the final whistle, Joy got in again and unselfishly squared to Killian O'Sullivan for a third goal.

NATIONS LEAGUE FINAL

Last week I had – well, it wasn't intended as a dig at Cristiano Ronaldo, more at Gianni Infantino's desperate attempts at nurturing a club transfer so that Ronaldo would be able to play in the World Club Invitational Tournament – but I certainly wasn't throwing any compliment. And this week Ronaldo, whom I'm sure many of ye know reads my articles every chance he gets – gave a perfect rejoinder by helping Portugal to become the first team to win the Nations' League twice (don't even bother checking that mysterious-looking stat, it's basically a new made-up competition with scant reward, because clubs were becoming increasingly reluctant to release expensive players for meaningless friendlies). Alright, CR7 (seriously, is that a nickname or a brand name?), I'll give you that one.

FULL HOUSE FOR GIRLS FINAL

The Credit Union School Super Sevens at its new home for the Senior Finals at the Nagle Rice Community Center was packed to capacity providing a great atmosphere for the Credit Union School Super Sevens Senior Girls Finals on Sunday evening .

Plate Final

Holy Cross Mercy Killarney 13
St Johns Kenmare 12

A late late Lily O'Donoghue basket secured the Plate title for the Mercy in the closing seconds in a welter of excitement with St Johns looking set for victory it slipped away with no time to respond to the Killarney girls late late show. MVP Lily ODonoghue

Shield Final

Scoil Mhuire Kilorglin 23
Gaelscoil Aogain Castleisland 12

Scoil Mhuire took a grip of this game and well led by Niamh Murphy and Roisin Henken. Jessie Horgan led the Gaelscoil well throughout but the Kilorglin survived the pressure to take the title.

MVP Niamh Murphy

Bronze Final

Holy Family Rathmore 29
Gaelscoil Faithleann Killarney 15



Credit Union Super Seven - AllStars 2025

Roxy Durkin (St John's Kenmare) Avery Lemass (Gaelscoil Faithleann) Clodagh O'Connor (Holy Family Rathmore) Eimear McMahon (Currow) Roisin Henken (Scoil Mhuire Kilorglin) Layla Murphy (Holy Cross Mercy) Jessie Horgan (Gaelscoil Aogáin)

A strong Rathmore side had too much strength for the Killarney girls with injuries impacting the team for the Final. Clodagh O'Connor again impressed with 14 points and Éabha Moynihan 11 points as Rathmore dominated the fast break. Mia Cox worked tirelessly throughout for the Gaelscoil.

MVP Éabha Moynihan.

progressed.

Emer McMahon led the way for Currow with a massive 16 points. Roxy Durkin impressed throughout for St Johns but it wasn't enough to stop undefeated Currow collecting a Grand Slam title with their seventh win.

MVP Emer McMahon

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KILLARNEY LEGION

No joy for our Senior Men in the Division 1 Derby with our neighbours Dr Crokes in a game played in Fitzgerald Stadium last Friday night. There was never much in the game and so it was that a goal would be crucial. It fell to the Lewis Road outfit who had the benefit of a one point lead at the final whistle. Final score Killarney Legion 0-13 Dr Crokes 1-11. The Division 6 team found Kenmare Shamrocks a bit too hot on Saturday evening in Direen. Still the games are providing ideal opportunities to our younger players to build up experience.

U10 GIRLS BLITZ

A big thank you to everyone who helped out with last Saturdays blitz and Feile fundraising bake sale. Anyone who helped with baking, to manning the tables, helping with clean up and much more. A special mention goes to Eamon Maguire for helping to lay out the pitches from early morning, setting up tables & chairs, kids play area and the running of the day. Thanks to Sharon O Shea for all her work running the shop and Shelly Browne for managing the bake sale and the "staff" and to our refs on the day Justin Healy, Kieran O Shea, Ian Bowler, James Murphy and Liam O Toole - we couldn't have run it without them. Thanks to our club members who helped the man the car park - not an easy job. Finally, to our Feile players who helped out on the day, it was great to see them taking ownership of it.

U12 GIRLS

This week our U12 girls made a trip to Tralee to take on John Mitchels. After a slow start, our girls found their rhythm after the first quarter. They started to show their ability, teamwork, and score taking. John Mitchels to their credit put in a stellar performance of their own and ensured there was a good competitive and sporting occasion. Thanks to John Mitchels for hosting and organising the referees who did an excellent job.

U12 BOYS

There was great news for our Under 12 boys team

who have been successful in their application to play in Croke Park on Tuesday July 29th. They will get one hour on the field playing against teams from all over Ireland and this will be followed by a tour of the stadium and museum. The Under 12 management team will be busy organising the day and insuring the boys have a day to remember. It would be great if Kerry won the All Ireland on the same field two days before hand.

SPECIAL MEETING

The Club Executive are advising all members of Killarney Legion GAA Club that there will be a special general meeting held in the clubhouse on Tuesday the 17th of June at 8pm to discuss the election of a new Trustee. It will also be explained the format in which GAA Club Trustees are elected and the new preferred Trustee Structure that is now put forward by the GAA.

MURPHYS BAR

Congratulations to our Golf Classic guru and loyal member Sean Murphy as his family business, Murphys Bar, celebrates 70 years in existence this month. Sean has been at the forefront of our fundraising efforts for many years and rarely misses a club game. As with all our sponsors we urge our members to always remember them when doing their business in town.

LOTTO

Results Monday June 3rd. Numbers were 2, 4, 15, 17 Bonus No 12. No Jackpot Winner. Lucky Dips / Match 3s: 1. Denny O Sullivan c/o Pat Kissane 2. Elaine Lyne online 3. Cian Gammell online

FOSSA GAA

LOTTO

The numbers drawn on 08/06/2025 for a jackpot of €10,800 were 3, 5, 14, 26. There was no jackpot winner. The €40 consolation prize winners were; Geraldine Courtney, Liam Hickey, Jade Houlihan, Timmy O'Leary, Noel and Mason Coffey. Tickets are available from our sellers and can also be bought online with the following link <https://fossagaa.clubforce.com/products/lotto/fossa-gaa-club-lotto>

COUNTY LEAGUE DIV.2

Fossa slipped into relegation territory with a defeat away to Kenmare on Sunday. Shorn of a number of key players through injury, this was always going to be a big ask and so it transpired. Rian Collieran did open the scoring but Kenmare reeled off the next four scores, points from Killian and Harry Buckley kept Fossa in touch. With Kenmare dominating the midfield exchanges their forwards had a good supply of ball and once they got their first goal on 12 minutes there was only going to be one winner. Fossa tried hard but found it difficult to get possession in the Kenmare half and they trailed at the break 3-11 to 0-7. The second half didn't bring any change in fortune for the Fossa players despite their best efforts and it finished Kenmare 4-19, Fossa 1-08.

FOSSA MEITHEAL

The Fossa Meitheal begins again for the summer, if you can spare an hour and a half on a Tuesday evening from 6.30 to 8pm it would be greatly appreciated. Meeting on the top of the Nugget hill (at the old German flats) just to do a tidy up of our beautiful parish, there is a job for everyone!

DR CROKES

SFL DIV. 5

Our B side continued their impressive form in division 5 of the County League with a comprehensive win against Gneeveguilla B. This result means that we have secured promotion to division 4 for next season but all focus will now be on trying to win the league title. Fielding a strong team we played with the elements and three first half goals by Liam Kelleher, Brendan Falvey and Aodhan Burns aided by some fine two pointers by Dara O Shea meant that we went in at half time with a healthy lead. We were never threatened in the second half and the players deserve a lot of credit for the manner in which they have played all year long. Next up is a long trip to Valentia next weekend to play the Islanders in a back game.



The Dylan Crowley Under 11 Memorial Tournament will be held on Saturday 14th June at Gneeveguilla GAA grounds. The following teams are taking part Furies, Kilcummin, Rathmore, Legion, Listry, Kenmare, Glenflesk, Currow, Scartaglin, Cordal, Fossa and Gneeveguilla. Games start at 10am sharp with the finals at 3pm. Refreshments served on the day, give a call in for a cup of tea and a chat. As always a great day of fun and football is promised while remembering a very special young man, Dylan Crowley. All Welcome. Attending the Launch of the Dylan Crowley Memorial Tournament last Friday evening in Gneeveguilla Club House were, front from left; Cillian O Leary, Ronan O Leary, Aoibhinn O Leary, Eileen Crowley, Elaine Keane, Emma Cremin, Kathleen O Sullivan Standing from left; Christy Crowley, Jimmy o Shea, Martin Crowley, Denis McCrohan, Sean o Keffe, Sean o Sullivan, Lorcan Keane, Micheal and Caroline o Leary and Stephen Crowley. Photo Seamus Healy.



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Georgina O Shea of Seefin Aviation, with East Kerry Board members, Mike Piggott, Dennis McCrohan, Garry O Halloran and Johnny Brosnan. Photo: Maria O Sullivan.

LGFA

Our U10 girls took part in the LGFA U10 Activity Day in Croke Park on the Monday of the June Bank Holiday. Parents, mentors and spectators were treated to some brilliant football, all 20 Crokes girls gave it their all on the hallowed turf and played terrific. They did their club, families and themselves proud. Crokes were one of 2 teams selected to represent Kerry for the day with teams from the 32 counties participating. All clubs had a panel of 20 players, with everyone having the opportunity to play in four mini-Go Games throughout a morning or afternoon session.

LOTTO took place June 9th. Numbers drawn were 5, 7, 15, 19. Jackpot of €7,700 was NOT

WON. 11 patrons matched 3 numbers and receive €40 each. Jackpot for draw on June 16th will be €8,000. Play online by following the link below and follow instructions attached https://play.clubforce.com/play_newa.asp?ll_id=734#Anchor(https://play.clubforce.com/play_newa.asp?ll_id=734#Anchor)

BINGO

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

NOTES

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

EAST KERRY NEWS

KERRY MINORS

Well done to the Kerry minors on qualifying for the All Ireland semi final.

MONTHLY MEETING

Our next monthly meeting takes place on Tuesday June 17th in Heights Hotel Killarney at 9pm.

CONDOLENCES

Sympathies from all in the East Kerry Board to the families of Frank Kennedy and Pat Cahill on their recent deaths.

ST PAULS ANNOUNCE NEW HEAD COACH FOR MENS NATIONAL LEAGUE TEAM.

St Paul's Basketball Club would like to place on record its sincere gratitude to Manuel Suarez who has taken up the offer of a new coaching role which is both an advancement of his career and one which is closer to his native Seville. Manuel joined the club in late November following the premature departure of Scotts Lakers head coach Ron Howard and helped steer the team to the playoffs where they finished with an impressive fourteen wins. Manuel also coached our U20 team to a historic National League Plate win where they defeated Templeogue in the National Basketball Arena in Tallaght. Suarez will look back on his time in Killarney with fondness. "It's a difficult decision for me to stay in Spain because my time in Killarney was unforgettable and i'll always be grateful to the players, their families and the club. I'm sure we will meet again in the Aura or Scotts or maybe even Spain.

Looking ahead to the upcoming 2025/26 season the club is delighted to announce the appointment of Luke O'Hea as the head coach for the National League team. Luke will be recognisable to Kerry basketball fans following his time with Tralee as both a player and later as a coach. Luke, originally from Australia was a lynchpin in the Tralee Superleague effort in the mid 2000s and also played professionally in his native land. In more recent years Luke took charge of the Tralee Warriors U20 team and led them to two National League titles and was only pipped by a very impressive Titans team for a three in a row. St Pauls feels that Lukes experience with dealing with younger players is a perfect foil for what is the long term project of the club. His appointment is seen as a big step in the clubs ambition to attain Superleague status and with the core of the squad tasting success at underage level it is hoped that Luke will be able to develop the players into a mature and rounded team capable of making the step up to Superleague in future years.



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KERRY COUNTY COUNCIL STOPPING HOUSE BUILDING IN KERRY

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“ERRATIC PLANNING DECISIONS WITHOUT CONSEQUENCES FOR KERRY COUNTY COUNCIL”

Builders have expressed the view that it is easier to build houses in Cork than it is in Kerry. In Cork, for example, builders carry out the work, a snag list of any outstanding issues is created, the builders rectify those issues and any bond funds are promptly returned to the builder. Bond funds are amounts of money held back from the builder by the bank until all work has been completed. If the council delays signing off on the completion of the snag list, the bond funds are not released back to builder and they are left out of pocket. In Cork, once the snag list has been signed off, the maintenance of any new housing development is promptly taken over by Cork County Council. Builders claim that it is much more problematic dealing with Kerry County Council. It can take years for an official snag list to be created. The saga does not end here. When that list is finally completed, more maintenance issues are added. Builders have claimed that this final stage can take years and can add unnecessary financial stress. In effect, builders are being used to maintain an estate, post-build. In many cases, the builder ends up just forfeiting the bond, as it

becomes too costly to continue completing the constant snag lists generated by Kerry County Council. Works are rarely carried out with these bond funds and ultimately the money ends up in the road maintenance programme for the whole county.

While waiting for Kerry County Council to take over the maintenance of their estate, the residents are obliged to pay for that maintenance themselves, and all the while, Kerry County Council continue their delaying tactics. These residents already pay road tax which goes towards road maintenance. And they are also paying local property tax. Why are the most pressured group in society being treated so badly? Typically these are young people with young families struggling to pay bills and Kerry County Council has the power to make their lives a little bit easier but unfortunately, the opposite is the case.

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



A builder built an extra thirteen houses in an existing housing estate. The builder rerouted heavy traffic away from the estate and used an existing farm road at the rear of the site to access the building site. The photo shows the relief road and this road was in existence long before his company built these houses. After the houses were built the Council instructed the builder to go onto private property and dig up the relief road and turn the area into a green field otherwise Kerry County Council will take €20,000 via a bond from the builder. Kerry County Council contacted this publication stating that the heading of this article is "grossly misleading and incorrect". Nobody wants badly built estates but this example does not entice builders to build houses.



This is a photo of a manhole that was built in 2008. This manhole is in perfect condition after sixteen years. The specifications on building a manhole has changed recently and Kerry County Council wants all the manholes in the estate dug up and rebuild under the updated specifications and this work will cost the builder €45,000.

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



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

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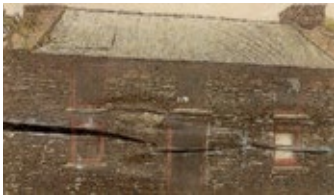
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SUMMER BEDDING

Its that time of year again when we think of putting colour in our pots, baskets and containers and also in the ground, and although Garden Centres are closed, many of the supermarkets are carrying stock. Summer Bedding plants can be used very effectively in the ground for filling gaps between shrubs or border perennial plants as they can cover a lot of ground and add plenty of colour very quickly. When planting Summer bedding plants in the ground the first thing you have to do is to dig over the area and dig in plenty of compost. Most Summer Bedding plants need a nice sunny sheltered position but if you have a shaded area, begonias are excellent bedding plants for this situation and they will give you flowers right through the summer and into early autumn. As an added bonus they will also provide you with excellent coloured foliage from light green to dark purple. Always remember when planting bedding to put the taller ones at the back. If you want to do a summer display of bedding on its own in a bed you will have to choose a centre piece - a good plant for this would be a standard fuschia. Then start with the tallest, such as marigolds or antirrhinums and work your way out to the edge of the bed with some begonias or petunias and finally at the edge of the bed with some lobelia and alyssum. A good idea before you plant would be to position all your plants to get an overall view of what it will look like. And remember to water all plants well in afterwards.



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LATE NEWS:

DEPUTY DANNY HEALY RAE RAISES VACANT COUNCIL HOUSES IN THE DAIL

I thank Deputy Gould and Sinn Féin for tabling this very important motion. There is no shadow of a doubt that houses in the local authorities are taking too long to turn around. There was one house in Killarney I fought tooth and nail over. From the day it first came up here, it took over five years to get that house in Marian Terrace turned around. There was vermin and everything else gone into it.



I was shocked the other day to hear the Taoiseach say a house should only take four or five days to turn around. He is right that maybe that is what it should take, in some instances, like the two houses in Kilgarvan that people left a few months ago. What happened then? Some crew came along, took off the roof, took out the chimney and they are still at it, putting in an underground heat pump or whatever it is. The houses are riddled. Under my own nose in Kilgarvan village, that is what is going on. It is wasting money. I believe the two houses will cost more than €100,000 each to turn around. They are gone over now to another village in east Kerry and they went around to 18 houses to tell them they are fitting heat pumps. This is a waste of money when there are other houses to be turned around. It is wasting good money. One poor woman rang me and said "Danny, they're talking of taking out my little fireplace and taking down the chimney. That's all I have after all my years and I want my little fire." I have been on to Kerry County Council. This is wasting money, while other houses around the parish and around different parishes in Kerry are having no work done to them. That is ridiculous. It is taking 64 weeks to turn around a house in Kerry and the Taoiseach thinks it will only take five days. He is ambitious but I do not think he will bring it down to that. He is a good man and he is trying his best.



ANY NEWS?

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A Word of Victory

"This is the reason I speak to the crowds in parables: because while having the power of seeing they do not see, and while having the power of hearing they do not hear, nor do they understand and grasp spiritual things" (Matthew 13:13 Amplified Bible).

Welcome back dear student, I've been thinking a lot lately about over-reactions. It's a battle. Often we over-react when we don't fully listen or understand the situation. Reactions are learnt behaviours: influenced by loved ones or developed from traumatic or fearful experiences. Jesus taught in parables to describe God's Kingdom ways. He said that people who wanted to understand Truth would listen to what they were hearing and would grasp what was being explained. The Word of God tells us that the things of God are spiritually discerned (1 Corinthians 2:14). There are multitudes who have perfect hearing and sight in this world, but they do not listen to, or will not look for, the things of God. Their minds and hearts are closed, their spiritual senses dulled. "You shall know the Truth and the Truth shall set you free" (John 8:32). God's Word is Truth (John 17:17). Many have tried unsuccessfully to read the Scriptures by using only their intellect to understand, rather than their hearts being connected to God's Spirit. We need the ministry and gentle guiding hand of the Holy Spirit Who teaches us all things. Jesus promised the Holy Spirit will reveal the Truth of Who Christ is to us (John 16:14-15). So, when we study the Word we must pray first. 'Holy Spirit please open my heart, my eyes, and my ears, to understand what God is speaking to me through His Word which has the power to save me and set me free. Lord, fill me and lead me into the Truth in Jesus Name I pray, amen (Psalm 61:1-3).

"Understand this, my beloved brothers, and sisters. Let everyone be quick to hear - be a careful, thoughtful listener; slow to speak - carefully chosen words; and slow to anger - patient, reflective and forgiving; for the resentful, deep-seated anger of man does not produce the righteousness of God - that standard of behaviour which He requires from us. So, get rid of all uncleanness, and all that remains of wickedness, and with a humble spirit receive the Word of God which is implanted - rooted in our hearts which is able to save our souls" (James 1:19-21 Amplified Bible). What causes one to over-react? 1) Believing lies planted by the enemy. 2) Not fully understanding the whole situation 3) Accumulations of frustration or resentments simmering in the background. We are to keep short accounts of wrongs committed against us, but over-reactors are excellent record-keepers! (1 Corinthians 13:4-7). The enemy knows our weak areas. Then, when something, or someone triggers the button - the response is an explosion. We can all over-react and not listen. But angry people are often just looking for a reason to nail someone. Others must walk on eggshells around them. It's very serious. Many are in relationships where they're careful to not 'poke the bear'. An exhausting way to live. Sometimes children feel their parents don't listen and the consequences can leave scars (Ephesians 6:4). Equally, long suffering parents can find their children won't listen to advice or warnings and get into trouble as a result (Proverbs 19:11-20). There's no manual on 'navigating through life' because everyone is unique, but God's Word does give us principles to live by to bring victory and hope - if we will press in to hear, see, and obey God's plan (Joshua 1:5-9). Happy Father's Day to all Dad's this weekend, God bless you!

Pastor Philip Maumbe from All Nations Dublin ministers this Sunday, June 15th @ 11am Eircode: V93V6X4.

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

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Franciscan Friary 2pm –7pm Fridays

CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION

Thurs 19th June after the 6.15pm Mass from St Mary's Cathedral, up New Street, right on to Main Street, left onto Plunkett Street continuing up to College Street to the Friary. Please join us for this special celebration, we give a particular welcome to the 1st Communion children to attend.

KERRY DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK will take place on Saturday the 23rd of August leaving St. Mary's Cathedral at 7.00am on Saturday the cost pp is €30 Please Contact Sheila at the Parish Office with names and Contact Details 064 6631014 or email; killarney@dioceseofkerry.ie

BINGO at St. Mary's Parish Hall, will be held on Thursdays@ 8.30pm

EVENTS OVER THE COMING MONTHS

Corpus Christi Procession: Thursday 19th of June after 6.15pm Mass Aglish Cemetery Mass Friday June 27th 8pm Novena to the Sacred Heart: From the 19th—27th of June. Inisfallen Island Mass: Friday 20th of June. Boats leaving Ross Castle from 4pm onwards, Mass on Island at 6.30pm. Killarney Burial Ground Mass: Monday 30th of June 7pm Muckross Abbey Pilgrimage and Cemetery Mass: Monday 7th of July, pilgrimage at 6.30pm with Mass at Abbey Graveyard at 7.30pm. New Cemetery Mass: Monday 4th of August at 7pm.

Please spread the word to those living away who would like to attend

TIDY TOWNS:

Thanks to all businesses and households who have cleaned and painted their homes and premises recently in time for this years tidy towns judging. There is still time to make a positive contribution as the late Fr Michael Murphy used to say "just do it". Volunteers please meet at the bottle bank in the High Street Carpark Next Monday 6pm. All Help greatly appreciated.

KNOCK PILGRIMAGE:

We welcome you to join us, this Jubilee Year of Hope, as the Irish Bishops consecrate Ireland to the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. Bus for Knock Shrine Basilica departs the Church of the Resurrection on Sunday June 22nd at 6.30 am, €25 return. Further enquiries and bookings please ring: 087-1336866 / 087- 2626187. Prayer, Reflection and Song with Deacon Thady.

IRISH CANCER SOCIETY:

The annual church gate collection in aid of the Killarney/ South Kerry Branch of the Irish Cancer Society will take place on Saturday 14th & Sunday 15th June

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Amen.

Say this prayer for three days.

Publication of prayer and favour will be granted.

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PRAYER TO PADRE PIO

O Jesus, full of grace and charity, victim for sinners, so impelled by Your love for us that You willed to die on the Cross, I humbly beseech You to glorify in heaven and on earth Your servant, Padre Pio, who generously participated in Your sufferings, who loved You so much and labored so faithfully for the glory of Your Heavenly Father and for the good of souls. With confidence I ask You to grant me, through Saint Padre Pio's intercession, these special requests... (Mention here).

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NOVENA TO ST. JUDE

Most holy Apostle, St. Jude, faithful servant and friend of Jesus, the Church honors and invokes you universally, as the patron of difficult cases, of things almost despaired of, Pray for me, I am so helpless and alone. Intercede with God for me that He bring visible and speedy help where help is almost despaired of. Come to my assistance in this great need that I may receive the consolation and help of heaven in all my necessities, tribulations, and sufferings, particularly (Mention your request here...)

And that I may praise God with you and all the saints forever. I promise, O Blessed St. Jude, to be ever mindful of this great favor granted me by God and to always honor you as my special and powerful patron, and to gratefully encourage devotion to you.

Amen

POWERFUL NOVENA TO THE SACRED HEART

O my Jesus, you have said:

"Truly I say to you, if you ask anything of the Father in my name, he will give it to you." Behold, in your name, I ask the Father for the grace of...

(Mention your Intention Here)

Sacred Heart of Jesus,
I place all my trust in you.

OBITUARY

FOREVER LOVED, FOREVER REMEMBERED

JERRY CLIFFORD



CASTLEMAINE

On December 8th, 2024, Jerry Clifford of Castlemaine and formerly of Mounthenry, Furies, Co. Kerry, passed away peacefully, surrounded by his loving family. Born in 1958, Jerry was one of nine children of the late Patrick and Bridget Clifford.

Jerry began his working life in the mid-1970s in Kerry Leather Fashions in Killorglin and spent several years in the Burlington textile factory in Tralee before joining Kerry Group in 1984. Over the years, he worked in creamery stores including Listry, Currow, Beaufort and Castlemaine before taking to the road as a milk lorry driver, collecting milk from farms across Kerry for almost four decades. His presence was a familiar and welcome sight in many farmyards, and his work ethic never wavered.

Jerry was a proud Kerryman through and through. He had a lifelong love for Kerry GAA, and All-Ireland Final weekends were a highlight in his calendar. The week leading up to the final was always a busy one, with many phone calls as he worked tirelessly to secure tickets, not just for himself, but for his family and friends too.

He was a man of quiet strength, unwavering values, and great heart. Always on the road, always on the go, he lived with purpose and stood firmly for what he believed in. Jerry was always generous with his time and proud to support his local community. He volunteered at the Mid Kerry Vintage Rally in aid of cancer services and served on the committee responsible for commissioning and installing the bronze statue of Jack Duggan in Castlemaine.

One of Jerry's proudest achievements in later life was buying his farm in Beaufort. Framed by breathtaking mountain views, it became his sanctuary. The farm gave him purpose and joy, even through illness. It was to be his retirement plan. There was always work to be done, and Jerry made sure progress never slowed. He delegated with a knowing smile and his loyal dog Prince always by his side. For Jerry's 66th birthday, there was no better place to celebrate than on the farm, surrounded by his family. It was a magical summer evening, watching the silage being cut under a golden sky, a memory treasured by all who were there.

During his illness, he could count on his five children and older brother Michael to help him to ensure the work was still done on the farm. His good friends and neighbours, David Lovett and Mike O'Sullivan, also offered

invaluable help, advice, and support. Their kindness that meant a great deal to Jerry.

Jerry had a deep appreciation for Irish history and a lifelong love of traditional Irish music, especially the music of Liam Clancy and Tommy Makem. Music was close to his heart, and he never missed a chance to lead a sing-song at family occasions and with friends. He rarely missed a Saturday evening of live sessions at the Arbutus Hotel in Killarney. One of the family's most cherished memories was Christmas 2023, an evening filled with the sound of music, song, laughter, and love. It was one of those magical nights that will live on in their hearts forever.

A devoted racing man, Jerry never missed the Galway Races, an annual tradition he held close. He loved the atmosphere, the excitement, and the connection it brought him year after year.

When illness came, Jerry met it with extraordinary courage. Over the course of 18 months, he endured immense challenges but never gave up. He fought hard to stay with the people he loved, facing each day with resilience, grit, and a powerful will to carry on. His strength during that time was a true reflection of his character, a man who loved deeply and lived with heart.

Above all, Jerry was a devoted family man. Married in 1981, his wife Rena was the centre of his world, and their love and devotion were a lasting example of care, companionship, and unbreakable bond. Together, they built a loving home for their five children: Marie, Aidan, Sinéad, Derry, and Triona. Jerry was a proud grandfather to Saoirse, Liam, Aoife, and Caitlín, and he treasured his bond with his daughter-in-law Vanessa. While he wasn't one for outward sentiment, he quietly took interest in the lives of his children and their partners, always valuing time spent together as the family grew.

Jerry is predeceased by his parents, Patrick and Bridget, parents in law Denis & Peg Gullivan of Knocknaskeha, Killarney, his brothers-in-law Niall Doran and Jim Horgan, both of whom were not only family but also close friends. He will be deeply missed and lovingly remembered by his family, friends and neighbours. His legacy is one of quiet strength, fierce loyalty, deep love for his family, and a life lived with purpose, dignity, and heart.

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