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The Healy Rae Machine - newly elected candidates Maura Healy-Rae, her brother Johnny and cousin Jackie are elected to the Killarney, Kenmare and Castleisland Municipal Districts at the count centre in Killarney. Photo: Don MacMonagle

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# A Note from the EDITOR



As it was...The seven sitting councillors were re-elected to Kerry County Council representing the Killarney Municipal Area in last week's local elections with the Healy Rae Machine topping the poll in three electoral areas.

Anne Lucey takes a comprehensive look at the local elections in our Political Outlook section with plenty of photos from the count at Killarney Sports & Leisure Centre.

The students at St. Olivers National School are doing their bit for the Tidy Towns Competition, while students at Loreto NS held an election on polling day.

Connections on the golf course were celebrated this week as a group of US golfers played Killarney, Muckross House celebrates 60 years this weekend, the Corcoran's charity walk was a huge success and it's time for Cruinniú na nÓg.

Plans are afoot for a Women's Shed in Killarney, a talented athlete is heading to the USA on a scholarship and Niall and Paudie were remembered at the annual Garda 7 A Side National Schools Blitz.

Kerry football senior teams prepare for a weekend of football, the Primary Schools Basketball finals took place and Jimmy takes a look at All Things Sport. All this and so much more in this week's Killarney Outlook. Enjoy!

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# Bag It - Bin It

## St. Oliver's NS Students speak loud and clear on dog fouling



Loud and Clear... 'Bag It - Bin It' campaign! the pupils and teachers of St. Oliver's Primary School, Killarney were tasked by the Killarney Tidy Towns group to raise awareness on the amount of dog fouling left on footpaths leading to the school, causing problems for children and parents. Their message is clear and simple 'Bag it - Bin it' which is being stenciled using biodegradable coloured spray on the footpaths leading to the school grounds. Juno, the school's My Canine Companion dog is also lending a hand in promoting the idea. In the photo is one of the Junior Infant Classes, with Teachers, Nessa Ní Lionaird, Stella Moloney, Project Leader, and Miriam Dennehy, with Juno is Catherine Doyle. Photo: Valerie O'Sullivan

An invitation from Killarney Looking Good Committee to St Oliver's NS to take on a project to strengthen the town's case in the Tidy Towns Competition was met with huge enthusiasm from the students. The school jumped at the chance and decided to tackle an ongoing issue on the footpaths leading to the school where dog fouling is causing problems for children and parents alike walking to school, as well as class groupings when they go on walks and on visits to the Church of the Resurrection. An education and awareness project to attempt to minimize the extent and impact of dog fouling was suggested to the Killarney Looking Good Committee who felt that it was a great idea and

badly needed.

Who better to lead the way in educating and making the public aware than Junior Infants. There have been very interesting chats and discussions with and between all 3 infant classes in St Oliver's. What you need to bring with you when bringing your dog for a walk, bagging and binning dog poo, what can happen if you leave the dog poo on the footpath etc. The intention of these engagements is that the infants learn this good habit for life and bring the message home to their family, friends and the general community.

The school is now at the Awareness Stage of what they are calling the Bag It Bin It campaign - making all students in the school aware of the campaign (Bag It Bin it) to ensure that all students know what to do when a dog fouls and to bring this message

out to the greater Killarney community. In conjunction with this, the Bag It, Bin It message is being stenciled using biodegradable coloured spray on the footpaths leading to the school grounds. Juno, the school's My Canine Companion therapy dog is also lending a hand in promoting the idea.

The school is asking for the general public's help - to spread the message "BAG IT - BIN IT", so tell your friends and family what the school community is trying to promote, that they're tired of walking (accidentally) on the dog poo and manoeuvring around it on trips to and from the school and that the general public can show great example to young people growing up in Killarney that it is simply NOT acceptable to foul our pathways.

Watch out for the promotional video in the coming week via various social media channels. St Oliver's Junior Infants have a lot to say on this topic!



### LOUD AND CLEAR...

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## LORETO NS HOLD THEIR OWN ELECTION

Scoil Bhríde was the only school in Killarney that was not a polling station on Friday and they decided that they would have their own local election in the school. The 2nd and 3rd class students made out the ballot papers and handed polling cards to all the children in the school, staff and all the children in Bluebells Preschool. They then counted the votes and displayed their findings using Microsoft Excel and PowerPoint. It was a fantastic learning experience and great fun for all involved.



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# Chamber looks forward to continuing relationship with council

Killarney Chamber of Tourism and Commerce has congratulated the seven newly elected members of Killarney Municipal District Council and wished them every success when tackling their to-do list over the next five years.

Chamber said it enjoyed a very productive, progressive and positive relationship with the outgoing councillors, all of whom were comfortably elected for another term at the weekend.

“We worked really well with every one of the previous council and the executive and we look forward to continuing that good relationship going forward.

“There are many projects which require the chamber and council to work side by side to deliver and Killarney is the big winner from that joint approach,” a statement issued by co-presidents Johnny McGuire and Pádraig Treacy said. The chamber acknowledged that the outgoing council got through an enormous body of work, despite their plans being severely hampered by the Covid-19 pandemic and the reorganisation,

restructuring and enormous expense that entailed.

“There are a number of issues that the chamber would love to see given priority going forward and we will address them in due course but, for now, it is time for the elected councillors to reflect on what was a very testing, physically demanding but ultimately successful local elections campaign and to prepare for a new beginning,” chamber added.

The co-presidents also thanked the 10 candidates who were not successful on this occasion for having the courage to put their names on the ballot paper which is a significant privilege in a true democracy.

“They might not have made it across the line on this occasion but we thank each and every one of them for having such an interest in Killarney and its people that they were willing to contest an election for the honour of representing the town and its interests,” chamber said.



The newly elected councillors: Maura Healy Rae, Martin Grady, John O'Donoghue, Brendan Cronin, Niall Kelliher, Niall Botty O'Callaghan and Marie Moloney.

## JOHN HEALY JOINS EXPERT PANEL AT RECENT FORUM

Local Killarney Insurance Broker John Healy joined other Insurance Industry leaders as a panellist at the Brokers Ireland Insurance Forum last week.

John and the expert panel discussed upcoming changes in the regulatory environment, emerging trends in the Insurance market in Ireland and internationally as well as the technological advancements that are expected. Other matters discussed included consolidation within the Insurance Broking market and the importance of independently owned Insurance Brokers.

The forum agenda included presentations on digitalisation and insurtech, talent acquisition and retention, SMEs, strategy and a market overview.

The event, organised by Brokers Ireland and held at the offices of Grant Thornton in Dublin was moderated by broadcaster Matt Cooper.



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The glorious greens and fairways of Killarney Golf & Fishing Club welcomed a group of American golfers this week at the invitation of a Killarney man who has been living in the US for over 30 years.

Roger O'Sullivan has maintained a very strong connection with his home town through a novel golfing tournament which involves a regular challenge against local players.

Roger, originally from Loreto Road and a member of the Rainier Golf and Country Club in Seattle, has linked up with another Killarney man, Brendan Keogh of SWING Golf, on several occasions to bring a group of golfers from the Seattle club to play a number of Kerry and Irish courses.

They compete for the Cider Cup which is their own unique take on the Ryder Cup.

In 2010 Roger led a group of 18 golfers from the US to play in Ireland and they repeated the journey and the adventure again in 2012, 2014 and 2017.

They had another trip planned in 2020 but that was cancelled due to Covid but they returned again in 2022 and a group of 44 golfers were back in Killarney in recent weeks to test their skills on the Kerry courses and against local players.

"Since we first started doing this in 2010 we have had 102 different golfers travel from Seattle," Roger explained.

"I met Brendan Keogh on one of my visits home and he travelled to Seattle, at my request, and organised sponsorship at my golf club.

"Since then our trips have been expertly organised by SWING Golf who book us preferential tee-times, set up the schedule and coordinate our bus drivers. We have never had an issue or anything to worry about. Being friendly with Maurice O'Donoghue, we have always stayed at Scott's Hotel," he added. The US visitors take on local players when in Killarney and this year there was 100 golfers playing on the Killeen course on the first day of their visit.

"The support of the locals has been incredible and I wouldn't do this without them," said Roger.

"There have been numerous friendships made over the last 14 years. We have supported a local charity on every trip and for the last two it has been the palliative care unit at University Hospital

## Getting into the **SWING** of things -

*Roger and Brendan forge close golfing connections*



*Brendan Keogh, CEO of South West Ireland Golf (right) with Roger O'Sullivan*

Kerry. This year we raised €5,100," he said.

A former student at St Brendan's College, Roger's parents were Tony and Juliette O'Sullivan and his father was the head chef in the Gleneagle Hotel for over 20 years before the family purchased Danesfort Lodge at Woodlawn Cross on the Muckcross Road.

Roger has been married for 20 years to Amy from Tampa, Florida and they have one daughter, Gracie.

Brendan Keogh joined SWING in the early days of its operation as financial operations manager, working alongside the late Paddy O'Looney.

A member of Killarney Golf and Fishing Club for 40 years, he is the current CEO and he will have served 33 years next September.

SWING, the brainchild of former Kerry Group

chief, Denis Brosnan, markets and promotes the premier golf clubs in the south west and also runs an incoming golf agency.

Records show that the company has booked over 350,000 rounds of golf in the south west alone but it also facilitates golfers wanting to play elsewhere in the country.

The company's senior team of Brendan, Eileen O'Sullivan and Tommy Pierce have 60 years of experience bringing golfers to these shores.

Killarney has been a huge beneficiary as it is a base for most visiting golfers while on the Kerry part of their trip. The locals like seeing the high spending golfers arrive in April for a season than runs until mid October.

2024 is busy and it is also looking positive for 2025.



*Brendan Keogh SWING CEO and Roger O'Sullivan with a group of the Killarney and Seattle players who competed for the Cider Cup. Picture: Eamonn Keogh*



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## RING OF KERRY CYCLE GOES FULL CIRCLE FOR KIDNEY PATIENTS

The Irish Kidney Association (IKA) is calling on cyclists and people across the nation and beyond to support the iconic Ring of Kerry Cycle on Saturday, 6th July 2024 to continue to help raise vital funds for kidney patients. From humble beginnings over four decades ago, members of the Kerry IKA branch created the Ring of Kerry Cycle as a fundraiser to establish a vital dialysis treatment centre within the county. Since then, the annual Cycle has blossomed into a monumental event with thousands of cyclists taking part each year raising awareness and over €19 million for more than 160 worthy causes.

Veterans of the first cycle continue to be active with the Irish Kidney Association (IKA), with some participating in this year's event and others offering support. Many affected by organ failure, will join the event to support the IKA. They will celebrate transplantation and emphasise the importance of exercise both pre and post-transplant for physical and emotional well-being. Inspiring support for the work of the Irish Kidney Association is seven-year-old Cíalan Walsh from Waterville, Kerry who, diagnosed with kidney failure as a young child, will need a kidney transplant and serves as an inspiration for patients everywhere. Cíalan attended a photocall at The Europe Hotel & Resort in Killarney on 8th June along with some of the founding members and people involved in the inaugural Ring of the Kerry Charity Cycle and some cyclists supporting the IKA in this year's event. (details further below)

Taking part in the upcoming Ring of Kerry Charity Cycle are Irish Kidney Association ambassadors from Carlow, Cork, Kerry, Monaghan, and Tipperary (listed further below) who have been personally touched by organ failure, showcasing their resilience, determination, and passion to promote organ donation while highlighting the importance of exercise and fitness before and post-transplant. The IKA hopes to inspire people to recognise its pivotal role in the Ring of Kerry Cycle history and support the charity which can be done in



Member of the Irish Kidney Association pictured at the launch of quest for cyclists to take part in the Ring of Kerry Charity Cycle. Photo: Michelle Cooper Galvin

several ways:

by cycling in the 170k scenic circular route on the 6th of July and when registering selecting the IKA, a tier 2 charity. There is one free registration for every team of five;

Raise funds for the IKA through the iDonate online platform with a 2-night stay in a Killarney for the top fundraiser;

for those who can't make it to the event, they can register for a 'virtual cycle' from any location individually or collectively in cycling clubs, spinning classes, during July; For the Virtual cycle Register here.

support an IKA bumper prize raffle for prizes with a collective value of over €8,000. To find out more visit [www.ika.ie/ringofkerry](http://www.ika.ie/ringofkerry)

Also at the photocall were two of the founding members of the Ring of Kerry Cycle from Killarney including Denis Geaney and Theresa Looney accompanied by her husband Pat Looney. Pat is gearing up for the cycle on July

6th having also taken part in the inaugural cycle four decades before.

Michelle Cooper Galvin, in a fitting tribute to her prolific career in press journalism, the now-retired photographer, who had originally captured the inaugural Ring of Kerry Cycle with her husband among the 46 cyclists, obliged the IKA by taking photos at the photocall, a cause close to her heart as she lost her mother to kidney disease as a teenager.

Joining them for the photocall were four IKA cycle ambassadors in the 2024 Ring of Kerry cycle (detailed profiles are further below) including:

Anna Pokojaska, from Killarney who took up cycling after her life-changing kidney transplant in 2017 and represented Ireland at the World Transplant Games in Malaga in 2019 where she won a silver and bronze medal and Shane O'Connell, Castleisland who received a heart transplant in 2013.

## Geological Survey plane collecting geophysical data over Kerry

If you are in Kerry, Cork, or parts of Limerick in summer 2024, and see a low-flying airplane, there is a good chance that it is the Tellus survey by Geological Survey Ireland, a division of the Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications. The survey airplane is a white, twin propeller plane, which is easily identified by its red tail and black stripe as well as the word 'SURVEY' and registration number C-GSGF written across both sides of the plane.

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It's the talk of the town...



With Anne Lucey

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

### The 'New' Killarney Council

The new Killarney Municipal District council will not be so new. We have the same people and the deck has only been shuffled slightly in terms of votes.

While we have the same council, we do have two councillors who had been co-opted and who are now comprehensively elected. They will have a new confidence and new energy. These are first count winner, retained firefighter Martin Grady who put in a remarkable performance by any standards. This is thanks too to his wider family involvement of politicians father Donal and Uncle Séan.

Then there is primary teacher John O'Donoghue. Elected on the third count. Again I saw strong involvement from his uncle, past councillor Michael Gleeson. A bit like the Healy-Raes, perhaps - politics in Kerry is a family affair.

The most important mayoral office in Kerry is the Killarney mayor.

Will the pact for mayor that kept some people out of the picture and office for mayor entirely be renewed? Ever since Maura Healy-Rae was co-opted in 2016, she has effectively been kept out of the chair. This causes bitter division. Whatever your politics, is there not a sense of unfairness about depriving someone of first citizenship who got enough first preference votes to elect not one, but two councillors?

Then there will be the massive vote which Martin Grady got. And what about Niall O'Callaghan, is he not to get a chance either? I ask the question because the question of mayor mars politics in Killarney. So, perhaps it is something the 'new' council are already looking at newly. We have serious ongoing issues to address, not least the museum



Who will be wearing the Maroyal Chain of Office in the new elected Killarney Municipal District Council?

to the town. There has to be a determined strategy on St Finan's. The council engineers and the roads office engineers will have to be asked to account for the mess of the traffic in Killarney. It is not just down to Rock Road roadworks or the lack of an inner relief road. It is going on with decades.

If we have a united council, then these few issues alone could stand alone. But we need unity. And the first obstacle to overcome will be a fair share out of the office of mayor.

### Citizens and Language

Almost five thousand people from over one hundred countries were in Killarney for what is a great occasion, the Irish citizenship ceremonies at the INEC.

The granting of Irish citizenship through naturalisation is governed by the provisions of the Irish Nationality and Citizenship Act

1956, as amended.

Alan Shatter introduced the ceremonies in 2011 to make them an occasion and take them out of the uncomfortable and unsuitable confines of courtroom settings.

Among the lead nations of origin this week were India with almost 1,000 and the UK with 416 applicants. These were followed by Brazil, the Philippines, Poland, Romania South Africa, Nigeria Pakistan each with over 200 applicants and the USA which had 119.

In all the applicants are from 138 countries around the world.

Immigration which began 30 years ago had replaced a history of emigration and now one fifth of the population born outside Ireland, those at the INEC in Killarney heard from Aine Griffin of the Department of Justice The Irish for citizen was 'saoránach' meaning 'free' Ms Griffin, said to a spontaneous round of applause.

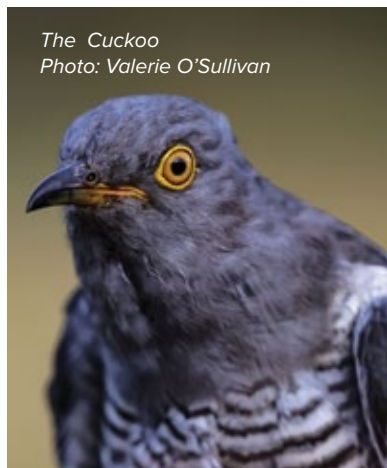
Retired judge Mary Irvine, explained the Latin tag 'carpe diem' - and urged the new citizens to seize the day and urged them to grasp the opportunities "the landmark event" of citizenship afforded them.

While I and others were struck by the promises of freedom, a standout for me once again was the poor English standard of some of our new citizens living here for years. I keep raising an English requirement with the Department of Justice. And I get the same answer.

"No language proficiency requirements apply with respect to naturalisation applications. There are no plans to amend the legislation in this regard," they said this week. But why not? Why do we not ensure there is communication? Every other country does in the interests of basic communication.

### CUCKOO

The cuckoos are leaving. Let me begin with a confession: I spent so long at the count in Killarney, I was writing penguin. However, there's nothing wrong with the cuckoos' inner clock. And the last to arrive will be the first to leave. We have daily report of progress on the admirable



The Cuckoo  
Photo: Valerie O'Sullivan

British Trust for Ornithology Cuach Cores | BTO - British Trust for Ornithology as well as on the local Killarney National Park site.

The tracking system begun by both organisations last year is working perfectly. As I write, Cuach Cores is where I would like to be-heading for the mouth of the Rhone Valley doing a detour between Avignon and Aix en-Provence. And then he will go to the Congo.

May I reveal an unease with all this scientific meddling. I know

we value scientific knowledge more than ever. However, there is a danger with over-information. And it is not unlike the battle over AI. The danger is we are 'blinded' by science and that the mystery will be taken out of one of this precious harbinger of summer. Only 'experts' referring to websites will soon be able to talk about the cuckoo, in a way that speaks of outside science and not of inner seasons. I have monitored the cuckoo on Mangerton with close to four decades, his comings and goings, his decline in numbers but also sometimes his increase. I have feared for his survival and I have celebrated his arrival. I have come to value for his song, a bird that in my youth was presented as a good-for-nothing parasite.

The cuckoo arrives and sings and then rests up for a few days. He recovers and is deafening for a few weeks and there is silence again. Just before he departs there is a burst of song for a day or two and he is gone. I don't just mourn the cuckoo's leaving, I mourn the passing of the summer and the closer we get to the longest day in the year. I don't want to know, with respect to the British Trust for Ornithology or the Killarney National Park that my cuckoos are landing in Fermoy and are on their way to Mangerton. I want to be surprised not from a website, but from a burst of song on a misty morning in late April when it seems the world is cut off entirely. So thanks for the information, NPWS, and BTO, but is there any chance you might keep one of the last great mysteries to yourself from now on?

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# Good Food, Good Jazz, Good Vibes at The Dunloe Hotel & Gardens

A symphony of relaxation, gourmet dining, and live entertainment awaits you this summer at The Dunloe Hotel & Gardens as guests are invited to immerse themselves in at their Jazz Sunday Lunch. Commencing on Sunday, 2nd June, this special event will grace the calendar every Sunday throughout the summer season. Hosted in the vibrant Grill Restaurant, guests can enjoy relaxed dining while overlooking the majestic Gap of Dunloe.

Whether it's a cherished family outing, a catch up with friends, or a memorable celebration, the Jazz Sunday Lunch promises an unforgettable afternoon filled with fun, delicious food, and classic jazz tunes. Guests will have the opportunity to unwind while enjoying live performances by the talented Velvin Lamont, whose soulful melodies will create an atmosphere of relaxation and entertainment from 1pm to 4pm.

The Dunloe Hotel & Gardens team of talented chefs have created a decadent menu to showcase the best of locally sourced seasonal produce. Guests can choose between a two-course menu priced at €50 per person or a three-course menu priced at €55 per person, both served with tea and coffee. The starter includes an array of options such as refreshing Atlantic prawn cocktail, the timeless classic Caesar salad, and freshly made soup of the day. For the main course,



guests can indulge in mouthwatering dishes, such as delicate steamed fillet of Atlantic salmon, succulent slow cooked pork tomahawk, and flavourful wild forest mushroom arancini. To finish on a sweet note, dessert options feature the indulgent Paris Brest choux, apple crumble and passionfruit meringue tart.

Reservations are now open for the Jazz Sunday Lunch, available every Sunday throughout the summer season. For reservations and more information please visit [www.thedunloe.com](http://www.thedunloe.com) or call +353 64 664 4111.

## SUMMER SOLSTICE WORKSHOPS AT BLACKDOG FARM

Let the timeless traditions of the Summer Solstice inspire you to join us for these two powerful workshops in Blackdog Farm on Sunday 23rd June to honour the ancestral energies, connect with nature and the mystical plant of St. John's Wort and other summer herbs, followed by an Ancestral Healing Breathwork Journey

To our ancient ancestors, the Summer Solstice

was sacred. This time marked the longest day of the year and was a time of great celebration for them, honouring the beauty and abundance of nature and renewal, recognizing the interconnectedness of all things.

### Sunday 23rd June

12pm – 2pm Discovering Summer Herbs Workshop (with Donna of Black Dog Farm)

St. John's Wort is a traditional herb and one of many that was used by our ancestors to mark the solstice with its bright yellow flowers making it a symbol of the sun's power and vitality. Join us to tap into the ancient wisdom and profound healing properties of various revered herbs making our own custom teas, body oils and smudge sticks

2.30pm – 5pm An Ancestral Breathwork Journey (with Dara of Mo Chuisle Healing Breath)

Summer Solstice is an ideal time to go on this inner journey of healing breathwork to cleanse and break free from any old patterns, aligning yourself with the vibrant spirit of this ancient celebration, bringing strength and renewal.

You will be guided to reconnect to yourself, your lineage and all your sacred Ancestors who

came before you, as they live on within us.

Whether for insight, guidance or healing, our Ancestors are always a willing and powerful support for our highest good.

### A little about Dara

Dara Bradley is the founder of Mo Chuisle Healing Breath, an experiential sanctuary she created to encourage healing and growth through the power of the breath. She has guided hundreds of individuals on their paths to self-discovery and deep transformation through her unique Mo Chuisle Healing Breathwork Journeys.

As a multi-certified Breathwork Facilitator & Coach, together with a background in psychology, she has spent years deeply immersed in the study of the mind & body relationship, allowing her to integrate scientific understanding with holistic somatic practices and therapeutic breathwork experiences.

\*Discounted rate if you attend both workshops\*  
Message Dara to reserve your place or for more information

[dara@mochuislehealingbreath.com](mailto:dara@mochuislehealingbreath.com) / 087 2693689



## Grace hosts a Series of Intimate Performances

Storyteller' is a series of intimate, one woman performances that will be given by Killarney Singer Grace Foley during the Summer months. The first of the performances takes place this Saturday June 15th, 7pm, at Anam House Arts and Cultural Centre Killarney (near old cinema), and will feature the songs and stories of singers including Dolly Parton, ABBA, and an array of Irish artists as well as a selection of poems and famous quotes. Tickets are €10 and will be available on the night. The performance is approximately one hour long.

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### DISCOVERING SUMMER HERBS

*with Donna of Black Dog Farm*

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Our Ancestors knew which plants offer healing medicine when prepared in the appropriate way at the right time of year. For example, St. John's Wort is a traditional herb that is used to mark the solstice with its bright yellow flowers making it a symbol of the sun's power and vitality.

In combination with a few other summer plants, we will make our own custom teas, body oils and smudge sticks.

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## MUCKROSS HOUSE CELEBRATES 60TH ANNIVERSARY

Final preparations took place this week to celebrate the 60th anniversary of the opening of Muckross House to visitors, today, June 14th.

A special day to mark the occasion is organised by National Parks & Wildlife Service (NPWS) and the Board of Trustees of Muckross House, Killarney on this Friday 14th June. Staff at NPWS, Muckross House and Trustees will host several exhibitions, walks and guided tours in the vicinity of the house. There will also be free admission to Muckross House and Muckross Traditional Farms throughout the weekend (14-16 June).

Sixty years on, it is time to celebrate the significant contributions of those who have made Muckross House what it is today: The guides, staff, a supportive community, the visitors and the legacy of the Bourn Vincent family. Over these six decades, thousands of people have collaborated to protect, preserve, and enjoy this unique and special property.

The weekend events feature: guided tours - history of the house, spinning wheel, bookbinding, pottery, crossroads dancing, nature walks, lakes ecology, Kerry cattle, deer, rhododendron,

the white-tailed eagle restoration project and other events from 11am - 4pm. A free shuttle bus will run from Mission Road to Muckross on Friday 14th from 10am - 4pm. That evening the local drama group Dochas will perform 'An Evening with Joyce' in Muckross House.

A programme of events and celebrations will continue throughout the summer months to commemorate one of Killarney's most iconic locations.

Muckross House was completed for the landlord Herbert family in 1843, Muckross House acquired new owners at the end of the 19th century being purchased by Lord Ardilaun.

It again changed hands, in 1911, being purchased by a wealthy American, William Bowers Bourn. The house and estate were presented to the Irish nation, in 1932, by the Bowers Bourn and Rose Vincent families. Muckross became Ireland's first National Park, in 1933.

However, Muckross House remained closed for more than 30 years. Following a campaign by people in Killarney, the Government agreed to the use of the house as a folk museum and it was officially opened as such on June 14, 1964.



Final preparations...Historical Conservator, Sven Habermann, examining and cleaning various antiques and dining room chandelier in Muckross House ahead of the 60th anniversary of the opening of Muckross House to the public on Friday 14th. Photo: Valerie O'Sullivan



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# ALMOST €12,000 RAISED IN CORCORANS FURNITURE CHARITY WALK

Autism Assistance Dogs Ireland were the beneficiaries of the Corcoran's Furniture & Carpets Charity Walk.

The walk took place through the Gap of Dunloe last Saturday, 8 June 2024 in aid of Autism Assistance Dogs Ireland (AADI). Former Kerry Footballer, James O' Donoghue, was the ambassador for the event, and the sun shone brightly for a day that was certainly one to remember.

There were 37 participants in the event, which included AADI families, dogs, and representatives, as well as fundraisers, supporters, and members of the Corcoran's team. The stars of the day were the three life-changing super-hero dogs, Buzz, Baron and Hank.

The event raised just shy of 12K and monies are still coming in, hence Corcoran's are confident that they will exceed this amount. Those taking part left Ross Castle and were treated to a phenomenal boat ride in the expert hands of Donal 'Dux' O'Donoghue of Gap of Dunloe Traditional Boat Tours. The O' Donoghue family entertained the entire group with a range of fascinating stories outlining the history of the lakes of Killarney and Killarney National Park.

The group set out from Lord Brandon's Cottage and walked the 11K through the iconic Gap of Dunloe, with two AADI families and their dogs taking part in the full walk. This was followed by a well-deserved meal and some rest and relaxation at Kate Kearney's Cottage. Fleming's Taxi's Killarney brought the group back to Ross Castle, Killarney upon completion of the event.

Autism Assistance Dog Baron did the full walk with Michelle

Corcoran and her sons Josh and Aron, which was an incredible achievement for such a young family. And Assistance Dog in training, super-dog Hank, completed the walk with his amazing puppy fosterer Karen O' Shea.

AADI walk ambassadors Darragh Caddigan and his parents Áine, and Jason also came along to support the event with their wonder-dog Buzz. The Caddigan family are the first family in Co. Kerry to have received a life changing AADI dog. Jason Caddigan said: 'Just recently Darragh was attempting to run into ongoing traffic, it was phenomenal to see how Buzz instantly reacted and held Darragh down so that he could not get into any danger. Buzz has changed our lives as a family. We can now go out and about knowing that Darragh will be kept safe and that he won't be able to run off. Buzz also helps to reduce anxiety and to keep Darragh calm. There are no words to express the difference this has made to us individually, and as a family unit. We are hugely grateful for the outstanding AADI fundraising drive organised by Corcoran's Furniture, and also to the entire AADI team for their ongoing support.'

Speaking about the walk, Shane O' Callaghan, Financial Controller, Corcoran's said: 'On behalf of everybody at Corcoran's Furniture, we would like to thank everybody who participated in our Gap of Dunloe charity event on behalf of AADI. Collectively we have raised almost €12,000 for this incredible charity and monies are still coming in. We are extremely grateful to all who supported our walk, and also to James O' Donoghue, Christina Tagney, the Gap of Dunloe

The group pictured at Ross Castle before the event. Photo: Drew Dineen



Derek Bowles, Mikayla Corcoran and Nicola O Sullivan at the walk



Darragh Caddigan pictured with James O Donoghue



Pictured from L-R: David McCarthy, Nicola O' Sullivan, Mikayla Corcoran, Shane O' Callaghan, Kieran Corcoran, AADI Dog Hank, Justyna Krawczyk, Jason Caddigan, James O' Donoghue, Kieran Corcoran Junior, Emma Foran

Traditional Boat Tours, the fantastic support of Noel Lucey and Donal McCarthy from the Order Of Malta, Killarney branch, and to Killarney National Park, Kate Kearney's Cottage and Fleming's Taxi's. All funds raised will go toward the expert training and maintenance of the upcoming AADI dogs who will make a dramatic difference to so many children with Autism and their families.'

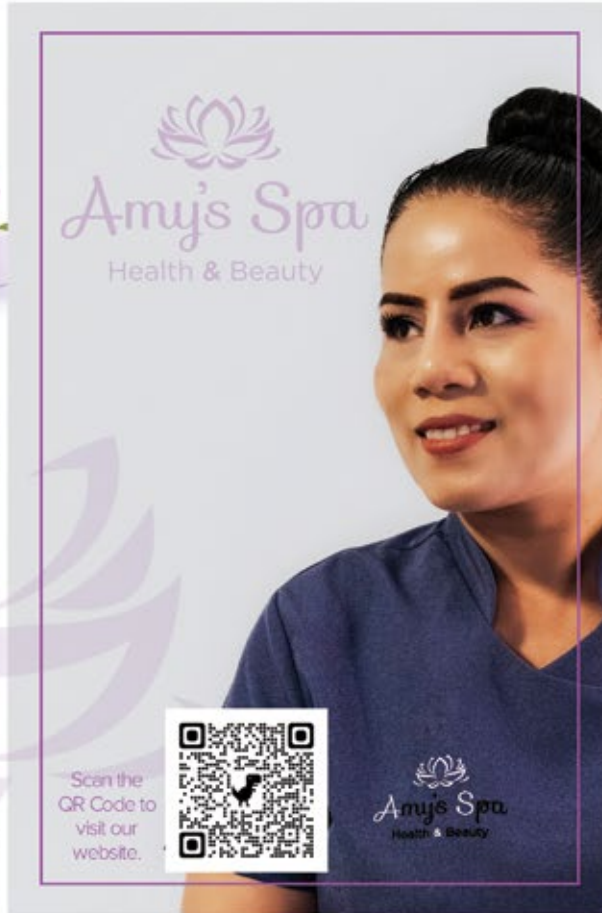
Corcoran's Furniture will be continuing their fundraising drive

throughout the year in the hopes of raising as much money as possible for this incredibly worthy cause. If you would like to support AADI by adding to Corcoran's fundraising drive you can do so by logging on to: <https://www.autismassistancedogsireland.ie/.../corcorans...> All funds are very gratefully accepted.



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# It's time for Cruinniú na nÓg



Creative Ireland Kerry & Kerry County Council's Arts Office is delighted to bring a variety of free events for children and young people across Kerry for this year's Cruinniú na nÓg.

Cruinniú na nÓg is taking place all over Ireland, tomorrow, Saturday 15th June with a programme of FREE creative celebrations for children and young people. Emma Carmody, Kerry's Creative Communities Engagement Officer, supported by the Arts Office team has coordinated 72 free events throughout the county. 'Creative events are offered, for free, for children and young people ages 0-18,' stated Emma, 'We are thrilled with the level of activity and the variety of creative fun filled activity on offer.'

Earlier in the year, the Arts Office at Kerry County Council carried out an extensive consultation with many young people in Kerry to see what



they wanted to see in this year's Cruinniú na nÓg - and their feedback has informed this year's programme. Nationally, Cruinniú na nÓg has issued a call out for young people to 'Dare to create'. The Kerry Creative Ireland Office issued an open call for artists and creatives to respond with ideas too for Cruinniú na nÓg. Emma advised that, 'The 72 events reflect the creative skills sector in Kerry and the interests of our youth.'

There is something for all ages and creative interests in this year's programme. Some of the highlights include STEAM workshops, Crafts such as pottery, felting and printing, dance, music and theatre workshops and performances, creative writing and comic book workshops, painting and puppet making workshops, and circus skills training!

"I am delighted to see so many quality

events on offer, for free, to allow children and young people have time to enjoy a creative event," stated Arts Officer & Creative Ireland Coordinator, Kate Kennelly, 'Hopefully many families and young people will take up what is on offer and enjoy finding a connection with creativity.'

The brochure for all events for Kerry is available to download on: <https://arts.kerrycoco.ie/wp-content/uploads/2024/05/Cruinniu-na-nOg-Kerry-Brochure-2024.pdf>

and all events are listed on the national Creative Ireland website at: <https://cruinniu.creativeireland.gov.ie/events/location/kerry/>

The programme has been put together by the Creative Ireland Kerry Office at the Arts Office Kerry County Council. It is funded by Creative Ireland, through the Department of Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media.

## EirGrid to host informative Energy Citizens Roadshow event in Killarney next week

EirGrid, the operator and developer of the national electricity grid, is set to host its Energy Citizens Roadshow in Killarney next Wednesday, June 19th at the Brehon Hotel, Killarney, from 6.30pm to 8.30pm.

Led by EirGrid, in partnership with ESB Networks and the SEAI (Ireland's national sustainable energy authority) this event, which is free and open to all members of the public, will inform local communities across Kerry about retrofitting grants, community micro-generation schemes and plans to future-proof the electricity grid in the region.

Also joining the panel is Deirdre de Bhailís, Manager of the Dingle Hub, a non-profit group that connects people and organisations, both local and national to develop innovative approaches to the many challenges brought on by climate change and biodiversity loss.

Kerry native and PR guru Brian Purcell will lead the evening's proceedings, giving the public an opportunity to engage with this expert panel.

The roadshow will also host a range of local exhibitors showcasing the latest information about home energy efficiency upgrades, heat pumps and solar energy.

To register for this free event, visit <https://eirgrid.ie/roadshows>



*EirGrid Roadshows: Those attending the EirGrid Energy Citizens Roadshow in Kerry can speak to a host of exhibitors on the evening.*

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<b>Traditional €14.50</b> <b>Fall Irish</b> Locally sourced rashers, sausages, black & white pudding, hashbrown, tomato, beans with your choice of eggs - poached, scrambled or fried. Served with Arbutus brown bread. (2,4,7,9)	<b>Mini Breakfast €10.50</b> Bacon, egg & sausage Served with Arbutus brown bread (2,4,7,9)	<b>The Veggie Brekkie €12.50</b> Clonakilty veggie-pudding, poached egg, sautéed spinach, hash brown, tomato, mushroom, Ballymaloe relish (4,9)
<b>Homemade Scones €5.00</b> with jam & cream (2,4,7)		

## SMALL PLATES

<b>Wholesome Soup €7.75</b> <b>of the day</b> With homemade brown bread. GF(a)	<b>Burrata &amp; Tomato Salad €12.50</b> Fresh creamy Burrata served with cherry tomatoes, fresh basil pesto and crusty bread GF(a) (2,7,16)	<b>Chicken wings: €9.75</b> • Sweet & sticky OR • salt and pepper GF(1,7,9,12)
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## MAINS

<b>Fish &amp; Chips €17.95</b> Dingle Hake served with tartare sauce and pea puree (2,3,14)	<b>Chicken Burger €17.50</b> Crispy Buttermilk chicken fillet in a Brioche bun, mixed leaves Served with chips and chipotle mayo (2,4,7,9,12,13,14)	<b>Pea Pesto Pasta €14.50</b> <b>&amp; roasted tomatoes</b> • Add grilled chicken €3 • Add grilled prawns €3.50 GF available (2)
<b>Buckleys Beef €17.95</b> <b>Burger</b> In a Brioche bun, topped with local cheese, bacon, chips & Killarney beer battered onion rings (2,4,7,9,14)	<b>Arbutus Mixed €17.95</b> <b>Grill</b> Lamb outlet, sausage, rasher & peas topped with a fried egg Served with tea, bread & butter (2,4,7,9)	<b>Baked Lasagne €17.50</b> Served with garlic bread, side salad and chunky chips (1,2,4,7,9,13,14)
	<b>Mild Fruity €14.50</b> <b>Vegan Curry</b> Served with Pilau rice & naan bread Add chicken €3 GF V (1,13,14)	

## SIDES

Tenderstem broccoli.....	€3.50
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## SADNESS AT THE PASSING OF EGIN O'CARRA

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The passing of popular former Deputy Principal of St. Brendan's College, Eoin O'Carra, has cast sadness across the town of Killarney.

Mr. O'Carra was known throughout the whole country for his involvement with Comhaltas Ceoltoiri Eireann and held the position of Cathaoirleach of the association locally.

A Galway city native, Mr. O'Carra retired from his teaching career in 2006.

He had many interests including the promotion of the Irish Language and Irish Music and his daughters are very talented musicians. His daughter Niamh is well known in the world of Irish traditional music. She has toured with Riverdance, as a solo artiste and with her own band, and

has recorded with the Chieftains.

His wife Olivia is a talented artist who was also a teacher. She spent much of her teaching career in Loreto Convent Secondary School.

Eoin passed away peacefully surrounded by his family in University Hospital Kerry, 8th June 2024, after a short illness.

He is survived by his heartbroken and beloved wife Olivia, his five daughters, Deirdre, Muireann, Niamh, Aoife and Maebh, their husbands and partner, John, Steven, Kevin, JJ and Dan, his grandchildren Niamh, Siobhán, Colm, Leah, Dónal, Séamus, Caoimhe, Sorcha and Donncha, his surviving sisters and brothers, sisters-in-law, brothers-in-law, nieces, nephews and his extended family and friends.

Following Requiem Mass in St. Mary's Cathedral, Eoin O'Carra on Wednesday morning Eoin O'Carra was laid to rest in Killarney Burial Ground.



*Eoin Ó Carra RIP, Cathaoirleach Comhaltas Ceoltoiri Eireann Craobh Cill Airne, Former Deputy Principal St Brendan's College Killarney, Musician, competition adjudicator Fleadh Cheoil na hEireann Photo:Valerie O'Sullivan*



## WOMEN'S SHED FOR KILLARNEY

A public meeting to discuss establishing a Women's Shed in Killarney town is taking place on Tuesday 25th June in the Methodist Church on Countess Road at 11am.

The Killarney Women's Shed will provide an inclusive space for women. It will foster a community of kindness and support, where women can connect, make new friends, socialise, laugh, have fun, engage in a diverse range of activities, attend talks, share skills and go on day trips.

## KERRY STUDENTS MAKE A SPLASH AT NATIONAL WATER AWARDS CEREMONY

Artistic Students from Nagal – Rice Primary School Milltown, and Scoil Mhuire, Killorglin were among the inspirational prize winners at the annual An Taisce Green Schools Water Awards.

The talented duo of Orlaith O Sullivan, and Ava Grace O Shea, were both regional winners in the poster competition

Uisce Éireann's Geoffrey Bourke, who presented the awards alongside An Taisce's Cathy Baxter was in awe of the students' creativity and imagination.

"Those of us lucky enough to be in attendance could not help but be

inspired by the children's stories of how they worked together to protect the valuable water resource and how they inspired their communities to use less water. They are a great example to us all."

The annual event marks the eleventh year of Uisce Éireann's sponsorship of An Taisce's Green-Schools programme which supports schools working to gain a Green Flag under the water theme. Throughout the current academic year, An Taisce has been engaging directly with 519 schools on the Water Flag, working with 142,820 students and 12,857 teachers across the country.



*Cathy Baxter, An Taisce, Ava Grace O Shea Scoil Mhuire, Geoffrey Bourke, Uisce Éireann*



*Cathy Baxter, An Taisce; Orlaith O Sullivan Nagle- Rice School; Geoffrey Bourke, Uisce Éireann*

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# Information Session for Kerry Mental Health & Wellbeing Fest Event Organisers

A information and networking event is being organised by the Kerry Mental Health and Wellbeing Fest Organising Committee from 11.00am to 12.30pm on Thursday 20th June in Tralee Library.

It's open to anyone interested in organising / hosting a FREE event during the Fest which will take place from Saturday 5th – Saturday 12th October 2024.

The Kerry Mental Health and Wellbeing Fest aims to raise awareness of the available supports and services in the county as well as empower people to engage with the 'Five Ways to Wellbeing' – Connect | Be Active | Take Notice | Keep Learning | Give – by offering a dynamic and interactive programme of FREE events.

Fest Steering Committee volunteer, Caoimhe Keogan of Jigsaw Kerry, said, "Around 100 FREE events were rolled out during last year's Kerry Mental Health and Wellbeing Fest and the interest continues to grow. We always strive to increase the programme offerings and prospective event organisers are invited to join us at our information session on 20th June in Tralee Library. We will provide background information on the Fest and details of how to register as an event organiser this year. There will be an opportunity to network with others and hear from an organiser of one of last year's events."

If you'd like to be part of a community initiative that has a positive impact on mental health and wellbeing, come join us to help create a healthier and happier Kerry.

The Kerry Mental Health & Wellbeing Fest organising voluntary committee is a



A RECORD-BREAKING number of FREE in-person and online events are ready to roll during the Kerry Mental Health & Wellbeing Fest from 7th to 14th October 2023. The key focus of the #KerryMHWFest is to promote mental health and wellbeing in Kerry through a diverse programme of fun, informative and interactive events. The benefits are not just for now but for the future as the kiddies from Laugh & Learn Pre-School Tralee (pictured) would agree.

Photo By : Domnick Walsh © Eye Focus LTD .

collaboration between Connecting for Life Kerry, Healthy Kerry, Kerry County Council, Kerry Recreation & Sports Partnership, the HSE, NEWKD, SKDP, Kerry Mental Health Association, Jigsaw Kerry, Munster Technological University/ Kerry, MTU Students Union, KDYS, Kerry Volunteer Centre, Kerry Library and Family Resource Centres throughout the county.

The Information & Networking event from 11.00am to 12.30pm on Thursday 20th June in Tralee Library. Light refreshments will be served.

For more information visit [www.KerryMentalHealthAndWellbeingFest.com](http://www.KerryMentalHealthAndWellbeingFest.com) or email [kerrymhwhfest20@gmail.com](mailto:kerrymhwhfest20@gmail.com).

## Historic France-Ireland Symposium on Vocational Education Training



Colm McEvoy, Chief Executive of Kerry ETB with Dr Joe Collins, ETBI Director of Further Education & Training at the first France-Ireland Symposium on Vocational Education.

More than 80 participants from 15 French academic regions and 15 Irish Education and Training boards came together over four days to reinforce the links between France and Ireland in the field of Further Education and Training and increase the mobility of Irish and French students and staff from Colleges of Further Education or Training Centres.

Through this 4-day event, the aim of this Symposium on Vocational Education Training is to offer participants a better understanding of each other's vocational training systems and to provide an opportunity to reflect on cooperation opportunities through workshops, presentations, networking sessions and field visits all over Ireland. It is composed of senior members of the Irish Ministry of Further and Higher Education, the French Ministry of Education, ETB Chief Executives, Directors of Further Education and Training and staff, French directors and international relations advisers from the various academic regions.



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# OISIN IS USA BOUND ON ATHLETICS SCHOLARSHIP

A talented Killarney valley AC athlete has secured an athletics scholarship in a top university in the states.

Oisín Lynch, who shot to fame on RTE's Fittest Families has been successful at county, provincial and at national level over his athletics career so far. He has represented Ireland already and is setting fast times at 800m (1.50) and at 1500m (3.51). These fast times and many successes have caught the eye of a few colleges in the U.S.A. and he has decided to take up the offer of a scholarship to Adams state college in Colorado in the USA. Oisín is a valued clubmate to all his training group in Killarney valley ac where, his dad Con is the coach to the distance crew. The training at Killarney valley ac is highly regarded where Tomas Griffin, Alan Delaney and Tim Horgan with their team excel at many different disciplines. Oisín together with his clubmate Jack O'Leary have both been achieving very fast times on the circuit and has raced at meetings



The new European 1500m champion and gold medalist Ciara Mageean pictured with Killarney valley ac's Jack O'Leary and Oisín Lynch at a high level event in Manchester!

in Dublin, Belfast and in Manchester over the last few weeks and even teaming up along the way with the new European 1500m champion Ciara Mageean. The club is having incredible success with Sarah Leahy, Ciara Kennelly, Jordan Lee and Jason O'Reilly amongst others who are all inspiring a new generation of future young stars.

The grassroots develop and nurture the future stars and the hard-working committee at Killarney valley ac share in Oisín's great news. Chairperson of Killarney Valley Athletics Club, Jeremiah Griffin, speaking on behalf of the hardworking committee said that they would like to announce that we are so proud of Oisín Lynch who has secured an athletics scholarship to the USA. We would like to take the opportunity to congratulate Oisín, his mom Martina, dad Con and his brothers Cian and Daragh. We look forward to Oisín's progress over the coming years and to say that hard work does pay off as more great news is to be expected into the future for Oisín and other club members.



## GALLAGHER AND MCCARTHY TAKE CONVINCING WIN IN BALTINGLASS RALLY



Donegal driver Declan Gallagher and his Killarney co-driver, John McCarthy, recorded fastest time on four of the event's six stages on their way to victory in the Germaine's of Baltinglass Garda Síochána Motor Club Mini Stages Rally. Photo: Eoin Stapleton/Eye to Eye Rally Photography.

Donegal driver, Declan Gallagher, and his Killarney-based co-driver, John McCarthy have taken a convincing victory on the Germaine's of Baltinglass Garda Síochána Motor Club Mini Stages Rally. The Toyota Starlet crew were fastest on four of the event's six stages, and came home with 42.4 seconds in hand over their closest challengers, Jason Black and Karl Egan, who were also in a Starlet. The opening stage had seen Black and Egan to the fore, by 2.6 seconds, but Gallagher and McCarthy then went fastest on the next test, to move into the lead. It was a remarkable time by Gallagher, 10.3 seconds faster than Black, and left the overall margin at 7.7 seconds going into the first Service. Gallagher and McCarthy continued to pull away on every stage thereafter from Black and Egan, who were unable to respond. The outcome will leave the victors in a confident frame of mind ahead of the Donegal International Rally in two weeks time, where they are certain to be in the fight for Modified category honours.

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The 2024 Open Air Concert is hosting an amazing line up performers:  
 The Stunning – An Irish Rock band formed in 1987 in Galway. Best known for their singles "Brewing Up a Storm", "Romeo's On Fire", "Heads are Gonna Roll", and "Half Past Two". Known for their strong live performances they promise to be amazing.  
 Hermitage Green – An Irish acoustic folk rock band, who have build up a huge following in recent years, having also toured UK and Australia. The "Glow of the Kerosene Light" was a big hit for them along with "Heaven" and many more. Hermitage Green have a way of immersing every audience in the performances.

# MACROOM SET TO ROCK FOR UPCOMING MUSIC FEST

The White Hores Guitar Club - An 11 piece band of guys that purvey the finest, emotion drenched folk and country. This group have had sell out concerts throughout Ireland and with their live album released in 2023 and another due in 2024. If you haven't seen them before now this is your best chance.

Rowan - A highly anticipated indie-folk band made up of multi-instrumentalist and vocalist, together they create melodramatic indie-folk, soaked in sophisticated vocal harmonies. Following on from their singles 'Big Wave' and 'Moonlight', the band has earned international recognition as they were nominated for an IMA award, and performed at Electric Picnic 2023. Definitely a band with a much anticipated future in the music scene, flagged as one to watch!

Tickets €48.50 available to buy online [www.macrooommusicfest.ie](http://www.macrooommusicfest.ie)

Gates open from 5pm - Full Bar on site until 11pm.

Friday Night's 21th June - The Band Trail night go out and enjoy live music in all the local bars, check out the website and social media platforms for all full details.

Sunday 23rd June – Family Fun Day hosted by the Lions Club is a day for everyone to enjoy in the Castle Grounds.

.....AND THERES MORE FABULOUS NEWS:

Bus transport organised from certain locations, check social media for updates.



## Iryna Captures Novice Category



Killarney Camera Club's most recent competition had the theme of Long Exposure. And the standard was high throughout both categories. In the Novice category, Iryna Halaieva's photograph of O'Sullivan's Cascade, shown here, finished in first place.

She said "Waterfall is my favourite waterbody and long exposure is my favourite photographic technique. Thus, I do my best to have as many waterfalls as possible in my photo collection. I heard a lot about O'Sullivan's Cascade and wanted to visit that hidden gem of Kerry. So, shortly before our Club competition I went with a friend to Tomies Wood to photograph it. It was a dream come true for me." To achieve the silky effect in the water Iryna said she used a shutter speed of 20 seconds.

Here are the top three in the Novice category.

- 1st Place: Iryna Halaieva, O'Sullivan's Cascade
- 2nd Place: Elizabeth Browne, Cascading Waterfall, Tower Wood
- 3rd Place: Mike Kennedy, Owengarriff River

All the competition photos are available on the Club's website [www.killarneycameraclub.ie](http://www.killarneycameraclub.ie).

## KEY MESSAGE FOR NEW REPORTERS

Award-winning journalist and UL lecturer urges next generation to put down the phone amid 'global' challenge of misinformation.

Dr. Audrey Galvin, the former Radio Kerry Deputy News Editor, award-winning journalist and University of Limerick lecturer has urged the next generation of reporters to put down their phones and dip out of the social media wave, in the face of the growing 'global' problem of misinformation.

Audrey Galvin spoke ahead of her graduation from University of Limerick this week, where she was conferred with a PhD in Philosophy from the Faculty of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences.

The newly minted Dr Galvin, who is a lecturer in journalism at UL, joined over 1,200 students being conferred this week as part of the University's Summer Conferring Ceremonies.



Audrey pictured here with her husband Paul and kids Jack (8), Aoileann (9) and Naoise (2). Pic Arthur Ellis



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# KERRY COUNTY COUNCIL STOPPING HOUSE BUILDING IN KERRY

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

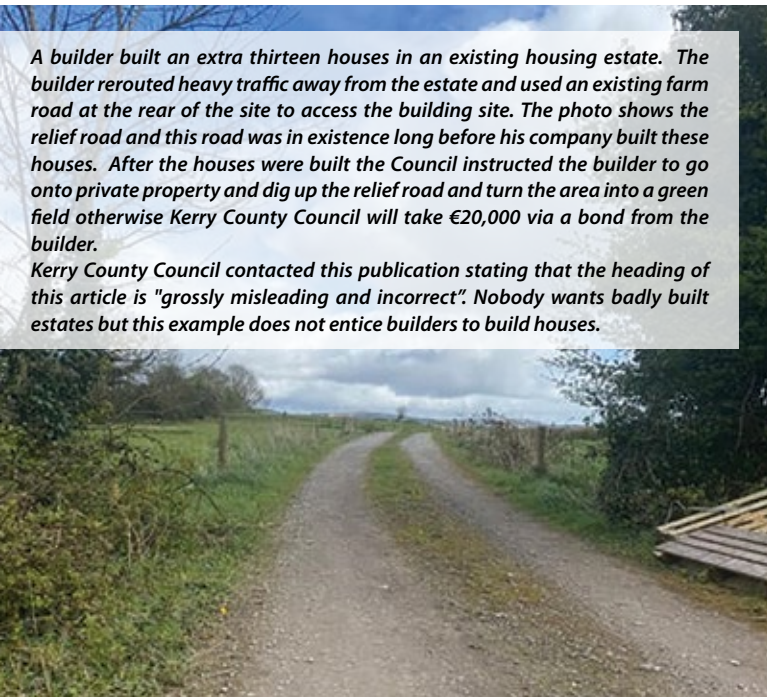
Builders have expressed the view that it is easier to build houses in Cork than it is in Kerry. In Cork, for example, builders carry out the work, a snag list of any outstanding issues is created, the builders rectify those issues and any bond funds are promptly returned to the builder. Bond funds are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

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

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

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

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

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



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

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

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

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## Killarney Garda Annual 7 Aside Blitz remembers Niall and Paudie

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The launch of the 19th Annual Garda Schools Blitz at the Garda Station on Thursday 6th June.

The Annual Killarney Garda National School 7 aside Football Blitz took place in Fitzgerald Stadium Killarney on Monday 10th June with the largest number of teams taking part in the 19 years of the Blitz.

The 22 teams who took part were:

Barradubh, Lissivigeen, Kenmare, Annablatha, Gaelscoil, Cullina, Loreto, St.Olivers, Fossa, Faha, Milltown, Kilmurry, Kilcummin, Naomh Charthaigh, Scoil Mhuire Killorglin, Monastery, Tiernabou, Glenbeigh, Loughquittane, Duagh, Coolick and Rathmore.

The day started with the 22 teams being paraded onto the pitch by Sgt Mike Milner playing the bagpipes.

Garda Eddie Walsh spoke before the tournament and paid a special tribute and mention for Niall McGillcuddy who played in the 2014 final with The Monastery and who sadly passed away in 2018. He also paid tribute and remembered Garda Paudie Twohig who passed away in 2021.

There were three groups and when a total of 70 games were concluded we were down to the remaining 9 teams. Kilcummin edged out Loughquittane in a penalty shootout to qualify for the Quarter Finals which followed.

Kenmare v Duagh Milltown v Scoil Mhuire Lissivigeen v Kilcummin St Olivers v Coolick

The semi finals were Milltown v Kenmare St.Olivers v Kilcummin

The Final was between Milltown v St.Olivers with Milltown winning the Tadhg O Suilleabhain Memorial Cup on their first year taking part.

The cup was presented by Sean O'Sullivan and Family to the winning Milltown Captain.

The Boys Player of the Tournament was presented to Darragh Burke by Inspector Sandra Kelly and Inspector Derek Mulachy.

The Girls Player of the Tournament which was kindly sponsored by Tom Tobin Killarney Trophies and Medals Ltd was the Garda Paudie Twohig Memorial Trophy in memory of Garda Paudie Twohig who sadly passed away in 2021 and was presented by Garda Diane Twohig wife of the late Paudie along with her daughters Tara Grace and Olivia, Paudies Father John and other family members were also present. The winner was Michelle Doolan of Kilcummin.

"Garda Paudie Twohig was a regular referee down through the years at the tournament and was always there to help out in the organising of the event", Garda Eddie Walsh told Killarney Outlook.

Garda Eddie Walsh wished to Thank all the Schools Teachers and Players for taking part and said the day was a great success with 77 games

being played on the day. He thanked Der Brosnan Chairman Fitzgerald Stadium Committee and his Staff for the use of Fitzgerald Stadium.

Garda Eddie Walsh also thanked all the members of An Garda Siochana in the Kerry Division for their help on the day and also the help of retired members,

He also paid tribute to Vince Cooper of Kerry Gaa for providing excellent students to help referee on the day.

The following Sponsors were also thanked: Tom Spillane Auctioneer Killarney,

Liam Brosnan Irish Drains, George O'Keeffe of O'Keeffe's Oil Rathmore.

Kellys Londis Rathmore and Milltown.Daly's Super Valu Killarney, Tom Tobin Killarney Trophies and Medals Ltd. Patrick O'Sullivan Chairman Kerry County Gaa Board for supporting the event.

Garda Eddie Walsh also thanked the media for their coverage, Kerry's Eye, The Kerryman, Killarney Outlook and Killarney Advertiser

The tournament was once again a huge success for all involved and there was excellent football played on the day to date 3500 pupils have played in the 19 years history of the tournament.







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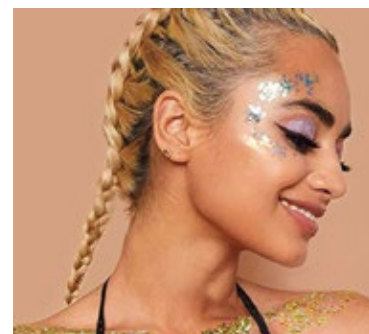
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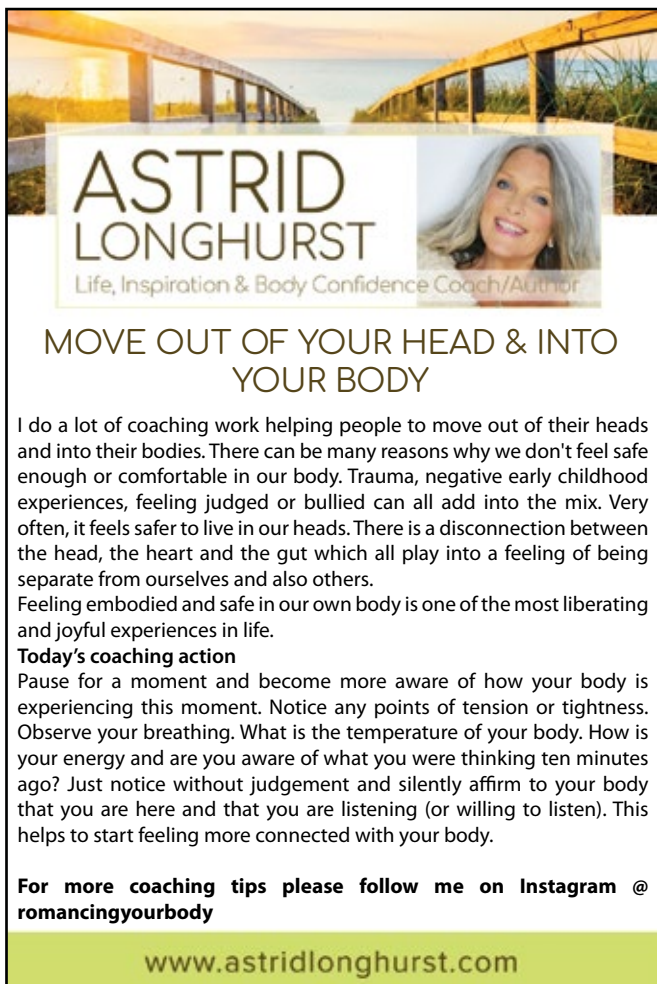
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**Is intermittent fasting plus a protein pacing plan a better weight loss strategy than a simple calorie deficit plan?**

A recent study from Arizona State University suggests just this, that of those in the study that followed a plan based on intermittent fasting coupled with spacing out their protein intake evenly over the course of the day saw better weight loss, gut health improvements and better metabolic responses, when compared to those that were following a calorie deficit plan.

The study was carried out over an 8-week period with one group following the calorie restricted plan and the other group following the intermittent fasting and protein pacing plan.

The intermittent fasting and protein pacing group achieved greater weight loss and fat reduction with an average loss of 8.81% of their initial body weights during the study. On the other hand, those on a calorie-restricted diet lost an average of 5.4% body weight.

The results suggest the potential that intermittent fasting and protein pacing on not only improving weight loss but also improving gut health. Of course, the study also says that more research is required in the area but it certainly is a promising start.

Now of course this will lead some of you to question will this work for you? Will this be the magic bullet to help on your weight loss journey. The honest answer is there is no magic bullet, but if you need help with your weight loss journey then get in touch with us here at B Well Fitness Club where we can help guide you with regard to your nutrition and help you with your weight loss goals.

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**Avoid getting "sunburn of the eye."** When sunlight shines off water, sand or other highly reflective surfaces into your eyes, it can cause a very painful condition called photokeratitis. This is when the sun's ultraviolet rays burn the surface of your eye. Pain, redness, blurriness and even temporary vision loss are symptoms of this condition. Prevent photokeratitis by wearing sunglasses that are marked "100% UV protection." Also, wear a broad-brimmed hat for added eye protection.

**Prevent "swimmer's eye" in the pool.** Pools can be tough on the eyes. Chemicals used to keep the water clean, such as chlorine, can affect the natural tear film that keeps our eyes moist and healthy. The result can be Red, gritty-feeling eyes and blurry vision. Keep eyes feeling and looking good by wearing swim goggles in the pool, and splash your closed eyes with fresh water immediately after getting out of the pool.

**Keep dry eye at bay.** Spending time outside when it is hot, dry or windy can irritate a common condition called dry eye. A hot, dry environment affects the tear film, drying out the eye's surface. To protect your eyes in these conditions, wear wrap-around glasses to keep wind from your eye's surface. Also, use artificial tears (preferably those that are preservative-free) to keep eyes moist and refreshed.

**Don't play around with eye safety.** Spending more time outside often means more outdoor work and play. Whether mowing the lawn, trimming weeds or playing baseball, always wear the proper protective eyewear.

More than half of all eye injuries occur at home, yet only about one out of every three people wears eye protection when they should. Don't be an eye injury statistic!

**Quit smoking** When thinking about getting healthy this summer, think about quitting smoking. Cigarette smoke, including second-hand smoke, not only worsens dry eye, but is a risk factor for many eye diseases, including cataracts, macular degeneration and more. Quitting smoking reduces your risk of getting eye disease and other major health problems.

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The Boys Player of the Tournament Trophy was presented to Darragh Burke by Inspector Sandra Kelly and Inspector Derek Mulachy (from the left), also in the photograph the organiser of the Tournament-Garda Eddie Walsh.

**GLENFLESK**

Written by: Sean Daly

**>CREDIT UNION SENIOR COUNTY FOOTBALL LEAGUE DIVISION 1**

Kerins O'Rahillys 0-15 Glenflesk 1-09

**>CREDIT UNION SENIOR COUNTY LEAGUE DIVISION 5**

Glenflesk 2-09 Toustist 0-6

**>UNDER 9s**

Busy week for this group, as they hosted Dr Crokes in Barraduff and played Spa away.

**>UNDER 11s**

Were at home to St Michaels/Foilmore, with some fantastic football on show.

**>KERRY LADIES**

Well done to Emma Dineen and the Kerry ladies who travelled to Ballybofey and earned a draw against Donegal.

**>KERRY MASTERS**

Congratulations to Jerry Kennedy, Shane Dennehy and Gary O'Donoghue who were part of the Kerry Masters team who beat Galway 2-7 to 0-5 in Moyvane.

**>GLENFLESK HEALTHY CLUB PROJECT**

Glenflesk GAA Club will launch their Healthy Club Project shortly. The Healthy Club Committee, would welcome feedback on areas members of the community would like the Healthy Club to cover. Survey forms

are available online (Club Facebook site and X/Twitter account). Survey forms are also available locally in businesses, the clubhouse and from Club Healthy Club Officers. Please return survey forms to Glenflesk Lotto boxes in local businesses by Sunday 16th June 2024.

**>LOTTO**

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

**>SAVE THE DATE: FLESK FEST 24!**

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**>ACADEMY**

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**>NOTES**

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

**KILCUMMIN**

Written by: Helen Moynihan

**>WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS**

For those in our parish who are celebrating a significant anniversary this year e.g. 25, 30,35,40,45,50,55,60, you are invited to renew your marriage vows at the 7.30pm mass on Saturday July 20th. Please spread the word also to those who were married in our Parish and are now living elsewhere. Please contact the Parish Office with details before the 10th of July.

**>KILCUMMIN COMMUNITY CARE**

The Annual Mass for Community Care will be held in Kilcummin GAA Hall on Tuesday June 18th @11am. Refreshment afterwards. All Welcome.

**>KILCUMMIN LOOKING GOOD**

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

**>FLEADH CHEOIL CHIARRAI 2024**

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

**>KILCUMMIN GAA CREDIT UNION CO LEAGUE**

Our senior B team headed to Tralee to play John Mitchells in a windswept venue at the weekend. With Richie O'Connor to the fore from frees and ably assisted by the likes of Cian Lynch and Gavin Cronin came away with a 1-13 to 0-4 victory. Jack Fogarty and Darragh Brosnan were strong in defence while Jaden Tynan, Andy Lowin and Oisín O' Leary made a welcome return from long term injuries.

**CREDIT UNION CO LEAGUE DIV 1** Spa 0-20 Kilcummin 1-08

**>KILCUMMIN COMMUNITY GAMES**

Kilcummin Community games held their 4th athletic event on Tuesday the 4th of June. All 1st and 2nd placed athletes in both track and field



Anabla National School who took part in the annual Garda 7-A-Side school blitz. Photo: Yurii Shalimov, Fitzgerald Stadium PR.

events can now go forward to the County competition in An Riocht, Castleisland on the weekend of the 22nd & 23rd of June. Well done to everyone and we look forward to seeing you all again next year. We would like to take this opportunity to thank Killarney Valley AC for providing the superb facilities and to Killarney Valley's Con Lynch and members for helping to run all our events on the night. We also would like to thank all the children for taking part, parents and many volunteers on the night. We had some fantastic races. We hope all the children really enjoyed the experience of competing on the track. We wish all the successful participants the best of luck as they proceed to the County finals in Castleisland.

**LOTTO**

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

**>MASTERGEEHA FC**

**LOTTO**

There was no winner on Friday 7th June 2024 of the Jackpot for €11,800. Numbers drawn were 13,14,23,25. Consolation prizes of €50 went to Tom McCarthy, Mountain View; Sheila Brosnan, Countess Grove; Catherine Keogh, Jimmy O'Brien's; Mary Carroll, Maulyarkane. The next draw will be on Friday 14th June for Jackpot of €12,000.

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BEAUFORT

By Bridget Hartnett

>FIXTURES

Senior men Development team will be home to Fossa next weekend. U14 Girls will be away to Laune Rangers, Sunday, 16th in Div. 3 Co League final. Time to be decided. U13 Boys will be away to Northern Gaels in Co League, Div.10 final also on Sunday, 16th at 6pm in Ardfert.

>RESULTS

Ardfert 2.11 Beaufort 3.08 in Div. 2, Co Senior league, round 10. Ballylongford 5.05 Beaufort 1.10 in Senior Co League, Div. 6, Phase 2.

>CONGRATULATIONS to Beaufort, Division 2 team and management who have been promoted to Division 1 for 2025.

>LOTTO

There was no winner of Beaufort G.A.A. Club lotto jackpot of €4,000 on Sunday, 9th June. Numbers drawn: 2, 22, 26, 28. Consolation Prizes. €80 Michelle Kissane, Carnahone, €50 Michelle Coffey online, Paul Sullivan, Caherdaniel, Ger. Foley, Listry. The next draw for a jackpot of €4,200 will be on Sunday, 23rd June. Thank you to everybody who support the lotto Tickets are available from usual sellers, shops, and public houses and online at www.beaufortgaa.com. Please note that online lotto closes at 7pm on draw night. Any tickets purchased after 7pm are entered into

the next draw. Thank you to everybody who support the lotto and our lotto sellers.

>GOLF CLASSIC

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

>GAELIC4MOTHERS&OTHERS

Beaufort has joined the Gaelic4Mothers&Others initiative which see Ladies playing Ladies Gaelic Football in a fun, non-competitive and social environment. It is confined to Ladies who do not play senior LGFA Club football and who are over 25 years of age. For more information, please contact Gillian on 087 9903552.

>BEAUFORT GAA CLUB SUMMER CAMP

Will be held on the week of 8th to 12th July in Beaufort GAA Club complex. For more information, please contact Mary 086 0640065 or Tara 087 6032774

LISTRY

Written by: Colette Leslie

>LOTTO

LOTTO numbers drawn 4, 6, 21, 25. €100 Senan, Estelle, Ellie Mai & Amelia. €50 Ellie Mai Wrenn, Lissivane. €50 Pat Fleming C/o Phil Ahern. €25 Columba Glavin (Online). €25 Sarah O Mahony Faha West (Online). Jackpot next week 16/06/2024,

>U11

Our U11's travel to Gneeveguilla on Saturday the 15th of June to take part in the Dylan Crowley memorial tournament with a 10 am start.

>CONGRATULATIONS to Faha NS, who captured the Munster Skills title on Wednesday last. A huge achievement. Dara McCarthy, Cillian Scannell, and Patrick O Connor made up the team of 3.

TRAD MUSIC TREAT AT FAHA COURT

Tradheads, who will be playing following the Beer Garden BBQS at Faha Court on Sunday's Included are: Cormac O'Sullivan flute and tin whistle, Fionán O'Sullivan accordion and vocals, Sean O'Suilleabhain accordion and lead vocals, Siun Morrissey Fiddle and Conor O'Suilleabhain Concertina.



Garda Diane Twohig along with her daughters Tara Grace and Olivia presenting the Garda Paudie Twohig Memorial Trophy to Kilcummin NS student The Girls Player of the Tournament- Michelle Doolan, also in the photograph: John Twohig (father of the late Paudie Twohig)(3rd from the right) Sean, Roisin and Donnacha Twohig (nephews of Paudie Twohig RIP), Timmy Doolan, father of Michelle (from the left), Inspector Sandra Kelly (2nd from left), retired Garda Tom Tobin of Killarney Trophies and Medals Ltd. (Centre at the back), Inspector Derek Mulcahy (2nd from the right), Garda Eddie Walsh-the organizer of the Tournament (from the right).



Garda Eddie Walsh remembers the late Paudie Twohig as his wife Diane and daughters Tara Grace and Olivia prepare to present a trophy in his honour.



Michelle Doolan of Kilcummin NS in action at the blitz

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RATHMORE GNEEVEGUILLA

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 €202 and the winner was Joan Cronin. 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.

>SYMPATHIES to the O'Leary family Peter, John and Jerry, sisters Anna (O'Leary-Staunton), Eileen (Mitchell), Margaret (Casey), Mary (Culloty) and Patricia (Horgan), & families on the death of their brother Donal O'Leary Meenagishaugh, Gneeveguilla / Palmerstown, Dublin. Donal's funeral took place on Monday 3rd June in Gneeveguilla.

To Maura (Murphy), & Noel, sister in law Angela, & family, niece Joanne, nephews Timothy, Liam, Paul, Alan, on the death of Mauras sister Siobhan Nagle, Deer Lodge, Killarney / Rathmore. Siobhan's funeral took place in on Wednesday 5th June in Rathmore. May Donal & Siobhan rest in peace

>MASS on Token Fire Mountain Friday June 21st (Summer Solstice) 7.30p.m

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>TUREENCAHILL COMMUNITY CENTRES 10TH ANNIVERSARY celebrations on Friday 14th June with the Barna Bog Project Launch. Saturday 15th with Family Bingo Evening & Sunday 16th with Lunch (Denis Doody Catering) & Dance (The Kelts)

Join us for three wonderful events from Friday, June 14th to Sunday, June 16th to mark the 10th anniversary of Tureencahill Community Centre.

Friday, June 14th: Barna Bog Project Launch. Join "Storied Kerry Tureencahill" as we present the history and impact of Bord na Móna's establishment of the turf cutting industry at Barna bog in the late 1940s. The evening will feature a book launch, video interviews with locals associated with Barna, musical performances, and refreshments. Admission is free, and we encourage all who have connections to Barna to attend! Booking is essential please contact 087 913 8807 / 085 174 1551

Saturday, June 15th: Family Bingo Night! With up to €1,000 in prizes, this is a fun event for all ages. Try your luck and maybe you'll win big.

Sunday, June 16th: Enjoy a delicious two-course lunch served by Denis Doody Kingdom Catering, followed by music from The Kelts to dance the evening away. Please note that booking is essential for lunch. Contact us at 087 9924821 or 085 8771949 to reserve your spot.

We hope to see you at this special event to celebrate the 10th anniversary of our beloved community centre!



Best wishes to Shrone National School 6th class pupils Thomas O Sullivan and Cathal Cronin as they transition to secondary school. The school are very proud of all they have achieved throughout their time in National School and wish them every success on their new adventure.

>CONGRATULATIONS to Rathmore native clir Niall Kelleher mayor of killarney LEA who was re elected to kerry county council in early hours of Monday morning last, we wish all candidates that were elected congratulations Best wishes,

>NOTES

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



University of Limerick has conferred degrees on more than 1,200 students this week as part of its latest graduation ceremonies. The University now boasts more than 125,000 alumni worldwide. Pictured are Katie Barrett, Listowel and Una Geaney, Castleisland cooling down in the sunshine. Pic Arthur Ellis



Daire Freeman who participated in the Killarney Half Marathon on Saturday presenting the proceeds of his run €2825 to (left) Theresa Looney Kerry Branch of the Irish Kidney Association with his wife Catriona O'Doherty Freeman in Killarney on Saturday. Photo by Michelle Cooper Galvin





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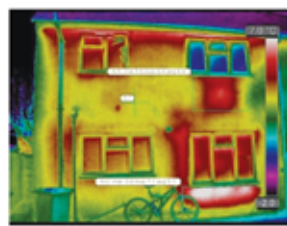
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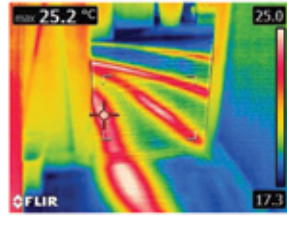
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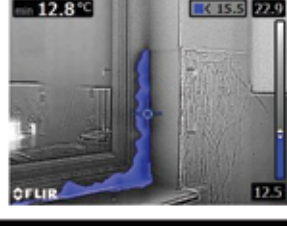
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# There is still a lot to play for as the State Exams reach the halfway mark



By Billy Ryle

## 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 a job of work to do, not to feel left behind or 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 Design & Communication Graphics, Physics and Applied Mathematics. So, there is 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 one 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.

## GOOD 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

- 136,160 entered for the state exams, 58,366 at Leaving Cert, 4,055 at LCA, 73,739 at Junior Cycle
- In Kerry, 1,805 entered for the Leaving Cert, 127 for LCA and 2,213 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 5th 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 Monday, 1st July
- Leaving Cert results will be published on Friday, 23rd August
- CAO Round One offers will be available at 2pm on Wednesday 28th August

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## POP UP RESTAURANT Donation to Alzheimer Society

Congratulations to the St. Brigids Presentation TY class of 2024 for their incredible donation of €2,000 to the Alzheimer Society.

This was the proceeds of their pop up restaurant held in May. A huge thank you to Odran Lucey (dad of Mia) and Jennifer Sheehan O'Connor (mom of Sarah) who masterminded the event and guided the students in the kitchen on the night. The girls learnt a great deal from the event and enjoyed the sense of achievement afterwards. Thank you also to the local companies and businesses who sponsored the ingredients and spot prizes.





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### RESULTS

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The winners were :-

1st: Tony Fagan (22) 40

2nd: John Cuskelly (12) 39

### Division 1

1st: Eoin O'Donoghue (5) 37

2nd: Bryan O'Leary (7) 34

### Division 2

1st: Michael J Casey (19) 38

2nd: Tadgh Gallivan (16) 36

### Division 3

1st: John O'Driscoll (38) 35

2nd: Guttorm Baadsvik (27) 29

ON FRIDAY MAY 31ST WE HELD OUR SUMMER MIXED 10 HOLE SCRAMBLE

The winning teams were:-

1st: John Cuskelly, Margaret O'Donoghue, Flor O'Sullivan.

2nd: Mike Brosnan Mary Nash DJ Hayes.

3rd: Daniel Ling, Gerard Murphy, David Murphy.

4th: MJ O'Sullivan, Lucas Cronin, Patrick Courtney

### FIXTURES

On Friday June 14th we will hold our Summer Mixed Scramble at 6.15 pm. Please get your name on the entry sheet in the clubhouse, either in person or by phone before 5.45 pm. The scramble will be followed by the prizegiving and some food in the Clubhouse.

On June 15th & 16th we will hold a stableford competition. The usual process applies for tee time bookings for both Saturday and Sunday.

## BEAUFORT GOLF CLUB (LADIES)

### DOUBLES MATCHPLAY

Well one would be forgiven for thinking they were at Solheim Cup should they have stumbled across the Ladies Doubles Matchplay final on Tuesday last at Beaufort Golf Club. It was certainly going to be a tough match with Noeleen MacKessy and Marian Kerrisk taking on Laura Furlong and Gerr Collins. The excitement and nerves as both pairings headed off to the first tee, setting the tone for what was going to be an extremely interesting round of golf. It was shot for shot and hole by hole they turned the matchplay final into a thrilling event, with the winning score on the 18th hole coming down to the final putt for Noeleen MacKessy and Marian Kerrisk to claim victory. The match truly epitomised what club matchplay is all about. Congratulations Noeleen and Marian on your great win.

**DOOKS EXCHANGE DAY** 26th May 2024 – kindly and generously sponsored by The Shire, Killarney.

1st: Maeve Quirke (24) 30 points

2nd: Eimear McShortall (41) 29 points

3rd: Marian Kerrisk (25) 24 points

### COMPETITION WEEKEND

1st & 2nd June, kindly and generously sponsored by Mac Waste.

1st: Marian Kerrisk (27) 38 points

2nd: Kathleen Cronin (22) 37 points

3rd: Noeleen MacKessy (33) 30 points

**3TS COMPETITION** weekend 8th & 9th June,



9 Hole Scramble very kindly sponsored by Kaye Cremin & Susan Shorten

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1st: Hannah Moynihan (31) 40 points

2nd: Patricia O Connor (26) 40 points

3rd: Maeve Quirke (26) 37 points

## ROSS LADIES GOLF CLUB NOTES

### RESULTS

**9 HOLE SCRAMBLE SATURDAY 8TH JUNE VERY KINDLY SPONSORED BY KAYE CREMIN & SUSAN SHORTEN**

A lovely day for our 9 Hole Scramble very kindly sponsored by Kaye Cremin & Susan Shorten. Great turnout and congratulations to the winners.

1st: Brenda Kelleher, Kitty O'Grady, Elaine Casey and Doreen Brosnan

2nd: Susan Good, Bridie Doyle President Betty O'Farrell and Mary B O'Sullivan

### COMPETITIONS

9 & 18 hole Single Stableford Competition Saturday 15th June. Enter via the ClubV1 app.

### WEDNESDAY MORNINGS MEET & PLAY

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

### GOLF LESSONS

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## BEAUFORT GOLF CLUB (MENS)

**1ST GOTY / 3T'S COMPETITION – 8TH & 9TH JUNE 2024 RESULTS**

### White Tees

1st: Daniel Egan (18) 41 pts

2nd: Ciaran Kennedy (21) 40 pts (last 9 holes)

3rd: Mark O'Shea (21) 40 pts

Thanks kindly to Killarney Medals & Trophies for sponsoring the outing.

### UPCOMING FIXTURES

15th & 16th June - 18 hole singles kindly sponsored by Bernard Cronin Carpentry.

23rd June - Owen Nolan's Captains Prize (Strokeplay). Timesheet opens 12th June @ 8pm.

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Prizewinners at Deerpark Pitch & Putt Club's Scratch Cup events last Saturday pictured as follows: Front Jason Reen (Junior Mens Winner), John McGrath (Senior Mens Winner) and Eamon Sheehy (Intermediate Mens Winner). Also in Photo L to R: Jason Cregan, Keith O'Brien, Dermot Tuohy, Mark Lucey, Pa Byrne and Mark O'Shea.

## KILLARNEY GOLF CLUB (LADIES)

### COMPETITION RESULTS

**TRALEE GOLF CLUB EXCHANGE DAY ON 9TH JUNE 2024 SPONSORED BY ADAMS OF TRALEE**

Overall, Winner: Mary Looney (28) & Patricia Walsh (32) 42pts

2nd: Ailish Mulcahy (12) & Mary A Cronin (18) 41pts

3rd: Margaret Campion (7) & Sharon Ormonde (13) 37pts

**NEXT FIXTURE** will be 15th & 16th June 2024. The Laurels GOY Prize 18 Hole Single V-Par on Killeen Course.

**LADIES OPEN DAY** on Thursday 20th June 2024 Team of 3 Event on Mahony's Point. One score to count on the front nine and two scores to count on the back nine. Kindly sponsored by The International Hotel.

## DEERPARK PITCH & PUTT CLUB

### SCRATCH CUPS

Thanks to the 90 players who supported our Scratch Cup events last Saturday as we thank our Grounds Committee for their work in getting the course ready and both Shirley and Miriam for looking after all the catering on the day.

### SENIOR MENS

Gerald Horgan Memorial Scratch Cup (sponsored by McGann's Doolin)- Winner: John McGrath 143, Runner-Up: Dermot Tuohy (Cill Na Mona) 144 and Final 18: Jason Cregan (Tralee) 50.

### INTERMEDIATE MENS

(sponsored by O'Callaghans Coach Holidays)- Winner: Eamon Sheehy (Tralee) 155, Runner-Up: Keith O'Brien (Tralee) 156 and Final 18: Mark Lucey (Tralee) 56.

### JUNIOR MENS

Seamus McLellan Memorial Scratch Cup (sponsored by Tadgh's Boutique)-Winner: Jason Reen 166, Runner-Up: Mark O'Shea 167 and Final 18: Pa Byrne (Tralee) 54.

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**TRALEE SCRATCH CUPS**

Congratulations to Damien Fleming (Senior Mens Final 18), Mark O'Shea (Junior Mens Runner-Up) and Eileen McCarthy (Ladies Gross) on winning prizes in Sunday's Tralee Scratch Cup events. In the aggregate 72-hole prize categories for both today's events and our own Scratch Cups yesterday, John McGrath (Senior Mens), Mark and Eileen were the winners in their respective grades and we congratulate them **ON WINNING THESE PRIZES.**

**WEDNESDAY COMPETITIONS**

June 4th- Three Ball Scramble- Nett: Brian McCarthy, Sean O'Mahoney & Dan Kiely 33 2/3.

**COUNTY STROKEPLAY**

Best Wishes to all Club Members taking part in these events in Castleisland on Sunday. Reminder that dress code is in force for same.

**DEEPEST SYMPATHIES**

Our Deepest Sympathies to our U16 Officer Gearoid Cronin and his family on the death of his mother Maureen last week. We also wish Gearoid himself a speedy recovery from his recent illness.

**CASTLEROSSE LADIES GOLF CLUB**

**WEEK: 03/06/24 – 09/06/24**

**RESULTS OF 18H STABLEFORD**

1st: Helen Feeney



Brendan Keogh, (left), CEO of South West Ireland Golf (SWING) with Roger O'Sullivan (right) and members of Rainier Golf and Country Club, Seattle, at Killarney Golf and Fishing Club. Picture: Eamonn Keogh

2nd: Joan Curran

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*I am deeply humbled and honoured that 3,385 people gave me their first preference vote, ensuring that I was elected at the top of the poll. I also want to thank most sincerely, any person that gave me their next highest preference.*

*My campaign started over 10 months ago and I want to pay special tribute to my exceptionally hard working team of canvassers who have been to every single house in the municipal district with me.*

*I want to thank the team of people who put up the posters, organised and distributed the leaflets, those who helped on the day of the election and my very accurate tally team and also to all who helped with my campaign in any and every way.*

*I also want to remember the people who campaigned with me in 2019 and who have since sadly passed on, I am forever grateful to them for the time and knowledge they gave me.*

*I also want to thank my father and mother and family who have supported and encouraged me every step of the way. I look forward to working on behalf of the people of the Killarney Municipal District over the next five years.*

*Maura Healy-Rae*

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# It's A Draw....

## ALL SQUARE IN BALLYBOFEY

### Donegal 1-6 - Kerry 0-9

By Frank Craig



Kayleigh Cronin of Kerry in action against Katie Dowds of Donegal during the TG4 All-Ireland Ladies Football Senior Championship Round 1 match between Donegal and Kerry at MacCumhaill Park in Ballybofey, Donegal. Photo by Ben McShane/Sportsfile



Ellis Lynch of Kerry is tackled by Katie Herron of Donegal during the TG4 All-Ireland Ladies Football Senior Championship Round 1 match between Donegal and Kerry at MacCumhaill Park in Ballybofey, Donegal. Photo by Ben McShane/Sportsfile

Donegal pegged back Kerry in MacCumhaill Park in Ballybofey as Susanne White held her nerve late on to split the spoils in this TG4 All-Ireland Senior Championship Group 2 opener. In dreadful conditions, nothing separated the sides at half-time as a Caoimhe Keon goal helped send Donegal in level at 1-3 to 0-6.

Niamh Ní Chonchúir had opened the scoring for the visitors but with Keon rattling the net for Donegal just four minutes in, the hosts stole an early march.

Anna Galvin and Danielle O'Leary then managed to tie matters up for a settled Kerry by the tenth minute.

Katie Dowds did hit back for Donegal but three Kingdom points on the bounce from O'Leary, Lorraine Scanlon and captain Niamh Carmody helped open up a two-point advantage.

White reduced the margin after 18 minutes with a point from a free to make it 0-6 to 1-2.

But with conditions continuing to deteriorate and underfoot now extremely difficult, that was the end of the scoring action right up until the half-time hooter as Aussie Rules star and Donegal captain Niamh McLaughlin squared it. Kerry jumped two clear once more at the start of the second half as Carmody and Scanlon lobbed over.

Another White free kept Donegal on the visitors' coattails but a smart Emma Dineen clip, on the three-quarter hour mark doubled Kerry's upper hand once more.

Nearing the final five minutes, the away side still led 0-9 to 1-4 but a searing Dowds break

from the back saw her drive at goal just clear the crossbar. And with White nailing that pressure free at the end, the points were split. Scorers - Donegal: S White 0-3f, C Keon 1-0, K Dowds 0-2, N McLaughlin 0-1.

Kerry: N Carmody 0-2, 1f, D O'Leary 0-2, A Galvin 0-2, N Ní Chonchúir 0-1, L Scanlon 0-1, E Dineen 0-1.

DONEGAL: C Friel; S McLaughlin, A Temple Asokuh, E McGinley; K Dowds, N Boyle, T Hegarty; R Rodgers, N Carr; C Keon, N McLaughlin, A Boyle Carr; S White, K Herron, K Long. Subs: E Gallagher for A Boyle Carr (36), B

McLaughlin for K Long (48), J McFadden for N Carr (55),

KERRY: C Butler; E Lynch, K Cronin, C Murphy; A O'Connell, D Kearney, A Dillane; M O'Connell, L Scanlon; N Carmody, K Brosnan, A Galvin; N Ní Chonchúir, E Dineen, D O'Leary. Subs: H O'Donoghue for K Brosnan (44), A Harrington for M O'Connell (44), S O'Shea for N Ní Chonchúir (49), L Ní Mhuircheartaigh for E Dineen (57), Referee: Shane Curley (Galway).



Danielle O'Leary of Kerry in action against Caoimhe Keon of Donegal during the TG4 All-Ireland Ladies Football Senior Championship Round 1 match between Donegal and Kerry at MacCumhaill Park in Ballybofey, Donegal. Photo by Ben McShane/Sportsfile



# Cllr. Niall Kelleher

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*To my canvass team and all those who helped along the way I am eternally grateful for the effort you all put in without you this would not have been possible.*

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# Cllr John O'Donoghue

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# KILLARNEY Outlook

would like to congratulate all the newly elected candidates to Kerry County Council and look forward to working closely with them in the future

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# JACKIE'S ARMY TOP THE POLLS AS GRADY ENJOYS A SURGE IN VOTES



*Kerry County Council is returning with several new faces - and one extra woman. Overall, though, the make-up is not a whole pile different. 'Flat' was a word I heard more than once of the 2024 election, whether in Tralee or Killarney.*

By Anne Lucey



*Maura Healy-Rae and her brother Johnny are elected to the Killarney and Kenmare Municipal Districts at the count centre in Killarney on Sunday. Photo: Don MacMonagle*

Fianna Fail is the biggest single party with nine councillors - one fewer than in 2019; Fine Gael has six, one fewer also. Labour has two. So if these three come together they have enough but only barely for the 17 majority. That will all be thrashed out by June 21st and election of cathaoirleach.

Sinn Fein returns with four again, and the independents on paper, number 12. But there are new blocks of independents. And first and foremost are the Healy-Raes who are not a party in name, but are bigger now than Sinn Fein.

Killarney particularly has voted to stay the same and very conservatively - despite a large increase in voter numbers and voter makeup. A much anticipated change in the Killarney electoral area did not materialize - with the seven sitting councillors, a majority independents, heading back to their seats with simply a slight shuffle in the order of election.

### THE SURPLUS OF DANNY HEALY-RAE WILL NOW BE DISTRIBUTED!

Some of the key questions for Kerry 2024 were identified here in the preview of the local elections. And yes, incredibly, the Healy-Raes

managed to repeat their remarkable over-quota performance of 2019 in all three electoral areas of Kenmare, Killarney and Castlesland. All are based in Kilgarvan which means only one - Johnny - can actually vote for himself. It is a truly astonishing performance. It is not by accident. Hard work and plain speaking is what it is about, Kenmares Johnny and Killarney's Maura, both said in separate interviews in the press room in the Killarney Sports and Leisure Centre. There is also the matter of key supporters, past and present they said. The Healy-Rae machine has to be seen close up to be believed. What my old schoolmate and veteran Healy-Rae campaigner Mike Galvin from Ironmills called 'the X-factor' is there in spades. Certainly. But don't be fooled. This is a highly-oiled and professional operation. Close up, the mastery of media and technology is admirable. No party can compare. And the messaging is remarkably similar, regardless who is speaking in the Kilgarvan accent. The Kilgarvan accent is spreading and there are effectively five Healy-Raes now in the new council: Sam Locke in Tralee and Liam Speedy Nolan in Listowel. Both of these are Healy-Rae affiliates.



*Cllr., Martin Grady, right, with family members, left, Paudie Mangan, Donal Grady, John Grady, at the Killarney Count Centre, a total of 77 candidates are running in the 2024 local elections in Kerry with 6 electoral areas to fill 33 seats. This is the highest number of candidates in living memory. Photo: Valerie O'Sullivan*



*Independent Candidate Cllr., Brendan Cronin, watching the tally at the Killarney Count Centre. Photo: Valerie O'Sullivan*

There was a telling moment in Killarney when Johnny's massive Kenmare surplus was being after the first count. Over the public address system in Killarney came the announcement 'the votes of of Danny (sic) Healy-Rae will now be distributed'. It went mostly unremarked amid the shouting and roaring we come to expect of the Healy-Rae elected. It was a Freudian slip: The Healy-Raes is an incredibly cohesive, homogenous and very tight operation.

# LOCAL AND EUROPEAN ELECTION FEVER



Cllr. John O'Donoghue, left, and Cllr. Niall Kelleher, at the Killarney Count Centre  
Photo: Valerie O'Sullivan

clearly there is no Ukrainian unity in Killarney with their own Natalia Krasnenkova getting just 146 votes.

However, between them Iqbal Mahmud and Kamaruzzaman Abdul Kadir managed under 500 first preferences. There is definitely a start and many people would like to see the Muslim community in Killarney with a stronger voice and to be able to engage more with them. Equally, people would like to see the Polish and resident East European community represented. I have had no feedback on how they voted this time.

## FINE GAEL

The anticipated Ukrainian support did not materialise for Fine Gael's first time candidate Dermot Healy in Killarney

Kenmare is one of the few places in Kerry Fine Gael had a good election.

There was concern the seat would drift given the shock announcement that Patrick Connor-Scarreen whose family have been associated with Fine Gael in south Kerry with generations was not going forward this time.

The noble Tony Donnelly backed into a corner in Waterville had a good run picking up 770 votes. He might have had a better had he had more support from the Kenmare side of things. (The less said there, the better). With strong support from Patrick Connor-Scarreen, Kenmare's Teddy O'Sullivan Casey got past the post. Fine Gael in Killarney had a good candidate in Dermot Healy and Killarney badly needs a FG business man to have a go at the Dail. But they were too late to the fray. April was too late to field a new face; The party also made a fatal error in not running one of the Bangladeshi candidates as a sweeper. Fine Gael in Killarney need to stick with someone and they could do worse now than sticking with Healy who has impressed.

## FIANNA FÁIL

There here was a strong showing for Fianna Fail in Kenmare - with sitting councillor Michael Cahill elected with a powerful 2,162 first preferences on the first count; Norma Moriarty - who has run for the Dail for FF - and was the outgoing Cathaoirleach of Kenmare LEA pulled in a very respectable 1,805. But both lead candidates were slightly down on 2019. . . Fianna Fail did not have a great election south and west of the Maine - they lost a seat in Corca Dhuibhne and No-one one saw Fianna Fail's Michael O'Shea, 31 years a councillor and based in Kerry's fastest growing town, Milltown, as vulnerable.

The party also lost John Francis Flynn's seat in Kenmare LEA to independent Podge Foley. And In Killarney outgoing mayor Niall Kelleher, a single candidate, polled a disappointing 1,307 - an increase of a mere 54 votes. This was despite Niall's hard work and higher profile, both in the council and in the Killarney Chamber of Tourism and Commerce.



Independent Councillor, Cllr., Maura Healy-Rae, at the Killarney Count Centre.  
Photo: Valerie O'Sullivan

Donal's seat only in 2023 outpolled everyone apart from Maura and was elected over-quota on the first count. His outspoken stance on immigration had much to do with it. In Fossa he picked up a surprising 53 votes, for instance. Labour's Marie Moloney also increased her vote and did so substantially, picking up on the resurgence of Labour nationally, perhaps as well as her hard work.

## SINN FEIN

The multi-candidate strategy of Sinn Féin did not pay off. Tralee returned with two seats - and the only thing the party increased in Tralee is the number of teachers on the council. (Paul Daly, TD Pa's brother) is a teacher). A more cynical person would say the Daly faction of Sinn Fein has outsmarted the Ferris faction with the loss of Cathal Foley's seat in Tralee.

A similar Daly/Ferris two-candidate strategy in Killarney did not pay off either. Damien Switzer is a popular and well-known person, but clearly his party is not. Damien got just 339 votes - 35 more than Mahmud Iqbal from the Bangladeshi community. Damien's running mate Caroline Kenneally, assistant to Pa Daly, polled just 248.

There was no SF Killarney seat; there was no recovery of the Kenmare seat by Damien Quigg - the only gain and it was a gain at the expense of Fianna Fáil was in Dingle with Robert Brosnan who was running for the second time.

## ONE IN FIVE PEOPLE IN IRELAND NOW NOT BORN HERE

The make-up of the new Kerry County Council will still not represent the strong immigrant community we have in Kerry.

There was a disappointing show in Tralee but also in Killarney for non-native Irish candidates. The substantial number of Killarney Ukrainians did not turn out - almost 600 were registered on the supplementary register alone. But



Sinn Fein Candidate, Damien Switzer.  
Photo: Valerie O'Sullivan

## BACK TO THE OTHER QUESTIONS

Killarney did not change. However the big success and surprise in Killarney was that of Martin Grady. The retained fire-fighter who fought to get on the ballot paper in the first place and who was co-opted onto his father



Watching the tally in the local election, at the Killarney Count Centre, a total of 77 candidates are running in the 2024 local elections in Kerry with 6 electoral areas to fill 33 seats. This is the highest number of candidates in living memory. Photo: Valerie O'Sullivan

### GREEN SHOOTS ONLY IN DINGLE

The Greens disappointed in Kenmare and in Killarney - the first town in Ireland to elect a green. Cleo Murphy dropped her vote in Kenmare; Diarmid Griffin in Killarney polled ten fewer than the lead Sinn Fein candidate, Switzer.

But as predicted here Peadar Fanning in Dingle was in the mix for a seat. One of the concerns I heard about Peadar coming up to the poll was how when he called to houses, he never asked directly for the number one. He simply introduced himself in Irish and in English where appropriate. Dr Peadar/Peter will have learned he needs to ask for votes next time when out canvassing!

### WOMEN IN KERRY

A final word: Michelle Keane polled surprisingly well. Not enough to dent the boys' club who stuck together tightly in the face of the Keane machine - but enough to raise her own profile. She is to run in the general election and who knows how the rest of Kerry will vote for a strong woman next time out. She might need to broaden the lens a bit - the attacks on individual councillors saw them circling the wagons and while amusing, left a sting and sometimes were a bit questionable.

My own experience is Kerry is a very male county and has a particular, peculiar view of women, not unlike the view in the US, for instance. (Think of Hilary Clinton v Barack Obama). Being too outspoken seems to upset

the order of things in Kerry as well as in Maine. I have witnessed a lot of strong women struck down in nasty remarks for being outspoken. We like our women quiet and respectful and knowing their place!

Racism and homophobia will be tackled - whenever it raises its head. But misogyny runs so deep, particularly if the woman does not meet the stereotype - it will take generations to root it out.

On a positive note, the new council will have a record six women.

But two whole MDs and three electoral areas are still without a woman - Listowel has no female councillor and Corca Dhuibhne-Castleisland is also, very firmly, male only territory.

### TURNOUT

Turnout at 63 per cent was slightly higher in Killarney, Kenmare and West and mid Kerry than in 2019. Tralee remained at just over 51 per cent; Listowel dropped to 51 per cent from 54.24 per cent. Turnout is an issue and will have to be tackled.

*After all, the next election is already underway.*

Finally a word of thanks to the very efficient though painfully slow operation in Killarney and to the courtesy shown by candidates and council staff to the press. While electronic voting would be a good idea - not just yet, please.



Independent Candidates - Cllr's Johnny Healy-Rae and Jackie Healy-Rae, at the Killarney Count Centre. Photo: Valerie O'Sullivan



Teddy Healy, at the tender age of 94 years, still enjoys the excitement of the election count at the Killarney Count Centre, enjoying a chat with Minister for Education, Norma Foley, T.D.,



Keeping Watch....Deputy Danny Healy-Rae watching the tally at the Killarney Count Centre. Photo: Valerie O'Sullivan



A very busy Owen O'Shea, Communications officer with Kerry County Council, at the Killarney Count Centre. Photo: Valerie O'Sullivan





Independent Candidate Cllr. Niall O'Callaghan at the Killarney Count Centre, a total of 77 candidates are running in the 2024 local elections in Kerry with 6 electoral areas to fill 33 seats. This is the highest number of candidates in living memory. **Photo: Valerie O'Sullivan**



Sean Kelly MEP is pictured with Simon Coveney TD, Senator Martin Conway and supporters at the Ireland South Count where he was elected on the first count.



Mass is relayed on the TV screen at the Killarney and Kenmare Municipal Districts count centre in Killarney on Sunday, maybe someone is looking for a miracle? **Photo: Don MacMonagle**



Martin Grady Independent pictured with his wife Emma and kids Rosie, Jack and Amelia at the Killarney Election County Centre on Sunday. **Photo: Don MacMonagle**



Michael Cahill (FF) is elected to the Kenmare Municipal District at the count centre in Killarney on Sunday. **Photo: Don MacMonagle**



Deputy Michael Healy-Rae, T.D., analysing the tallies in the local election, at the Killarney Count Centre. **Photo: Valerie O'Sullivan**



#### WORKMEN'S ROWING CLUB - Munster Branch Regatta.

A selection of members who took part at the Munster Branch Regatta last weekend

Back Row L-R - Ross McCarthy, Paula Prudnikovaitė, Faye Mannix, Kayla Wharton, Grace Mannix, Divo Lucic Kovacevic, Finn O'Neill, Liadh Counihan.

### WORKMEN'S ROWING CLUB NEW

The club enjoyed a very successful day at the Munster Branch Regatta which took place at the national rowing centre Farran last Saturday 8th June 2024.

Dark clouds and rough waters greeted the oars people in the morning at the National Rowing Centre but as the sun emerged so did our winners.

All crews gave their best efforts and made the club very proud.

Our crews are preparing well for the Cork Regatta (Grand League) which will take place at the national rowing centre Farran on 22nd & 23rd June 2024. The club is looking forward to this upcoming outing.

Training continues as usual for all members.

### KILLARNEY VALLEY ATHLETIC CLUB

**THE MUNSTER JUVENILE U9-U13 T&F CHAMPIONSHIPS** were held in Castleisland last weekend. Congrats to Olamide Smith for his gold medal in the U12 Long Jump and silver medal in the U12 60m. Olamide was also on the U13 4x100 relay that came 2nd with Fionn Spellman, Eanna Mulligan and Aaron O'Sullivan. Also well done to Fionn Spellman who came 3rd in the U13 80m. Charlie Jay Kelliher and James Doody both ran great races in the U10 500m and got bronze in the Team event for their efforts.

**CONGRATULATIONS** to Dominik Wasila who



Dominik Wasila who has been selected to the Munster Athletics Team where he will represent the province in Long Jump in the historic and very prestigious Tailteann Games Inter Provincial.

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### KILLARNEY JUDO CLUB NEWEST

#### BLACK BLACK

It has been a very few busy weeks for the club as we begin to wind down for summer. At the end of May, Tim Kelly was elected as Honorary General Secretary on the national board; the Irish Judo Association. This role includes acting as point of contact for all clubs within Ireland, working with Sport Ireland and overseeing the high-performance coaching during the next Olympic cycle.

In local club news, Muireann O'Brien earned her Black Belt this Sunday in Dublin. Muireann has been training with the club since she was a young girl and throughout the pandemic. Congratulations to Muireann on becoming the latest and of the youngest Black Belts in the club's history.

### FOSSA BRIDGE CLUB

Welcome to our new incoming President



Sylvia O'Flynn (President of the Irish Judo Association), Muireann O'Brien and Tadhg Kelly (Coach)



#### WORKMEN'S ROWING CLUB - Munster Branch Regatta.

One of our winning crews at the Munster Branch Regatta.

L-R - Divo Lucic Kovacevic, Zac Donaldson.

Pauline Lyne and congratulations to outgoing President Phyllis O'Regan on a wonderful year.

Results for 06th June:

N/S

1st. Maire O'Sullivan & Horst Rosler

2nd. Phyllis O'Regan & Pauline Lyne

E/W

1st. Maureen Culloty & Mike Hawthorne

2nd. Miriam McFarlane & Partner

Fossa Summer Bridge will now be held at the CASTLEROSSE HOTEL every Thursday morning at 9.45am to start at 10am sharp.

Summer bridge is open to all bridge players.

### KILLARNEY SWIMMING CLUB

Three Killarney Swimming Club Swimmers swam at the Community Games National Swimming Finals in Kilkenny at the weekend representing their Community Games Areas.

A huge congratulations to Daniel Cremin who came 4th in the Boys U12 50m Backstroke and took home a Pewter Medal.

A fantastic result for Lara O'Brien Leahy who came 4th in the U14 50m Backstroke and also took home a Pewter Medal.

Aideen Casey had an excellent swim in the Girls 25m backstroke.


We are super proud of our swimmers!

Other swimmers attended the Michael Bowles Memorial Gala in Douglas.

Dara Sheehan came 4th in the 200M Breast and 4th in the 100M Breast and also obtained 5




Pictured are Killarney Swimming Club members Aoife Coffey, Orlaith Mackey and Dara Sheehan.



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## FARRANFORE MAINE VALLEY AC

Well done to our athletes who completed in the Munster championships for the first time this weekend in Castleisland.

The standard was very high with a record number of entries of nearly 2,500. Although they didn't win any medals they gained valuable experience that will stand to them going forward.

Timothy Madden competed in both High Jump and Shot Put.

Hazel Culloty ran very well in the 600 where over 50 athletes started.

Cathal O Connor finished 9th in the final U-13 600 in a field of over 30. Lauren O'Sullivan and Aoife Daly finished well up the field in the U 10 Long Jump that had a field of over 60 she also ran in the 60 metres.

Ethan Madden threw well in the U-9 Turbo Javelin and also ran in a very fast 60 metres with Jacob Madden also running in the U 11 60 metres

# Munster Champions



Huge congratulations to Dara McCarthy, Patrick O Connor and Cillian Scannell from Faha NS who recently won gold representing Kerry in the Munster Gaelic Football Skills Competition. The boys had won East Kerry, and Kerry titles on their way to Munster Glory. This is a great achievement as the boys showcased the skills of the game and everyone in Faha is very proud of them!

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



### SEMI FINAL SPOT FOR KERRY MINORS

All Ireland Minor Quarter-Final  
Kerry 3-18 Roscommon 2-3

Kerry looked okay, but not really much more than that, in an opening game of their minor campaign where I still suspect that neither Kerry nor Cork were showing their full hand. They also had a fair battle against Tipperary in the Munster semi-final for forty minutes before finally opening up the throttle.

Then came that display against Cork in the Munster Final. That was an absolute demolition derby. There's no denying that Cork looked somewhat rudderless, but they still had to be put away, and Kerry did so with clinical and ruthless efficiency.

I did expect us to see off Roscommon, but I wasn't expecting it to be anything like as one-sided as it was. Roscommon weren't putting up the kind of totals that would win a game like this and their defence seemed to be relying on numbers rather than individual skill. I was impressed, though, by Roscommon's midfield. That showed in the opening minute, as Roscommon won the toss and promptly got in for the opening score, a free by Dean Casey.

I think that was the last time any Roscommon player touched the ball in the middle third for twenty minutes. That's not hyperbole or sarcasm. Kerry were on top in every single sector and every single duel. I think the Roscommon keeper was better at finding Kerry players with his kick-out even than Kacper Robak was – not that Kacper had to take a kick-out for a very long time.

Seán Ó Cuinn lofted over two opening points for Kerry. Gearóid White added two points (1f). Gavin O'Keeffe calmly fist-ed over, no need to over-complicate matters.

Ronan Carroll hadn't been as dominant in other games as I feel he can be capable of, but he really came into his own here. Roscommon couldn't live with his movement, and he kicked four points (1f) on the trot. 0-10 to 0-1.



*Kerry Minor Eanna Murphy, Listry GAA Club pictured with family and friends*

Roscommon were well out of their depth, but that isn't to take away from Kerry. They kicked their first wide after ten scores; that's fair shooting in any language.

Late in the first half, Joey McCarthy swung in a looping high ball that the hapless keeper misjudged and it ended up in the net. It's one of those days....

Jack Joy closed out the first half scoring. 1-11 to 0-1. I travelled in company, and that's about the only reason I stayed for the second half. I kind of wanted to go home. It's not Kerry's fault, most certainly not, but this wasn't enjoyable. Roscommon are very decent people – I was in Cusack Park for the minor replay in 2006 and the minor semi-final in 2017 as well. I could enjoy a contest no matter how it ended, but this wasn't any contest and we all knew that it wasn't going to turn into one.

Truth is, Kerry could have coughed up another two goals to Roscommon in the final quarter and still have cruised to a double-score win such was their dominance all through and the 13-point lead they took to the half time interval. Once again Roscommon got the opening score of the second half, this time from Stephen Tighe. Once again, it was a false dawn at best as Kerry promptly slapped over points from Gearóid White, Ben Murphy, Éanna Murphy, and Joey McCarthy. Roscommon's cause wasn't helped by a somewhat clumsy black card; I suspect a little bit of frustration. I will say that it was important that Kerry not drop in concentration. It's easy, and absolutely correct, to have sympathy up in the stand, but on the field players have a job to do and there's plenty lads on the bench who would love to take that jersey. Rightly so.

Ronan Carroll hit an absolute rocket that crashed back off the crossbar. On another day it might have been a significant moment, but not today. This game was already long over and we all knew it.

With ten minutes left Eoin Collins got in for a Roscommon goal. Wayne Quillinan will be looking at that one afterwards, but I don't think the Kerry defence did too much wrong.

The response said everything. While Roscommon were, if not quite celebrating, at least showing signs of relief, Kerry were already racing back down the pitch in a seamless move that ended with Ryan O'Driscoll coolly rounding the keeper to finish to the net. A minute later the Stacks man was on hand again to drive home his second. 3-15 to 1-2.

Roscommon did pull a goal back, an acrobatic volley by Keenan Kelly that probably owed more to inspiration from Zlatan Ibrahimovich than Tony McManus. An anaesthetised crowd summoned a half-hearted cheer, but no more than that.

Kerry closed it out with the last three points from O'Driscoll, O'Carroll, and Éanna Murphy before Anthony Cox had one last forlorn point for Roscommon.

A genuinely phenomenal display by Kerry, nigh on perfection. But standing in their way in the semi-final is Derry, reigning champions and red-hot favourites from the very start of the year. Kerry won the quarter-final by a full 18 points and they are still going to be underdogs; that's what Derry are like. We might actually have done Roscommon a favour.

Kerry: Kacper Robak, Fionnán Ryan, Michael Lynch, Ruadhán Donovan, Seán Ó Cuinn (0-2), Aodhna Ó Beaglaioich, Gavin O'Keeffe (0-1) Ben Murphy (0-1), Killian Dennehy, Gearóid White (0-4, 3f), Joey McCarthy (1-1), Éanna Murphy (0-2), Jack Joy (0-1), Ronan Carroll (0-5, 2f), Michael Horan. Subs: Cian MacGearailt (for Michael Horan, 41 mins), Eoin O'Flaherty (for Ben Murphy, 41 mins), David Sargent (for Seán Ó Cuinn, 46 mins), Ryan O'Driscoll 2-1 (for Jack Joy, 48 mins), Gavin Casey (for Gearóid White, 50 mins).



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Niamh Ní Chonchúir of Kerry reacts during the TG4 All-Ireland Ladies Football Senior Championship Round 1 match between Donegal and Kerry at MacCumhaill Park in Ballybofey, Donegal. Photo by Ben McShane/Sportsfile



Eilís Lynch of Kerry evades the tackle of Katie Herron of Donegal during the TG4 All-Ireland Ladies Football Senior Championship Round 1 match between Donegal and Kerry at MacCumhaill Park in Ballybofey, Donegal. Photo by Ben McShane/Sportsfile

Roscommon: Patrick Gaynor, Liam Finneran, Gordon Casey, Colin Murray, Eoin Collins (1-0), Keelan Kelly (1-0), Declan Kennedy, Darragh Devaney, Cathal Enright, Joe McKeon, Dara Curran, Seán McDonnell, Stephen Tighe (0-1), Shay McGuinness, Dean Casey (0-1, 1f). Subs: Alan Conroy (for Joe McKeon, 27 mins), Anthony Cox 0-1 (for Gordon Casey, 37 mins), Jeffrey Oates (for Shay McGuinness, 43 mins), Martin Connaughton (for Colin Murray, 46 mins), Ciaran Mulry (for Declan Kennedy, 46 mins).

Referee: Chris Maguire (Clare)

## DONEGAL HOLD KERRY TO A DRAW

### Ladies All Ireland Group Stage Donegal 1-6 Kerry 0-9

There are good draws and bad draws, and this one has to go down as a bad draw for Kerry. We were plenty capable of winning this; it just felt like we didn't get around to actually doing it. Donegal huffed and puffed to a certain extent but they hung on and in the end they deserved a point. There are lessons to be taken from this one.

Kerry opened the scoring through Niamh Ní Chonchúir. Both sides were starting cagey enough, more poking and prodding for gaps than anything else, but suddenly Donegal were in for a goal from Caoimhe McKeon.

Anna Galvin responded with an absolute peach of a point, the best score of the game for me. Danielle O'Leary squared things up. It definitely seemed to more that Kerry were bringing a real threat every time they got over the halfway line, while the same could not be said of a Donegal side who had more effort than panache. Effort counts for a lot, though. Katie Dowds, who always looked sharp, nudged them back in front.

Danielle O'Leary, Lorraine Scanlon (another great score) and captain Niamh Carmody put Kerry two points to the good.

Susanne White (f) and Niamh McLaughlin, the

2022 Player of the Year, hauled Donegal level. Kerry could, and I would argue should, have been well ahead on the balance of play. We were also coughing up more frees than I liked, and they were good calls by the referee. We seemed a little rushed, a little frantic. I don't know, it's more an impression of a feeling than anything tangible.

1-3 to 0-6 at half-time, and I doubt if either management team was happy with what they had seen.

Kerry looked more purposeful on the restart, Niamh Carmody and Anna Galvin putting us two points clear. I was quite confident at that stage. I felt that we were the better team but hadn't translated it onto the scoreboard, and with Hannah O'Donoghue, Siofra O'Shea, and Louise Ní Muircheartaigh on the bench, I never felt that would be an issue over a full sixty minutes.

Shows what I know. Susanne White and Emma Dineen traded scores coming up to the 43rd minute.

And Kerry didn't score again. To be fair, it was very treacherous conditions. I'm not saying that scoring was easy; it certainly wasn't. But these are the days you should be getting it done.... and the blunt and uncomfortable truth is that Kerry didn't.

Donegal didn't score much more either, and a part of me was actually hoping with three minutes left that we might get away with this one. And 'get away' was the correct phrase. As it happened, Katie Dowds got in for one more point and Susanne White slotted a free with pretty much the last kick of the game.

Definitely a point lost rather than a point gained. Look, with the top two advancing to the quarter-finals anyway, there isn't a lot of jeopardy. This was a game that Kerry could afford to make those errors in – a loss would have been a different story. But, especially after that League Final defeat, I'm looking for a certain assuredness from Kerry at this stage. I didn't see it here.

Kerry: Ciara Butler, Eilís Lynch, Kayleigh Cronin,

Ciara Murphy, Aishling O'Connell, Deirdre Kearney, Aoife Dillane, Mary O'Connell, Lorraine Scanlon (0-1), Niamh Carmody (0-2, 1f), Katie Brosnan, Anna Galvin (0-2), Niamh Ní Chonchúir (0-1), Emma Dineen (0-1), Danielle O'Leary (0-2). Subs: Hannah O'Donoghue (for Katie Brosnan, 44 mins), Amy Harrington (for Mary O'Connell, 44 mins), Siofra O'Shea (for Niamh Ní Chonchúir, 49 mins), Louise Ní Muircheartaigh (for Emma Dineen, 57 mins), Donegal: Claire Friel, Shannon McLaughlin, Abigail Temple Asokuh, Evelyn McGinley, Katie Dowds (0-2), Niamh Boyle, Tara Hegarty, Roisín Rodgers, Niamh Carr, Caoimhe Keon (0-1), Nicole McLaughlin (0-1), Amy Boyle Carr, Susanne White (0-3, 3f), Katie Herron, Katie Long. Subs: Eva Gallagher (for Amy Boyle Carr, 36 mins), Blathnaid McLaughlin (for Katie Long, 48 mins), Jodie McFadden (for Niamh Carr, 55 mins).

Referee: Shane Curley (Galway).

## KERRY MAKE IT THREE WINS FROM THREE

### All Ireland Intermediate Camogie Round Three

#### Kerry 0-15 Kildare 0-4

To say that Kerry have shown a complete transformation in fortunes since a tough National League campaign is already looking like a vast understatement, as they once again came back down on the M7 motorway with a big win in the bag. Last week they saw off a fancied Dublin in the capital, having been a fairly listless Antrim in their opening encounter of the group stage. This week they faced hosts Kildare in Hawkfield, a pitch a lot of this Kerry team would be familiar with, and another resounding display saw them record a surprisingly comfortable victory.

Star of the show was once again Kerry's scorer-in-chief Jackie Horgan, who notched nine in total and six from play in a superb all-round display. She set the tone early on, clipping over two frees and adding a magnificent point from

out by the sideline. Kildare rallied through their captain, Lea Sutton, who cut into the Kerry square to win a penalty. She struck the shot well but Aoife Fitzgerald blocked it and regathered quickly before winning a free and clearing her lines. It was a key moment; a real rallying call for the Kerry girls and a deflating blow for the home side. Kerry cut loose, Kate Lynch slotting over and the irrepressible Jackie Horgan adding another from play. Ellen O'Donoghue got in on the scoring act before Horgan again made it 0-7 to 0-0.

Sutton, who deserves a lot of credit as the heart and soul of Kildare's resistance, finally opened their account with a free in the 25th minute. Caoimhe Ní Bhuirceal and Sara Carroll quickly added two more and it seemed that a comeback might yet be on the cards. Jackie Horgan had other ideas, notching the last two points of the half to take her personal tally to seven and Kerry's lead to six.

Half-time Kerry 0-9 Kildare 0-3

Kerry got the start to the second half that Kildare needed, Jackie Horgan with three more points on the trot. Another by Ruth O'Connor, one of the minor players introduced onto the senior team by manager Brian Darcy to great success, saw Kerry leading by 0-13 to 0-3 and in complete control of proceedings.

Lea Sutton scored their only point of the second half, a free in the 60th minute, but Sara Murphy had also fired over from centre back by that stage.

Aside from the win itself, a huge plus point for Kerry supporters was the sight of Patrice Diggin coming off the bench and slotting a free. Kerry have more strength in depth than they used to, but Diggin would count as a special talent and a talismanic figure in any county and her return to action is almost as much of a boost going forward as this third win on the trot for a Kerry side who seem to be really gathering steam for an assault on the knock-out stages.

Next week will really tell a lot, as Kerry welcome a Kilkenny side that put both Carlow and Antrim to the sword with relative ease to Lixnaw at 2.00pm for what should be a real cracker next Saturday.

Kerry: Aoife Fitzgerald, Rachel McCarthy, Niamh Leen, Michelle Costello, Áine O'Connor, Sara Murphy (0-1), Aoife Behan, Caoimhe Spillane, Ruth O'Connor (0-1), Laura Collins (0-1), Kate Lynch (0-1), Ann-Marie Leen, Amy O'Sullivan, Jackie Horgan (0-9, 3f), Ellen O'Donoghue (0-1). Subs Roisín Quinn (for Aoife Behan, 48), Amy McCarthy (for Ellen O'Donoghue, 48), Patrice Diggin 0-1, 1f (for Amy O'Sullivan, 48), Shaina Collins (for Ann-Marie Leen, 54), Norette Casey (for Jackie Horgan, 54), Eimear Harrington (for Sara Murphy, blood sub, 60)

Kildare: Roisín Roche, Kelly Perkins, Sorcha Dolan, Ella Copeland, Shauna Mulligan, Aoife McCarthy, Ellen Morgan, Sara Carroll (0-1), Caoimhe Shanahan, Orla Carraghaer, Caoilfhionn Hallissey, Caoimhe Ní Bhuirceal (0-1), Lea Sutton (0-2, 2f), Aoife McDermott, Sarah Lavin. Subs Molly Berns (for Ellen Morgan, half-time), Aideen Walsh (for Caoilfhionn Hallissey, half-time), Sinead O'Brien (for Aoife McCarthy, 41)

Referee: Ciarán Goff

The Kerry Camogie Team.



## SENIOR COUNTY LEAGUE

There's people who measure their hours by the fortunes of Kerry's inter-county teams, or maybe our national teams' success. I was on the train down from Croke Park after Kerry lost that All Ireland Final to Tyrone in 2008 – aye, it was a hard one (some performance by Seán Cavanagh, though, up there with anything I've seen). But I saw people in tears. Over a football match. I'm sorry now, each to their own, but you should be grateful for the life you are living if you think losing a football match is such a tragedy. Shakespeare wrote his best works around sex or murder, not sport – and yes, they most certainly did play a type of football back then, albeit more like rugby league with legal biting. Sounds like junior football, a few of ye are thinking....

I follow and support Kerry, but more like a part-time follower than a devotee. I did not travel up to Navan, all though I could have, and to be honest my blood isn't beating any faster at the thought of the Louth match either. The truth is that I'll pay attention when the knock-out games start. Until then it's only throwing shapes and not only are Kerry not in any danger; at no point did it ever feel that they would be. I was absolutely curious about the Cork game, I still say that Cork are on the right road and growing teeth, but losing that one would have only meant a detour, not derailed the Kerry train. A group stage to knock out four teams from sixteen in a competition where we can all name the real contenders on our fingers (and I include one-armed bandits in that) is simply ripping off supporters. And crowd numbers are showing it.

I wasn't in Navan. With a full round of the county league, I was surrounded by real, on-the-ground, actual drama.

The inter-county championship (I and my generation and those before me consider the National League to be the forge, not the finished work) is icing. I'm more of a bread and butter man myself (I number the ability to make a sort of slightly misshapen but still tasty banana bread among my greatest accomplishments).

The County League is where I live and breathe. I'm not any great club man, to be honest, but I'd identify myself by family and club before anything else. Every once in a blue moon (they are far more common than you think) some-

one will pose the question "Would you prefer Kerry to win the All Ireland or your club to win the Club Championship?"

Seriously? That's an actual question? I don't.... Kerry winning the All Ireland gets woven into the fabric of our stories quickly and easily. For most of my childhood, the back of the church was for quiet men, many of them bachelors, to doff their caps. They didn't so much listen to the Word of God, as share stories of the word of Mick O'Dwyer and the Kerry camp. But club? You could swap stories of your club and how things are going....but I never once told the truth in those conversations, and nor did anybody else. You didn't really give anything away about the club. Kerry was something shared by all of us. Club....is not that, although in a way it is.

Club is not just the senior team and it's not just the football. The U13 Finals were on around the county this week (there's still a few on this Sunday, Na Gaeil play Milltown/Castlemaine in Mitchels at 6.30 in the Division One Final and it should be a cracker). I was at one myself on Sunday, and there's no seat in Croke Park I'd have swapped it for. And the passion wasn't just from the kids. The right type of passion, too – boisterous support without a cross word spoken to opposition players. That has to come from clubs themselves; County Boards simply can't impose that.

These games matter in a way that the results don't. If you can understand that, you don't need me to tell you what club means. It isn't any aspiration. It is simply a reality.

I follow the County League religiously. Not just my own club or our own division. All of them. There are twists and turns. It's a roller-coaster soap opera. Having a lad make an inter-county team is a huge honour for a club. Half the time it's one they would be better off without. The U20s, and Tomás Ó Sé did an absolutely brilliant job and I thank him for it, but those lads should be playing with their club in between mid-week training with the U20s. This idea of travelling up to the likes of Dublin and Galway for challenge games on weekends....arrah, I'm old school. Put them out in County League games and you'll know fast enough who can stand when standing is needed.

The rammed-through change to minor from U18 to U17 was in order to sever the ties between minor and senior. U18s can play senior,

and that can hold up senior competitions (and to be fair, it did, and Kerry's successful runs in colleges football was also a delaying factor). But to me, their solution has been like curing an ingrowing toenail by amputating the foot. And the same people who schedule the U20 competition slap bang in the middle of the Leaving Cert. needed bother pretending that it was about avoiding exam years. I've made the point repeatedly. There's very little football available for 18 and 19 year olds. I like that Kerry have kept to a U21 championship (most counties are reverting to U21 and U18 for their domestic competitions, and with very good reason).

From the outside, you can measure the health of the GAA in a community (as opposed to marketing) sense from the County League.

When I was younger, various members of my family would go to different local games and we would (and still do) meet up on Sundays for breakfast, and the county league games are the big topic of discussion. You'd have eye witness accounts, you'd have gossip and rumours from town the night before (with evaluations of the veracity of the sources) and as for the predictions...Nostradamus would have admitted that he was completely outclassed as a spoofer. How many of ye remember Airtel? Willie O'Connor, that great Kerry PRO from Rahillys, was brilliant at putting up all the results from the day before, which basically meant that our superstitions were confirmed or denied by hard facts. Fabulous craic. Nowadays you can technically do that stuff on social media, but you can't really. None of those conversations were actually about the cold hard facts. 'Might have been' was at least as important as 'is'. The avenues of information were more important than the actual information.

I don't normally write about the County League on a weekly basis in this column. You can't, not and do it justice. The same can be said about the English Premiership, except that in a world of European Superleague, Middle Eastern sports-washing, ever-declining FIFA credibility, and an ongoing decline in Irish soccer both on and off the playing fields, it feels more and more like an irrelevance to a majority of people. You knew as well as I did who was going to win the Premiership this year; feel free to go back and look at my opening prediction last year if you want.

I could take the soft option and write up the things I read in the columns of newspapers that masquerade as sports though they are mostly gossip columns – again, feel free to check how many 'sports' stories in today's papers actually relate to 'sport'. Note: Roy Keane, Caitlin Clark, Gareth Southgate's selection process, Erik Ten Hag's job prospects, John O'Shea's job prospects, Joe Brolly regaling us with the latest GAA celebrity who had a pint with him and agreed with everything that Joe said.....these are not sports stories. I refuse to indulge in that kind of nonsense.

I'll only discuss the County League when I have something to discuss. And now that we are close enough to endgame, I think it's worth looking at who is where, who is likely to be taken an elevator, and most importantly, in

which direction....

### Division One

By far and away the biggest result of last weekend is Dingle's narrow win over Rathmore. I didn't see it, but it sounds as though they could actually have won by more. That impacts the top, in that Dr. Crokes retain their county league crown. The Crokes team of recent vintage is easily and undeniably the best club side since Stacks in the mid 1970s or the Mitchels in the early 60s or Dingle twenty years before that, arguably better than any of them. The County League isn't that barometer, but winning it without the likes of Shane Murphy, Gavin White, Tony Brosnan, Charlie Keating, Tom Doyle.....

The real intrigue is at the other end. Dingle and Milltown/Castlemaine play in a back game next weekend. Loser goes down. I don't expect Rahillys to lose to Ballymac in their last game, given that Ballymac have nothing on the line, but Dingle could still pip them by beating both Milltown and Spa. Milltown themselves have An Ghaeltacht in the last round; I suspect both sides could already be doomed at that stage. If Milltown do beat Dingle (I'd be surprised; Dingle have been picking up points after their poor start) then that might, just might, be winner survives.

### Division Two

Tight at the top, and a bit more clear-cut at the bottom. At the top Stacks have a back game against Templenoe and then a last round against an already relegated Na Gaeil. There's no way that they are losing both, and probably neither. Stacks are going straight back to Division One, quite possibly as champions. Beaufort have Listowel in the last round, and Listowel are safe but out of contention. Beaufort are also certainties for promotion (they top the scoring chart with a lot to spare). Glenbeigh/Glencar join those two in Division One if – and it's a big enough if, they beat Gneeveguilla. With that back game against Na Gaeil in hand, Gneeveguilla are still in contention, so that one will be very interesting. Fossa and Kenmare play each other in the last round and the winner has an outside chance of a promotion play-off, but I can't really see it happening.

At the bottom Na Gaeil and John Mitchels are going down. Unfortunate for them, and this hasn't been a good couple of years for Tralee teams generally (at underage and colleges level, they are as strong as I can remember, phenomenal talent coming through). Desmonds play Templenoe in the last round and will be hoping that Ardfert lose to Mitchels to force a relegation play-off. Again, it's a fairly unlikely scenario.

### Division Three

Usually the tightest division of them all (also the one with the longest journeys). Firies are the story of the division. I never expected them to burn through it the way they have, five points clear of their nearest challengers and already guaranteed champions. Who joins them is the question, and that is still very much up for grabs. Churchill have 12 points but they play



Kayleigh Cronin of Kerry in action against Katie Dowds of Donegal during the TG4 All-Ireland Ladies Football Senior Championship Round 1 match between Donegal and Kerry at MacCumhaill Park in Ballybofey, Donegal. Photo by Ben McShane/Sportsfile

Tarbert, who are on 11. Tarbert at home...we called it Fortress Tarbert when I was younger (they jumped four divisions in five years back then, spearheaded by Pat O'Driscoll).

Keel are playing Cordal, and they are both on 11 as well. Personally I think the winners of Churchill/Tarbert and Keel/Cordal go straight up, but there's a good few permutations and potential play-offs there....

At the other end Knocknagoshel, on 5 points, need to win their own game away to Annascaul and hope that four other results, including the back game, go their way. Annascaul are on 7 points; they will be desperate for a win themselves and could be in a play-off even if they do. Mathematically it's possible for Knocknagoshel, but about as likely as winning the lottery. Currow are away to Reenard and at home to St. Marys. Win both and they are safe. Lose both and they are gone. Anything in between, and they'll be sweating....I'll be surprised if there isn't some sort of play-off needed here to decide things.

### Division Four

It's extremely straightforward here. Unbeaten Senans are champions after seeing off Beale last weekend. That result will also cost Beale promotion, having been real contenders all along. Instead Brosna and Castlegregory both go up to Division Three. They can't be caught in the last round.

At the other end it's also fairly straightforward. Cromane and Lios Póil are gone, no matter the result in their final games. St. Michaels/Foilmore host Cromane in their last round and can expect to win that, but they need Waterville to simultaneously lose to Moyvane in order to force a play-off. Moyvane are safe and Waterville are at home, so I suspect that Bally/Foilmore have too steep a hill left to climb.



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### LOTTO

The numbers drawn on 09/06/2024 for a jackpot of €3,000 were 3, 9, 14, 23. There was no jackpot winner. The €40 consolation prize winners were; Shane O'Sullivan, Katie Rintoul, Mike Cahillane, Mary Coffey, Johnny Brosnan. 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 played John Mitchells in their last home game of the county league on Sunday. Fossa found it hard to get into their rhythm in the first half and Mitchells made all the running, this wasn't surprising as they are fighting to remain in Div. 2 next season. Fossa did open the scoring but Mitchells hit back with three points in a row, Tadgh and Emmett O'Shea did keep the scoreboard ticking but Mitchells struck for a goal in the 22nd to lead at the break, 1-06 to 0-05. Fossa upped the work rate in the second half and began to reel in the lead, in the 7th minute, a clever knock down by Cian O'Shea lead to Matt Rennie crashing home the ball to the Mitchells net to bring his team right back into the game. This was quickly followed by a lovely left footed effort from Emmett O'Shea and a Darren Ryan score to push Fossa ahead. Dan O'Connell, who led by example all day, kicked a fine point, Harry Buckley won a lot of hard ball around the middle and Eoin Talbot worked like a trojan in the second half, winning several turnovers and was very unlucky not to score a goal after a brilliant interception. Mitchells tried hard but didn't have enough of a scoring threat in this half and Fossa ran out winners on a score of 1-11 to 1-09.

### U14 BOYS

Fossa U 14 boys kicked off their East Kerry Division 2 campaign away to Dr Crokes. The Fossa boys played some excellent football in that first half to build up a commanding lead of 4-10 to 1-4 going in at the break. The Crokes boys came out fighting in the second half and put fierce pressure on the Fossa back line. However, the Fossa boys held firm and won out on a score line of 5-15 to 3-9.

Special mention to the four U12 Fossa boys - Aaron, Ryan, Sean and Mark who made their debut with the U14 lads.

### U11 BOYS

Well done to everyone who travelled to Beale tonight and performed so well. Top class scores, great defending and no one backed down. The first leg of our tour of North Kerry is complete. Well done to all involved - players, coaches and parents. Thanks to Beale for the sporting games.

### U-8 GIRLS

Our U8 girls welcomed near neighbours Milltown to Fossa this morning. Great football was played and great fun was had by all. Well done also to our U6 girls who were down early for Academy and got 'drafted in' from the sidelines!

### CONGRATS

Well done to Donncha Vaughan and Eoin Bennett who played with Kerry South vs Cork in Currans at the weekend, hopefully it's the beginning of our next batch of Kerry players.



Kevin Curtin receiving his winning cheque of €12,150 from Fossa GAA Lotto, L-R Donald O'Sullivan, Kevin Curtin, Pat Sheehan, Sheila O'Donoghue

### RACE NIGHT

Fossa GAA Club will hold a Race Night in The Outback in the Golden Nugget on Friday 28th June. There will be a prize for the best dressed Lady and Gentleman and an evening of fun and craic is guaranteed for all. Proceeds will go towards the enhancement of our facilities in Gortroe.

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## KILLARNEY LEGION

### SENIOR MEN

Our Senior Men captured a precious two points against An Ghaeltacht in Dirren on a blustery Sunday afternoon. Playing the first first half with the elements in their favour, points from Will Shine(2), Shaun Keane(2), Rob Leen(2), Micheal Devlin(2), Eoghan O Sullivan and Podge O Connor helped to build up a healthy 0-10 to 0-3 half time lead .Rob Leen and Will Shine(3) added to their totals in the second period as a tight defensive showing kept the back door shut . James O Donoghue plundered a late 1-1 off the bench with Cian Gammell slaloming through to kick another point. A big step forward but a positive result is still needed in Glenflesk to rubberstamp a place in Division 1 in 2025.

The last round is fixed for the weekend of June 22nd/ 23rd where Glenflesk is the destination.

### FEILE FESTIVITIES

A busy week fundraising for the upcoming Feile competition in Tipperary on the last weekend in June. On Friday we had a bingo night in the Plaza which was brilliantly supported. We had

a lot of spot prizes, generous donated by various businesses in the town and of course the night wouldn't be the success that it was without the work behind the scenes. Sharon O Shea had a crack unit assembled for the event with MC Shane McSweeney keeping the show on the road. Once breakfast was digested on Saturday it was onto Direen for the Cake Sale. This was done in conjunction with what is now the Annual U10 Blitz. To say it was a success would be an understatement with the place humming all afternoon. Laune Rangers, Rathmore, Beaufort, Glenflesk, Furies and Dr Crokes all participated with the overwhelming consensus being we'll all be back again next year. No accident as the organisation was top class and come Saturday evening, everyone could take a well earned bow.

### U9 BOYS

An away day in Kenmare on Thursday evening saw 22 boys take part in three games against the hosts with great skill and teamwork on display from both sides. Thank you to Kenmare for hosting us.

### U11 BOYS

Listry were the opposition in Direen on Thursday evening for the next game in phase 2 of the County Go Games . In conditions ideal for football, 24 boys took to the field to play 2 games against a hard-working Listry outfit. Special thanks to our 2 referees, Sean Pierce and John Keane and also to Listry for visiting. Up next, we play Spa at home in Direen on Thursday 13th June. The boys are improving week on week and their hard work at training is really telling. Keep up the good work!!



Darragh Lyne, Legion blocking an An Gaeltacht player during Sunday's win. Photo: Maria O'Sullivan



**U13 BOYS**

No joy for our U13 Boys team in their County League final against Finuge. The experience of playing in Austin Stack Park will stand to them as will all the hard work the group have put in at the start of the year. A tightly knit bunch since they all joined the Academy, there will be better days ahead. Hard luck to the team and management.

**U14 BOYS**

We hosted Kilcummin in Round 2 of the U14 East Kerry League on Wednesday evening in Derreen. The boys had a good win with all the players working hard and displaying a high skill level, following up on the first round win over Keel / Listry. We have our final game in the league later in the month against Firies. Thanks to Kilcummin for a good game and to referee Brian Fleming for excellent officiating.

**U14 GIRLS**

Laune Rangers, away in the last fixture in County League Division 3, was always going to be the toughest test. Made a little more arduous by the absence of some regulars, a couple of our U12 girls were called up. Playing with the wind in the first half, the girls grew with confidence as the scores came freely. Leading at half by 2-9 to 1-5, it would take a renewed focus by the team for the second half. But the girls kept up a mighty effort going throughout, pushing forward while defending well and always tracking back to support each other. Another full panel affair ensured a well-earned win on the day. Thank you to our strong U12s as well who managed a full pitch with ease. The future is bright with them on board! Final score 3-18 to 1-7.

**DEEPEST SYMPATHIES**

The Club extends its sympathies to the family of Anne Culligan, Ross Road, who passed away during the week. Ann's brother Paddy was a leading light in the club in the 1950s and went on to hold the high office of Garda Commissioner in later years. May Ann rest in peace.

**LOTTO**

Results Monday June 3rd. Numbers were 6, 17, 18, 28. Bonus 1. No jackpot winner. Match 3s / Lucky Dips: 1. Mike O Sullivan online 2. Myles O Donoghue, 21 O Kelly's Villas 3. Seán Slattery, 53 Woodlawn Park 4. Dermot O Connor, 47 O Kelly's villas 5. Jamie O Sullivan c/o Lake Hotel

**DR CROKES**

**SFL DIV. 1**

**Dr Crokes 5:15 Miltown Castlemaine 0:04**

With game to spare we have won the 2024 County League having remained unbeaten in our 10 games.

We started off the livelier of the two sides with Liam Randles opening the scoring with a goal from play in the second minute. Our goals seemed to continue from there with Paul Clarke, Evan Looney and Mark Fitzgerald all stepping up with first half goals. We led comfortably going in at the break, 4:05 to 0:02. The second half was very much like the first and we continued to dominate the game. It was also a credit to the team to see 11 different players getting their names on the score sheet. A second half goal from David Shaw sealed the deal for us and



Killarney Camogie Under 13 team who played Abbeykillix last week

secured the SFL title. We face Rathmore in our final game of the league at home on Sunday June 23rd.

**ACADEMY**

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

**LOTTO** took place June 10th Numbers drawn were 6, 1, 17, 28. Jackpot of €7,400 was NOT WON. 7 patrons matched 3 numbers and receive €60 each. Jackpot for draw on June 17th will be €7,700. 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)([https://play.clubforce.com/play\\_newa.asp?ll\\_id=734#Anchor](https://play.clubforce.com/play_newa.asp?ll_id=734#Anchor))

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**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.

**CONGRATULATIONS** to Niall 'Botty' O'Callaghan on his re-election to the Kerry County Council.

**CONDOLENCES** to the family and friends of Maureen Cronin. Ar dheis Dé go raibh a hanam.

**NOTES**

If anyone has anything they want to add to our club notes please email [pro.drcrokes.kerry@gaa.ie](mailto:pro.drcrokes.kerry@gaa.ie)

**EAST KERRY NEWS**

**MD O SHEA SPONSORED EAST KERRY U14 ROUND 2 RESULTS**

**Division 1**  
Firies 5.16 v Listry / Keel 2.13  
Legion 5.23 v Kilcummin 3.08

**Division 2**  
Dr Crokes 3.09 v Fossa 5.15

**Division 4**  
Gneeveguilla 4.15 v Kilgarvan / Glenflesk 4.15

**ALL IRELAND FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP**  
Good luck to the Kerry team in next Sunday's

round 3 game against Louth in the All Ireland Championship.

**ALL IRELAND MINOR QUARTER FINAL.**

Well done to the Kerry Minor team on their great win in the All Ireland Quarter Final against Roscommon.

**MONTHLY MEETING**

This months East Kerry Board meeting takes place on Tuesday 18th of May at 9pm at Killarney Heights Hotel.

**MUNSTER PRIMARY SCHOOLS BOYS SKILLS**

Munster Primary Schools boys skills final took place in Mallow. Faha NS having won the team event in Kerry progressed to the Munster final day. Showing tremendous skill levels the boys won the team event with a polished display. Congratulations to all players and teachers for delivering such great results during the year. East Kerry Cul Camp coaches delivered a practical coaching session in Gneeveguilla. The aim of the day was to give all coaches practical coaching experience in advance of the busy camp period. Thanks to all Gneeveguilla players and management for supporting Vince Cooper East Kerry GDC in the running of the event. The feedback on the day was very positive with players and coaches enjoying the experience.

**KILLARNEY CAMOGIE CLUB**

**FÉILE FUNDRAISER**

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

**UNDER 13**

Our Under 13's had a good win v Abbeykillix in Lixnaw in the County League last week

**KERRY SENIORS**

Congratulations to the Kerry senior team and management, especially Kate Lynch and Áine Devlin, who had a win v Kildare in the Intermediate Championship last weekend on a scoreline of Kerry 0-15 Kildare 0-04. They will now play Kilkenny in the next round on Saturday 15th June in Lixnaw at 2.00pm

The Credit Union Super Sevens Senior Finals met all expectations, drawing a full house to the Presentation Gym in Killarney.

This year, the event was held under the new title sponsorship of the Credit Union.

The Senior Finals featured two standout Grand Slam Cup winners: Currow Girls and Scartaglen Boys, both of whom remained unbeaten with seven wins each to claim their respective titles. The tournament was exceptionally successful for both schools, as Currow also secured the Junior Girls Cup and Scartaglen the Junior Boys Cup at the end of May, achieving a unique double triumph.

The finals night also saw the announcement of the All Star teams for 2024 to conclude this years event that commenced in early April with 80 teams and over 900 players and coaches participating.



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 Bronze Medal Knocknagree Cork  
 Plate Winners: Nagle Rice Milltown  
 Runners-Up: Loughquittane  
 Bronze Medal: Holy Cross Mercy

### SENIOR BOYS HONOURS

Cup Champions: Scartaglen  
 Runners up :Currow  
 Bronze Medal: St Johns  
 Shield Winners: Dromclough Listowel  
 Runners up: Knockanes Glenflesk  
 Bronze Medal: Faha  
 Plate Winners: Scoil Mhuire, Kilorglin  
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 Bronze Medal :Dromclough

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 Mikey Cooper - Nagle Rice Milltown  
 James Rooney - Cullina  
 Aidan Lehane - St Johns Kenmare  
 Fionn Brown - Scartaglen  
 Connie O'Connor - Scartaglen  
 Kevin Brosnan - Currow

#### Girls

Niamh Murphy - Scoil Mhuire  
 Eabha Moynihan - Holy Family Rathmore  
 Sadbh O'Mahony - St John's, Kenmare  
 Ava Harty - Fossa  
 Cliona Coffey - Cullina Beaufort  
 Sinead Hurley - Gneeveguilla  
 Mary Anne O'Shea - Currow



Shield Winners: Holy Family Rathmore



Bronze Medal: Holy Cross Mercy



Cup Champions: Scartaglen



Cup Champions: Currow



Credit Union Super Sevens All Star Teams 2024.  
 BOYS Dara O'Sullivan - Knockanes, Glenflesk.  
 Mikey Cooper - Nagle Rice Milltown. James  
 Rooney - Cullina. Aidan Lehane - St Johns  
 Kenmare. Fionn Brown - Scartaglen. Connie  
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Plate Winners: Scoil Mhuire Kilorglin

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The compact new Opel Combo is available in Komfort and Sportive trims, in two lengths (L1 and L2), and boasts a maximum load length of 3.4m, a load volume of up to 4.4m<sup>3</sup> and payload of up to 1000kg.

The level two Combo Sportive trim, retailing from €28,895 plus delivery, gains a 10" touchscreen, a 10" multi-colour driver information screen, Matrix LED headlamps, 180-degree rear view camera, body-coloured bumpers, body coloured door handles, and body coloured rail covering and moulding.

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The level two Vivaro Sportive trim, retailing from €37,995 plus delivery, boasts 17" wheels with full-size covers, uplevel front grille, body coloured door handles, body coloured power folding electric and heated door mirrors, body coloured front and rear bumpers, front fog lamps, and 180-degree rear view camera.

The large new Opel Movano is available in Komfort trim, in panel van body type offering three length and three height variants, and a chassis cab body type. The Movano offers a payload of up to 2 tonnes and towing capacity of up to 3 tonnes, with a load volume of up to 17m<sup>3</sup> (5 Euro pallets). The Movano Panel Van Komfort model retails from €38,295 plus delivery. Standard equipment includes cruise control and speed limiter, traffic sign recognition, lane keep assist, driver attention alert, intelligent speed assist, advanced emergency braking, passenger airbag, rear parking sensors, full steel bulkhead, USB port, DAB radio with 5" colour screen, manual aircon, 16" wheels and spare wheel.

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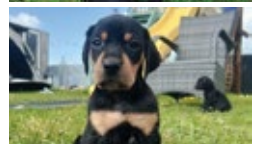
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**Inisfallen Island Mass:** Friday 21st of June. Boats leaving Ross Castle from 4pm onwards, Mass on Island at 6.30pm.  
**Killarney Burial Ground Mass:** Monday 24th of June 7pm.  
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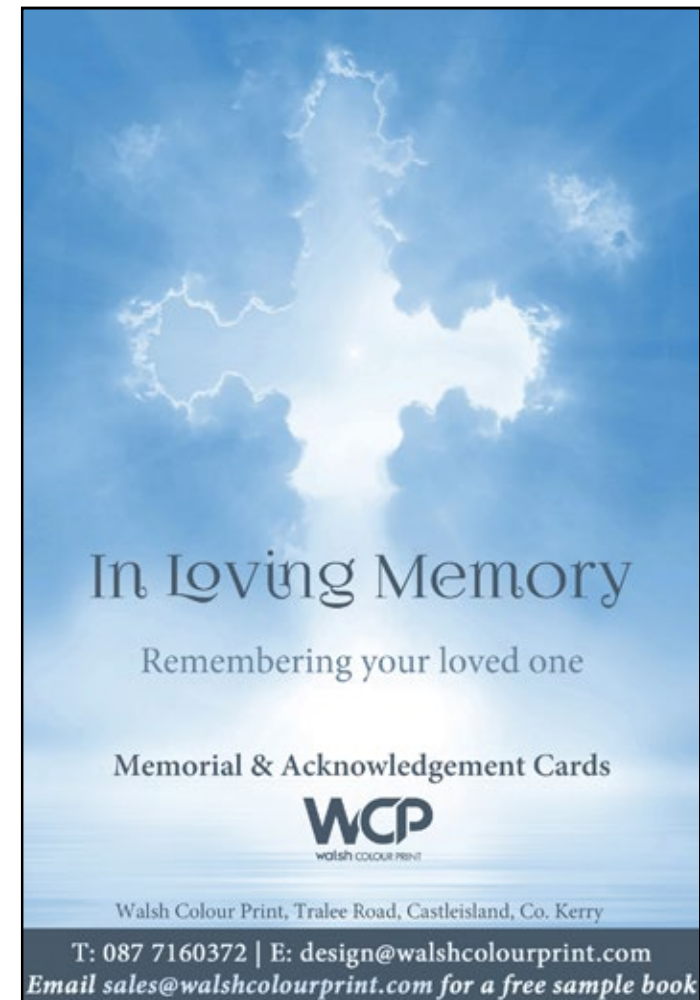
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St. Therese, help me to always believe as you did, in God's great love for me, so that I may imitate your "Little Way" each day.



*A Word of Victory*

*"Lord, my heart is not proud; my eyes are not haughty. I don't concern myself with matters too great or too awesome for me to grasp. Instead, I have calmed and quieted myself, like a weaned child who no longer cries for its mother's milk. Yes, like a weaned child is my soul within me. O Israel, put your hope in the Lord - now and always" (Psalm 131).*

Welcome back dear student, 'Fear Is A Liar' is a song by Zach Williams and it's so true. Fear paralyzes, hinders and stunts (Psalm 143:4). When someone endures trauma or pain that person may be emotionally, mentally, and physically affected opening them up to torment, oppression, dread of the future, or a negative mindset. Fear is a lack of Love – specifically, the Love of God. "There is no fear in Love; but Perfect Love casts out fear because fear involves torment. But he who fears has not been made perfect in Love." (1 John 4:18).

Recently we studied the 'fear of the Lord' - that is reverence and love for God: obedience to His Word, bringing God's blessings and joy. The devil uses 'fear' to terrorise and destroy. The fear of the Lord is positive and productive, but Satan peddles his fear to bring dysfunction. The Lord Jesus said... 'My sheep hear my voice, and they follow me...they do not follow the voice of the stranger' (John 10:5-27). Do you recall 'stranger-danger'? Parents warn their children so they don't fall for the cunning deception that a predator could trick the child with.

Jesus warns about listening to the enemy's voice. We hear the Lord's voice as we study and get to know His Word. The Bible is not to be read as a novel or literature – it's much deeper (1 Corinthians 2:14). "The Word became flesh and dwelt amongst us" (John 1:14). The Word is a Person – Jesus, and we get to know Him by looking into His eyes - His Word. It's a relationship that no one can take away from you friend. And the more you grow to know Him, the less you will fall for the stranger's fearful voice. Jesus exposed the devil's character – a murderer, thief, liar, and a deceiver (John 8:44). Satan uses dirty tactics to pull people under. Lies, slander, accusation, shame, manipulation, aggression, and strife: to name a few. The Psalm above is quite short, but punchy. There's growing up required to live an overcoming life. Pride keeps us from addressing areas of weakness in character, but facing the Truth brings growth. Often our struggles are rooted in some underlying fear.

This Psalm pictures the growth of a child. A tiny baby has a cry that is piercing – when he or she is hungry - you better have that milk ready because they want it NOW! But as the child grows and gets understanding, learning to feed him or herself, they start to relax a little, gaining some patience and self-control. Fear of not being fed isn't as big a problem as when they were newborn – they know where the food is now, and how to help themselves. We must grow spiritually as well as physically to succeed in life. Sure, there may have been difficulties in the past, but by humbling oneself in repentance before God, and believing His Word there is huge breakthrough (John 14:1; Mark 5:36). No longer do we need to succumb to the fear and lies of the enemy, but instead we learn to trust that God will work everything out for good - as we live in obedience to Him. His loving voice brings us into safe pastures (Psalm 23): "...He leads me by still waters".

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