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Killarney Tidy Towns activist and Killarney Chamber of Tourism and Commerce President Johnny McGuire with Franciscan Friary Guardian Br Pat Lynch OFM and local volunteers and staff members from MD O'Sheas and The Great Southern Hotel at The Friary, Killarney where the gates and railings were cleaned and painted.
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In the week when community spirit shone brightly with local businesses taking part in the Tidy Towns Super Meitheal, we have a busy magazine for you. The team at Salon B exceeded all expectations raising thousands for the Kerry Hospice Foundation by taking part in the Ring of Kerry Charity Cycle, Killarney swimmers are being urged to make their voices heard in a new Kerry County survey and tributes have been paid to the late Judge Hugh O'Flaherty. All eyes will be on Killarney's own Caoimhe Lynch as the Rose of Tralee begins, the Pedal for Grace is returning for it's fifth year and the BNI Kerry members heard stories from the top of the world.

Over 100 Tour de Munster cyclists made their way through Killarney in aid of Down Syndrome Ireland, a new singing group has been formed in the town and there was success across the parishes at Fleadh Cheoil na hEireann in Belfast. Style stakes were high at St. Brendan's College for the annual Debs ball, Kerry Friends of Motor Neurone are looking for your support and the Minister was in town to see the work of the Meitheal in the National Park.

In sport, Killarney Legion held a fun filled camp at Johnny Culloty Park, Killarney Celtic have announced an official sponsor of their National League team and Captain Tomas Kelliher's Captain's Prize was celebrated at Killarney Golf & Fishing Club.

Hope you all enjoy this week's Killarney Outlook!

Aisling Crosbie



A Quiet Moment Between Mother and Fawn captured by Lukasz Stanczyk



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Community Spirit on Display as Local Businesses Join Killarney Tidy Towns for 'Super Meitheal'

Killarney's strong community spirit was on full display last Thursday as a super meitheal brought together staff from MD O'Shea & Sons, the Great Southern Hotel and Killarney Royal Townhouse, alongside volunteers from Killarney Tidy Towns, to undertake a full day of work repainting the railings in front of the Franciscan Friary.

The initiative formed part of Killarney's Tidy Towns efforts for 2026 and saw businesses, staff and volunteers come together to give their time and energy to one of the town's most recognisable landmarks. By the end of the day, the railings had been transformed, providing a fresh and well-maintained finish to this prominent area of the town centre. The project was made possible through a tremendous contribution from the local community. Timmy O'Sullivan of Easy Clean generously provided his time and equipment to power wash the railings in preparation for painting. Donal 'Dux' O'Donoghue of Gap of Dunloe Traditional Boat Tours also generously gave his time and expertise to help prepare the surfaces for the work to begin.

With fine weather adding to the day, the painting got underway with a great sense of camaraderie. MD O'Shea & Sons generously sponsored the paint and materials for the project and released members of their staff to dedicate a full day to the work. They were joined by teams from the Great Southern Hotel and Killarney Royal Townhouse, who rolled up their sleeves and worked alongside Killarney Tidy Towns



Killarney Tidy Towns activist and Killarney Chamber of Tourism and Commerce President Johnny McGuire with Franciscan Friary Guardian Br Pat Lynch OFM and Juliette Kelly, Killarney Tidy Towns, at The Friary, Killarney where the gates and railings were cleaned and painted.

Photo: Eamonn Keogh

volunteers to complete the job.

The result is a simple but highly visible improvement to an important part of Killarney's streetscape, demonstrating the difference that can be made when local businesses and community volunteers come together with a shared commitment to the town.

Killarney Chamber of Tourism & Commerce extends its sincere thanks to everyone who contributed to the project, including the businesses, volunteers and individuals who gave their time, resources and expertise.

Initiatives such as this are a wonderful reflection of the community spirit that exists throughout Killarney. The willingness of local businesses and individuals to step forward, work together and give back to the town is an important part of what makes Killarney such a special place to live, work and visit — and helps ensure that the town continues to look its very best throughout the year. Ní neart go cur le chéile.

Salon B Team Raise €4,515.00 for Kerry Hospice



Brenda O'Brien, Salon B, Cathal Walshe, Kerry Hospice Foundation, Deirdre Leahy and Siobhan Hanrahan handing over the cheque for €4515.00 for the Kerry Hospice Foundation.

The team from Salon B in Killarney have celebrated a hugely successful Ring of Kerry Charity Cycle by raising an incredible €4,515.00 for the Kerry Hospice Foundation.

Brenda O'Brien, Deirdre Leahy and Siobhan Hanrahan took on the demanding 170km challenge together, choosing to support a charity that is particularly close to their hearts.

The trio had initially set themselves a fundraising target of just €250, but the generosity of customers, family, friends and the wider Killarney community saw their total soar to an amazing €4,515.00.

Donations were collected at Salon B in Deerpark Retail Park in the weeks leading up to the cycle, with the team overwhelmed by the tremendous support they received.

This week, Cathal Walshe from the Kerry Hospice Foundation visited Salon B to collect the cheque, marking the culmination of the team's successful fundraising campaign.

Speaking ahead of the event, Deirdre Leahy explained that Kerry Hospice was an obvious choice for the team, having experienced the care provided by the organisation at a very personal level.

"It is such a wonderful place and they make everyone feel so comfortable and special, and the nurses are angels," she said.

The team wanted to take on the challenge together and do something meaningful in support of an organisation that has touched the lives of so many families across Kerry.

Their outstanding fundraising total is a wonderful testament to the generosity of the local community and the strong support for Kerry Hospice. The funds raised will help the foundation continue its vital work providing compassionate care and support to patients and their families throughout Kerry.

For the Salon B trio, completing the Ring of Kerry was a major achievement, but reaching such an exceptional fundraising total has made the experience all the more rewarding.



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Call For Killarney's Favourite Swimming Spots To Be Protected

Killarney swimmers and water enthusiasts are being encouraged to make their voices heard as Kerry County Council seeks public input on the identification of official bathing waters across the county.

Lochanna Beo is appealing to people who enjoy swimming at popular local spots, including Lough Leane and Muckcross Lake, to contact Kerry County Council and register their support for the protection and recognition of these much-loved swimming areas.

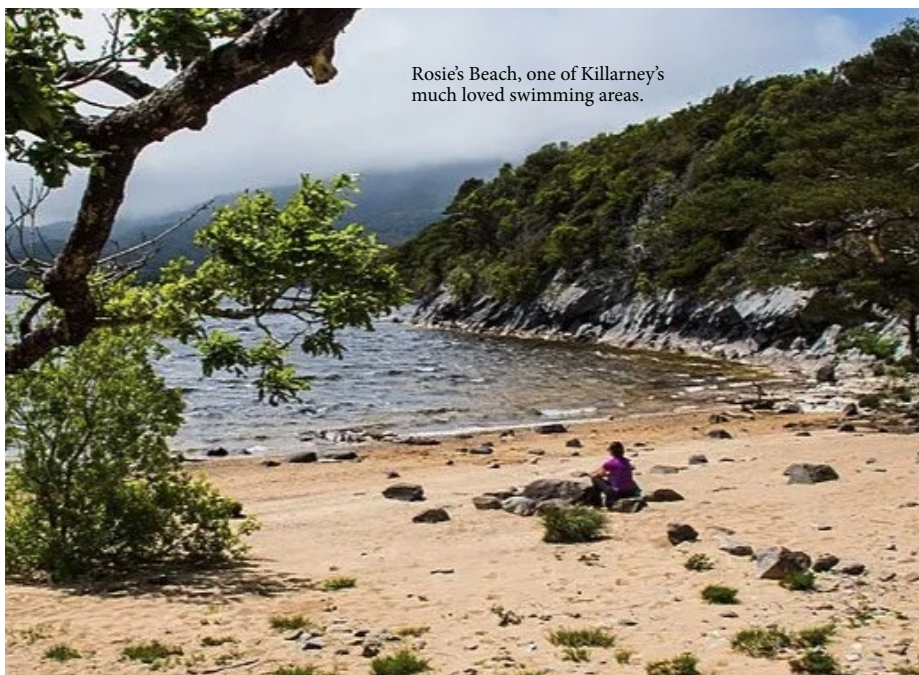
Among the locations highlighted are Dundag, Rosie's Beach and Colleen Bawn Rock on Muckcross Lake, along with Ross Bay and Victoria Bay on Lough Leane. Swimming locations in the Gap of Dunloe and local rivers could also benefit from greater recognition and protection.

Lochanna Beo said that as weather patterns become increasingly extreme, clean and safe bathing waters are becoming ever more important. The group also highlighted the social importance of local swimming areas, particularly for young people at a time when there can be a shortage of recreational facilities.

Official designation of bathing waters means that sites are monitored annually to ensure they meet stringent microbiological water quality standards under European and Irish law. In some locations, designation can also help focus resources on safety measures and the provision of facilities such as life rings and seasonal lifeguard services.

Lochanna Beo is asking regular swimmers, water enthusiasts and people who enjoyed these locations in their youth to share their knowledge and demonstrate their interest in preserving them as healthy, clean, safe and protected recreational bathing areas.

Kerry County Council is required under European and Irish legislation to identify official bathing areas each year. As part of the public participation process,



Rosie's Beach, one of Killarney's much loved swimming areas.

the Council is asking people who swim in beaches, lakes and rivers to indicate whether existing designated bathing waters should remain designated or whether additional areas commonly used for swimming should receive official designation.

When considering a potential bathing water, people are being asked to consider how the area has been used to date, the number of people who use it, existing facilities and accessibility, as well as any safety concerns.

Official bathing water profiles also examine the surrounding surface water catchment and identify potential sources of pollution. They include an assessment of pollution risks and details of actions that may be taken if

pollution occurs.

Lochanna Beo believes that Killarney's treasured swimming locations deserve the additional recognition and protection that official bathing water designation can provide.

The closing date for the identification of bathing areas is September 25, 2026.

People wishing to propose a new bathing water site or comment on an existing designation can contact Kerry County Council's Environment Department by email at environ@kerrycoco.ie or by phone on 066 716 2000. Submissions can also be made by post to the Environment Department, Maine Street, Tralee, Co. Kerry.

Old-Fashioned Sports Day at Muckcross Traditional Farms

A traditional family sports day will take place at Muckcross Traditional Farms on Sunday, August 16, with a host of old-fashioned games and activities planned for the afternoon.

The event will be held in the field in front of Quills House on the traditional farms, with the gates opening from 11am.

Visitors can take part in a range of traditional races and challenges, including a tug of war, egg and spoon race, sack race and three-legged race. There will also be a game of hopscotch, a clothesline challenge to see who can attach the most pegs, and a wheelbarrow race.

The old-style fun will continue with a slow bike wheel race, where participants will have to roll a wheel using a stick, adding another traditional challenge to the day's activities.

Admission is €5 per person or €10 for a family, with all proceeds going to the Kerry Mental Association.

Parking will be available at the main Muckcross House car park, with visitors asked to enter through the farmyard entrance.

The event is being organised in association with Killarney Valley Classic and Vintage Club, Muckcross Traditional Farms and the Trustees.

With traditional games, family entertainment and plenty of opportunities to get involved, the Old-Fashioned Sports Day promises to bring a taste of days gone by to Muckcross while raising funds for a worthwhile local cause.



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Judge Hugh O'flaherty Lays 51st Anniversary Wreath At Memorial

The Hugh O'Flaherty Memorial Society have expressed their sadness at the passing of Judge Hugh O'Flaherty last week.

"When the Memorial Society was formed in 2008, Hugh and his sister Pearl were our first Patrons. Since that time, Hugh has been a staunch supporter of the Society, helping us in terms of fundraising for the Memorial, introducing us to important contacts at home and overseas and securing unique pieces of Memorabilia for our archives. In that time also,

he gave generously of his time to meet with authors, journalists and tv and movie makers, to inform and advise on his uncle's story", Jerry O'Grady

"Whenever it was possible, together with his late wife Kay, he attended our numerous and various functions in Dublin and Killarney. He also participated in a number of our Society Rome Tours", Jerry added.

The Society extends Deepest Sympathy and Sincere Condolences to his family, his sister

Pearl, his daughters Brid and Catherine, his sons Hugh and Rory and his many grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

For the Society he was an irreplaceable touchstone for all matters relating to his uncle, Monsignor Hugh. We will miss him greatly.

Also expressing his condolences was Michael Cahill, TD.

"I was deeply saddened to learn of the passing of former Supreme Court Judge Hugh O'Flaherty whom I know personally.

Judge O'Flaherty was an outstanding public servant who dedicated his life to the law and to the service of the Irish State. His distinguished legal career, culminating in his appointment to the Supreme Court, reflected his intellect, integrity and commitment to justice.

A proud native of Cahersiveen, Judge O'Flaherty never lost his strong connection to his home place or to the people of South Kerry. He was also the nephew of Monsignor Hugh O'Flaherty, whose extraordinary courage and humanitarian work during the Second World War saved thousands of lives and continues to inspire people across the world. Judge O'Flaherty was a steadfast supporter of preserving and promoting his uncle's remarkable legacy.

Judge O'Flaherty was always generous with his time. He was a regular supporter of charitable events both here in Ireland and overseas and was always willing to lend his support to worthy causes. He was one of Kerry GAAs greatest supporters.

Kerry has produced many remarkable men and women who have made exceptional contributions both at home and abroad and Judge Hugh O'Flaherty was certainly one of them. His achievements brought great honour to his family, to Cahersiveen and to the Kingdom as a whole.

At this sad time, I extend my sincere sympathies to all the O'Flaherty family.

May he rest in peace. Ní bheidh a leithéid ann arís.



Former supreme court judge Hugh O'Flaherty addressing the crowd at the unveiling of the Hugh O'Flaherty statue on Mission Road, Killarney on October 30th, 2013.

Picture by Don MacMonagle



Pictured at the dedication of the Assembly Hall at The Monastery School, Killarney in 2015 in honour of former pupil Mons Hugh O'Flaherty were from left. John Joe Culloty Mayor of Killarney, the late Senator Paul Coughlan, Colm O'Sullivan, principal, Daragh O'Sullivan, artist, Former judge Hugh O'Flaherty, Pearl Dineen-O'Flaherty, Jerry O'Grady, committee member and Fr Pat Horgan. Picture by Don MacMonagle

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Corrina Griffin Inspires Killarney's Next Generation Of Golfers

Young golfers at Killarney Golf & Fishing Club had the opportunity to learn from one of their own recently when club member Corrina Griffin returned to her home club to share her experience and expertise with the next generation of junior girls.

Corrina, who first took up golf at the age of eight at Killarney Golf & Fishing Club, has gone on to enjoy considerable success in the game. Through years of hard work and dedication, she progressed to represent Ireland at Under-16 international level before fulfilling her dream of earning a golf scholarship to the United States. Her journey reflects not only her own commitment but also the strong foundation and opportunities provided through Killarney Golf & Fishing Club. She is currently studying Business while competing on a golf scholarship at Texas Wesleyan University in Fort Worth, Texas, where she is entering her final year as a member of the university's women's golf team. Wearing her Texas Wesleyan colours, Corrina spoke to the girls about her journey from junior golf in Killarney to collegiate golf in the United States, sharing the dedication and commitment required to earn and maintain a scholarship. She highlighted the many opportunities the game of golf can provide, both on and off the course.

The session included an engaging question-and-answer discussion, followed by golf skills, coaching activities and informal chats, giving the girls the opportunity to learn from someone who has successfully progressed through the Club's junior ranks to compete internationally. Junior Officer Julie Kelly welcomed the opportunity for the girls to hear first-hand about Corrina's experiences and the pathways available through golf.

"It was fantastic to have Corrina back at the Club sharing her story with our junior girls. Seeing someone who started here at Killarney, represented Ireland and has gone on to fulfil her dream of studying and competing in the United States is a real inspiration. Her journey is a wonderful example of what can be



Corrina Griffin pictured with the junior girls at Killarney Golf & Fishing Club



Corrina Griffin.



Getting it right... Corrina Griffin sharing her skills with the junior girls.

achieved through hard work, dedication and perseverance. We hope the girls took plenty of encouragement from the session and can see what is possible through a love of the game and a willingness to work towards their ambitions." Killarney Golf & Fishing Club extends its sincere

thanks to Corrina for giving back to the Club and inspiring the next generation of golfers. Her visit highlighted not only the opportunities golf can create but also the importance of encouraging young players to enjoy the game, build friendships and believe in their ambitions.

TD QUESTIONS SALARY INCREASE

Deputy Danny Healy Rae, TD has written to Minister Jack Chambers Minister for public expenditure requesting a revaluation of the approved salary increase for Chief Executive of the ESB.

"At a time when ESB charges are going up day by day and there does not seem to be any control by the regulator it is not fair to rise the salary of the Chief Executive of the ESB by €91,917", the deputy said.

'It is very hard to take for people paying exorbitant prices to ESB and many of them struggling to pay their electricity bills. The honest truth is that every day since Bord na Mona closed the cost is going up', he added.

"It's time to brighten Killarney's laneways."

Cllr. Martin Grady has proposed that Kerry County Council carry out a full review of public lighting throughout the town's laneways.

"Poor lighting isn't just an inconvenience it's a public safety issue. Residents and visitors should be able to walk through our town safely and confidently at any hour. Where lighting is inadequate, it should be upgraded or new lighting installed. A town as welcoming and vibrant as Killarney shouldn't have laneways that people feel the need to avoid after dark", he said.

These laneways are steeped in history, and part of old Killarney

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Anne Lucey
looks at the positive news
happening in Killarney



Horse to come before cart in new Killarney Jaunting Car Bye-Laws

Killarney's well-fed jarvey horses are showing every sign of good feeding. The droppings on the Mission Road present clear evidence.

It is 16 years since the Jarvey bye-laws requiring equine sanitary devices were introduced to Killarney. This was after legal action against the move. A lock out of by the national park softened coughs.

There had been a protracted campaign by the public fed up with splashed dung on bikes and paths.

I don't want to remind myself of trying to lift foul smelling prams in and out of the car after the Sunday walk. People who give out about dogs should try horse.

Matters have again slipped. The Mission Road is often in a terrible state. And there is plenty of time to savour the aroma, as we are spending our lives stuck in the traffic.

Kerry County Council "are continually monitoring jarvey operators to ensure that per section 25 of the Bye Laws that " Hackney Carriages shall not be operated without a suitable dung catcher being installed", they

told me.

" Letters are regularly issued from Kerry County Council to all operators highlighting their responsibilities to ensure that they have proper dung catchers in place and that no horse dung should appear on the public roadway," the council said.

This is good news.

The second jarvey licensing authority, the NPWS, tells me rangers are monitoring the roads of the park for presence of horse dung. New Dung catchers are available for purchase by Jarvies from the NPWS office "and some have been bought recently". A ranger has been deployed to engage with each Jarvey stand to remind them of the conditions of their licence, the NPWS say.

One thing I notice about the 2010 Killarney Horse Drawn Hackney Carriage bye-laws is there is little about the horse. Just a general requirement on his treatment and his temperament.

There is no stipulation on how many passengers a standard jarvey car should have on board. Nor are the working hours of the horse in the new summers of extreme heat regulated. People sent me pictures of a jarvey car with eight people on board on a day last week. Plus the driver. Tourists themselves were upset at

the sight of the poor horse struggling up a hill in the Demesne, I am reliably informed.

Jarveys are ambassadors for Killarney. The vast majority provide an invaluable diplomatic service for this town. But there can be little doubt especially in this new climate some practices need to be reined in. There is talk about updating the horse and carriage bye-laws. This time let us put the horse before the carriage.



Time for a council led Killarney MD website

We have twitters and tweets, facebook and alerts, whats apps and whats have yous. But we have no comprehensive straightforward website for Killarney Municipal District. Where is the public service website specific to Killarney? I was searching through Killarney Municipal District | kerrycoco.ie for the jarvey bye-laws. But apart from what is culled from the main council website - the names of the councilors - there are only council minutes and reports. This matter came to a head about eleven years ago when news their road was being narrowed was news to locals in the Muckross Road area. You had a similar lack of communication in Fossa.

A dedicated Killarney website would help matters.

It would have maps and pictures. Links to articles and publicity. Or it should have. For example, right now, Killarney and other townspeople are being asked to submit their views on speed limits in urban areas. I came across it accidentally on Facebook. The closing date is today, August 7th.

And what lovely pic is used? No Kerry town I recognised. It is AI generated, sources tell me. A Killarney only website would get a good audience. I am talking about a run-of-the-mill Killarney website where we can have the festivals, the swimming pool facilities, the sports facilities, the library opening hours and the events, the Anam centre events, the ballet classes, the parking fines, the road closures, the public consultations and the Killarney House lectures and events and all else. Our councillors should surely come up with a motion demanding a one for all Killarney public service website sponsored and run by the council?

Citizens Assembly on Traffic in Killarney, anyone?

Some of the reaction to the recent columns on the Killarney traffic as well as to the situation outside Kerry Airport is worth publishing and considering. While Killarney's tourists are suffering and they undoubtedly are, local people and businesses too are hugely affected by traffic arrangements in this county. We spend a lot of our lives now sitting in traffic trying to do basic things. Even trying to get to Tralee where most shops and services are centralised is an undertaking.

With regard to the reduction of the speed limit to stop the near misses on the N23 outside the airport, excellent suggestions were put forward.

Locating a train and a bus stop nearer or at the airport should be doable. This would make it safer, but also make Kerry Airport the only airport in the country served by a train, people said.

The limit near the airport had been 60 km until five years ago, it was also pointed out.

Concern was raised too about the exit barriers from the short-term car park and the risk of colliding with a car going fast on its way into the airport.

Responding to the Killarney traffic issues raised by a visiting Scottish couple, people were avoiding Killarney now

because of the traffic but also because of the lack of car parking, they said.

There were plenty of suggestions brought forward for easing the situation including building multi-storied and car parks well outside the town and having shuttles.

More importantly, as people pointed out last week, the bypass for Killarney was first presented 22 years ago. There are too many public bodies and semi-public bodies involved in roads and transport. As with water, health and everything else, we have too many cooks and no one in charge.

Take Kerry Airport and the need to reduce the 80 km zone. The council as a body - engineers and councillors - is involved but so is TII, Transport Infrastructure Ireland.

With the bypass, as well as the council and TII, we have the Department of Transport and the Government's National Development Plan. Given the lack of meaningful action by all the various authorities is it s time now to have a citizens campaign to resolve the traffic issues in Killarney?



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Minister Sees Conservation Work Underway in Killarney National Park

Minister for Nature, Heritage and Biodiversity Christopher O'Sullivan TD visited Killarney this week to see at first hand some of the important conservation projects being undertaken by the National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS) and its partners in Killarney National Park.

During his visit, the Minister travelled to Dromrougher woodland in Muckross, where he witnessed the significant work being carried out by the volunteers of Killarney Meitheal to tackle the spread of invasive rhododendron within the National Park.

The long-running campaign to clear rhododendron is a major conservation effort, with the volunteers working closely with NPWS staff to protect and restore the native woodland habitats of Killarney National Park.

Lifelong conservation campaigner and former NPWS Conservation Ranger Peter O'Toole outlined the enormous amount of clearance work undertaken by Killarney Meitheal in collaboration with the NPWS. Volunteer Fiona Moloney also highlighted the benefits and positive impact the Meitheal group brings to the community and to the National Park.

The Minister also visited the Oak Regeneration Project at the NPWS nursery in Muckross, where work is underway to help restore and expand Killarney's native oak woodlands.

NPWS outdoor staff in Killarney National Park have collected more than 50,000 acorns to date from registered collection areas of local provenance within the Park. The acorns have mainly been gathered from the ancient oak and yew woodlands of Derrycunihy and the Muckross Peninsula.

The resulting sessile oak plants will eventually be planted in various locations throughout the National Park, including along river corridors, helping to support woodland restoration and strengthen the future of Killarney's native habitats.

The visit provided an opportunity to recognise the valuable work being carried out by NPWS staff and the many dedicated volunteers whose efforts are helping to protect the unique natural heritage of Killarney National Park for future generations.



Minister Christopher O'Sullivan with members of the Meitheal. Photos: Killarney National Park Facebook



Before and after photos of the work carried out by the volunteers. Photos: Killarney National Park Facebook

€7.9 million for landmark marine restoration project in Kerry

Minister for Nature, Heritage and Biodiversity, Christopher O'Sullivan TD, has today (Thursday August 6th) announced €7.9 million in funding to restore and enhance some of Ireland's most important marine habitats. Over the next five years, the Tralee Bay Marine Biodiversity Restoration Project will involve the restoration of sensitive eelgrass meadows and native oyster beds in County Kerry.

The project is funded and overseen by the National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS) and is led by University College Cork working with local partners including Tralee Oyster Society and Tralee Bay Hatchery. The project, which will be based in Tralee Bay Nature Reserve will benefit wider coastal habitats in Co. Kerry, including Páirc Náisiúnta na Mara, Ciarraí, Ireland's first National Marine Park.

The 5-year project is expected to commence in August 2026 and will run until 2031.

Kevin Flannery (Dingle Oceanworld/SW FLAG), Minister of State for Nature, Heritage and Biodiversity, Christopher O'Sullivan TD, Denis O'Shea (Chair, Tralee Oyster Society), William Hunt, NPWS.





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Dáithí Ó Sé, and Kathryn Thomas pictured with Westmeath Rose Caoilfhinn Ní Choiligh, Kerry Rose Caoimhe Lynch and Dublin Rose Suad Moogé at the official launch of the 2026 Rose of Tralee International Festival, joined by this year's 32 Roses at St Helen's Hotel, Stillorgan, Dublin. The Rose of Tralee will air on Monday August 17 and Tuesday August 18 from 8pm on RTÉ One and RTÉ Player. Picture Andres Poveda

All Kerry Eyes on Killarney's Caoimhe Lynch as Rose of Tralee Festival Gets Underway

All eyes in Kerry will be firmly focused on Caoimhe Lynch as excitement builds ahead of this year's Rose of Tralee International Festival.

Killarney native, Caoimhe joined the 32 Roses from across Ireland and around the world at the official launch of the 2026 festival at St Helen's Hotel in Stillorgan, Dublin, where hosts Kathryn Thomas and Kerry's own Dáithí Ó Sé rose to the occasion for the special event.

The launch marked the beginning of the countdown to one of Ireland's

best-known summer festivals, with Caoimhe set to represent Kerry on the national stage.

The 2026 Rose of Tralee will be broadcast live on RTÉ One and RTÉ Player on Monday, August 17, and Tuesday, August 18, from 8pm.

With Kerry pride running high, Caoimhe will have plenty of support from home as she takes her place among this year's Roses in the hope of becoming the 2026 Rose of Tralee.

Natural Kerry Exhibition Opens at Killarney House & Gardens

Tralee Art Group's 'Natural Kerry' exhibition officially opened at Killarney House & Gardens on Saturday, 8th August, celebrating the landscapes, people and culture that make Kerry such a special place to call home.

Opening remarks were given by TAG Chairperson Caitriona Foley, who welcomed artists, family and friends, as well as visitors to Killarney House, before introducing special guest Michael Gleeson, former Mayor of Killarney and current Chairperson of Killarney Tidy Towns.

Michael spoke beautifully about how fortunate we are to call Kerry home and the unique gift artists have in being able to capture and share the beauty of the Kingdom through their work. His words provided a fitting reflection on the inspiration behind the exhibition and the different ways artists see and interpret the county around them.

The opening was very well attended, creating a warm and lively atmosphere as guests had the opportunity to enjoy the artwork, meet the artists and take in the beautiful surroundings of Killarney House & Gardens.

Tralee Art Group would like to extend a special thank you to the staff at Killarney House & Gardens for their wonderful support in hosting the

exhibition.

'Natural Kerry' runs until the 27th August, and visitors are warmly invited to take the opportunity to view the collection. Many of the artworks are available to purchase, with enquiries about individual artworks and artists available through the Tralee Art Group website: www.traleeartgroup.ie.



Members of Tralee Art Group.
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PEDAL FOR GRACE RETURNS TO FIRIES FOR FIFTH YEAR

The community of Furies is getting ready to come together once again for Pedal for Grace, the hugely popular annual fundraising event held in honour of local girl Grace O'Sullivan, which returns for its fifth year on Saturday, 5 September 2026.

What began as a family-led fundraiser has grown into a much-loved event on the Kerry community calendar, with almost €90,000 raised for Vision Ireland over the past four years.

The O'Sullivan family established Pedal for Grace in honour of Grace, who lives with Stargardt disease, a rare inherited eye condition that causes progressive vision loss. Despite living with sight loss, Grace continues to inspire those around her through her determination and achievements. An accomplished Irish dancer, she has competed at All-Ireland level and has even earned a medal at the World Championships.

Now in its fifth year, the event is once again inviting cyclists, walkers, families, friends and supporters from Furies and beyond to come together for a day of fundraising, community and fun. Every euro raised through Pedal for Grace helps Vision Ireland provide vital services and supports to people living with sight loss throughout Ireland.

"Pedal for Grace has grown into something very special for our family and for the whole community," said Grace's family.



The O'Sullivan family promoting the upcoming 'Pedal for Grace' fundraiser.

"We are incredibly grateful for the support we have received over the years. We hope to see lots of familiar faces again this year, but we would also love to welcome people who have never taken part before. It is a great day for everyone, and every person who comes along helps us make a difference."

Participants can choose from three enjoyable events on the day, catering for different ages and fitness levels. Keen cyclists can take on the 60km cycle, which starts at 9:30am and costs €30 to enter, while those looking for a shorter route can join the 14km cycle at 10:30 am for €10. For anyone who prefers a more relaxed pace, the scenic 5km Molahiffe Walk begins at 11:00am, with a €10 entry fee. Registration opens from 8:00am at

Furies Community Centre, Church Road, Furies, Co. Kerry (V93 FF8X), giving participants plenty of time to sign in before their chosen event gets underway.

Tandems are very welcome, making Pedal for Grace an inclusive event where people of different abilities can take part together.

The day will continue after the cycles and walk at Henderson's Bar, Ballinivarrig, Furies, with a BBQ, spot prizes, live music from Mike Kerins, DJ Jonathan Keane and MC Alan Finn.

Whether taking on the 60km challenge, enjoying the 14km cycle, joining the 5km walk or simply coming along to support the O'Sullivan family, everyone is invited to be part of this special community event.

With the fundraiser having already raised almost €90,000 for Vision Ireland, this year's Pedal for Grace promises to be another important milestone.

A Vision Ireland spokesperson said: "Pedal for Grace is a wonderful example of the difference that can be made when a family and an entire community come together behind a cause that is close to their hearts. To have raised almost €90,000 for Vision Ireland over the past four years is an incredible achievement, and we are so grateful to Grace, her family and everyone who has supported the event. We hope this fifth year will be the biggest yet, and we would encourage people of all ages and abilities to come along, get involved and enjoy what promises to be a fantastic day in Furies. Every euro raised will help us continue providing vital services and supports to people living with sight loss across Ireland." Get involved

Pedal for Grace takes place on Saturday 5 September 2026 in Furies, Co. Kerry.

To keep up to date with the event, follow Pedal for Grace on Facebook.

Those unable to attend but wishing to support the fundraiser can donate through the Pedal for Grace iDonate page.

For further information, contact foundation@vi.ie or the Vision Ireland Fundraising Team on 01 913 3170.

Effie Neill to Perform at Killarney Heights Hotel for Charity

Music lovers are in for a special night of entertainment when Effie Neill joins the Breens Band at the Killarney Heights Hotel on Wednesday, August 26.

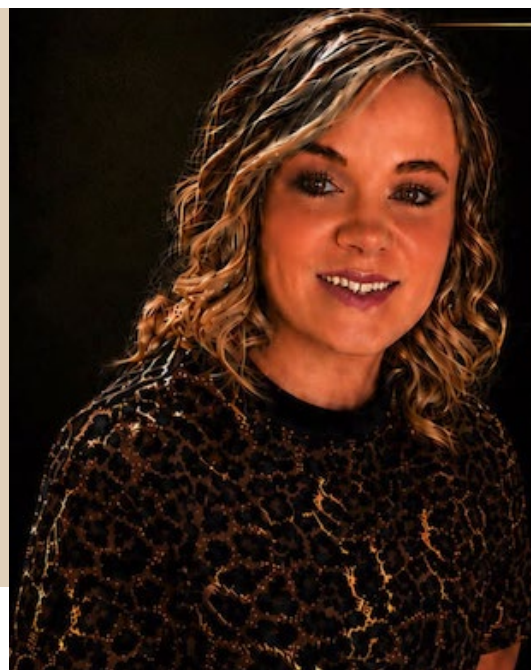
The event, which gets underway at 9.15pm, is being held to raise much-needed funds for the Kerry Cancer Support Group and Kilgarvan Alzheimer Centre.

Effie, who is well known for her powerful vocals and energetic performances, will take to the stage alongside the Breens Band for what promises to be an entertaining evening of live music.

Admission is €10, with donations also welcome, with all proceeds going towards supporting the two worthy causes.

Organisers are encouraging people to come along, enjoy a great night's entertainment and, at the same time, help raise funds for two organisations providing valuable support within the local community.

The charity night takes place at the Killarney Heights Hotel on Wednesday, August 26, with the show starting at 9.15pm.





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GREAT SUPPORT FOR NEW BUSINESS AT OFFICIAL OPENING

IT Eireann Computer Solutions enjoyed a very successful official opening and launch day at its new premises at Unit 7, Countess Shopping Centre, Killarney, on Saturday. Mayor of Killarney joined IT Eireann Director Richard Wong and family, friends and customers to perform the official ribbon cutting ceremony. Former All Ireland winning Kerry and Dr Crokes footballer Colm Cooper was also in attendance and drew the winning ticket in the draw for the prize of a 50" QLED 4K TV.

Mayor of Killarney John O'Donoghue praised Richard Wong and his family for setting up a new locally owned business in Killarney and said the expertise and computer solutions skills provided would be greatly appreciated in the local community.

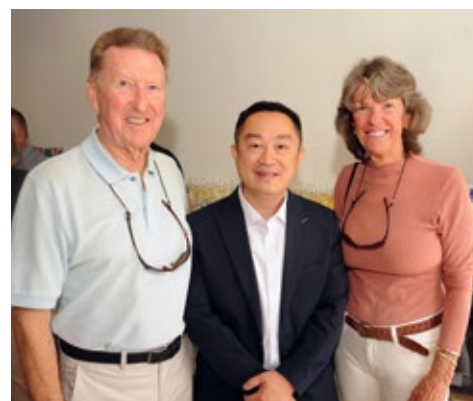
Richard Wong and IT Eireann have been deeply involved in educational and local business IT support for several years. The company has an excellent track record in working with the local community and Richard Wong said they are very excited to extend their service to Killarney where they have many friends and supporters. Richard has over 20 years of international experience in IT solutions, cybersecurity, and digital transformation. Holding qualifications in Computer Science and Digital Communication from Ireland and Hong Kong, Richard combines a strong technical foundation with expertise in AI-driven threat detection, IT infrastructure, and business process automation. Prior to founding IT Eireann Ltd. in 2005, he worked as a logistics analyst and senior software developer with multinational corporations in Hong Kong and contributed to major engineering projects, including the development of Hong Kong International Airport. His leadership continues to drive innovation and security for schools, businesses, and professional service providers across Ireland and beyond.



John O'Donoghue (Mayor of Killarney) with Richard, Jessica, James and Calvin Wong (IT Eireann), Fr Pdraig Walsh, Colm Cooper and Eanna Kavanagh (Dr Crokes), plus customers and friends at the IT Eireann store opening and open day at Countess Shopping Centre, Killarney on Saturday. Photo: Eamonn Keogh



John O'Donoghue (Mayor of Killarney) with Richard Wong (IT Eireann Director), his wife Jessica, and sons James and Calvin Wong at the IT Eireann store opening and open day at Countess Shopping Centre, Killarney on Saturday. Photo: Eamonn Keogh



Richard Wong (IT Eireann Director) with Philip and Kay MacMonagle, Killarney, at the IT Eireann store opening and open day at Countess Shopping Centre, Killarney on Saturday. Photo: Eamonn Keogh

Throughout Kerry and beyond Richard Wong has already built up a strong client base with several schools and businesses over the years. He is widely regarded as an invaluable IT specialist, technical support provider, problem solver, systems management and strategic planning expert and a thorough professional. Richard is joined in the new IT Eireann Killarney

store by his wife Jessica and sons James and Calvin Wong.

IT Eireann Killarney is a family run business. They are currently expanding their business through hiring local people. All business opportunities are welcome by email to richard@iteireann.ie



Calvin Wong, Michelle and Sinead Byrne, Richard Wong (IT Eireann Director), Jessica Wong, Mary O'Sullivan Darcy and James Wong at the IT Eireann store opening and open day at Countess Shopping Centre, Killarney on Saturday. Photo: Eamonn Keogh



Richard Wong (IT Eireann Director) with Colm Og and Colm Cooper, Eanna Kavanagh and Conall Cooper (Dr Crokes) at the IT Eireann store opening and open day at Countess Shopping Centre, Killarney on Saturday. Photo: Eamonn Keogh



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Fresh from conquering the highest point on Earth, Kerryman Frank McCarthy recently returned home to a warm welcome from members of BNI Kerry, where he shared the incredible story of his successful ascent of Mount Everest.

Frank has now joined an elite group of just 72 Irish people to have reached the summit of Everest. He is also one of only three people from County Kerry to achieve the remarkable feat, while making history as the youngest Kerryman ever to stand on the world's highest peak.

His achievement represents years of preparation, unwavering commitment and extraordinary physical and mental resilience. Speaking to members and visitors at BNI Kerry's weekly meeting, Frank gave a captivating insight into the months of training, the challenges faced on the mountain, and the determination required to reach the roof of the world.

For those in attendance, the message extended far beyond mountaineering.

Frank spoke about discipline, preparation, teamwork, calculated risk, resilience in the face of adversity and the importance of maintaining focus when pursuing ambitious goals, lessons that resonated strongly with the local business owners gathered in the room.

The event run by the BNI Kerry Chapter, was hosted by The Great Southern Killarney, itself celebrating a significant milestone after recently achieving prestigious five-star status, making the morning a fitting celebration of excellence, ambition and achievement.

Sherry O'Callaghan of BNI Kerry said:

"Frank's story is one that every Kerryman and woman can take pride in. To become one of



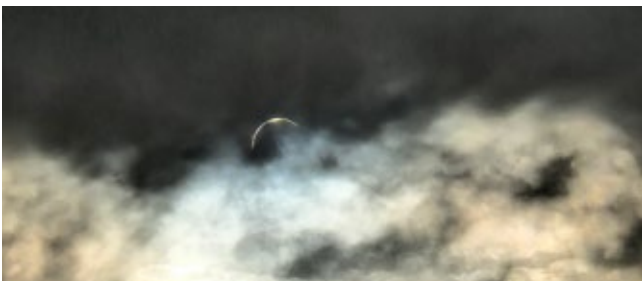
only 72 Irish summiters of Mount Everest is an extraordinary achievement, but what struck us most was his humility and willingness to share the lessons he learned along the way. His journey reminded us that success, whether in business, sport or life, is built through preparation, perseverance and an unwavering belief in what's possible."

BNI Kerry meets weekly, bringing together business professionals from across the county to build trusted relationships, exchange referrals and support one another's growth. Members described Frank's presentation as one of the chapter's most inspiring meetings to date.

As Frank returns to everyday life following the adventure of a lifetime, his achievement stands as a source of immense pride for County Kerry and a reminder that even the world's highest peak can be reached one determined step at a time.



Frank McCarthy and Sherry O'Callaghan at the BNI meeting.



Killarney Guide Captures Stunning Eclipse Images

The spectacular partial solar eclipse provided a memorable sight over Killarney on Wednesday evening, with local tour guide Diarmaid Griffin capturing these impressive images from Park Road.

The photographs show the Moon passing across the face of the Sun, creating a striking celestial display over the town.

The eclipse was visible across Ireland, with Killarney experiencing a particularly deep partial eclipse, reaching approximately 95% coverage at its maximum shortly after 7pm.

Diarmaid, who works as a tour guide in Killarney, captured the images from Park Road, providing a spectacular local record of Wednesday evening's rare astronomical event.

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Killarney Rugby Football Club member Thomas Kelliher is preparing to take on one of Ireland's toughest endurance challenges as he sets his sights on the Kerry Way Ultra, with the ambitious run aimed at raising vital funds for the ongoing development of the club's new clubhouse facility at Aghadoe.

The Kerry Way Ultra is a formidable endurance event covering more than 200km of rugged mountain trails across the Iveragh Peninsula. It will push participants to their limits as they tackle challenging terrain and long distances through some of Kerry's most spectacular landscapes.

Thomas's remarkable challenge will be undertaken in support of Killarney RFC and its plans to develop a top-class new facility for players, families and the wider club community.

The club has expressed its sincere gratitude to Thomas for taking on the monumental challenge and helping to support the next stage of development at Aghadoe.

Every donation, no matter how large or small, will go directly towards the clubhouse project and will help create improved facilities for current and future generations of Killarney RFC players.

Members of the community are being encouraged to get behind Thomas

KILLARNEY RFC MEMBER Takes on Kerry Way Ultra for Clubhouse Fundraiser



and support his fundraising efforts as he takes on the Kerry Way Ultra.

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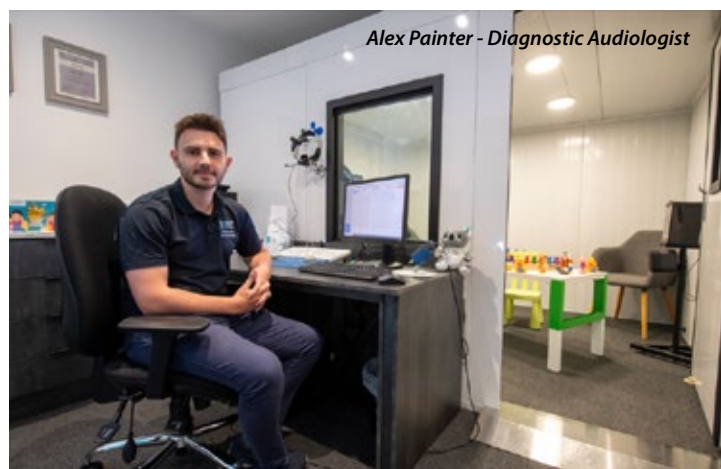
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Killarney Set for Summer of Free Traditional Music

Spraoi Chiarraí is returning for its 21st season of Summer Youth Traditional Arts Concerts, continuing a programme which has enjoyed great success over the past 20 summers.

The Kerry-based youth Irish folk and traditional music and song mentorship and performance collective provides young local musicians with a valuable opportunity to perform in one of Killarney's most historic and high-profile concert settings.

The first of five free concerts will take place on Saturday, August 15 at 8pm in St Mary's Church of Ireland, opposite Killarney Town Hall.

Opening the series will be Beaufort brothers Fionán and Cormac O'Sullivan, who will entertain audiences with the classic combination of flute and accordion. They will be joined by Tim O'Shea, who is director and producer of the series as well as a long-established folk musician.

The concerts will showcase a wide range of traditional instruments and musical styles, including fiddle, Irish harp, accordion, flute and whistle, uilleann pipes, guitar, harmonica, bodhrán and vocals.

All five concerts will take place indoors at 8pm and are free to attend, making the series an ideal family entertainment option during the summer.

Spraoi Chiarraí has again received the support of its sponsors, including Kerry County Council, Killarney Municipal District and Kerry Arts Office, through the Arts Act Grant and Community Support Fund. Killarney Chamber of Tourism & Commerce has increased its support and promotion of the programme, while Kerry Gems Publishing is an advertising sponsor. St Mary's Church of Ireland is supporting the initiative as host venue.



Cormac O'Sullivan on the left with flute and Fionán on right with accordion.

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KILLARNEY STOP FOR TOUR DE MUNSTER CYCLISTS



More than 100 cyclists taking part in this year's Tour de Munster made their way through Killarney as part of a gruelling 600km charity cycle in aid of Down Syndrome Ireland.

The four-day Tour, which took place from August 6 to 9, brought cyclists through all six counties of Munster, including Kerry, before finishing at Cork's iconic St Patrick's Hill.

The Killarney stop provided a warm welcome for the cyclists, who were undertaking the demanding challenge to raise vital funds for Down Syndrome Ireland and its Munster branches.

The annual event supports essential services and programmes for children and adults with Down syndrome and their families, including speech and language therapy, occupational therapy, employment programmes and other practical supports.

The Tour de Munster has raised more than €5.5 million for charitable causes since it began in 2001, with Down Syndrome Ireland as its primary beneficiary since 2010.

The Kerry leg once again highlighted the strong community support for the event, with cyclists welcomed along the route as they continued their journey through Munster.

The 2026 Tour concluded in Cork on Sunday, August 9, following four days and 600 kilometres of cycling. Donations to this year's Tour remain open through the Tour de Munster fundraising campaign.



Pictured at the end of the 2026 Tour de Munster charity cycle on Patrick's Hill, Cork City on Sunday, August 9th. Cyclists completed the epic four-day, 600 km route across Munster, raising vital funds for the Munster branches of Down Syndrome Ireland. They were joined by Irish cycling legend Sean Kelly. Picture: Alison Miles / OSM PHOTO

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New Singing Group To Bring People Together In Killarney

A new singing group for adults is set to get underway in Killarney, with SING Killarney aiming to bring people together through a shared love of music, friendship and fun.

The group is the brainchild of Tom and Breda O'Shea, who have teamed up with talented local musician Ben Quinlan to create a weekly community singalong for those aged 18 and over.

Members will sing popular songs from a wide range of genres, from The Beatles to The Fureys and everything in between. You don't have to live in Killarney to join.

Experienced singer-songwriter Ben Quinlan will lead the musical side of the group. Ben is also preparing to release his third album, *Home*, on August 22, with a launch concert taking place

at An Cultúrlann, Newmarket.

Tom O'Shea has said that SING Killarney is "not a choir", but rather a relaxed weekly community singalong where there is no pressure to perform and no expectation to be perfect. Song sheets will be provided each week.

"It's about the songs, about friendship, having the craic, and creating something enjoyable together," said Tom. "In a world dominated by social media, we've actually never been less social. Our focus is on Connection NOT Perfection."

SING Killarney will take place at Presentation Monastery School on New Road, Killarney, with the first five-week term beginning on Wednesday, August 26.



Registration is €25 and takes place from 7.45pm, with singing getting underway at 8pm. Anyone interested in joining or finding out more can visit the SING Killarney Facebook page or contact Tom O'Shea on 087 290 2147.

Killarney ladies crowned MUNSTER HANDBALL CHAMPIONS

By Con Dennehy

Killarney handballers continued to blaze a bright path across Munster at the weekend when players from across Munster competed at the high-octane Munster One Wall championships in Cork. Taking place in Conna, just outside Fermoy, the two-day event saw the top players in Munster compete for a number of prestigious titles and a ticket to the All-Ireland semifinals.

One of the most stylish performances at the championships came in the Ladies Challenger final when Spa-Killarney player and Currow native Aoife O'Donoghue produced a masterful display of quality handball to defeat Noreen Vaughan from Tipperary. In a tactical and fast flowing competition, O'Donoghue showed great composure and skill to outplay her opponent to win both games impressively 15-5 and 15-4 and in the process win her first Munster title.

There was further success for the Spa-Killarney team, masters in One Wall competitions, when Sara Dineen claimed the Ladies Masters title with a highly impressive 15-5 and 15-7 victory over Nuala Dunning from Cork. In the semifinal, Dineen defeated Kate Riordan from Cork 15-2 and 15-13. In 2025 At the She's Ace Ladies handball finals in Galway, Dineen had an impressive victory in the highly competitive Ladies Over 40 B championship.

One of the most exciting games of the weekend came in the Diamond Masters final where Brendan O'Donoghue (Spa-Killarney) produced a sizzling display of handball. In the



Sarah Dineen (Spa-Killarney) winner of the Ladies Masters title at the Munster One Wall Handball Championships in Cork. Pic Con Dennehy



Aoife O'Donoghue (Spa-Killarney) winner of the Ladies Challenger title at the Munster One Wall Handball Championships in Cork. Pic Con Dennehy

first game he defeated his opponent, Martin Spain from Tipperary 12-15 in an energy sapping contest. Spain won the second game 15-5 with the contest going to a sudden death third game with the first to reach 11 deemed the winner. Despite a brave and very spirited display, O'Donoghue was unable to stem the challenge of Spain who won the game 11-5. In an exciting semi final the Spa-Killarney player took on the challenge of Brendan Hurley from Cork, winner of the opening game 15-7. O'Donoghue won the second game 15-10 and produced an exceptional performance to win the tie breaker 11-8. O'Donoghue, a founding member of the Spa-Killarney club, became the first Spa-Killarney man to win an All-Ireland Handball medal. He achieved this honour in

the highly ranked Master's 55 B final in 2019. In the Junior B competition, Eoin O'Donoghue (Spa-Killarney) reached the semi final stages with an impressive quarter final victory over Chris Hand (Waterford) 15-3 and 15-6. In the semifinal, despite an impressive performance, he lost out to John Bosco Hurley (Cork) 15-6 and 15-9. In the same competition, Tim Cronin lost out to Adam Clarke from Waterford 15-5 and 15-4.

The Spa-Killarney team consisted of Tim Cronin and Eoin O'Donoghue in the Junior B championships, Currow native Aoife O'Donoghue (Ladies Challenger) Sara Dineen (Ladies Masters) and club founder Brendan O'Donoghue (Diamond Masters).



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New oral history project documents the stories of social housing residents in Kerry

A new book, recording the life stories of individuals living in social housing, was launched in Dublin on 1 July. The oral histories were collected by residents of Clúid, Ireland's leading Approved Housing Body, as part of a project to preserve these often-forgotten stories.

'Beyond the Front Door' is a collection of stories that provides powerful personal accounts of the lives, journeys, relationships, struggles and achievements of a generation who shaped Ireland, but whose contribution was not always recognised. The stories trace the housing journeys of residents across seven decades, offering a unique insight into how social housing has evolved alongside the people and communities it serves.

The book features stories of residents from Oakwood and Coill na Darach schemes in Killarney, including Claudia who was born in California but was drawn to the beauty of Killarney after visiting on a walking holiday, and Michael who grew up on his family's farm outside of Killarney but moved to the centre of the town in his 20s to be closer to his job in MD O'Shea's hardware shop.

Colm O'Carroll, a participant in the project from Coill na Darach in Killarney, Co. Kerry, said:

"Taking part in this project gave me the chance to look back on my life in a way I never had before. It made me realise that the stories of ordinary people like me are worth telling and preserving. I'm very grateful that this project was created to give residents the time and space to share their life experiences and have their voices heard. It means a lot to know that my story will be there for future generations, and I hope it gives people a better understanding of the lives we've lived and the strong sense of community that's at the heart of social housing."

Averil Power, Chief Executive Officer, Clúid, commented:

"The Elsie Black Oral History Project is an important piece of work, as it preserves a vital



social and cultural record of communities that are often underrepresented or misunderstood. It is a reminder that history is not only found in official records, but also in the memories of ordinary people whose stories reflect the changing face of housing and society over the last seven decades.

"The stories featured in this book illustrate the varied and interesting lives that exist behind each front door and serve as a timely reminder that the stereotypes sometimes associated with social housing bear little resemblance to the funny, resourceful, independent and kind people who actually live there.

"While the oral histories cover a range of experiences, a key theme that reappears again and again is the importance of secure, affordable, age-friendly housing in supporting residents to live independently and continue to engage in community life.

"Listening to our residents is at the heart of Clúid's work, so I'm proud that we have been able to work with them to create a resource such as the Elsie Black Oral History Project, that will ensure the stories of this generation continue to be told for years to come."

The book is the culmination of the Elsie Black Oral History Project, a three-phase, resident-led project, which collected the life stories of social housing residents from around Ireland. The project was named in honour of Elsie Black, a much valued and respected Clúid colleague and resident of Clúid's Killarney Court scheme in inner-city Dublin, whose passion for people and local history inspired the project.

The book will be available on Clúid's website and recordings of the testimonies of the participants are available on the Clúid YouTube channel.

Fossa GAA Set to Host Inaugural Seamus Weldon Memorial U10 Blitz



The countdown is well and truly underway to the inaugural Seamus Weldon Memorial U10 Blitz, which will be hosted by Fossa GAA on Saturday, August 15.

More than 40 teams from across Ireland are expected to descend on Fossa for what promises to be a fantastic day of football, fun and friendship.

The special event has been organised in memory of Seamus Weldon, whose dedication, commitment and lifelong service to Fossa GAA left an enduring legacy within the club and the wider community.

The memorial blitz will provide a fitting tribute to Seamus, bringing young footballers together and celebrating the game he was so passionate about. Fossa GAA is looking forward to welcoming players, coaches, families and supporters for what promises to be a memorable occasion, with the next generation taking centre stage. The inaugural Seamus Weldon Memorial U10 Blitz takes place on Saturday, August 15, and everyone at Fossa GAA is looking forward to seeing the club come alive for a very special day.



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Celebrates Success at Fleadh Cheoil na hÉireann

As another Fleadh season comes to a close, Kilcummin Comhaltas Branch would like to acknowledge all of our incredible members who did themselves, their families, and our Branch proud at Fleadh Cheoil Na hÉireann last week Belfast. In all, 51 competitors from Kilcummin took to the stage across 9 set dancing competitions, as well as in button accordion, Meleodeon and cómhra gaeilge competitions. With 3 All Ireland Titles returned to the parish.

Beginning with Michael Healy who put in an incredible performance in the Senior Melodeon competition to be crowned All Ireland Champion. This is a fantastic achievement for Michael who is no stranger to winning All Irelands, as well as for his family and tutor Conor Moriarty. Micheal is master of his craft and at such an early age, has many years of playing ahead of him. Maith an fear!

Eoin Foley competed in the 15-18 Button Accordion competition and placed 3rd on the day after a sterling performance in a very high standard competition. We congratulate Eoin and his family and tutor Conor Moriarty on this incredible achievement - at such a young age Eoin has already achieved extraordinary success and will no doubt continue to rack up the All Ireland titles in the years to come.

On Friday last our "Wonder 12's" as they have been christened in Kilcummin took to the stage in both the Under 12 ladies and mixed set competitions. Following two outstanding performances, both sets were crowned All Ireland Champions; an incredible achievement at such a young age for these children, their family's and tutors in the Moriarty School of Dancing Adrian, John, and Mary. The dancers were:

Clodagh O'Donoghue Annmarie O'Sullivan
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As the weekend progressed, another 8 sets took to the stage with another 5 All Ireland Medals heading for Kilcummin as a result. The results were as follows:

Under 18 Ladies set - Second Place

Senior Mixed set - Second Place

Senior Half set - Second Place

Senior Ladies set - Second Place

Over 35 Ladies Set - Second Place

Our Over 35 Mixed Set were unlucky not to place on the day after a great performance in a tough competition, however it is an outstanding achievement to make it to an All Ireland and they will be back better than ever! Again our congratulations to the dancers, their families, and their trainers Adrian, John and Mary on their success. As a branch we are incredibly proud of every competitor who represented us across the County, Munster, and All Ireland fleadh's this year - it is an amazing achievement to compete at such a high level, and is a testament to each individual's talent and commitment to their craft. The vision of Comhaltas in preserving and promoting Irish Culture through Music, Song, Dance & Comhrá is alive and well in Kilcummin and will be for generations to come!



Under 12 Mixed set Back L-R: Michael O'Connor, Donal Junior O'Sullivan, Mark O'Sullivan, Charlie Jay Kelliher, Adrian Moriarty (Trainer) Front L-R: Siún O'Callaghan, Elena O'Riordan, Annemarie O'Sullivan, Chloe Healy



Senior Mixed set - Second Place



Over 35 Ladies Set - Second Place



Under 18 Ladies set - Second Place



Michael Healy, Senior Melodeon
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Under 12 Ladies Set Dancers: Clodagh O'Donoghue, Annmarie O'Sullivan, Eleana O'Riordan, Reete Spillane, Siún O'Callaghan, Aoife McSweeney, Chloe Healy, Saide Sugure, Adrian Moriarty (Trainer)



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KILCUMMIN PARISH

Written by: Helen Moynihan

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KERRY PETROLEUM INTERMEDIATE CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP GROUP 2 ROUND 1; KILCUMMIN 0-18 BALLYDONOGHUE 0-11

Played in Brosna on Sunday last, Kilcummin seniors had a seven point victory over Ballydonoghue despite trailing by two points at half time in this round 1 clash. We trailed by 4 points after 13 minutes with Mark O' Shea having opened the scoring after 30 seconds. Gary O' Leary and Mikey Casey responded with two points but despite a further Sean O' Leary point, we trailed by five points with 5 minutes to go to half time. However a late rally saw Mikey Casey kick two points and Cian Foley one all from play to leave us trailing 0-09 to 0-07 at the break. After 10 minutes of the second half we were level courtesy of points from Gary O' Leary and another from substitute Matt Keane. Two- pointers from Brendan Kealy and Mark O' Shea added to further points from James Nagle and Cian Foley consolidated our position and saw us six points to the good with five minutes left. Ballydonoghue did respond with two points but further points from Matt Keane, substitute Paul O' Shea and Mikey Casey saw us secure an important win.

Next game is away to Furies this coming Saturday @ 7pm.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to all our club members young and not so young who performed brilliantly at the Fleadh Cheoil in Belfast last week winning a haul of medals and representing their Comhaltas branch and community with honour.

LOTTO

There was no winner of our lotto on Monday 10th August 2026 for the Jackpot of €9,750. Numbers drawn were 20,22,24,30. Consolation prizes of €50 Tom & Eileen O'Sullivan, Peter O'Connor, Mark Fleming, Denis Dennehy. Our next draw will be on Monday 24th August for Jackpot of €10,000. Thank you for your continued support.

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LOTTO

There was no winner of our lotto on Friday, 7th August for the Jackpot of €9,800. Numbers drawn were 01,18,22,27. Consolation prizes of €50 went to Pa Carroll; J.D O'Sullivan, Milleen; Kian O'Sullivan, Lyreatough; Maura Gallivan O/L. Our next draw will be on Friday 14th for Jackpot of €10,000.

GLENFLESK PARISH

Written by: Sean Daly

INTERMEDIATE CHAMPIONSHIP

Beaufort 4:20 Glenflesk 3:15

From the moment Kieran Kennedy slipped through the Glenflesk defence to score a goal in the opening minute, Beaufort never looked likely to lose this opening round County Intermediate Championship fixture at Dr Crokes Park, with a terrific all round display. Kennedy wriggled beyond some feeble Glenflesk tackling to grab the opening goal soon after the throw-in. A free from Tommy Bowler opened Glenflesk's account. Beaufort, though, were well on top at midfield, and more quick passing ended with Kennedy finding the net with the help of a post. More direct play ended with a point from Fergal Hallissey. The outstanding Sean O'Brien then struck over a superb 2 pointer. John Kelliher then got a much needed 2 pointer for Glenflesk. Fionn Kennedy then blocked a goal bound shot from Darragh Roche. Another brilliant catch from O'Brien started a move that ended with Kennedy grabbing his third goal. Glenflesk were really struggling to create chances, although Killian O'Sullivan kicked a great 2 pointer. By half time, they trailed by 12 points, after being overrun in the opening half. An early point from Dylan Roche, straight from the throw-in, showed Glenflesk's intent to fight back. Beaufort continued to control matters, though, and Kevin Coffey got his side's fourth goal of the game after coming on as a sub. Glenflesk got some small hope when Dylan Roche blasted in a fierce shot that found the net. Soon after, Darragh Roche goaled from a penalty. Sloppy play from Beaufort then allowed Dylan Roche to find the corner of the net for his second goal. Beaufort, though, prevented Glenflesk getting any more goals, and a red card for Darragh Roche ended Glenflesk's hopes of an unlikely comeback, leaving them with a must win game against Kerins O'Rahillys this Sunday 16th at 4pm in Glenflesk. Thanks to Michael Healy for the match report.

LOTTO

There was no winner of the Glenflesk Lotto which took place on 4th of August. Jackpot €8,000. Numbers drawn 18, 19, 21, 25. Consolation prizes of €50: Cathy Kelliher, c/o MD O'Shea, Joan Desmond, Headford, Murphys Bar, Barradubh (Sellers Prize), Brendan Dooley, Old Bridge. Next draw Monday 17th August. Jackpot will be €8,200. Thanks to all who support

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SPONSORED WALK

A sponsored walk in aid of Jerry O'Leary and Jerome Murphy will take place on Saturday, the 8th of August, with registration from 10am to 12 noon at Deenagh Lodge, Killarney. The walk will follow a looped circuit from Deenagh Lodge to Castlerosse through Killarney National Park, before returning to Deenagh Lodge. The cost is €10 per adult, with children free, and tea and coffee will be provided. The event is sponsored by Mondelēz International, and all support on the day would be greatly appreciated!



Brenda from SalonB presenting gear bags to the Glenflesk Mothers and Others team.

LISTRY PARISH

Written by: Colette Leslie

LOTTO

August 9th 2026. Jackpot €4,200. Numbers Drawn: 3,4,24,26. No Winner. €100 Caitlin O' Sullivan, Rockfield West. €50 Hanna Wharton, Crohane. €50 Eileen Doolan, Kilcummin. €25 Andrew O' Sullivan, Listry. €25 Noreen Ashe, Aughils. Jackpot next weekend 16th Aug 2026 €4,350

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Friday, 14th August: U12 Boys – Away to Glenflesk at 5:00pm

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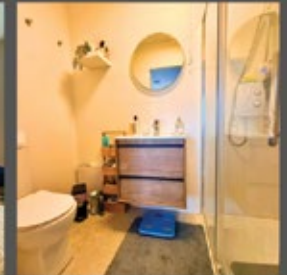
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CONGRATULATIONS TO GNEEVEGUILLA ATHLETES

Congratulations to all the Gneeveguilla athletes who competed at the Masters Track and Field National Championships in Santry last weekend. There were some fantastic performances and an impressive medal haul for the club. Sheila O'Donoghue once again broke her Irish record in Weight for Distance (WFD), winning three gold medals in WFD, Shot and Hammer.

Julie Dwyer took gold in WFD, while Nicola Dwyer won silver in WFD and silver in Javelin. Sean Murphy claimed bronze in the Hammer and gold in Long Jump. Freddie Whoriskey won three bronze medals in the Hammer, Long Jump and Heavy Hammer. Gemma O'Connell took silver in WFD and bronze in Shot. David Fleming once again proved that age is just a number, winning three gold medals in the O85 category in Shot, WFD and Discus. Niall O'Donnchu won silver in the Steeplechase, while Oonagh Quinn claimed silver in Long Jump and bronze in Heavy Hammer. Fantastic achievements all round and wonderful representation of Gneeveguilla AC.

COUCH TO 5K RETURNS

The popular Couch to 5K programme is back, starting on Monday, September 7 at 7pm. Everyone is welcome, whether starting from scratch or getting back into fitness. Sessions will take place on Mondays and Thursdays, continuing until early December. The meeting point is the picnic benches in Glash.

SACRISTANS URGENTLY REQUIRED FOR SHRONE CHURCH

More volunteers are urgently required to act as sacristans in Shrone Church. More than one volunteer is being sought so that a rota can be put in place for the Saturday evening weekly Mass.

Anyone who can help is asked to contact the Parish Office on 064 7761669 or email rathmore@dioceseofkerry.ie by Tuesday, August 18.

Parish Office opening hours are Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday from 9.30am to 12.30pm and Friday from 11am to 2pm.

ANNUAL DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK WILL TAKE PLACE ON SATURDAY 22ND OF AUGUST 2026

A bus will leave Rathmore Church at approximately 6.45am for the upcoming trip. Seats cost €35 and must be booked through the Parish Office on 064 7761669 or by emailing rathmore@dioceseofkerry.ie.

RECOVERY HAVEN CELEBRATION OF LIGHT

Recovery Haven Kerry will host its annual Celebration of Light Ceremony on Friday, August 14 at 6.30pm at Tralee Bay Wetlands.

The special evening is being held in association with the Rose of Tralee International Festival and promises to be a memorable occasion.

CHURCH OF THE HOLY ROSARY, GNEEVEGUILLA

Eucharistic Adoration takes place every Tuesday from 10am to 8pm at the Church of the Holy Rosary, Gneeveguilla. All are welcome to attend.

SHARE THE BUCKET

Gneeveguilla Community Facility Group reminds everyone that Share the Bucket takes place every week. The draw takes place each Friday evening at 8pm in Teach Fáilte and can also be viewed live on the Gneeveguilla Community Facility Group Facebook page. This week's jackpot winner was Marie Keane, who won €202.

Tickets cost €2 each or three for €5 and are available from Teach Fáilte, participating local businesses displaying the green Share the Bucket sign, and online. All funds raised go towards the proposed new community facility. The group thanked the local businesses, shops and pubs that continue to support the project, as well as everyone who purchases tickets each week.

HAVE YOUR SAY ON THE FUTURE OF RATHMORE COMMUNITY HALL

The Rathmore Community Council is inviting local people to have their say on the development and future of Rathmore Community Hall.

A public survey has been launched under the heading "Your Voice Matters", and members of the community are encouraged to take part and share their views on the future development of the hall.

RATHMORE COMMUNITY COUNCIL 301 CLUB RENEWALS

Annual renewals for the Rathmore Community Council 301 Club are due this August for 2026/2027. Renewals can be completed through the new app or with committee members. For further information, contact: Marie: 087 6562388, Jacantha: 087 7044176, Siobhan: 087 2224118

RATHMORE 301 CLUB JULY WINNERS

Congratulations to the July winners in the Rathmore 301 Club. Top Prize – €500: Eoin O'Leary, East End, Rathmore. €100 winners: Holy Family After School Club. Jennifer O'Connor, Shrone. Samantha & Bernie Cahill. Kate Wilson, Bru Na Sinsear. Caoimhe O'Brien, Shinnagh. The organisers thanked everyone for their continued support.

€8,005 RAISED FOR KERRY PARENTS AND FRIENDS

The Rathmore Branch of the Kerry Parents and Friends Association recently presented a cheque for €8,005, representing the proceeds from the Christmas Bingo, to Neil Ashworth, CEO of the Association. The money is ring-fenced to benefit the local service. The Dinneen family would like the Bingo to become an annual event in memory of Michael John. This year's Bingo will take place on Sunday, December 6 at 3pm. The family extended renewed thanks to all sponsors and volunteers, including the raffle team, supporters and Bingo crew.

SYMPATHY

Rathmore GAA Club extends its sincere sympathy following the death of Dermot O'Keefe, who has gone to his eternal reward. The club expressed its condolences to his wife Sheila, daughters Celine and Lisa, sons Declan and Kenneth, daughter-in-law Eilish, Celine's partner Fergus, grandchildren Sarah, Emma, Grace, Paddy, Hannah, David, Diarmuid and Seán, as well as his sisters and extended family.

Dermot was an avid GAA supporter and a former Gneeveguilla player. He took great pride in the footballing achievements of his sons Declan and Kenneth, both of whom represented Rathmore and Kerry with distinction. He was a Vice-President of Rathmore GAA and a member of the Rathmore Graveyard Committee and the Sliabh Luachra Journal Committee. Ar dheis Dé go raibh a anam dílis.

COMMUNITY NOTES

If you would like to have an item included in the community notes, please email Michael O'Mahony at momahony14@gmail.com or ring/text 087 6676817 before 6pm on Sunday evening.



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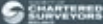


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SPA PARISH

By Leanne Cronin

SPA MEMBERS ENJOY FLEADH CHEOIL SUCCESS IN BELFAST

Congratulations to our many Spa members who enjoyed a hugely successful weekend at Fleadh Cheoil na hÉireann in Belfast, representing CCÉ Cill Airne. The Senior Ladies Set, featuring Spa members Erin Holland, Tríona Mangan, Katie O'Connor, Anna O'Connor, Mairead Mangan, Meghann Cronin, Katie Cronin and Kate Lawlor, claimed their ninth All-Ireland title, while the Over 35s Ladies Set of Karen Buckley, Joanne O'Connor, Ann Marie Hickey, Denise Gleeson and Mags Cronin, alongside Laura Cronin, Siobhan Gallivan and Eimear O'Riordan, won the inaugural All-Ireland competition. There were also second-place finishes for the U12 Mixed Set, 12-15 Mixed Set and Over 35s Mixed Set. Further success came in the Céilí dancing competitions, with Spa members Kate Lawlor and Ailbhe Gallagher, along with trainer Maureen Hegarty, joining Maeve Kelleher, Laura Buckley, Aislinn O'Donovan, Lauren Horgan, Ellen Burke and Sarah O'Shea to win the All-Ireland Céilí title, while they also finished runners-up in the 4-Hand Céilí competition. Congratulations to all our members and their fellow performers on an outstanding weekend of achievement at the Fleadh.

KERRY PETROLEUM SENIOR FOOTBALL CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP UPDATE

Spa Senior Men will face Rathmore in Round 2 of the Kerry Petroleum Senior Football Club Championship on Sunday, August 16th at 1pm in Rathmore GAA Club, Rathbeg. Spa opened their championship campaign with a four-point defeat to Dr Crokes last Friday night, but there were plenty of positives to take from the performance, including two well-taken goals from David Spillane. Rathmore, meanwhile, got their championship campaign off to a winning start with a two-point victory over Dingle.

ANNUAL CLUB MASS

A reminder that Spa GAA's Annual Club Mass will take place this Friday, August 14th at 7.30pm in the clubhouse. The Mass will also mark the 60th anniversary of Spa's 1966 O'Donoghue Cup-winning team, with a special presentation taking place afterwards to honour the team and commemorate their achievement. All club members, players, families, friends and supporters are warmly invited to attend.

SPA ACADEMY RETURNS

After a two-week break, the Spa GAA Football Academy returns this Saturday, August 15th at 10am. The popular Saturday morning sessions



Spa U10 Girls who played Corcha Dhuibhne last Friday evening

cater for children aged 3 and over, with new members always welcome. The mornings are a great opportunity for children to train, play and have fun, while the open coffee dock provides a great social occasion for parents. Anyone interested in joining can get further information from Tracey O'Mahony on 087-9365347.

SPA U10 GIRLS TRAVEL WEST

Well done to our U10 girls who travelled to Gallarus last Friday evening to take on Corcha Dhuibhne. The girls put in an excellent performance, showing great teamwork, skill and determination throughout, with some brilliant scores and a strong defensive effort. A big thank you to all the parents who made the journey to support the team.

CLUB LOTTO

Spa Lotto 10/08/2026 Results. Numbers drawn: 11, 23, 28, 29. No jackpot winner. Lucky Dips €50 each: Seamus Clifford, Susan Gleeson, Timmy McGuillicuddy, Karen McAuliffe, Rita McCarthy.

Next week's draw will be on Monday 17 August for a jackpot of €10,200. Play online via www.spagaa.com/draws

Hauliers' national conference to take place in Killarney at pivotal moment for Ireland's transport industry

The Irish Road Haulage Association (IRHA) will hold its Annual Conference at the Gleneagle Hotel, Killarney, on Friday, September 4 and Saturday, September 5, 2026, at what industry leaders are describing as a defining moment for the future of Irish road transport.

Thousands of hauliers and transport operators from across the country are expected to roll into Killarney for the two-day event, which comes as the sector grapples with rising fuel costs, increasing regulatory pressures and growing concerns over the future competitiveness of Irish haulage. The conference will bring together senior Government figures, policymakers and industry leaders for what is expected to be a significant discussion on the future direction of the transport sector.

Minister for Climate, Environment, Energy and Transport, Darragh O'Brien TD, will address delegates at the conference gala dinner on Saturday evening, alongside Minister of State at the Department of Transport, Seán Canney TD. Other political speakers include Michael Healy-Rae TD, who will address delegates on Friday evening,

and MEP Cynthia Ní Mhurchú, who will speak on Saturday afternoon. Carol Nolan TD and Sean Kelly MEP will also attend the conference.

Outside the Gleneagle Hotel, a major display of vintage trucks will celebrate Ireland's rich haulage heritage, while manufacturers and suppliers will showcase the latest heavy goods vehicles, trailers and transport technology, creating one of the country's largest public displays of commercial vehicles for public viewing.

IRHA President Ger Hyland said this year's conference comes at a watershed moment for the transport industry and cautioned that Government plans to unwind fuel supports risk placing unsustainable pressures on hauliers already facing escalating costs.

With senior ministers, TDs, MEPs and transport operators gathering in one place, the IRHA Annual Conference is expected to generate significant discussion on fuel policy, fuel supports, transport regulation, decarbonisation and the future of Ireland's supply chain.

Picture of Ger Hyland, IRHA President.





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Regular Price: €9.22/kg - €8.68/kg
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Killarney Comhaltas Celebrates Outstanding Success at Fleadh Cheoil na hÉireann 2026

Killarney Comhaltas is celebrating a remarkable year following exceptional success at Fleadh Cheoil na hÉireann 2026, which took place in Belfast from August 2nd to 9th.

Members of the branch achieved numerous All-Ireland titles along with a host of top placings across a wide range of competitions, marking another proud chapter in the history of traditional Irish music, song, dance and language in Killarney.

The outstanding results are a testament to the dedication, hard work and talent of all the competitors, as well as the unwavering commitment and support of their teachers, families and supporters throughout the year.

As a branch, Killarney Comhaltas is exceptionally proud of every member who took part in Fleadh Cheoil na hÉireann, and indeed of all those who participated in competitions at county, and munster level throughout the year. The journey to the All-Ireland Fleadh requires months of preparation, perseverance and determination, and each participant contributed greatly to the success of the branch.

These achievements reflect the strength and vitality of traditional Irish music, dance and language within the local community and showcase the vibrant cultural heritage that continues to thrive in Killarney. The success enjoyed by branch members highlights not only individual excellence but also the strong culture of learning, mentorship and community spirit that exists within Killarney Comhaltas.

Killarney Comhaltas extends its sincere congratulations to all those who were crowned All-Ireland Champions. Their accomplishments represent years of dedication to their chosen disciplines and provide inspiration to younger generations who are beginning their own musical and cultural journeys.

The branch also wishes to acknowledge the efforts of every competitor who represented Killarney in Belfast. Regardless of the final results, each participant carried the Killarney Comhaltas banner with great pride, enthusiasm and sportsmanship. Their success, commitment and conduct throughout the week were a credit to themselves, their families and the wider Killarney community.

As celebrations continue following this memorable week at Fleadh Cheoil na hÉireann 2026, Killarney Comhaltas looks forward to building on this success and continuing to foster a love of Irish traditional culture among future generations. The achievements of this year's competitors serve as a powerful reminder that traditional Irish music, dance and language remain at the heart of community life in Killarney and continue to flourish through the dedication and passion of its members.



1st Place Rince Céili Ceathair, Measctha - 4-Hand Céili Dancing, Mixed (12-15) - Killarney - Team Marcus



1st Place Rince Céili Ochtair, Mná - 8-Hand Céili Dancing, Ladies (O18) - Killarney - Spa Team Kate



1st Place Rince Seit, Mná - Full Set, Ladies (O18) - Killarney - Spa Team Triona



1st Place Scéalaíocht (12-15) - Rian Gleeson - Killarney



2nd Place Rince Céili Ochtair, Mná - 4-Hand Céili Dancing, Ladies (O18) - Killarney - Spa Team Kate



1st Place Rince Seit, Mná, Os Cionn 35 - Full Set, Ladies, O35 (O-35) - Killarney - Spa Team Ann Marie



2nd Place - Rince Seit, Measctha Full Set, Mixed (12-15) - Killarney - Spa Team Aidan



2nd Place Rince Seit, Measctha - Full Set, Mixed (Faoi 12) - Killarney - Spa Team Evan



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Together, Caoimhe and Michelle will lead the search for the most stylish racegoers, with an incredible host of luxury prizes to be won including a trip to Paris or Milan for the most stylish lady and gent on the day.

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The day will also include plenty of live entertainment including an after-party with the renowned Byrne Brothers from Donegal. The Byrne Brothers are taking Trad and Folk Irish music to a whole new level with the tag of being most followed Irish Trad band on the planet and over 50 million views on their music videos. Just off touring with The High Kings across the US, The Byrne Brothers are hitting the Killarney Races this August 22nd.

Gates open at 12 noon, with the first race scheduled for approximately 13:25.

For all ticket details and full festival programme information visit www.killarneyracecourse.ie

Kerry Friends of Motor Neurone Flag Day Collection

Kerry Friends of Motor Neurone held their annual flag day appeal in Killarney town centre and many local stores and in Rathmore and Muckcross on Friday 26th June 2026. We were blessed again this year with glorious sunshine which had everybody in great form.

Our flag day endeavours this year created a bigger challenge for us as we spread our wings by fundraising in both Rathmore and Muckcross. Fundraising in Rathmore was co-ordinated by our Secretary Nora Murphy who ensured that all the hourly slots were filled by volunteers. What a wonderful response Kerry Friends of Motor Neurone received there.

In Killarney and Muckcross the response was the same.

Speaking to Killarney Outlook, Christy Lehané Chairman of Kerry Friends of Motor Neurone said: "As I said many times before where would we be without our wonderful volunteers who come to our assistance year after year, and I

would like to take this opportunity to say a heartfelt THANK YOU to all of you good people who never let us down

This year because of circumstances beyond our control we had to delay the counting of the flag day returns, but when the counting was done we realised that the generous people of Rathmore, Muckcross and Killarney had donated the handsome sum of €11,255 to KFMN thus exceeding last year's return by €3,265. It was then that I realised that all the huge effort put in by everybody was really worth it. Thank you to all the people who handed in donations. These monies are so appreciated especially in these challenging times where everything is so expensive.

As I said many times before the services provided by the Irish Motor Neurone Disease Association depend so much on the generosity of the public. Presently 90% of the annual budget comes from fundraising. In 2025 that figure was



86%. I think this is simply shameful. People we met on the streets of Rathmore and Killarney were genuinely shocked when we tell them the reasons why we have to fundraise. Their response was to say that it was sad that Motor Neurone sufferers have to depend on fundraisers like Kerry Friends of Motor Neurone to provide the services that they urgently need. Many thanks to all".



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On the day, arrive with clean, product-free skin, no moisturiser,



deodorant, perfume or body oils. Wear loose, dark clothing afterwards and avoid anything tight that may rub.

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SCRATCHED CORNEA

A scratched cornea is one of the most common types of eye injury

What is the cornea?

The cornea is the clear front part of the eye. This part of the eye is packed with nerves – it has many more nerve endings than your fingertips. This is why a scratched cornea can be very uncomfortable. However, this discomfort will only last a short time while the eye heals.

What should I do if I scratch my cornea?

A corneal abrasion is a common eye injury.

If you are experiencing any eye pain or discomfort, or you suspect you have a corneal abrasion, you should always consult your optometrist for advice.

What causes a corneal abrasion?

A corneal abrasion normally happens after an accident or injury to the front of the eye. They are often caused by fingernails, or an accident in the home or while gardening. Sometimes, if a small piece of grit gets trapped in your eye, rubbing the eye or blinking may cause a corneal abrasion.

What are the symptoms of a corneal abrasion?

There are several symptoms associated with corneal abrasion, and you may only experience a few, but they can include:

- Pain, which may feel worse when you open or close your eye

- A feeling that there is something in your eye or irritation

- Your eyes watering far more than usual
- Redness
- Sensitivity to light
- Blurred vision or loss of vision

How long does it take to heal?

Corneal abrasions will normally heal completely within 48 hours. If the abrasion is in the centre of the cornea, your vision may be slightly blurred. It is also normal that your eye will be a little red and you may find bright lights uncomfortable until the abrasion has healed.

Treatment

You may be given lubricating drops (artificial tear drops, gel or ointment) to make your eye feel more comfortable and help to keep it moist.

You may be given antibiotic drops or ointment to stop the abrasion becoming infected. These aren't always needed.

The following may also help:

- Over-the-counter painkillers such as paracetamol will help with the pain
 - Avoid rubbing or touching your eye as this may make the abrasion worse or slow down the rate of healing
 - Wearing sunglasses may help if you are sensitive to light
- If your vision starts to become more blurred, or if the pain and redness increase, you should get advice from your optometrist. If they are not available, go to A&E.



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Check your passport before making travel plans

People in Kerry need to check the expiry date on their passport to ensure that their holiday plans go smoothly this summer, a Fine Gael Senator has said.

This call follows the release of an update on the number of passports issued across the island of Ireland to date this year by Helen McEntee, the Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade.

Over half a million passports were issued in the first six months this year, with 370,000 issued to people across the island of Ireland so far this year, and 8,392 passports issued in Kerry.

Citizens who have applied since June will receive the newly designed passport book or card, which was launched by Minister McEntee on June 26th.

Senator Mike Kennelly said: "To avoid turning up at the airport with an out-of-date passport, please check that your passport is in date well in advance of your departure date and ideally before you book your flights.

"Our Passport Online service is the quickest and easiest way to apply for your passport. Our passport service is extremely efficient,

with applicants able to apply 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Passport Online is available to 100% of citizens worldwide. In addition, anyone applying for a passport since the end of June this year will receive the newly designed passport book and card."

Commenting on the new passport, Senator Mike Kennelly said: "I am delighted with the reception that the next generation passport has received. The redesign involved working closely with Irish companies and artists, and world-leading security features are incorporated throughout the book, ensuring the Irish passport is one of the most advanced in the world."

Citizens living in Ireland who need to renew their passport urgently in advance of imminent travel can avail of the Urgent Appointment Service available at the Passport Offices in Dublin and Cork. Further information and appointment booking is available at www.ireland.ie/passports

Customer Service agents are available to answer all passport-related queries from 9am



to 4:30pm, Monday to Friday by phone on 01 671 1633 or webchat at www.ireland.ie/passports.

The number of passports issued in Kerry in the first six months of 2026, to citizens resident on the island of Ireland was 8,392.

Call for Common-Sense Review of Fertiliser and Slurry Spreading Deadlines Amid Ongoing Drought

Fianna Fáil TD for Kerry, Michael Cahill, has called on the Minister for Agriculture to urgently review the current closing dates for chemical fertiliser and slurry spreading, warning that prolonged drought conditions have left many farmers unable to make full use of this year's growing season.

Deputy Cahill said that, in his role as a member of the Joint Oireachtas Committee on Agriculture, he has been contacted by a large number of farmers who have outlined the serious challenges being faced on the ground, with exceptionally dry weather severely limiting grass growth across many parts of the country.

"The current regulations provide for a closing date of 15 September for chemical fertiliser and 1 October for slurry spreading. However, after months of drought and very little grass growth, many farmers feel these deadlines simply do not reflect the reality they are dealing with," Deputy Cahill said.

"The concern being raised with me is that grass and crop growth has been significantly reduced during the summer. Farmers now need an opportunity to recover some of that lost growth as conditions improve but the existing calendar dates may prevent them from doing so." Deputy Cahill said farmers are increasingly frustrated by conflicting advice throughout the year. "Farmers are rightly told not to spread slurry during periods when land is saturated to protect water quality,



Yet this year they have also faced prolonged dry conditions where spreading has been far less effective. They are asking a fair question, if they cannot spread when the ground is too wet and now face fixed closing dates despite an unprecedented drought, when are they expected to make best use of their nutrients?"

The Rossbeigh based TD continued, "Any review that does take place must ensure that water quality is protected. This is not about weakening environmental protections. It is about applying common sense where extraordinary weather has disrupted normal farming practices. Farmers need flexibility when circumstances are

outside their control. "I believe that a fortnight's extension to both the chemical fertiliser and slurry spreading deadlines would be sufficient to allow farmers to recover some of the lost growth caused by this year's drought. This is a practical and proportionate measure that would make a real difference on farms across the country while continuing to respect our environmental obligations.

"Most importantly, farmers need certainty now. They are making decisions for the weeks ahead, and I am urging the Minister to provide clarity as soon as possible so they can plan with confidence."

Deputy Cahill confirmed that he has raised the matter directly with the Minister for Agriculture, Martin Heydon TD and has also submitted a Parliamentary Question to the Department seeking an urgent review of the current deadlines and asking them to engage with Teagasc and other farming organisations. He said he is now awaiting the Minister's response and hopes the concerns being raised by farmers will be addressed without delay.

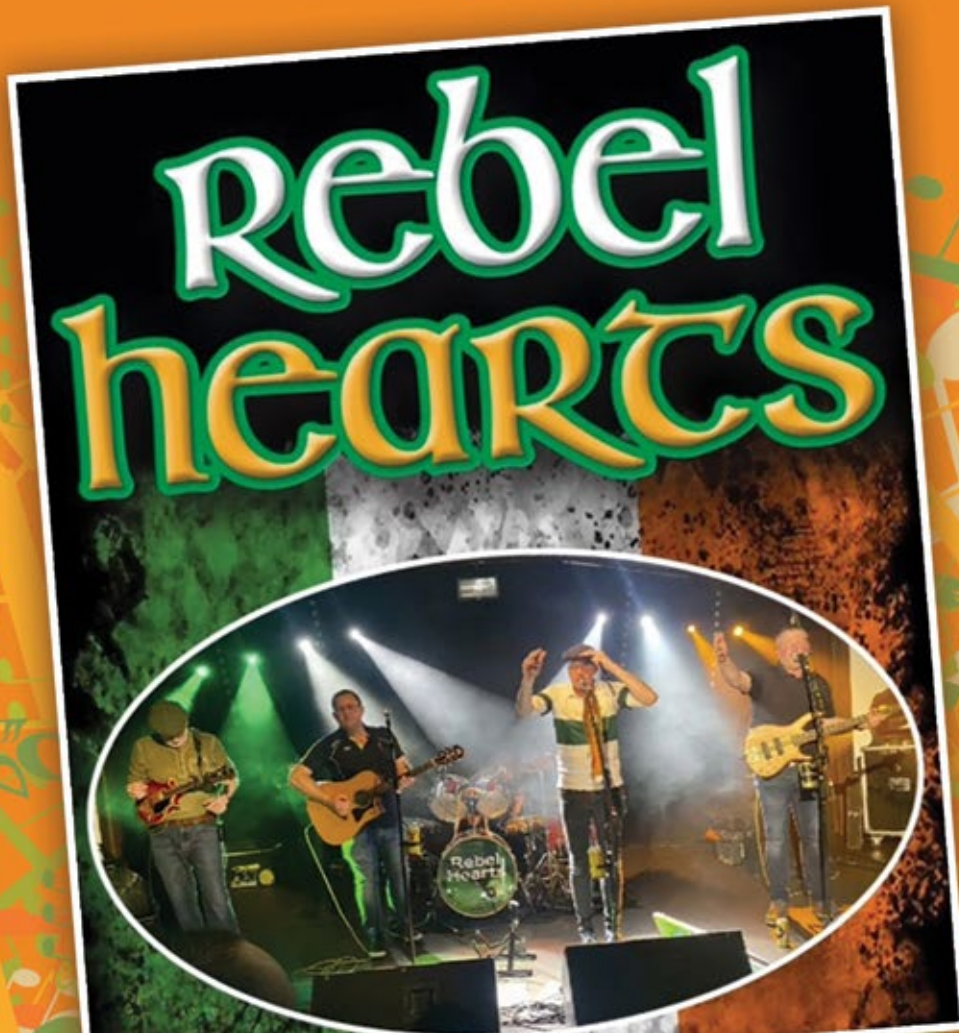
"Our farmers have endured an exceptionally difficult growing season. They need practical solutions that reflect conditions on the ground. I believe the Government should carefully consider introducing a two-week extension to the current deadlines, following engagement with Teagasc, farming organisations and other stakeholders, while ensuring environmental standards continue to be upheld.

Deputy Cahill concluded, "Above all, farmers deserve a decision as quickly as possible. Giving them certainty now will allow them to plan appropriately and make the best use of what remains of the growing season."

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KILLARNEY CELTIC

CELTIC LOTTO

Numbers drawn 3,11,12,15 . No Jackpot winner. Match 3 winner received €150. Next jackpot €12,200 on Monday August 17th Tickets available from The Dungeon Bookshop, Amber Shop (Top of Ross Road), club members and online through Clubzap.

COACHES WANTED for the upcoming 2026/27 season. Positions available across all age groups from Academy to Senior Teams. If interested please contact Mike Lyne 086 083 6356.

KILLARNEY CELTIC GOLF CLASSIC will take place on Saturday September 5th at Beaufort Golf Club. Tee Times are from 7am-4pm. To book a tee time contact Tim Jones 087 977 1302 or to sponsor a tee box please contact Mary Lyne 086 648 5809.

FIXTURES

The Fixture list for the new National League has been released. Killarney Celtic will play their 1st home game on Saturday September 5th against UCC at 2pm. Killarney Celtic is delighted to announce Seefin Aviation-Aircraft Trading as the Official Sponsor for our new National league team. As we celebrate our 50th anniversary, we are proud to welcome Seefin Aviation on board for this exciting new chapter in the club's history.



This partnership represents an important milestone and we are grateful to Seefin Aviation for investing in the future of football in Killarney. A sincere thank you to everyone at Seefin Aviation.

MEMBERSHIP FOR THE 2026/27 SEASON is now open. Membership payment can be made online at killarneyceltic.ie/membership-signup

THANKS

Killarney Celtic would like to sincerely thank

the Department of Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht and Kerry County Council for their financial assistance under the Local Enhancement Program 2026. The funding received supported the purchase of IT equipment for the club, helping us to improve our facilities and administration as we continue to develop and grow.

Seefin Aviation Announced as Official Sponsor of Killarney Celtic FC National League Team

Killarney Celtic FC is proud to announce Seefin Aviation – Aircraft Trading as the Official Sponsor of the club's inaugural FAI National League team.

The announcement marks a significant milestone for the club as it celebrates its 50th Anniversary (1976–2026) and embarks on an exciting new era with entry into the FAI National League.

The partnership with Seefin Aviation represents a major vote of confidence in the club's long-term vision and ambition, while also highlighting the company's commitment to supporting community sport and the continued development of football in Kerry.

Club Chairman Philip O'Callaghan welcomed the announcement, saying:

"Today is another landmark day in the history of Killarney Celtic FC. As we celebrate our 50th Anniversary, we are delighted to welcome Seefin Aviation as the Official Sponsor of our National League team. Entering the FAI National League is a significant step forward for our club, and having the backing of a respected international company such as Seefin Aviation gives us tremendous confidence as we

embark on this exciting journey.

This partnership is about much more than sponsoring a team. It reflects a shared belief in ambition, excellence and investing in people. On behalf of everyone at Killarney Celtic FC, I would like to sincerely thank James O'Shea and everyone at Seefin Aviation for placing their trust in our club. We look forward to developing a strong and successful partnership that benefits both organisations and our wider community for many years to come."

Seefin Aviation Proud to Support Killarney Celtic

Seefin Aviation Limited is equally proud to strengthen its long-standing association with Killarney Celtic FC.

James O'Shea, CEO of Seefin Aviation Limited, said: "The O'Shea family has enjoyed a long-standing relationship with Killarney Celtic. Every member of our family played for the club, and today, our grandchildren are continuing that tradition.

We are extremely proud of our association with Killarney Celtic and look forward to supporting the club's continued development and growth in the years ahead. The club has always been at the heart of the local community,



Launching the new sponsorship deal for the Killarney Celtic FAI national league team with Seefin Aviation were front from left, Sean Lovett, Lee Downing and Liam Spillane. In centre are Matt Keane (Captain) and Peter McCarthy (Coach). Standing from left are Tim Jones (Assistant Manager), Brian Spillane (Manager), James O'Shea (Seefin Aviation) and Philip O'Callaghan (Chairman). Picture: Eamonn Keogh

and we are delighted to play our part as it embarks on this exciting new chapter in the FAI National League."

This partnership reflects Seefin Aviation's commitment to

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The much-anticipated occasion provided an opportunity for students to celebrate in style, enjoy an evening with friends and family, and mark a special milestone in their time at St Brendan's College.



Jamie Vousden and Abby Cronin with Aoife O'Keefe and Filip Zbylut at the St Brendan's College Killarney Debs in Ballyroe Heights Hotel, Tralee on Tuesday. Photo by Michelle Cooper Galvin



Sean Pierce and Iveragh Holohan at the St Brendan's College Killarney Debs in Ballyroe Heights Hotel, Tralee on Tuesday. Photo by Michelle Cooper Galvin



Jack Rudden and Jocelyn Hickey at the St Brendan's College Killarney Debs in Ballyroe Heights Hotel, Tralee on Tuesday. Photo by Michelle Cooper Galvin



Mark Kennelly and Ellie Doolan at the St Brendan's College Killarney Debs in Ballyroe Heights Hotel, Tralee on Tuesday. Photo by Michelle Cooper Galvin



Colm Jarrot and Fiona Multugh at the St Brendan's College Killarney Debs in Ballyroe Heights Hotel, Tralee on Tuesday. Photo by Michelle Cooper Galvin



Pierce O'Sullivan and Aine Stephens at the St Brendan's College Killarney Debs in Ballyroe Hotel, Tralee on Tuesday. Photo by Michelle Cooper Galvin



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NATIONAL STROKEPLAY

No joy in either Tullamore or Kilbeggan even though Damien Fleming (Senior), Connie O'Sullivan (Intermediate) and David Harnett (Junior) all came within range of making the Final 18 playoffs in their grade. We congratulate County Secretary Jason Cregan on his fifth place finish in the Senior Mens event as we hope for better in the Womens events this weekend in Cunnigar. We wish Eileen McCarthy (Senior), Ciara Lowe (Intermediate) and Jean O'Shea (Junior) the best of luck in this weekend's events.

SUNDAY DRAWS

Three Player Team, Two Scores Count Each Hole First Nett: Gearoid Cronin, Declan Kelly & Denis Duggan 85 2/3, Gross: Declan Kelly, Daniel Kelly & Aidan O'Keeffe 101, Second Nett: Sean O'Brien, Niall O'Loughlin & Dan Kiely 87 2/3 and Hole-In-One: Gearoid Cronin (9th Hole).

FLESK RESTAURANT

Tuesday August 4th- First Nett: Connie O'Sullivan, Dan Kiely, Daniel Quinlan & Ava Lowe 32½ (B9), Second Nett: Niall O'Loughlin, Fionn McMonagle & Cian Mulvihill 32½. Reminder these events have moved to Tuesday nights for the month of August.

U16 SCRATCH CUP

We look forward to hosting this event on Saturday and thank the Victoria House Hotel for agreeing to sponsor the cost of a new Claret Jug this year. Please note the course will be closed to the public for the duration of this event.

LISTOWEL SCRATCH CUP EVENTS

We wish club members travelling to these events- the Mick Barry Memorial Scotch Foursomes event on Saturday and the Kevin McCarron Memorial Singles Scratch Cup on Sunday the best of luck in these events.

CLUB MATCHPLAY

The draw for the Group Stages of the Murphy's Bar sponsored event has taken place and full details are available from the Club Noticeboard.

CAPTAIN'S PRIZE

Please note our Club Captain Gearoid Cronin's prize will take place on Sunday August 23rd next and will include an 18-hole playoff this year. Full details will be with members in due course.

ROSS GOLF CLUB - GENTS

ON AUGUST 8TH AND 9TH WE HELD A



Winners of the Ross Ladies Golf Club Scramble very kindly sponsored by Mona Looney & Margaret Hickey. Pictured left to right Kaye Cremin, Lourda Kelly, Bridie Doyle Sponsors Mona Looney & Margaret Hickey



Ross Ladies Golf Club who played in the Scramble on Saturday last very kindly sponsored by Mona Looney & Margaret Hickey

STABLEFORD COMPETITION.

The winners were:-

1st: Patrick Gallagher, 46 (40)

2nd: Paul Favier, 39 (24)

Division 1

1st: Daniel Cronin, 38 (10)

2nd: Barry O'Grady, 36 (9)

Division 2

1st: Leo Casey, 35 (14)

2nd: Steve Shine, 35 (18)

Division 3

1st: Conor Corcoran, 37 (25)

2nd: Thomas Murphy, 35 (21)

ON THURSDAY 6TH OUR SENIORS HELD THEIR WEEKLY 10 HOLE COMPETITION.

The winners were

1st: John Ivory, 20pts.

2nd: Mossie Cremin, 20 pts

3rd: Sean Hickey, 19 pts.

4th: Niall Brosnan, 18 pts

ROSS LADIES GOLF CLUB

SATURDAY 8TH AUGUST 2026, RESULTS OF SCRAMBLE VERY KINDLY SPONSORED BY MONA LOONEY & MARGARET HICKEY.

Well done to all who played and Congratulations to the winners. Thanks also to our very generous sponsors Mona Looney and Margaret Hickey

1st: Bridie Doyle, Kaye Cremin and Lourda Kelly

2nd: Susan Shorten, Kitty O'Grady, Mary McGuire and Doreen Brosnan

3rd: Nessa Keogh, Mary B O'Sullivan and Betty O'Farrell

COMPETITIONS

15th August 2026, 3 Person team event very kindly sponsored by Scarlett Killarney.



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KILLARNEY RACE COMPANY

Best of luck to Killarney Race Company for the upcoming Races from Thursday 20th August, Friday 21st August & Saturday 22nd August.

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KILLARNEY GOLF LADIES RESULTS

18 HOLE SCOTCH FOURSOMES LADIES EXCHANGE DAY WITH DOOKS GOLF CLUB HELD ON SUNDAY AUGUST 9TH

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1st: Anita O'Sullivan & Edel Randles (27) 40 points

2nd: Maureen Creedon & Teresa Down (20) 40 points

3rd: Kate O'Leary & Lorna O'Leary (24) 40 points

4th: Josephine O'Sullivan & Margaret Daly (31) 39 points back 9

CASTLEROSSE GOLF CLUB - LADIES

PLAY IN PINK CHARITY DAY

Our recent Play in Pink Day was a fantastic success, raising an amazing EUR 2,060.00 raised for the charity. There was a wonderful atmosphere throughout the day, with great



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support from our members and friends. Our lady Captain Finola, would like to sincerely thank everyone who helped make the day such a success, especially her committee and all the members who supported and took part. Your generosity and enthusiasm are very much appreciated.

MIXED SCRAMBLE 4TH AUGUST, RESULTS:

1st Place: Kieran O'Brien, Vivian Buckley, Roy Stone (35) net 27.3

2nd Place: Liam Sweeney, Noreen O'Sullivan, Brendan Brosnan (37) net 28.0

RESULTS OF THE LADIES 9TH AUGUST COMPETITION

18 Hole Stableford

1st Place: Kay Malone 32 pts (41)

2nd Place: Barbara O'Shea 30pts (38)

9 Hole Stableford

1st Place: Lesley Sugure 26pts (25)

2nd Place: Margaret McCarthy 22 pts (25)

WINE AND DINE

This week we will have our 9 hole mixed scramble on Friday 14th August followed by a Wine & Dine two-course meal with tea/coffee and prize giving in the Victoria room of the Castlerosse Hotel from 6 pm.

Entry Fee – €5.00 - Sign up on BRS for the golf
Wine & Dine Fee – €25.00 – Provide name to Nuala Ward asap so that numbers can be provided to the hotel

SOCIAL GOLF

Social golf every Wednesday at 10.30am. Book on BRS.

MIXED SCRAMBLES

Mixed scrambles will be every Tuesday at 6pm, book on BRS, Visitors welcome

GOLF LESSONS

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

BEAUFORT GOLF CLUB - LADIES

18 HOLE STROKEPLAY COMPETITION PLAYED AT BEAUFORT CLUB SATURDAY 8TH AND SUNDAY 9TH AUGUST

The competition was sponsored by Bianconi Restaurant.

1st: Mary Jo Coffey (36) 63 nett

2nd: Mary O Sullivan (21) 68 nett

3rd: Noeleen MacKessy (28) 70 nett

BEST OF LUCK

All the Ladies at Beaufort Golf Club would like to wish Lady Captain Mary all the very best for her captains day on Sunday 16th August.

MURPHY'S BAR GOLF OUTING

MURPHY'S BAR KILLARNEY GOLF OUTING FROM FRIDAY 7TH AUGUST IN ROSS GOLF CLUB.

1st: Tom Coleman, David O'Sullivan, Pat Casey (4)

2nd: Dermot O'Connor, Peter O'Brien, Con O'Mahony (4)

3rd: Conn O'Connor, Eoghan Donnellan, David Cambell (3.5)

KILLARNEY GOLF &



The Joe Quinlan Team that recently took part in the competition in Killarney Golf Club against Tralee Golf Club.

FISHING CLUB - MEN'S

CAPTAIN'S PRIZE - SINGLES STABLEFORD PLAYED ON KILLEEN; FRIDAY 31ST JULY, SATURDAY 1ST & SUNDAY 2ND AUGUST 2026

Winner – Ivan Tangney 42pts (23)

2nd: Conor Dillon 48pts (26)*

Best Gross: Donal Considine 72 (0)

3rd: Joseph Sheahan 41pts (8)

4th: Michael Cotter 41pts (16)

5th: Emmet Scanlon 41pts (14)

6th: Ian Sherlock 41pts (14)

7th: Cathal O'Connor 40pts (19)

8th: Aaron McCann 40pts (15)

9th: Dan Quirke 40pts (17)

10th: Mark Tuite 40pts (6)

11th: Alan O'Meara 40pts (23)

12th: Donal Begley 40pts (15)

Cat 1: 1st Kevin Leacy 39pts (11), 2nd Ian Cronin 39pts (6)

Cat 2: 1st Adam Carey 40pts (11), 2nd Jack Crehan 40pts (16)

Cat 3: 1st John McEnery 40pts (21), 2nd Thomas Coleman 39pts (17)

Cat 4: 1st Mike Dreelan 38pts (35), 2nd Jason Reen 38pts (25)

Past Captain: Pat Cussen 38pts (8)

Senior (over 70): Joe Geaney 39pts (19)

Committee: Shane Horgan 38pts (4)

Front nine: Aaron Coffey 24pts

Back nine: Chris Myers 24pts

BALLYBUNION GOLF CLUB EXCHANGE DAY - FOURBALL BETTERBALL, PLAYED ON THE CASHEN COURSE, SUNDAY 9TH AUGUST 2026

Kindly sponsored by Moriarty's

Winners: Michael Quirke / Michael Quill 45 pts

2nd: Ger Moroney / Brian Holden 45pts

Best Gross: James O'Meara / George Leech 69

3rd: Ivan Tangney / James Lynch 45pts

4th: D. O'Keeffe / Brian O'Keeffe 44pts

5th: Denis Carroll / Simon Carroll 43pts

6th: Edward Deniel / Tadhg Gallivan 42pts

7th: Gerard Walsh / Joseph Walsh 42pts

KERRY PITCH & PUTT CLUB

Two Top 10 finishes but unfortunately no medals were the order of the weekend for Kerry players at the National Mens Strokeplay Championships in the Midlands last weekend

as Tralee duo Jason Cregan and Tony Blake finished high up the leaderboard in both the Senior and Intermediate events in Tullamore.

Jason was fifth overall in the Senior Mens event on Sunday as both club-mate Stephen Conway and himself were joint seventh after the first 36 holes on 13 under par, four off the lead. As Jason shot seven under par for his last round to finish on 20 under was Stephen finished the tournament on -12. Jason just missed out on a Top 4 finish that would have guaranteed him automatic entry for next year's event again after coming third last year as Cork's John Cahill was the winner of the tournament on -26.

Defending champion Damien Fleming (Deerpark) along with Tralee's Jason O'Regan just missed out on the cut for the Top 20 Final 18 as Saturday in Tullamore has seen Tony Blake in a share of second place in the Intermediate event after the first 36 holes. At five under par he was still seven shots behind the leader Louth's Aaron McDonagh as despite Tony staying in contention for a medal for the most part he had to make do with a seventh place finish in the grade on three under par, 13 off McDonagh's final winning score and two off the third place score on the day.

Over in Kilbeggan, Co Westmeath at the Junior event on Saturday no Kerry player made the Top 20 cut which stood at +7 as Deerpark's David Harnett (+10) and Listowel's Ethan Flannery (+12) came the closest to doing so. It's over to the Women now this weekend for their National Strokeplay events as they head to Cunnigar in Dungarvan. We wish those from the county taking part the very best of luck.

Locally its busy within Kerry too this weekend with three Scratch Cups taking place. Two of them are in Listowel as Saturday sees their Mick Barry Memorial Scotch Foursomes event while Sunday sees them hosting their Kevin McCarron Memorial Singles event.

On Saturday too in Deerpark, the club hosts its U16 Scratch Cup event as the County Board encourages all players in the county to do their best to support these events this weekend.

Tomás Kelliher's Captain's Prize Weekend at Killarney Golf & Fishing Club

Killarney Golf & Fishing Club was busy over the weekend as members competed for Captain Tomás Kelliher's annual Captain's Prizes, with strong entries in both the men's and ladies' competitions.

The men's prize produced some excellent scoring, with Ivan Tangney taking the overall Captain's Prize after returning a score of 42 points.

Conor Dillon recorded the highest score of the weekend with an impressive 48 points but was not eligible for the overall prize as he did not have an established handicap. Joey Sheehan finished third on 41 points, followed by Michael Cotter, Emmet Scanlon and Ian Sherlock, also on 41 points. Cathal O'Connor, Aaron McCann, Dan Quirke, Mark Tuite, Alan O'Meara and Donal Begley all finished on 40 points.

Donal Considine claimed Best Gross with a score of 72. Other prize winners included Kevin Leacy and Ian Cronin in Category 1; Adam Carey and Jack Crehan in Category 2; John McEnery and Thomas Coleman in Category 3; and Mike Dreelan and Jason Reen in Category 4.

Aaron Coffey won the Front Nine prize, with Chris Myers taking the Back Nine. Past Captain Pat Cussen won his category, while Joe Geaney took the Over 70 prize. Shane Horgan received the Committee Prize and Jack Kelliher won the Guest Prize.

The ladies' Captain's Prize was played at Mahony's Point on Sunday, with competitors facing wet conditions but producing some excellent scores.

Aoife Twomey took the ladies' Captain's Prize with an impressive nett score of 63, playing off a handicap of 28. June O'Brien finished second with a nett 67 off 20, while Kay O'Connor was third with 69 nett off 13.

Louise Langan finished fourth on 70, with Mary Tobin, Geraldine Tarrant and Kathleen O'Keefe all returning 71. Noreen O'Callaghan, Anne Moynihan and Breda Duggan completed the top ten.

Kelly O'Donoghue claimed Best Gross with 76, while Kate O'Leary won the Front Nine and Sarah O'Brien the Back Nine. Maud Malone won the 13-Hole Competition with 24 points.

The competitive golf was followed by a BBQ and prize-giving in the Horseshoe Bar & Restaurant on Sunday evening. Members gathered to celebrate the winners before being entertained by a performance from Celtic Steps.

The weekend marked one of the main events of Captain Tomás Kelliher's year in office, bringing members together for two days of golf and social activities.

Thanks were extended to Captain Kelliher, his family, the competition committee, volunteers and club staff for their work in organising the weekend and to all the members who took part.

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Winner Ivan Tangney receives her prize from Captain Tomás Kelliher's Prize to the Men at the prizegiving ceremony at the weekend. Photography by Ian Cronin thesocialhacker.ie



Winner Aoife Twomey receives her prize from Captain Tomás Kelliher's Prize to the Ladies at the prizegiving ceremony at the weekend. Photography by Ian Cronin thesocialhacker.ie



Killarney Legion Summer Camp A Big Hit

Killarney Legion held a hugely enjoyable summer camp at Johnny Culloty Park last week, with plenty of fun and activities across the four days.

As part of the camp, attendees were presented with a voucher for Gino's Gelato in Killarney.

Killarney Legion thanked everyone who took part, along with Sean Culloty, Ted Healy, Nigel Shevlin, David Murphy and Darragh O'Doherty, as well as all the helpers who contributed to the successful camp.

The four days came to a fun-filled conclusion with a water fight, which proved a big hit with everyone involved.

PHOTOS: MARIA O'SULLIVAN

A group of girls attending Camp.



Rosie O'Grady & Rosie Enright chilling out



Aidan Burke and Michael Culloty with their coach Cian Hegarty



Girls rushing to fill their bottle getting ready for the water fight



Lara O'Donoghue enjoying her lunch



Rosie O'Grady,
Holly Shevlin,
Rosie Enright &
Abbie Leahy



David Murphy giving a helping hand to Lara O'Donoghue tying her boot



CORK CITY ON TOP IN TURNERS CROSS

Cork City 3-1 Kerry FC

By David Moriarty

Kerry FC were back on the road for the second time in the past seven days in a three-game match week when they made the trip to Munster FA Turners Cross Stadium on Friday night to take on Cork City in a Munster Derby.

Kerry FC came into this one on a great run, winning four games on the bounce including knocking out Premier Division side Shelbourne FC in the FAI Cup on penalties. To say that the Kingdom were in red hot form going into battle with Cork City would be an understatement.

Kerry also extended their home unbeaten run to ten games with a 3-0 win over Cobh Ramblers on the Bank Holiday Monday. A win away against Bray Wanderers last Friday in the Carlisle Grounds, a place they had never as much as picked up a point before was the perfect test to try and do the same in the Cross.

As for Cork City, they came into the game twenty points clear at the summit of the First Division and although they previously lost three games in a row against Longford Town, Shamrock Rovers and UCD AFC, they bounced back well over the Bank Holiday weekend with wins over Finn Harps and Athlone Town.

The last time the two faced off was in a famous first ever 1-0 win for Kerry FC against the Leesiders in Mounthawk Park at the start of May. Kerry FC brought well over three hundred supporters to the reverse fixture back in April and it was reported even more would make the journey on Friday night for what promised to be an exhilarating encounter.

Kerry FC started brightly in Cork and almost opened the scoring in the fifth minute. Cian Bargary played Cian Murphy through on goal, leaving him one-on-one with Conor Brann, but the effort did not have enough power to trouble the Cork goalkeeper, who collected comfortably. Cork City responded with pressure of their own, with two close calls in the twelfth minute leading to corners, although Kerry FC dealt with both situations.

Kerry continued to threaten, and in the eighteenth minute Sam Aladesanusi delivered an inviting ball from the right towards Niall Brookwell. His header was on target but lacked the necessary power to test Brann.

Cork's Cillian Murphy was booked in the twentieth minute, before Kerry came close again two minutes later. A glancing header from Cian Murphy, following an excellent delivery from Cian Bargary on the right, was pushed away well by Brann.

Daniel Okwute was shown a yellow card in the twenty-third minute as the game continued at an even pace.

Then, in the thirty-second minute, Kerry FC produced a moment of real quality to take the lead. Matt Connor sent a long ball forward, with Cian Bargary winning the aerial duel before taking



Cian Bargary in action. File Photo

a touch and allowing the ball to bounce. From around twenty-five yards, Bargary unleashed a superb strike that flew into the top-left corner, giving Brann no chance.

Cork looked for an immediate response, but Kerry's defence held firm. In the forty-second minute, Matt Connor made a crucial double save, first denying Ruairi Keating before keeping out Cillian Murphy's follow-up effort.

Four minutes of added time were indicated at the end of the first half, but Kerry maintained their advantage to reach the interval 1-0 ahead.

Cork City came out looking for an equaliser, with Conor Drinan dragging a shot wide of the right-hand post in the forty-eighth minute.

The home side thought they had levelled in the fifty-second minute when the ball found the back of the Kerry net, but the effort was ruled out for offside.

Cork continued to apply pressure, with Hans Mpongo putting an effort over the crossbar from close range in the fifty-fifth minute. Ruairi Keating was then added to the book in the fifty-eighth minute.

Kerry created another opportunity in the fifty-ninth minute when Sean O'Connell delivered a free kick into the area. Niall Brookwell got a head to the ball before it fell to Vince Borden, whose effort from a tight angle was deflected out for a corner. The resulting set piece came to nothing.

Cian Murphy was booked in the sixtieth minute, before Cian Brosnan replaced Daniel Okwute five minutes later.

Kerry almost doubled their advantage in the sixty-sixth minute when Cian Bargary found space inside the area and aimed for the near post, but Brann got down well to make the save.

Cork continued to threaten at the other end, with Mpongo firing over from a difficult angle in the sixty-seventh minute before being played through moments later and somehow putting the ball wide.

Simon Luchinger replaced captain Sean McGrath in the seventieth minute, with Matt Connor again called upon in the seventy-fourth minute

to produce an excellent save from Darragh Crowley's header.

Cork City finally found an equaliser in the seventy-sixth minute when Conor Drinan converted to make it 1-1.

Simon Luchinger was booked in the eightieth minute, before Luke Palmer replaced Cian Bargary in the eighty-first minute.

Kerry continued to look for a winner, and Cian Murphy tested Brann from a long distance in the eighty-ninth minute with a powerful effort on target that the Cork goalkeeper claimed.

However, the game turned dramatically in stoppage time. Sean Maguire put Cork City ahead in the ninetieth minute before Darragh Crowley added a third goal two minutes later.

Four minutes of added time were indicated, but Kerry could not find a response as Cork City secured the points.

The final scoreline did not reflect the competitiveness of the game, with Kerry FC having led for more than 75 minutes and producing a performance that deserved more than the eventual result.

Next Saturday, Kerry FC are on the road once again, this time to Sligo, taking a break from league action for the Third Round of the Club Orange Men's FAI Cup against Premier Division side Sligo Rovers in The Showgrounds.

Cork City Team: Conor Brann; Fiacre Kelleher, Charlie Lyons, Greg Bolger, Ruairi Keating, Hans Kamta Mpongo, Conor Drinan (GOAL '77), Darragh Crowley (GOAL '92), Josh Fitzpatrick, Rory Feely, Cillian Murphy.

Subs: Sean Maguire (GOAL '90), Harry Nevin, Niall O'Keefe.

Kerry FC Team: Matthew Connor; Sean O'Connell, Sean McGrath (C), Cian Murphy, Daniel Okwute, Jonas Häkkinen, Samuel Aladesanusi, Vince Borden, Niall Brookwell, Ewan Lee, Cian Bargary (GOAL '33).

Subs Used: Simon Luchinger, Cian Brosnan, Luke Palmer.

KILLARNEY SWIMMING CLUB

SWIMMING CONNECTIONS ACROSS THE WORLD

Killarney Swimming Club was delighted to welcome some international swimming visitors to Killarney last month.

Terry Trofimuk, former President of Killarney Swim Club in Calgary, Alberta, Canada, and a current swimming referee, visited Killarney with his son Charlie, a varsity swimmer at the University of Ottawa.

Despite the two Killarney swimming clubs being separated by more than 6,500km, there was plenty of common ground as the visitors met with members of Killarney Swimming Club to exchange stories and experiences from the swimming world.

The occasion was marked with an exchange of club swimming caps and hats, providing a lovely reminder of the friendships and connections that swimming can create across the world.

KILLARNEY RFC CLUB

PROVINCIAL HONOURS: MUNSTER & CONNACHT REPRESENTATIVES

Everyone at Killarney RFC is immensely proud of our incredible cohort of players, past and present, who have represented the club on the provincial stage over the past week!

- Munster Senior Women: A massive congratulations to former Killarney RFC girls' player Ava O'Malley on her selection in the Munster Senior Women's squad for the 2026 Vodafone Women's Interprovincial Championship! Ava developed through our youth pathway before progressing to UL Bohemian RFC, and her selection is a fantastic inspiration for every young player at Aghadoe.

- Connacht Senior Women: Best of luck to former player Lily Morris, who was named at tighthead prop for Connacht Women against Ulster Women at Affidea Stadium!

- Munster U18 Girls: Congratulations to Killarney RFC U18.5 player Danielle Naughton on her selection in the Munster squad for the 2026 PwC U18 Girls Interprovincial Series. A proud moment for Danielle, her family, teammates, and coaches!



Izzy Hilario and Nessa O'Donoghue, who represented the Munster U17 Girls at the Interprovincial Blitz in Athlone.

- Munster U17 Girls: Well done to Izzy Hilario and Nessa O'Donoghue, who represented Munster U17 Girls at the Interprovincial Blitz in Athlone, delivering a fantastic series of performances with three wins from four games!

- Munster U17 & U16 Boys: Gearoid Moynihan and Freddie Prendiville represented Munster Rugby against Ulster in Banbridge. Gearoid helped the Munster U17 Clubs side to a dominant 56-17 victory, while Freddie gained invaluable experience with the Munster U16 Clubs team against a tough Ulster side.

Congratulations to all seven players on these outstanding achievements, you have done Killarney RFC proud!

FUNDRAISER: THOMAS KELLIHER TAKES ON THE KERRY WAY ULTRA!

In incredible club news, Thomas Kelliher is taking on the formidable Kerry Way Ultra to raise vital funds for the ongoing development of Killarney RFC's new clubhouse facility at Aghadoe!

The Kerry Way Ultra is one of the toughest endurance challenges in Ireland, covering over 200km of rugged mountain trails across the Iveragh Peninsula. We are hugely grateful to Thomas for taking on this monumental challenge in support of our club and local community.

Every single euro donated goes directly toward building a top-class facility for our players, families, and future generations. Every donation makes a difference—please support Thomas in his generous endeavour!

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NEW OFFICIAL CLUB GEAR LIVE ON O'NEILLS!

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PRE-SEASON & REGISTRATION

With the 2026/27 season fast approaching, registration for Minis, Youths, Senior Men, and Senior Women will open shortly via the IRFU RugbyConnect platform. Keep an eye on our social media pages for training return dates and registration details. New players of all experience levels are always welcome at Aghadoe!

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FOSSA ROWING CLUB

VALENTIA REGATTA

Last Saturday we took the road south to Valentia Island to take part in the Valentia regatta at Knightstown. Conditions were very trying from the off and organisers decided to put change the schedule and put the more senior races first. We had a great day with our Novice Men and Prevet Mixed winning gold while our Prevet ladies came second in their race.

Unfortunately as the day progressed it became clear the water wouldn't not be calming and the underage races were cancelled with only the U18 boys getting out. All in all a good day on the road as we build for next weekend.

BANTRY - ALL IRELAND'S

Next weekend we head for West Cork and to Bantry for the All Ireland Irish Coastal rowing championships. This promises to be another epic weekend with crews taking part in races from Friday to Sunday. Keep an eye on our socials for results over the weekend. Best of luck and safe travels to one and all



Killarney Swimming Club members Evanne O'Mahony, Nina O'Mahony, Caoimhe Casey, Charlie Trofimuk, May O'Mahony, Kate Roche, Aideen Casey and Shelley Browne.



The Fossa Rowing Club Prevet Mixed Crews who won last weekend at Valentia Regatta winning gold.

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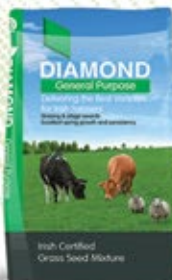
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KILLARNEY BRIDGE CLUB

RESULTS MONDAY 10TH AUGUST

North/South

1st: Maureen Culloty and Ger McSweeney

2nd: Phyllis O'Regan and Joan Culloty

3rd: Anne Looney and Ger Foley

East/West

1st: Sheila Spillane and Bridie Brosnan

2nd: Eithne Coffey and Hazel O'Connell

3rd: Margaret O'Sullivan and Anne Wrenn

Congratulations to all the winners.

SUMMER BRIDGE continues Mondays at the Monastery School, New Road at 7pm. All are welcome.

KILLARNEY VALLEY AC

KILLARNEY VALLEY AC NATIONAL LEAGUE SENIOR SUCCESS

Killarney Valley AC made the final of the AAI national track and field league which was held at the Morton stadium Santry in Dublin last Sunday.

There are over 400 clubs in Ireland with the top 20 clubs in the concluding stages of the national league.

What was very special and with great credit due to the club not only did the club advance into the premier league from division one but to also field a women's team and a men's team.

37 athletes from the club made up the teams with high scoring performances all round.

The women's captain is Keelie O'Connor and men's captain is Jordan Lee. One participant per club performs in the various disciplines and the points are accredited per placings. The women's team came in 5th place and with only a couple of points could have secured the bronze medal. The men's team placed in 6th place and within reach of a medal. This high performance is due to the great work from the club it's committee, high level coaching team, the high standard of elite athletes within the club and it's many supporters and volunteers.

This performance highlights the advance of the club on the national stage and potential for the future.



The Fossa Rowing Club Novice Men who won last weekend at Valentia Regatta winning gold.



Liam McGuire celebrating his 50th park run. Tara Tangney celebrating 150 park runs and DJ O'Sullivan celebrating his 250 park runs.

All members part of Killarney Tri Club.



Killarney Valley AC women's 4x100m relay who performed exceptionally at the AAI national track and field league in the Morton stadium in Santry last Sunday. From left to right: Naoise Cronin, Sarah Leahy, Keelie O'Connor and Lauren McEvoy.



Killarney Valley AC women's 4x400m relay at the AAI national track and field league

From left to right: Beibhinn O'Donoghue, Sophie Duke, Mollie O'Riordan and Maddie O'Riordan



Killarney valley ac men's 4x400m relay at the AAI national track and field league in Santry

From left to right: Eoin O'Reilly, Jack O'Leary, Cian O'Brien and Jason O'Reilly

THE GREAT SOUTHERN KILLARNEY ANNOUNCES SPONSORSHIP OF KILLARNEY TRIATHLON CLUB

The Great Southern Killarney is delighted to announce its sponsorship of Killarney Triathlon Club, supporting one of the town's active and inclusive sporting communities.

With more than 100 members, Killarney Triathlon Club brings together adults of all abilities through a shared commitment to swimming, cycling and running. The club welcomes everyone from experienced competitive athletes to those beginning their triathlon journey.

The partnership represents a natural alignment between The Great Southern Killarney and Killarney Triathlon Club, reflecting a shared commitment to the local community and the exceptional outdoor environment surrounding Killarney. Located beside the Killarney National Park, The Great Southern Killarney is uniquely positioned within a landscape that encourages outdoor activity and sporting pursuits.

Commenting on the sponsorship, Michael Jacobi, Managing Director of The Scally Hotel Collection, said: "We are very proud to support Killarney Triathlon Club and the positive community they have built here in Killarney. With more than 100 active members, the club is a strong example of how sport can bring people together, encourage an active lifestyle and create a real sense of belonging.

"Supporting local sporting organisations is an important part of our commitment to the wider Killarney community. We are pleased to support the club's continued development and look forward to celebrating the

achievements of its members throughout the season."

Ciara Kane, Chairperson of the Killarney Triathlon Club said:

"We are delighted to welcome The Great Southern Killarney as a sponsor of Killarney Triathlon Club. The support of local businesses is vital to the continued development of community sporting organisations and enables us to provide opportunities for people of all abilities to participate. "We greatly appreciate The Great Southern Killarney's support and look forward to building on this partnership in the year ahead."

The sponsorship reflects The Great Southern Killarney's continued commitment to the local community, supporting clubs and initiatives that contribute to the health, wellbeing and vibrancy of Killarney.

The Great Southern Killarney wishes all members of Killarney Triathlon Club continued success for the season ahead.



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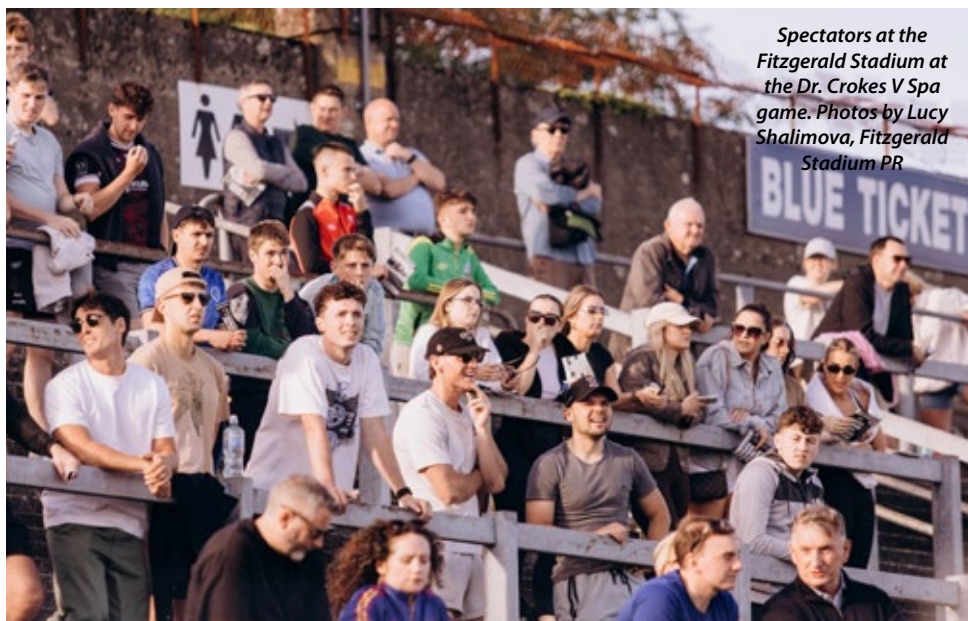
Group One

Rathmore 1-19 Dingle 0-20

Rathmore made a lightning start, Fionn Murphy clipping over and Ciarán Collins slicing in for a goal. Naill Geaney replied but it was his cousin Paul who was the main talking point. He didn't score every attempt, but he was certainly the main threat and always had Dingle in touch.

Kerry being Kerry, the question is being asked why he didn't feature in the All Ireland Final, given his display here. Jaysus, the amount of hindsight generals in Kerry would drive you crazy if you paid them any attention. I don't – there was nobody saying these things to me in the week coming up to that final (nor was I, just to be clear. I'm no brighter than anybody else; I'm just unwilling to pretend that I am). Incidentally, with all the talk about Paul's superb display, has it occurred to anyone to give Rathmore any credit? You know, the team that actually won the game?

Rathmore only led by a point at half-time, 1-8 to 0-10, but looked the sharper outfit. They began to pull away in the third quarter with some excellent two point shooting. Dingle had a Ruadhán Mac Carthaigh goal ruled out for squareball and I expected Rathmore to maintain a gap to the finish line. Dingle, especially Paul Geaney, had other ideas and he landed a glorious two pointer with time almost up to level matters. There was still enough time left for one last play, however, and Mark Reen landed a glorious two pointer to finally secure a very hard-fought victory. It's going to make things very interesting – Dingle host Dr. Crokes next and Rathmore host Spa, and in both cases the visitors realistically need to win.



Spectators at the Fitzgerald Stadium at the Dr. Crokes V Spa game. Photos by Lucy Shalimova, Fitzgerald Stadium PR

Dr. Crokes 0-21 Spa 2-11

Charlie Keating gave a phenomenal display for Crokes and actually opened the scoring on his way to three points. Cian McMahon added a two pointer - McMahon was a handful all day for the Spa defence. He scored 0-7, while David Shaw beside him, with some great long distance shots, ended up with 0-6 and Tom Doyle finished with 0-3. David Spillane was outstanding for Spa and scored a great goal in each half to keep them in touch. This was a good contest, with only two points between them with eight minutes left, but Crokes always had that little bit more of a range of shooting threats and pulled away to finish strongly

simply closed down all the options in the first half. They led by nine before Gavin Crowley got Templenoe's only first half point. They did look a lot sharper on the restart, Aidan Crowley with a '45 and the Spillanes Pat, Adrian, and Killian, and sub Patrick Clifford beginning to make waves. In fact, the second half was a belter as Templenoe really came at Stacks, but too much damage had already been done and the Tralee side's victory was never really placed in serious doubt. They will be a force to be reckoned with before the finish.

Kenmare Shamrocks a bye

Group Two Austin Stacks 0-18 Templenoe 0-10

There was a bit of intrigue about Templenoe, given the return of Sligo footballer Pat Spillane and Tipperary footballer Teddy Doyle to their home club, but the Rockies were ready for it and

Group Three An Ghaeltacht 1-11 Milltown/ Castlemaine 0-11

This one was close from start to finish. In fact, Milltown/Castlemaine had the upper hand for long periods but couldn't quite shake an injury-depleted An Ghaeltacht off their tail. Milltown/Castlemaine actually landed the first five



Action from the Dr. Crokes V Spa game at the Fitzgerald Stadium. Photos by Lucy Shalimova, Fitzgerald Stadium PR



Action from the Fossa V Gneeveguilla game at the Fitzgerald Stadium. Photos by Lucy Shalimova, Fitzgerald Stadium PR

points, two of them orange flags, but struggled for scores after that with the strong wind. They led by 0-6 to 0-3 (I would consider it a 'five point wind' with two pointers in play) in the dying seconds of the first half. At which point big Franz Sauerland managed to steer a long ball into the Milltown net to level matters. I definitely fancied An Ghaeltacht at that point, but in fact they, too, struggled to take advantage of that strong but tricky wind. Cathal Ó Beaglaoich landed a great two pointer but it was Milltown/Castlemaine who were picking off the scores and were fully deserving of a 0-11 to 1-5 lead late on. In fact they very nearly put the game out of reach, but Gavin Horan's goal effort was just wide after a great run. An Ghaeltacht emptied their bench (Brian Ó Beaglaoich only made the briefest of cameos late on) and it paid big dividends. Tomás Ó Sé picked off a point. A 50m penalty led to Diarmuid Ó Sé nailing a two pointer and An Ghaeltacht were in front. A breach saw Cathal Ó Beaglaoich with an easy free. Milltown supporters weren't exactly thrilled at this stage – to be fair, I wouldn't have been either if it was my club – but the match officials were right. Sub Conn Ó Riagáin fisted over the clincher. A tough one for Milltown/Castlemaine. To be honest, and I know I'm tempting fate here, I never really expected the overall winners to come out of this group and I think this result could have a big impact for the losers later on.

Na Gaeil a bye

INTERMEDIATE

Group One

Fossa 1-28 Gneeveguilla 1-17

This one was much, much closer than it sounds. In fact, this was an absolute cracker and featured some spectacular long distance shooting. And yes, if you went with the bookies' favourite for man of the match, you wouldn't have been wrong. But it wasn't just David Clifford. Emmett O'Shea really cut loose for Fossa as well when it was most needed, while Connie O'Connor, Shane Crowley, and Shane O'Sullivan with a stunning beauty in the dying seconds of the first half all raised orange flags as well. I imagine people are

sick of me saying by now, but I honestly love the game since the new rules have opened it up. There were times before that when going to games honestly felt like a chore – yes, including Kerry games – it's a genuine pleasure to see football like this. And it takes two good teams to make that happen, not just one.

Gneeveguilla lorded the opening quarter. Both Cliffords had goal chances smothered by a tight and disciplined defence – Darren Brosnan did a very good marking job on David inside. Connie O'Connor opened Gneeveguilla's scoring with a two pointer and two more from Shane Crowley meant that they actually led by 0-9 to 0-1 after the first quarter. However, with Paudie Clifford driving his side on, Fossa began to claw that back. Ted O'Gorman, Emmett O'Shea (1f) and David (1f) had a brace each. Coming to the end of the half Gneeveguilla's lead had been cut to 0-10 to 0-9. However, they finished strongly with a brace from the excellent Paudie O'Leary and that stunning last second two pointer from Shane O'Sullivan (seriously, that one drew applause from both sets of supporters) to lead by 0-14 to 0-9.

They also opened the second half strongly. Paudie O'Leary was only denied by a great Paudie Clifford tackle, but they came again with a very well-worked move and Seán Finnegan finished to the net. Eight points in it now; Fossa were in trouble. In fact, Gneeveguilla had chances to extend that lead, most notably a great goal chance that skewed just wide. Meanwhile, David Clifford was going to work.

He wasn't making much hay inside, so he began to drift out in that deceptively aimless-looking loop. It's never aimless, and he landed a fantastic two pointer from play. In fact, that was only a marker laid down. He won and added a free. Harry Kelly exchanged points with Shane O'Sullivan (his shot was parried over the crossbar). David with another two pointer from massive range. You just can't stop that. Cian O'Shea and Paudie O'Leary exchanged scores, but Fossa were really taking control now. A third two pointer from play for David. Then he won and kicked a two point free. Connie O'Connor kicked one last point for Gneeveguilla but Fossa were absolutely flying now. Sub Rian Colleran notched two points, Eoin Talbot fisted over, and an unstoppable Emmett O'Shea added yet another two pointer before closing out proceedings with a goal. Tough on Gneeveguilla, who will be a handful for anybody, but few teams will live with Fossa when they start scoring. The 'when'...they will have to start faster next time; you won't get away with coughing up nine points so fast very often.

Ballymac 6-16

Glenbeigh/Glencar 0-16

The second game of the double-header in the Fitzgerald Stadium didn't really live up to the billing. The All Ireland Junior champions never really looked in trouble against an understrength Glenbeigh/Glencar. Donal Daly



Fossa fans at the Fossa V Gneeveguilla game at the Fitzgerald Stadium. Photos by Lucy Shalimova, Fitzgerald Stadium PR

and Jack Joy kicked 1-3 (1tp) each in the first half, with Joy setting up Michael Quirke for a third. They led by 3-12 to 0-4 at half-time and, to be honest the second half never had any real chance of generating too much excitement. Cathal White had another goal, while Daly struck twice more to notch his hat-trick.

Group Two

John Mitchels 1-20 Furies 2-15

This had the potential to be a real cracker – and it was actually a fine contest – but Furies just have too many walking wounded, especially in terms of scoring forwards, the likes of James Horgan, Cian Doe, Stephen Palmer....those are aces out of any deck. That's a real risk for teams with the crowded schedules. I'm not getting into the whole 'club games are damaging inter-county players' debate – the inter-county scene should also be trimmed, getting rid of that abominable group stage nonsense is only a small step in the right direction – but games come too thick and fast to be sustainable in the long term. We all want more games, but not if top players can't feature in them. In other words, I quite literally do want less games.

I'd say most of us will agree that if Kerry picked a Young Footballer of the Year, Gearóid White would be nearly unanimous (the hurling one would generate a bigger debate, I'd be voting for Liam Óg O'Connor). On this occasion, though, it was his older brother Pádraig who dominated proceedings to finish with 0-8. James Duggan had 0-4, while Darragh Cunnane had 1-1. Mike Daly, with 1-6, played his heart out for Furies, while Jack Sherwood, Pádraig de Brún, Tomás Clifford, and Diarmuid Brosnan all impressed.

Kilcummin 6-18

Ballydonoghue 0-11

Mark O'Shea, Gary O'Leary, Seán O'Leary, Cian Foley, and Mikey Casey had first half scores for Kilcummin but Ballydonoghue looked more dangerous from long range and led by 0-9 to 0-6 at the break, Darragh O'Shea having saved Gary O'Leary's rocket. Kilcummin rejigged at half-time and settled down to work, kicking the opening three points of the second half to go in front. Brendan Kealy landed a great twopointer. Mark O'Shea added another, and Kilcummin were able to push for home late on with scores from Mikey Casey, Paul O'Shea, and Matt Keane. That was a tough test from the North Kerry side, and that was an impressive response from Kilcummin. They haven't been too far away in recent years and I'd certainly fancy them to reach the knockout stages now. Early days, of course.

Group Three

Killarney Legion 2-19

St. Marys 0-12

South Kerry football, respectfully, hasn't been the power of old in recent years. It doesn't have the playing population, and even then a lot of them miss a lot of the club season because of summer emigration. It's a worrying problem, and I don't just mean in sporting terms. That said, St. Marys are a tough outfit and the fact

that Legion always looked in control here is worth noting. The first half was tight enough, Will Shine with a cracking goal and Finbarr Murphy and Ryan O'Grady with 0-2 each, but Tadhg O'Connor with two two pointers and Alex Coffey with a brace for St. Marys. 1-8 to 0-8 at the break. Legion's greater bench started coming into play in the second half, and no wonder with the likes of James O'Donoghue, Cian Gammell, and Conor Keane entering the fray. St. Marys played their hearts out, but Killarney Legion simply had too much firepower and were comfortable down the stretch.

Laune Rangers 3-12

Listowel Emmets 0-20

Laune Rangers set out their stall early on, Gearóid Hassett driving through for an early goal. Stephen Gannon cleverly teed up Adam O'Neill for another and O'Neill was the beneficiary again after a good interception by Daire Cleary. Star of the show unquestionably, and not for the first time, was the outstanding Eoin Clifford – he has arguably been the most consistent performer in the Intermediate Championship in recent years for me. The Killorglin outfit led by 3-8 to 0-9 at the break. Listowel Emmets had the wind in the second half, though, and with Eddie Healy driving from the back and Sam Tarrant always a threat up front, they began to whittle down that lead. Darragh Lynch (0-3, 1tp), David Keane, and Joe Joe Grimes started trimming that gap, although they could thank keeper Kevin O'Connor for denying Oisín Bermingham. Aaron Kennelly had a goal chance at the other end, but it skinned over the crossbar. Darragh Lynch nailed a two pointer free. Three in it with five to go. Darragh Lynch with a point. Cormac Mulvihill with another. One point in it, late free outside the arc for Listowel....don't mind a knife, you could cut the tension now with a shovel, it was that thick....great effort by Darragh Lynch....it spun away harmlessly. Fine margins!

Group Four

Beaufort 4-20 Glenflesk 3-15

Both these teams have been knocking hard on the door in recent years. Both having new managers this year – Glenflesk with Wayne Quillinan and Beaufort with Peter Keane – only added to the sense of intrigue. But on this occasion it was the former Kerry Senior Manager's team who prevailed in style. Ciarán Kennedy boomed home two goals in four minutes early on as a shell-shocked Glenflesk were torn asunder in the opening minutes and soon trailed by 2-5 to 0-1. He completed his hat-trick midway through the second quarter and the job was already half over as Beaufort led by a whopping 3-9 to 0-3. However, they had lost the excellent Seán O'Brien to a serious-looking injury by then. The third quarter was less emphatic for Beaufort, but with the likes of Mike Breen and Ciarán Kennedy still controlling matters, Kevin Coffey added another goal and they led by 4-16 to 0-11 at that stage. Glenflesk did manage to battle their way into the game in a sparkling fourth quarter, Darragh Roche setting up his brother Dylan for a goal and then

converting a penalty won by Luke Crowley. With four minutes to go Dylan Roche pounced on an error to pick off his second goal but realistically, it was more about defiance than hope now. Glenflesk lost the talismanic Darragh Roche to a red card just before the finish. This was a tough night for them, and it definitely sets up the tie of the round next week when they host Kerins O'Rahillys. That one could well be standing room only!

Kerins O'Rahillys 4-20

Castleisland Desmonds 1-16

This was Rahillys at their best. Conor Hayes dropped deep to act as a playmaker, with Tomás Kennedy coming out to give a strong foothold in midfield and the returning Cormac Coffey putting in a trojan shift at wing forward. Darragh O'Connor slotted frees and Barry John Keane was soon on the scoresheet. Graham O'Connor was very accurate from frees for Desmonds and a Kevin Lynch goal against the run of play had them briefly in front. However, outstanding wing back Ben Hanafin slalomed through for a brilliant reply and he then set up Barry John Keane for a simple finish to the net to give them a 2-7 to 1-6 half-time advantage. Desmonds were a bit unlucky not to goal early in the second half, Ruairí Kennedy making a great save and then Pádraig Griffin managing to clear off the line. However, they then began to take control, Ben Hanafin setting up Tomás Kennedy for their third goal. Conor Hayes added a fourth and Barry John Keane a two pointer in a strong finish for Rahillys

PREMIER JUNIOR

Group One

Annascaul 4-16 Ardferit 1-15

Listry 1-20 Tarbert 1-9

Look, most of that Ardferit team had lost a County Hurling Final last weekend. Some of them lost the Intermediate Hurling Final a few days before. More of them had won a U21 Championship with St. Brendans the week before. Several more were involved in dual campaigns for Munster hurling and football colleges champions Tralee CBS. That's aside from inter-county duties and county football and hurling leagues. Tell me, can anybody see a small problem here? Burnout was a huge talking point a few years ago. I have no problem with the split season – because exactly how split is it for county players? My problem is the amount of extra games that have been crammed into both ends of the schedule. Lads lost an All Ireland Final. And they got one weekend off. Any ploughhorse would kick you if you tried it on them.

Tarbert were missing key players like Michael Coolahan, Shaun Wren, and David Mulvihill, but actually gave a great account of themselves for long periods. In fact, it was only in the last ten minutes, as bodies tired, that Listry were able to cut loose. That is exactly what they did, though, picking off 1-6 to 0-1 in that period to wrap up a victory that sounds more comfortable than it actually was. Pádraig O'Donoghue finished

with 1-4 while the Murphy brothers Ruairí and Éanna caught the eye.

That's not to take away from Annascaul. They were lightning fast and absolutely clinical. Cathal Ferriter led the way with 3-3 to his name, with James Ashe having raised the first green flag. In fact, Annascaul only had one wide all afternoon, and that was a goal effort that skinned just wide. James Crean and Jason Hickson were the prime movers in general play.

Group Two Waterville 1-14 St. Pats Blennerville 1-13

Keel 1-20 Duagh 2-9

I genuinely believe St. Pats Blennerville are the unluckiest team in Kerry. I've lost count of how many games they have lost by a single point in league and championship in recent years. This one will hurt more than most. It was a brilliant game, with the sides deadlocked almost all through. St. Pats managed to pull two clear with just a couple of minutes left, but up popped Barry O'Dwyer with a last minute goal to snatch victory for Waterville.

With Gary Sayers and the Evans clan all in top form, Keel always looked that bit sharper than a gallant but relatively limited Duagh. The Mall, as the North Kerry side are known, did close the gap to two points early in the second half, but an unruffled Keel simply drove on. They responded to Cormac Dillon's fisted goal with one of their own from Brian Mangan and were always in control from then on.

Group Three Brosna 2-15 Currow 1-14 Churchill 2-8 Dromoda na Piarsaigh 0-12

Brosna were missing some key players but produced some great football to see off a strong Currow challenge. The North Kerry side led by two at the break, 1-5 to 0-6, thanks to Danny Moriarty's goal. Dan O'Shea and John McMahon were admirably leading Currow's resistance. Kieran O'Donnell fisted home a second Brosna goal to put them 2-8 to 0-10 ahead and they were always in control, just about, from then to the finish line.

That defeat will really sting Dromid. They had Dilan O'Donoghue and Chris Farley to thank for a two point lead at the break, 0-6 to 0-4. Niall Ó Sé added a second half brace and they looked poised for victory until late in the game, where substitutes Ivan Parker and Aaron Harty fired late goals to snatch the win.

Group Four St. Senans 3-15 Reenard 1-13

Castlegregory 5-19 Ballyduff 2-13

Last year's finalists, with their Kerry hurlers to the fore, showed that they have every intention of getting back there again with a very good display against a durable Reenard, for whom goalkeeper Austin Murphy excelled from frees (two great two pointers). Conor O'Leary

and Mark Sugrue (0-3, 1tp) looked lively up front while Seán Teahan goaled late in the first half. However, with Thomas Dillon having already goaled for Senans, Cathal Kennelly added another just before the break – it had initially looked to be cleared off the line. Seán O'Connell added a third goal late in a fairly one-sided first half. Thomas Dillon finished with 1-4, Seán O'Connell had 1-2, while Cillian Trant and Aodán Bean had 0-3 apiece. Barry O'Mahony, Rory O'Mahony (0-1) and Seán McGrath (0-1) all excelled for St. Senans.

Ballyduff put up a great battle, but Castlegregory were completely on song and just couldn't be contained. Star of the show Cian O'Grady helped himself to an outstanding 1-9, including three orange flags, while Maurice O'Connell slotted 2-4. Thomas O'Donnell was probably the most influential player in general play. Castlegregory are very genuine contenders. Kevin Goulding was superb for Ballyduff, picking off 2-5, while Dylan Costello had 0-5.

JUNIOR

Group One Cordal 5-11 Valentia Young Islanders 1-18

Sneem/Derrynane 2-16 St. Michaels/Foilmore 0-10

Group One is as straightforward as it could be, with Sneem/Derrynane and Cordal both safely through to the quarter-finals and Valentia Young Islanders out regardless of their last games. The top two will meet to decide first and second place in the draw for the knock-out stages.

Cordal, after a tough enough opener against St. Michaels/Foilmore, were always in control here against Valentia. Eamonn Nolan struck for a first half hat-trick, including a clinical penalty, while Philip O'Connor and Gerard Costello notched a brace of points each. In the second half Cathal O'Donoghue had 1-2, (1tp), Ryan Dennehy another goal, and Philip O'Connor, Killian Dennehy, and Gerard Costello kept the scoreboard turning over to see off a good Valentia challenge.

Sneem/Derrynane had a good battle of it in the first half against St. Michaels/Foilmore, with the sides deadlocked at 0-7 apiece at the break. However Ian Galvin struck for a goal on the restart and Jack Riney and Cilian O'Sullivan added quick points. Sneem/Derrynane were making good use of the wind and well organised and a second goal from Conal Cournane left St. Michaels/Foilmore with too much to do and could only muster three points in that second half.

Group Two Finuge 0-16 Ballylongford 0-6

Moyvane 3-25 Tousist 0-11

Group Two is a little more complicated. Moyvane have two wins from two games and have to play Ballylongford. Finuge gave

Moyvane a tough battle in the opening round and then saw off Ballylongford with a bit to spare. They will be fancied to beat Tousist and take the second qualification spot. But if Ballylongford beat Moyvane and/or Tousist beat Finuge....things could go right down to the wire.

Ballylongford put up a good battle against the odds, but Finuge were in determined mood after their opening defeat to Moyvane and led from start to finish. Ricky Heffernan, Conor O'Keeffe, Gavin O'Keeffe (0-5, 4f) and Shane Conway (0-4) led the way and five points in the last seven minutes saw themease over the finish line.

Moyvane always looked in control in their clash with Tousist. They led by 2-16 to 0-6 at half-time, Rian Quinn (1-1) and Darragh O'Keeffe (1-9) with the goals. Patrick O'Connor had 0-5 and Micheál Fogarty had 0-3. Gearóid Stack Mulvihill added a third goal in an equally one-sided second half. Luke Mansfield and Shane Stack were outstanding for the victors. They technically aren't through the door yet, but in a metaphorical sense they are past the bouncers and nearly there.

Group Three Beale 1-16 Cromane 0-8

Lios Póil a bye

Group Three is set for an interesting finish. It won't make any difference to Beale, who are surely the overall favourites now, having brought their impressive league form (promoted to Division Three) straight into the championship. Comfortable wins over both the other teams mean that their top position is unassailable. Beale led by 1-6 to 0-5 at the break and then really opened up the throttle in the second half, with some judicious substitutions maintaining the high tempo. Barry 'Neill finished with 2-2, Seán Moloney had 1-2, and Fionnán twomey kicked 0-3 for the victors.

This means that the final game in the three team group is a winner-take-all clash between Lios Póil and Cromane for the second qualification spot. Lios Póil have a ten point scoring advantage in terms of a draw so effectively any result but a clear Cromane win will see Lios Póil through.

Group Four Knocknagoshel 3-23 Skellig Rangers 1-14

Scartaglin 0-15 Kilgarvan 1-12

Knocknagoshel are in a serious run of good form, with last year's surprise North Kerry finalists having won promotion to Division Four in the Senior County League. That lines them up for a good run at the Junior Championship, and this was an impressive opener against a good Skellig Rangers' side. It was 1-6 to 0-8 at half-time, John Walsh with Knocknagoshel's goal. Skellig Rangers had fine displays from goalscorer Keith Brennan, Fionán O'Sullivan (tp) Micheál O'Sullivan (0-1), David Kennedy (0-1) and free-taker Ciarán Keating. However, Knocknagoshel just had that

bit too much firepower, with Ciarán Mangan and Shane O'Connell adding further goals and Edmund Walsh (0-9, 4tp) and John Bell's (0-8, 2tp) accuracy giving the North Kerry outfit a convincing win.

The other game was an absolute rollercoaster. Kilgarvan made a bright start to pull clear but Scartaglin, with Mike Horan wearing his shooting boots and the likes of Ryan Walsh Murphy, Gary Boyle, Ryan Walsh Murphy, Seán Horan, and Pádraig O'Connor playing very well, gradually came back. The sides were level at half-time and Scartaglin gradually built up a five point lead. Kilgarvan are battlers, though and it was their turn to slowly eat into that lead. In the dying seconds they were still three points behind, but in as dramatic a finale as you could wish for, they struck for an equalising goal through Ronan Foley. Others to impress for Kilgarvan were Jack Foley, Daniel Casey, and Cathal Kelliher with a great two pointer.

COUNTY U14 FINALS

Division One: Scartaglin 6-6 Kilcummin 2-15

Division Two: Listowel 6-16 Milltown/Castlemaine 4-14

Division Three: Dromid/Waterville/Reenard/St. Michaels/Foilmore/Valentia 2-17 Kerins O'Rahillys 3-10



Listry, Division Four U14 Shield winners

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U14 COUNTY HURLING FINALS

Cup Final: Ballyduff 4-11 Tralee Parnells 1-12

Shield Final: East Kerry 5-8 Abbeydorney 1-13

Plate Final: Lixnaw 1-16 Kilmoyley 4-3

St Pauls Basketball Club Annual Golf Classic in memory of Connie Brosnan

St Paul's club members and supporters will be swapping their basketballs for orbs of a smaller version when they host their annual golf classic in Beaufort Golf Club on Friday, September 11th.

With a thriving academy, both boys and girls, adult teams and, of course, the National League project to finance, the event is a vital tool to help finance the runnings of the club. This year it will once again be held in memory of the late Connie Brosnan.

Connie, a keen golfer, who passed away in March 2020, was a stalwart of St Paul's, serving as team manager in the 1990s, tending to the squad's every need and later becoming the welcoming and friendly venue officer at the Killarney Sports and Leisure Centre.

The Club is very thankful to Kevin O'Callaghan for his assistance in securing very generous sponsorship for the Classic with GMIB, which will help to ensure a smooth running.

The event itself is open to teams of four for great value of €300 per team with a meal provided afterwards. There is also an opportunity to sponsor a tee box for €100 on the day.

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Sean Brosnan, Mark and Paul Sheahan with members of the team at GMIB.



Pictured at the launch were
Back Row; L to R;
Adam Whitty, Mark Sheehan, Eoin Carroll, Aodan Cremin, Cathal Spring, Jack O'Sullivan.

Front Row; L to R;
Luke O'Hea, Sean Brosnan, John Carroll, Tim O'Sullivan.



A Word of Victory

"O Lord, hear me as I pray; pay attention to my groaning. Listen to my cry for help, my King and my God, for I pray to no one but You. Listen to my voice in the morning Lord. Each morning, I bring my requests to You and wait expectantly" (Psalm 5:1-2 NLT).

Welcome back dear student, desperation led me to cry to and seek God. It's amazing that in difficult situations turning to God is often the last thing thought of. Folks try every means possible other than the Lord. Why? Maybe they feel their faith is weak or non-existent. Maybe they've lost their hope, or other endeavours seem more exciting. God is not deaf - learnt off, babbling prayers that are repeated over and over are empty ritual. Religious activities has been man's way of trying to reach up to the Most High, Holy God. However, the Word of God reveals the Truth of how God reached down for sinful man! That God so loves the world that He gave His Only Son, the Lord Jesus, to die in our place, to pay for our sins - that we could never atone for, as a free gift of Salvation through His sacrifice (John 3:16-21). There had to be a sacrifice to resolve sin. But it's a matter of believing and receiving, not striving by works.

Jesus gave His life willingly. Up to that point the blood of goats, and bulls were offered constantly to satisfy the wrath on sin (Romans 6:23). But those sacrifices never removed the sins; only covered them. Jesus suffered and gave His sinless Blood as THE One-time Atonement for all mankind, forever (Hebrews chapters 9+10; Isaiah chapter 53). No more sacrifices required! The Blood of the Lamb of God paid for our sins in full. This is the Good News! Faith in Jesus is not a vengeful or mythological tale; it is the Revelation of relationship, forgiveness, reconciliation, and of Yahweh's true, pure Love. Jesus Christ is the Prince of Peace, the Word of Truth, the Author of Life, Saviour, and Lord of all. One day every knee will bow before Him. Every person who has ever heard of Him will be judged according to whether they believed or rejected God's Only Son (Romans 14:9-12). This is no fairy story. Jesus is the Light Who came to expose and expel darkness. He didn't come to kill, to steal or destroy - that's the devil's character (John 10:10; 1 John 3:8). Jesus came to forgive, to heal, and set free all who believe in Him and call upon His Name for Salvation.

Don't let prayer be the last call you make. Often people are facing serious trouble or even death and then decide 'okay, I'll try God so...' but it's a last resort not based upon Biblical Truth. Our world is desperate for God, but people have been tricked into following and believing anything else but the Living God - enticing people's attention elsewhere, when all the while the Father is waiting with open arms (Luke 15:11-24). Jesus is alive - He was raised from the dead by the power of God. Sometimes circumstances feel like they're dead - perhaps a marriage, or family relationship, or a person's health that seem hopeless and dysfunctional. But God is able! He gives Life to the dead things and calls those things that are not as though they are (Romans 4:17; Isaiah 40:29-31). Jesus told us to pray to the Father in His Name (Matthew 6:1-14; John 16:23). Friend, come, talk to God and get real with Him. Hear Him, hope - and believe! Spend time seeking Him in the Word and learn to declare His promises in faith. Our podcast episode on Spotify called 'How To Pray Effectively For Breakthrough' is worth a listen.

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LOTTO

Lotto Results: 1, 5, 10, 23. Bonus 3. Match 3s: Ivan Tangney, Margaret Malone, Matthew Horgan

FIXTURES

Sunday August 16th at 4pm Senior Men away to Listowel Emmets in Intermediate Championship round 2

Sunday August 16th at 12 noon Senior Ladies away to Spa in Junior Premier Championship

Sunday August 16th U14 Girls home to Kilcummin at 6pm

U14 BOYS

East Kerry U14 Division 1 League Semi-Final

Killarney Legion booked their place in the East Kerry U14 Division 1 League Final after a thrilling one-point victory over Rathmore in an enthralling semi-final played away from home.

Having been defeated by the same opposition in the group stages just a week earlier, Legion faced a difficult challenge. However, the team showed tremendous character from the outset, taking the game to Rathmore with confidence and purpose. Some excellent passages of attacking football saw Legion build a deserved five-point lead by half-time.

As expected, Rathmore responded strongly after the break and gradually chipped away at the deficit. With just three minutes remaining, the home side struck for a crucial goal to edge two points in front, setting up a dramatic finish.

True to their never-say-die attitude, Legion refused to give in. Displaying outstanding teamwork and composure, they worked the ball patiently up the field before finding the back of the net with the final attack of normal time to reclaim the lead. Rathmore threw everything forward during injury time, but the Legion defence stood tall, producing a determined rearguard effort to secure a memorable victory.

It was a fantastic game of football played in a superb sporting spirit, and credit must go to Rathmore for a hugely entertaining contest. Thanks also to referee Evan Horan for his excellent officiating and to the parents, families and supporters whose vocal encouragement spurred the team on throughout.

The win sees Legion advance to a home final against Furies next Tuesday evening.

Final Score: Killarney Legion 4-12 Rathmore 4-11

U14 GIRLS

Congratulations to Clodagh Hegarty who was presented with her U14 Munster & All Ireland winners medal at the Kerry LGFA Juvenile Awards night last Saturday. Team mate Regan O Shea was away on the night and will receive her medals at a later date

WELL DONE GIRLS

SYMPATHIES

The club sends its deepest sympathies to the family and relatives of Joan McCarthy (nee O'Grady) who passed away during the week. May she rest in peace.

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LOTTO

The numbers drawn on 09/08/2026 for a jackpot of €10,200 were 6, 8, 13, 28. There was no jackpot winner. The €40 consolation prize winners were; Geraldine Cunningham, Online; Barry Coffey,

Online; Breeda Kelliher, Lackabane Village; Davy Fleming; Geraldine Teehan, Cromane Pier.

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>

INTERMEDIATE CHAMPIONSHIP

Fossa began their Intermediate Championship campaign against Gneeveguilla in splendid conditions in Fitzgerald Stadium on Sunday. Darren Ryan opened the scoring inside the first minute, Fossa had plenty of possession but couldn't find their range, meanwhile Gneeveguilla who had the aid of a strong wind kicked nine unanswered points to lead by eight after fifteen minutes. Fossa settled and scores from Emmett O'Shea, David and Paudie Clifford, Ted O'Gorman and Jack Hallissey reduced the deficit to just one point by the 26th minute but Gneeveguilla finished the half strong and kicked a two pointer on the stroke of half time to lead at the break, 0-14 to 0-9.

The second half started with Gneeveguilla scoring a goal in the 3rd minute to go eight points ahead, David Clifford exploded into this game as Fossa began to get control around the middle third. A brace of brilliant two pointers from David Clifford and two excellent scores from Harry Kelly had Fossa within one point of Gneeveguilla again by the 15th minute. Emmett O'Shea got in on the scoring act with a couple of superb two pointers, Rian Colleran attacked at pace to kick two scores, Eoin Talbot kicked a lovely point and Emmett O'Shea sealed the win with a well taken goal right at the death, it finished Fossa 1-28, Gneeveguilla 1-17. In spite of the final scoreline, this was a real tough test and Fossa had to fight hard for this one. They will be happy to have come through with a win and also to have given championship experience to some of our younger players on the team. They are away to Glenbeigh/Glencare next Saturday evening in the next round.

U-16 COUNTY LEAGUE FINAL

A massive congratulations to our Fossa U16 boys and their management team who were crowned County League Champions last night!

It was a game that had everything for the spectators. A very strong Ballymac side started brilliantly and had built up a good lead midway through the first half, but the Fossa boys never dropped their heads.

They battled their way right back into the game before half-time and carried that momentum into the second half. The boys really dug deep, showing great determination, work rate and,

most importantly, a real team effort right across the pitch to eventually pull away and secure a fantastic victory.

Full Time: Fossa 3-17, Ballymac 1-12.

A brilliant achievement for this group of players and their management team. County League Champions, well deserved lads!

SEAMUS WELDON MEMORIAL U10 BLITZ

The countdown is well and truly on! In just over a week, Fossa GAA will proudly host the inaugural Seamus Weldon Memorial U10 Blitz, welcoming over 40 teams from across Ireland for what promises to be a fantastic day of football, fun and friendship.

This special event is held in memory of Seamus Weldon, whose dedication, commitment and lifelong service to Fossa GAA left an incredible legacy that continues to inspire our club today. We can't wait to welcome all players, coaches, families and supporters to Fossa as we celebrate Seamus' memory in the best way possible – through the next generation enjoying our games.

Saturday, 15th August – we look forward to seeing you all there!

EAST KERRY NEWS

EAST KERRY U 14 LEAGUE

Rathmore 4-11 Legion 4-12

Furies 4-10 Kilcummin 3-11

Currow 2-18 Listry 5-17

Glenflesk 5-18 Na Fianna 5-13.

Fossa 4-06 Spa 5-15

Kenmare 5-19 Dr Crokes 3-09

Beaufort 5-24 Furies B 2-09

Gneeveguilla 5-09 Scartaglen 5-16

U14 COUNTY HURLING CHAMPIONSHIP SHIELD FINAL

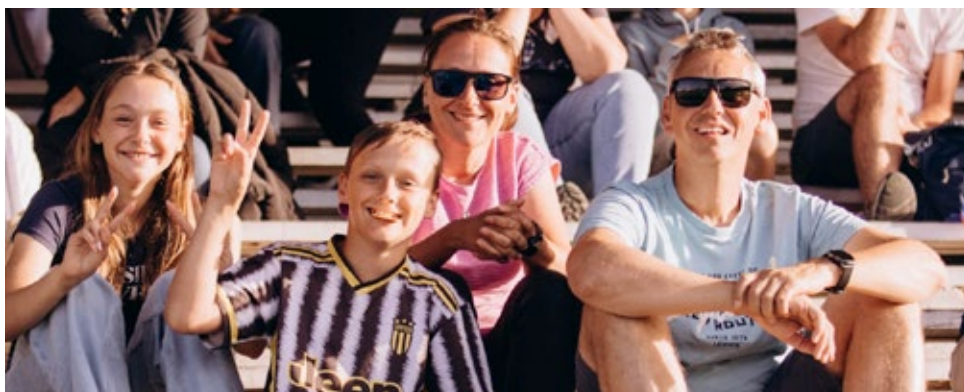
East Kerry 5-08 Abbeydorney 1-13.

O DONOGHUE CUP DRAW

Draw for 2026 O Donoghue Cup, sponsored by Gleneagle Hotel, Gleneagle Leisure and Dr O Donoghue Family, and O Sullivan Cup, sponsored by Killarney Carpet and Furniture, and 2026 All Star Launch, sponsored by the Kerryman and Gleneagle Leisure, takes place on Friday 14th August @8pm, in Green Room, Gleneagle Hotel.

YOUTH CAMP

Kerry Coaching and Games Youth Camp took place in Currans during the week. Sessions were varied and challenging for all players. The format each day was six groups of players split into three field groups and three indoor groups. Every player was given an excellent chance to



Spectators at the Fitzgerald Stadium at the Dr. Crokes V Spa game. Photos by Lucy Shalimova, Fitzgerald Stadium PR

improve and develop over the week with great feedback by players and coaches. One Hundred players participated in the camp with the blitz day on Friday the highlight for many players putting the learnings of the week into match day experience.

Thanks to PJ Reidy (Cordinator) for supporting Vince Cooper East Kerry GDC in delivering a fantastic programme of events for all players. All participants were delighted with the camp jersey sharing memories for life with players from every part of Kerry. Thanks to Aileen Foley (Manager) and John Daly (Curran) for the use of such a fantastic venue. Practise makes Perfect. Perfect Practise makes Perfect. Players have lots of time to improve and develop every aspect of the game. Keep up the good work.

DR. CROKES CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

Dr. Crokes 0:21 Spa 2:11

We got our club championship campaign off to a winning start on Friday last with a hard-fought victory over Spa in the Fitzgerald Stadium. We made a bright start and quickly settled into the game, putting pressure on the Spa defence and taking some excellent scores. Despite Spa finding the net in the opening half, we continued to keep the scoreboard ticking over and went into the interval with a narrow lead. Half-time: Dr. Crokes 0-12, Spa 1-06. The second half saw Crokes continue to work hard across the field, with the defence limiting Spa's



Fossa U16 team, Division Four U14 champions

opportunities while the forwards continued to add to the scoreboard. Spa battled hard and threatened at times, but Crokes remained composed and maintained their advantage. With the game entering its closing stages, we showed great determination to see it out and continued to find scores when they were needed most.

LOTTO took place on August 10th Numbers drawn were 12, 15, 19, 26. Jackpot of €5,300 was NOT WON. 12 patrons matched 3 numbers and received €35 each. Jackpot for draw on August

17th will be €5,600. Play online by following the link below <https://member.clubspot.app/club/dr-crokes-gaa/fundraisers>

BINGO

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

NOTES

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



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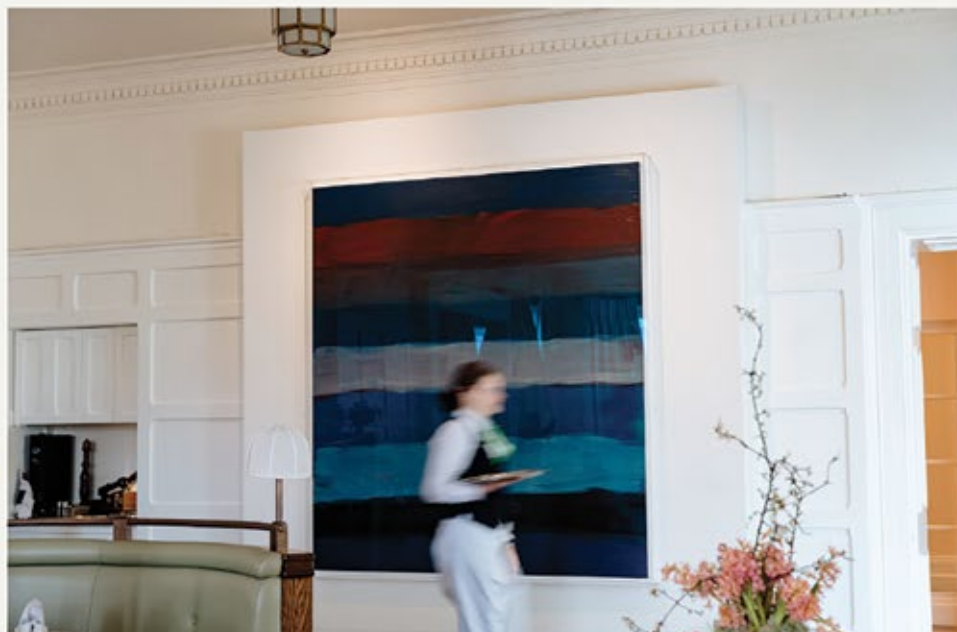
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WHO DIED ON THE
17TH OF AUGUST 2015.

*God saw you getting tired
And a cure was not to be
He closed his arms around you
And whispered "Come to me."*

*In our hearts, your memory lingers
Sweetly tender, fond and true
There is not a day dear Trish
That we do not think of you.*

*Your memory is our keepsake
With which we'll never part
God has you in his keeping
We have you in our hearts.*

Sadly missed and always remembered
by your Husband Tony, Daughter Tara
and The McLarnon Family.

Anniversary Mass on Sunday, 16th August
at 9.30am in the Church of the
Holy Rosary Gneeveguilla.

4TH ANNIVERSARY

IN LOVING MEMORY OF
PATRICK (PA)
O'RIORDAN



ANNAGHMORE, HEADFORD
WHO DIED ON THE
12TH AUGUST 2022

*I missed you today but that's nothing new,
I missed you a million times yesterday too.
I picked up my phone to tell you the news,
then realised, again, I can't text it to you.*

*I saw your bright smile, at least twenty times,
and then I remember, it's all in my mind.
I drive without presence, the world
feels surreal,
And on comes your song and this doesn't
seem real.*

*I missed you today but I miss you a lot,
It's helpful to miss you, it's all that I've got.
I wish I could pull you down here for a while
I'm frightened to lose the shape of your smile.*

*I miss you today and I'll miss you tomorrow,
There seems to be no coming end to
this sorrow.*

*I try to go on as I know that you care,
I know that you're willing me on from
up there.*

Forever loved and dearly missed by
your loving wife Joan

*It's lonely here without you
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For life is not the same to us
Since you were called away
To your resting place, we visit
Place flowers there with care
But no one knows our heartache
When we turn and leave you there.*

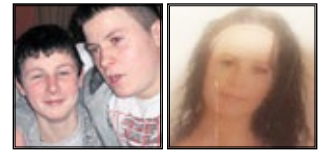
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*Anniversary mass for Pa will take place
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WHO ALL DIED TRAGICALLY
ON AUGUST 25TH 2010.

*16 years went by so fast,
only seems like yesterday
since ye left us broken hearted.
You always had a smile to share,
a laugh, a joke and time to care,
all we have is your good memories,
we rather have ye.*

*Twinkle, twinkle little star,
how we often wonder where ye are.
3 stars at night is your lights
to say good night to us all.*

*Mass offered for yer're good souls,
candles lit.*

*Our family chain will link up one day
in God's heavenly home
when we are called one by one.*

Loved and missed by the Breen family.

Anniversary Mass
Monday, August 24th at 6.15pm
in St Marys Cathedral, Killarney.

THE MIRACLE PRAYER

Dear Heart of Jesus in the past I have
asked many favours. This time I ask you
this special one, (mention favour).
Take it dear heart of Jesus and place it
within your own broken heart where
your Father sees it.
Then in his merciful eyes it will become
your favour not mine.

Amen.

Say this prayer for three days.
Publication of prayer and favour will be
granted.

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6TH ANNIVERSARY

IN LOVING MEMORY OF
JUNE WALSH



WOODLAWN PARK, KILLARNEY
WHO DIED ON THE
18TH OF AUGUST 2020

*"It broke our hearts to lose you
But you did not go alone
For part of us went with you
The day God called you home."*

From your loving husband Cathal,
sons Finbarr and Enda,
grandchildren Rebecca, Amy, Nia, Dara
and brother Jerry

*Anniversary Mass for June will take place
on Friday 21st of August in
Saint Mary's Cathedral at 6.15pm.*

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13TH ANNIVERSARY

FOND MEMORIES OF
DYLAN CROWLEY



RATHBEG, RATHMORE,
CO. KERRY
WHO QUIETLY LEFT US ALL
ON 18TH AUGUST 2013.

*Though our hearts are broken,
And your life was far too short,
We thank you, sweetest angel
For the happiness you brought.*

Loved and missed everyday by your
grandparents Paudie and Mary and
the Linehan family.

13TH ANNIVERSARY

TREASURED MEMORIES OF
DYLAN CROWLEY



DYLAN WHOSE 13TH
ANNIVERSARY OCCURS
ON 18TH AUGUST.

*Dylan we miss you very much
Throughout every single day
But we take comfort in our lovely memories
That will never fade away*

Dylan, you are always in our thoughts
and forever in our hearts

Sadly missed by Kit, Sean and the
Crowley Family

13TH ANNIVERSARY

IN LOVING MEMORY OF
DYLAN CROWLEY



REMEMBERED WITH LOVE,
JOY AND SORROW,
OUR BEAUTIFUL SON
DYLAN ON HIS 13TH
ANNIVERSARY.

*As we loved you, So we miss you,
In our memory you are near,
Loved, remembered,
longed for always
Bringing many a silent tear.*

Sadly missed and always in our hearts
Mom, Dad, Bryan and Emer.
xxx

*Anniversary Mass for Dylan
will take place on Friday August 21st
in Rathmore Church at 7pm.*

PRAYER TO SAINT MARTIN DE PORRES

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

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

St Martin Pray For Us
Amen.

Brid & Family

NOVENA TO ST. CLAIRE

Ask St. Claire for three favours, one
business, two impossible and say
nine Hail Mary's for nine days with
lighted candle. Pray whether you
believe or not. Publish on ninth day.
Powerful novena.

May the Sacred Heart of Jesus be
praised, adored, glorified and loved
today and every day throughout the
whole world forever. Amen
Say six times daily for nine days. Your
request will be granted no matter
how difficult it may seem.

Favour publication must be promised.
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ST ROCH PRAYER

Prayer to Avert Contagious Maladies. O' Most Merciful God who through an
angel promised St Roch whoever would invoke his name should be preserved
From pestilence & contagious diseases. Grant that through his intercession we
may be preserved from all dangers both of Soul & body. Through Christ Our
Lord Amen St Roch Pray for Us. Feast 16 August.

Brid & Family



In Loving Memory
First Anniversary



MAUREEN O'REILLY
St. Anne's Road, Killarney

A Memorial Mass will be Celebrated in
St. Mary's Cathedral, Killarney
on Monday, 17th August 2026
at 2.30pm.

To remember Maureen on the
first anniversary of her death.

All Are Welcome.



3RD ANNIVERSARY

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

MALACHY WALSH



KNOCKEENDUFF, KILLARNEY
WHO PASSED AWAY ON
12TH AUGUST 2023.

*You had a smile for everyone
You had a heart of gold
You left us the sweetest memories
This world could ever hold.*

*A smile can hide our sadness
A tear can be wiped away
But the heartache of loosing
such a wonderful brother
Will never go away.*

Always in our thoughts
and forever in our hearts
Your loving sister Sheila and Jack.

3RD ANNIVERSARY

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

MALACHY WALSH



KNOCKEENDUFF, KILLARNEY
WHO PASSED AWAY ON
12TH AUGUST 2023.

*To us you were someone
very special,
So good, so kind, so true,
You will never be forgotten
Malachy,
Loved and missed more than
words can say.*

Always thinking of and
missing you

Your loving nieces Dorina, Elaine and
nephew Freddie and families.

3RD ANNIVERSARY

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

MALACHY WALSH



KNOCKEENDUFF, KILLARNEY
WHO PASSED AWAY ON
12TH AUGUST 2023.

Rest in Peace.

*Three years have passed, yet not a day
Has eased the ache or worn away.
The world moves on, the seasons too,
Yet every day begins with you.*

*I long for one more simple chat,
Your steady voice, your wit, your laugh.
Your gentle way, your patient heart,
You were my safe place from the start.*

*So many moments you should have seen,
Your boys have grown where you've not been.
One precious child you've never met,
A heartache I'll never quite accept.*

*They've missed your stories, time and care,
The way you always would be there.
The love you gave so selflessly,
Has left a void in them and me.*

*I find you in the High Field still,
And at the foot of Little Black Hill.
Now I walk there with your grandsons too,
Wishing every step led back to you.*

*So if my tears still freely fall,
It's simply love outliving all.
I don't ask time to lessen this,
For every year means more I miss.
I'll carry both this love and pain,
Until one day we'll meet again.*

Loved with a love beyond compare.
Your heartbroken daughter Stephanie,
son-in-law Michael and grandchildren
Fionn, Conor and Aidan Malachy.

Malachy's 3rd Anniversary Mass will be
held on Saturday, 15th August at 6:15pm
in St. Mary's Cathedral.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT
& 1ST ANNIVERSARY

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

BRIDIE
(BRIDGET) EAGAR



NEW ROAD, KILLARNEY
WHOSE 1ST ANNIVERSARY
OCCURS ON
THE 15TH AUGUST.

As we lovingly remember Bridie on her 1st anniversary, her daughter Tracy, son Roland, daughter-in-law Ana, grandson Richard, granddaughters Kerry, Jemma, Lola, Marina, Orla, Ciara, Lia, Alice and Lola Rose, and extended family wish to express our heartfelt thanks to everyone who supported us during this difficult time.

To our wonderful relatives, neighbours and friends who brought food and refreshments, we are truly grateful.

Thank you to all who travelled long distances and thank you to those who sent mass cards, letters and on-line condolences. Sincere thanks to Fr. Joe Begley and Fr. Kevin O'Sullivan for your support and for celebrating Bridie's life.

Thank you to Mary and Michelle for the beautiful music and to everyone who helped in celebrating Bridie's mass.

Sincere thank you to O'Shea's Funeral Directors, especially Mike, for all the care, guidance and professionalism shown to us. It is impossible to thank everyone individually, please accept this as a sincere expression of our gratitude.

The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for your intentions.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT
& 1ST ANNIVERSARY

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

PÁDRAIG
O'RAHILLY,



CALFMOUNT, HEADFORD,
KILLARNEY
WHO DIED ON
12TH AUGUST 2025.

On the first anniversary of Pádraig's death, his family wish to express our sincere gratitude for the support and kindness shown to us following our sad and sudden loss.

Thank you to the emergency services, Gardaí, Fire Service and Ambulance Service who tended to Pádraig that day. Thank you to Fr Joe Begley for administering the Last Rites. Thank you to all who attended the removal, Requiem Mass and burial and those who sent messages of sympathy, letters and Mass Cards.

Sincere thanks to Fr Jim Lenihan for celebrating Pádraig's Requiem Mass and for his ongoing support for the family over the past year. Thank you to all those who helped in any way with the removal and Requiem Mass, the sacristans, musicians and singers, and those who helped with traffic management and parking. Thank you to Pádraig's teammates and members of Glenflesk GAA for the Guard of Honour on the evening of his removal and to his colleagues at Mr. Price for their Guard of Honour at the Requiem Mass. Thank you to all at Murphy's Barraduff for the funeral hospitality.

We wish to thank Tom Murphy Undertakers for their help, kindness and guidance during the funeral and thank you to those who prepared Pádraig's resting place in Kilquane. Thank you to our neighbours, friends and relatives for their help and support at the time of Pádraig's death and over the past year. We are grateful to the staff and management of Mr. Price and Supervalu, to our work colleagues and friends for all their help, support and understanding.

As it is not possible to thank everyone individually, please accept this acknowledgement as an expression of our gratitude for your kindness and support at our time of loss.

NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL

O most beautiful flower of Mount Carmel, splendor of heaven, Blessed Mother of the Son of God and Mother of mine, support me by your never failing love and help and protect me. Show me that you are my Mother. May I, unworthy as I am, come one day to exchange your scapular that I had the privilege to wear for the wedding garment of heaven, and dwell with you and all the saints of Carmel in the kingdom of your Son.

(Here make your petition: Let us also pray for those preparing to make their vows.)

Sweet Mother, I place this cause in your loving hands. O Mary, my Mother, I consecrate myself to you forever. I offer you my body with all its miseries, my soul with all its imperfections, and my heart with all its affections and desires. I offer you all my prayers, works, joys and sufferings, my struggles and especially my death with all that it will entail.

I unite all of these, Mother, with your own joys and sufferings. Amen.

Queen and Beauty of Carmel, pray for us.

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