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A Note from the EDITOR



As we look forward to the Easter Bank Holiday weekend, there was lots to celebrate in Killarney this week. St. Paul's Under 20's Basketball and the Kerry Ladies Senior Football claimed national glory, the KWD County Clean Up was a massive success and Dermot Moriarty is preparing to celebrate 35 years of County Sounds!

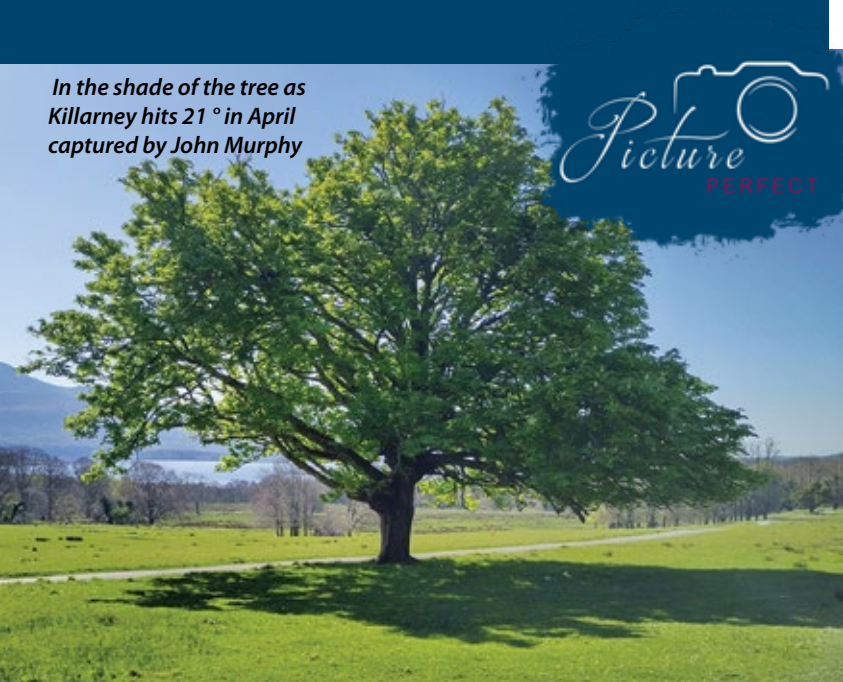
Members of a local family who have a long history on the Lakes of Killarney are launching a new lake boat to cater for people with limited mobility. Students pulled out all the stops to celebrate Crazy Hair Day as part of Autism Awareness Month, the National Park has issued a start warning after a Disposable BBQ started a devastating fire in the park and a golf classic was launched in Beaufort GC to raise funds for the Kerry Mountain Rescue Team. The Jeremiah Skip Buckley Basketball Tournament is set to take place, tomorrow, Saturday, April 19th with teams from all over Cork and Kerry taking part, Anne Lucey writes about a hidden village which has been uncovered on Tomies Mountain and Killarney says farewell to one of their own, with the passing of Con Thado O'Leary.

Enda Walshe has all the news from the Basketball finals in Dublin last weekend, a former Dr. Crokes player has been named Player of the Year in New York and Jimmy looks back on Rory McIlroy win at the 2025 Masters.

Hope you all enjoy this week's Killarney Outlook and that you all have a wonderful Easter Weekend.

Aisling Crosbie

*In the shade of the tree as
Killarney hits 21 ° in April
captured by John Murphy*



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Throwing their hat in the ring for Kerry County's Clean Up Day.
Photo: Marie Carroll O'Sullivan

GIVING KILLARNEY A TIDY TOWNS EDGE: *If the cap fits...*

Killarney opted to throw its cap into the ring when it came to county clean-up day and Kerry's premier tourist town certainly led by example with a big army of volunteers lining out.

The most famous cap wearer in the country, Minister of State Michael Healy-Rae, was certainly made to feel at home when he turned up for the official launch where all the volunteers waiting to greet him were clad in similar peaked-cap attire – just to give themselves a head start.

The fun gesture was in keeping with the good humour and feelgood factor that prevailed all over the county on Saturday which marked the 13th year of the KWD sponsored county clean-up day.

There was good news on the ground as well as the volunteers reported a significant reduction in rubbish collected on the roads which they attribute to the success of the bottle and can Re-turn scheme and the

Killarney coffee cup project.

A total of 183 groups registered for the clean-up in Kerry with over 4,000 volunteers taking to the roads and KWD distributed no less than 12,000 distinctive red refuse sacks to volunteers which they filled for collection.

"What we found out there was very encouraging in terms of litter management and it is obvious that the Re-turn scheme is working well and, in Killarney, the ban on single use coffee cups has had a hugely positive impact," said Killarney Tidy Towns volunteer Johnny McGuire.

Kerry GAA legend Colm Cooper led the team in Killarney as they set out in several different directions from national Tidy Towns sponsor Daly's SuperValu car park early on Saturday morning and it was certainly a case of hat's off to a great day.

Supporting People with disabilities....

ROSS CASTLE BOAT TOURS LAUNCH NEW LAKE BOAT

ROSS CASTLE BOAT TOURS WHICH IS RUN BY THE FLEMING FAMILY ARE LAUNCHING A NEW BOAT TO CATER FOR PEOPLE WITH LIMITED MOBILITY AND/OR NEURODIVERSE GUESTS.

"The official launch of 'An Cathal' their new traditional open boat which will support the delivery of boat tours on the Lakes of Killarney", Mike and Tony Fleming have said.

The brothers are the sons of the late Charlie Fleming a man synonymous with the Lakes of Killarney.

During 2024 / 2025, the brothers worked collaboratively with the National Parks and Wildlife Service to design a boat, in keeping with the traditional design, but with a capacity to cater for people with limited mobility and /

or neurodiverse guests.

An Cathal is fitted with a fixed stairway to enable people access / egress the boat with ease and has fasteners built into the floor to allow wheelchairs be securely attached.

"A key aspect of our new offering is to support neurodiverse people. To this end we have a dedicated diversity section on our website (www.rosscastleboattours.ie). In addition, we have developed a Sensory Box which will be carried in the boat. We are delighted to also confirm that all our staff have completed 'AsIAm' Online Training and are aware of the role of Assistance Dogs, who are welcome on-board", Mike Fleming said.

"Finally, we are committed to expanding our



support services and are currently working on a Visual Guide for inclusion on our website. This will highlight what guests can expect on arrival and during a tour. We support quieter tours on request and early morning / late evening tours if required", Tony Added.

The launch of "An Cathal" will take place, tomorrow, Saturday 19th April, at 11am at Reen Pier.

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This Saturday, April 19th, will see the Jeremiah Skip Buckley Tournament take place once again in the Presentation Gym. The brainchild of daughters Patricia and Emer, it is a fitting tribute to a man who made significant contributions to basketball in Killarney and beyond. His love for the game has seeped down through the generations, with his sons, daughters and grandkids all actively involved.

The recent advent of the Mothers and Others group in basketball is rapidly gathering pace and the beauty of this day is that there will also be a huge emphasis on fun and the social side. There will be a copious supply of cakes and refreshments and DJ Gordon Buckley will be spinning the tunes throughout the day.

The tournament itself has attracted nine teams, including two from the hosts St Pauls. Glanmire will travel down from Cork as will Dromtariffe. Locally St Bridgets, Killorglin and the Sliabh Luachra Lakers are all onboard alongside the Ball Breakers and the Part Timers. During the day there will also be a Free Throw competition at 1.30pm for juveniles and adults, given Skips great mantra that "Free throws wins games".

Skips Buckley's daughters: Noreen, Emer, Patricia and Fiona



It all tips off at 9am with every team getting plenty of games as it will be divided into a plate and cup competition after the group stages. The finals are timed for 4pm and 4.30pm and when all the games are completed the Failte will be the place to be for all post mortems and tales of the day, kicking off at the College Street Hostelry between 8 and 8.30pm.



The St. Paul's Mother's and Others team



Fiona and Patricia with members of the St. Paul's Mother's and Others team

Minister Foley welcomes confirmation of over €200,000 in funding for Kerry under the 2025 Community Monuments Fund

Minister for Children, Disability, Equality and Kerry T.D Norma Foley has welcomed confirmation of a €206,532.15 grant for two projects in Kerry under the 2025 Community Monuments Fund.

The successful applicants in Kerry are as follows:

Castleisland Castle - €99,545.90

Killagh Priory, Milltown - €106,986.25

The Community Monuments Fund supports a range of initiatives to conserve, maintain, protect and promote local monuments and historic sites. This investment safeguards monuments for the benefit of communities and the public. It does so by enabling conservation works and repairs as well as building resilience through protecting monuments from the effects of extreme weather and climate change. The scheme also encourages public access and improvements to the presentation of local monuments.

Minister Foley said: "The funding announced for these two key projects will seek to protect and enhance our rich heritage for present and future generations."

The Community Monuments Fund is a wonderful source of funding to preserve community monuments in our local areas. I wish to sincerely thank Kerry County Council for their excellent work in moving these projects forward. Thanks also to my colleagues, Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage, Mr. James Browne T.D and Minister of State with Responsibility for Nature, Heritage and Biodiversity for securing this important funding."

Killagh Priory, Milltown will receive €106,986.25





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One of the saddest images:

This is the irreparable damage caused by lighting fires out of control. This is total negligence and disregard for our Killarney National Park . Staff of Killarney National Park - National Parks and Wildlife Service are patrolling the National Park 24/7 along with the assistance of Drone operators, Helicopter emergency surveillance. The Staff at NPWS are fully trained in fire control. The lighting of BBQ's and disposable BBQ's, campfires ARE NOT PERMITTED IN KILLARNEY NATIONAL PARK

Photo: Valerie O'Sullivan



Following a devastating fire in Killarney National Park last week, Staff of Killarney National Park - National Parks and Wildlife Service are patrolling the National Park 24/7 along with the assistance of Drone operators, Helicopter emergency surveillance. The Staff at NPWS are fully trained in fire control and along with the assistance of our Unsung Heroes in Kerry Fire Service who already are under enormous pressure to contain the fires in Kerry are on high alert for fires.



The local volunteers in Mountain Meitheal, Killarney Tidy Towns, local residents are also only too willing to help in this crusade and prevent fires taking place in our UNESCO Biosphere Reserve.

It is a very sensitive time of the year for our Flora and Fauna (especially little birds and mammals).

One of the Conservation Rangers who attended the scene said: "Unfortunately, there was another fire in Killarney National Park this week – our precious Reenadinna Woodland on the Muckcross Peninsula. Kerry Fire and Rescue Service crew and NationalPark and Wildlife Service Staff attended the fire and managed to put it out quickly.

This fire was started by a disposable BBQ and it quickly set part of a cliff alight, damaging a variety of trees, bryophytes, ground flora and it was in an area where there is evidence of our native red squirrel and many bird species.

It was very close to taking over a very large area of one of the most important sites in our National Park. Reenadinna Woodland is a yew woodland and is one of the largest of its kind in Europe, this is a very rare habitat on a national and international level.

Lighting fires or BBQs is unacceptable behaviour and will not be tolerated in the National Park. The staff of Killarney National Park and the staff of Kerry Fire and Rescue Service are working tirelessly during these high risk warnings and putting themselves in danger

for situations that could be avoided. The crews had to traverse over rough ground in the dark and put out a fire that spread down a cliff face. We were very grateful to members of the public who saw the plume of smoke and notified ourselves and the emergency services immediately. Early intervention is of the utmost importance in these situations and the more eyes and ears we have out there, the faster we can respond to a fire, the less damage that is caused to the National Park."

We need your help across the Country, most especially the people of Killarney, who love their Park. If you suspect smoke or the lighting of fires PLEASE call EMERGENCY SERVICES 999 OR 112.

HRT ANNOUNCEMENT

WELCOMED

Fianna Fáil TD, Michael Cahill has warmly welcomed the roll out of State funded Hormone Replacement Therapy (HRT), which will commence on June 1st at registered pharmacies.

"I am delighted that the day for the roll out of State funded HRT is nearly upon us and that Minister Carroll McNeill has announced that the dispensing fee will also be covered. On the 1st of June, those pharmacies that have registered for the scheme, will be in a position to dispense HRT to the relevant patients under this Government scheme" stated Deputy Cahill.

"This is great news that will have a positive impact on many people's lives and also covering the dispensing fee is an added bonus" added Michael Cahill TD.



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Con's passing is like a bright light being quenched

John O'Mahony, Killarneytoday.com pays tribute to the late Con O'Leary.

The passing of Con O'Leary in Killarney has marked a real end of an era in the town where he was instantly recognised, hugely popular, greatly respected and much loved.

One man, in his time, plays many parts and so it was with Con who was a very forward-thinking businessman, a great family man, a proud Killarney man, a quick wit and a wonderful storyteller and when one is asked to name a character of real substance, the name Con O'Leary immediately springs to mind.

The Laurels bar and restaurant, owned and operated by the O'Leary family for three generations, has long been a landmark in the town and it has had a magnet-like lure for locals and visitors down through the years.

The secret to that success is that Con and his family always ran and still run a good house. There was never a need for a welcome mat at the door as the warm greeting that awaited inside was taken as a given.

Whether it was as a busy coffee shop back in the day, a live music venue for several years, a buzzing bar with a lively atmosphere, a place where team-mates celebrated a win together or commiserated with each other following a loss, a gourmet-style pub or just a friendly local hostelry where pals met up, everybody will have their own favourite memories of The Laurels. Socially and geographically, it has always been very much the heart of the town.

There has never been a need for a welcome mat at the door of The Laurels as the warm greeting was taken as a given

It was always refreshing to meet Con when he was behind the bar. He was interesting, he was interested and conversation always flowed freely. The topic of the day could vary from the antics of characters from yesteryear whose colourful personalities added so much to the town or the latest carry-on by the political decision makers, be it nationally along the corridors of power in Dáil Éireann or locally, as it was then, on the first floor of the town hall.

Many in Killarney will have particularly fond memories of the famous nightly music and dance sessions in the back lounge with Dick Willis, Davy Stone and the Irwin School of Irish Dance, among others, entertaining the masses.

There were the lively rugby club and basketball club get-togethers, the special atmosphere at the annual December 23rd disco, fun table quizzes and, of course, there was the popular Christmas treasure hunts with the questions set by Con as he sent half Killarney off in every direction trying to solve his cryptic riddles.

Hugely intelligent and extremely well read, Con had poetry and prose and words of wisdom on tap and he had a wonderful ability to build up a great rapport with people of any age and from any



walk of life. Con loved nothing more than a good natured wind-up and, with his roguish sense of humour, he was never short of opportunities in that regard.

His place of business has always been immaculately presented, festooned with elaborate displays of flowers, shrubs and hanging baskets, and it was little wonder that it was a serial winner in the Killarney Looking Good Competition year after year.

He must have been asked how the The Laurels got its name tens of thousands of times but he never tired of recalling the story of a great greyhound who bought fame and fortune to Con's father, Thado, when winning the high-profile Laurels race at Wimbledon in 1930.

And if any proof was needed, the portrait of the champion hound, Kilbrean Boy, has always had pride of place over the main fireplace in the bar. Many years later, when Con took over the family business after his father's death, to mark that great achievement he changed the name of the pub to The Laurels.

Thado was one of the founding fathers of Killarney Race Company and Con followed in his footsteps at the Ross Road track with Con's daughter, Kate, currently a director.

Con loved the lakes and the sea, he was a keen sailor and he had a detailed knowledge of Killarney and Kerry that was difficult to rival.

The passing of Con O'Leary is akin to a very bright light being extinguished in Killarney. Always chirpy, personable and with a very caring manner, he lived a good life, he lived a full life and, in the process, he touched the lives of many other people in a very positive manner.

Killarney will miss Con O'Leary and of that there is no doubt but he leaves a rich legacy of great memories for so many people and he certainly made his mark.

He passed away, peacefully and surrounded by

his loving family, in the early hours of Sunday morning.

The beloved husband of Anne and loving father of Kate, Niall, Tara and Lorna, he is further survived by sons-in-law Owen Daly, Ronan Quirke and Alfie Gemillan, his grandchildren Robert, Jason, Roan and AnnaKate, his sisters Carmel Slattery (Killarney) and Colette Hurley (Lahinch), brothers-in-law, many other relatives, the wonderful team at The Laurels, his carers and so many friends.

Following his Requiem Mass on Wednesday at 10.30am, cremation took place on Thursday in the Island Crematorium, Cork.

TRIBUTE FROM KILLARNEY CHAMBER OF TOURISM COMMERCE

Killarney Chamber of Tourism and Commerce has led the tributes to the late Con O'Leary, an extremely popular and very successful businessman in the town, who passed away in the early hours of Sunday.

Con was a vibrant and popular personality in Killarney where he operated The Laurels on Main Street, a thriving bar and restaurant, which he inherited following the passing of his father, Thado. The business organisation said from a social perspective, The Laurels became the beating heart of the town and it was a landmark at the Market Cross in the same way as Clery's clock was in the capital city.

Chamber said Con's passing really marks the end of an era as he was one of a golden age of inspirational local business people who developed and built Killarney, through hard work, bravery and great commercial flair, and helped create the wonderful tourist attraction and holiday destination it is today.

"Con was very proud of Killarney and he played a very active part in progressing the town at many levels.

"He was a man that was never short of great ideas and his contribution to the business life of the town and as a director of Killarney Race Company was immense," Chamber said.

"He was ahead of his time in many respects with the introduction by what became known as "the singing lounge" many years ago and The Laurels always led by example through its successes in the annual Killarney Looking Good competition".

The business representative organisation noted that the O'Leary family has always been very supporting of the town and Con's daughter, Kate, was a very dynamic Chamber President and is still a very valued member of the executive.

Chamber expressed deep sympathy to Con's wife, Anne, children Kate, Niall, Tara and Lorna, sons-in-law, grandchildren, sisters, relatives and friends as well as the dedicated staff in The Laurels, past and present, who Con always had great time for and a great rapport with.



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Anne Lucey
looks at the positive news
happening in Killarney



*Cullinagh old holly after
rhododendron removal*



*Cullinagh old
houses*



*Cullinagh village
oak*

CULLINAGH - the Hidden Holly village

A hidden village is being uncovered on Tomies Mountain where huge machines are helping clear miles of rhododendron. Stands of holly (cuileann), along with old oat and potato drills are also being unveiled.

We celebrate Tomies now for its last stands of oak in Ireland but it is worth remembering timber from this woodland beloved of the Fianna was sold by Lord Kenmare to the British navy as recently as the 1900s.

By coincidence, I have been reading the Annie Proulx book *Barkskins* which I came across in the Killarney library.

She wrote the *Shipping News* and *Brokeback Mountain* and I went to see her once at the Galway Arts Festival.

Barkskins is more terrifying than a gothic novel. It is about a family's "fortunes" in the taking down of the forests of the US and Canada by the French and the English beginning in the 17th century - around the same time the Irish forests were being cut down.

The wasting of the forest and the native Indians by the Europeans is brutal.

The book ends with their descendants, botanists, hunting the old medicines hoping

the replanting of trees will replace what was destroyed. But they can't ever fully succeed because the old plants were surrounded by healthy, not young, weak and diseased trees. Pete Coghlan teacher in Cullinagh School in his book on Beaufort talks about the forests ancient, and not so ancient.

"First class larch" was taken out of Tomies during the 1940s and smaller *Arbutus* woods, Yew and Mountain Ash and "the friendly holly" were "ruthlessly torn down and in the Gap especially were wantonly burnt down", the late Pete writes.

The giant mixed woods had sheltered and nurtured the Irish just like the Indians on the other side of the Atlantic. The sadness felt by the Irish at the destruction of their woods was almost unbearable.

At times near where I live, I come across white stitchwort. It is a sign of where old oaks grew.

Like Proulx says in her novel, we just don't understand the symbiotic relationship between plants and trees. Lose the trees, lose a colony. Hopefully, the recovery of "the lovely holly" on ancient Tomies may see a kind of return.

Technology may arrive at the courthouse

Just one courthouse in Kerry has video-link and video viewing facilities - Tralee. Since Covid video link to prisons has become a staple of

court hearings at District Court level where accused are on remand in Cork Limerick and Portlaoise.

The technology saves prisoner transfer from prisons unless books of evidence are being presented and they are being sent forward for trial.

That only Tralee District Court has video link - which means cases from the four other courts - Cahersiveen, Listowel, Kenmare and Killarney and Dingle have to be transferred to Tralee clogging court lists in Tralee.

The Wednesday District Court List in Tralee frequently numbers in excess of 330 offences for the day.

CCTV footage - a staple now for late night assault cases, burglaries etc even in lower courts - is also not available and these cases too have to be aired in Tralee which other than video links has sub standard facilities for persons in custody and all others.

Additional expense and time which could be better spent is also incurred in witnesses and gardai having to travel to Tralee.

Killarney is set to link to the "Government cloud" in the coming weeks so the technology can be installed, the courts service has told me. Tralee and Listowel are both already connected to the Government cloud "and Killarney will be connected in the coming weeks," the spokesman said.

We will keep an eye out!

Taking the lawn out of Green Lawn

Last October I think it was when councillors were told the best of option for a multi-storey car park for Killarney was New Street, in the lower car park off Beech and Mission Road. That was for a three-floor, 516 space multi-story with roof parking.

Now we find a proposal to go before the council in which the nearby lawn is being taken out of Green Lawn for tarmacadam. That whole western corridor as we have labelled it in a previous column is the one most clogged already.

As well as the current surface parking in lower New Street, you also have the car park on the Credit Union side of Beech/Mission Roads. Further down you have the cathedral car park which will eventually become municipal. The street itself has also lost parking spaces during Covid - which have yet to be returned.

The Green Lawn 139 space car park will see a new entrance from the Mission Road to the lower New street car park and access to the Green Lawn.

In other words, the western corridor will draw even more traffic. Traffic that won't be relieved even if the N22 bypass is ever built.

Is the whole of New Street to become a car park?

I know that residents of Green and Bridewell lanes are preparing a submission and among their concerns - and let's face it it is an awful

imposition on this quiet area are: noise, late night disturbance, clogging up the Mission road even more, light and air pollution, exhaust and other fumes. I think they might also look at the runoff from polluted surface water into the lake and the Deenagh from yet more diesel and petrol spillages.

The single biggest issue in Killarney is traffic flow and parking. Killarney is surrounded with plenty of land. Could the golf course or the national park or farmers be encouraged to create green car parks to facilitate park and ride?

A niggling question remains: Is New Street being forced to make up for one third of the spaces being lost to the health centre in Aras Phádraig? People have until the afternoon of May 15th to make observations to the town hall.



The Green Lawn where the council propose to change into a 139 space car park



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GOOD FRIDAY APRIL 18TH

10.30am: Morning Prayer.

3.00pm: Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion.

Confessions: 4pm - 6pm, 8pm - 9pm.

9pm: Stations of the Cross with Confessions afterwards.

HOLY SATURDAY APRIL 19TH

The Church, as it were, by the tomb, quietly awaiting the Resurrection.

10.30am: Morning Prayer in the Cathedral.

Confessions: 12 noon - 2pm in the Cathedral.

9pm: Easter Vigil with Bishop Ray and Concelebrants in St. Mary's Cathedral.

EASTER SUNDAY APRIL 20TH

The Lord is Risen, the Light of Christ has come into the world. Alleluia!

Masses at the usual times to celebrate the Lord's Resurrection

St. Mary's Cathedral: 8am 10.30am and 12 Noon.

Church of the Resurrection: 11am

Church of the Holy Spirit Muckcross: 9.30am.

FRANCISCAN FRIARY

HOLY THURSDAY APRIL 17TH

Morning Prayer: 10am

Mass of the Lord's Supper: 8pm

Night Prayer at 11.45pm (Friary Oratory)

Confessions 10.30am - 12.30pm, 3pm - 5pm

GOOD FRIDAY APRIL 18TH

Morning Prayer: 10am

Stations of the Cross at 12 noon

Confessions 10.30am - 11.30am,

Solemn Liturgy of the Passion: 3pm

HOLY SATURDAY - APRIL 19TH

Morning Prayer: 10am

Confessions 10.30am - 12.30pm & 3pm-5pm

Easter Vigil: - 9.30pm

EASTER SUNDAY APRIL 20TH

Mass at usual times: 8.30 am 10 am 11.30 am

(There will be no Holy Hour)

Please note No Confessions Easter Week

Confessions will resume on Saturday 26th of April 10.30am—11.30.am & 4pm, - 5pm

Why do we celebrate Holy Week?

In Holy Week we relive with Jesus his road the

Cross: the triumphant entry into Jerusalem; the institution of the Eucharist and the ministerial priesthood; his loneliness and agony in the garden as he is betrayed by the disciple Judas; his trial before the Romans and the Jews; his once and forever sacrifice upon the Cross; the emptiness of a world where Christ appears lost; and his glorious Resurrection on Easter. Christians have been observing Holy Week since the earliest days of the Church. Early Christians would travel to Jerusalem at Passover to reenact the events of the week leading up to the Resurrection. The earliest accounts of Holy Week were recorded by Egeria in the 380s A.D. From her accounts we know that on Palm Sunday, crowds of Christians waved palm fronds as they processed from the Mount of Olives into the City. She also details how the community gathered on Good Friday at Golgotha to honour the wood of the True Cross and to remember the Crucifixion. Customs spread from Jerusalem to around the Christian world. And we do it this year in pray and participate in the Lord's suffering, death and resurrection.

Please note that all Holy Week Ceremonies this year are taking place ONLY in St. Mary's Cathedral so as to have a whole parish celebration.

Kerry-Based Leader Helps Save Irish Boxing's Olympic Future

Kerry-based Niall O'Carroll has played a leading role in protecting Ireland's Olympic boxing ambitions, guiding the Irish Athletic Boxing Association (IABA) through one of the most turbulent periods in its history.

O'Carroll, who runs his own consultancy, NiallOC.ie, stepped into the role of Chairperson of the IABA at a time when the organisation faced an existential threat. Irish boxing lost its Olympic status due to continued affiliation with the IBA, an organisation expelled by the International Olympic Committee (IOC).

At stake were Ireland's Olympic legacy and the dreams of hundreds of young boxers across the country. Over the last 15 months, O'Carroll, a globally respected high-performance culture and leadership expert, led a cultural transformation across the organisation, rebuilt trust with clubs, and helped guide a difficult national conversation on aligning with World

Boxing, the new IOC-recognised governing body.

This week, that work paid off. The future of Irish boxing as an Olympic sport was secured as the vote at the Extraordinary General Meeting (EGM) was successful. This decision ensures Ireland's continued participation on the world's most prestigious sporting stage and preserves the hopes of future generations of Irish boxing talent.

"This wasn't just about governance," said O'Carroll. "It was about identity, legacy, and the future of our young athletes. It was about trust, both rebuilding it and earning it."

Despite the complexity and scale of the challenge, his work was entirely voluntary. At the same time, he continued to lead his consultancy, working with leaders, organisations, and elite teams to create high-performance cultures and drive lasting change.



O'Carroll's story is one of local roots and global leadership. His experience managing crisis, building alignment, and facilitating strategic conversion now supports organisations right across Ireland, from his base in Kerry.

With the 2028 Olympics back on the horizon for Irish boxing, O'Carroll's leadership proves that the same skills that build champions in the ring can transform organisations and cultures in every sector.



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topped with rocket (2,7,9,14) GFA

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Baked Cod Fillet
crushed parsley potato, prawn & lemon cream sauce (5,7,3,14) GFA

Supreme of Chicken
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Firies National School Celebrates Neurodiversity with Crazy Hair Day

On April 11th, Firies National School was awash with colour, creativity, and curls of every kind as students and staff marked Crazy Hair Day—a joyful celebration of diversity and difference. From rainbow mohawks to glittery buns and wacky wigs, the school community embraced the day with open hearts and open minds.

But this wasn't just about hair. This vibrant event was held in association with Killarney Autism Friendly Town, as part of a wider initiative to promote acceptance of autism and neurodiversity. Through laughter, self-expression, and a healthy dose of hairspray, the day aimed to send an important message: being different is something to be celebrated.

Children were encouraged to get creative and express themselves in a way that was fun and meaningful. More importantly, they were invited to reflect on the idea that just like every hairdo in the school that day—every

person is unique. Some children learn differently, communicate differently, or see the world in their own special way, and that is something to embrace with kindness and understanding. Staff led conversations in classrooms about what it means to be neurodivergent and how we can be better friends and classmates by recognising and valuing those differences. In a world where children are growing up in increasingly diverse communities, this day reminded everyone that acceptance begins with awareness, and that awareness can begin with something as simple—and as fabulous—as a crazy hairdo.

Firies National School has long fostered a culture of inclusion, and Crazy Hair Day was yet another way the school shone a light on its commitment to every child. In the words of the principal, Claire Doyle, "all our children are different and amazing in their own ways".



Pearl Foley, Katlyn O'Callaghan and Keith O'Callaghan.



Aoife O'Connor and Róisín O'Hanlon.



Charlotte O'Connor and Freya McCarthy.



Lucy O'Sullivan and Rhea O'Brien.

Kilcummin Pupils take part in the Clean Up

Young Volunteers Learn Great Life Lessons

Kilcummin National School decided to take the opportunity to start the National Spring Clean Up campaign during the fabulous weather last week. Junior Infants, Senior Infants and First Class were delighted to seize the day on Monday, 7th April, and they took advantage of the dry weather for An Taisce's National Spring Clean Up. C

Classes were allocated areas to be cleaned around Kilcummin village. Junior Infants, Senior Infants and First Class were delighted to clean our school grounds, while all the other classes ventured beyond the school walls and cleaned by the GAA pitch, Tangney's Cross, Our Lady of Lourdes Church and grounds.

The children were delighted to meet Peter the falcon and Liam O'Reagan from Falconry Kerry on our way to complete our clean up. Liam was visiting the school with Peter to discuss entrepreneurial life with our budding 5th & 6th class





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Network Ireland Kerry's 'Networking for Success' Empowering Successful Connections



Pictured at the Network Ireland Kerry April event 'Networking for Success' in The Plaza Hotel, Killarney on Thursday evening (April 10th) were: Michelle Walsh (New Body and Soul), Patricia Healy (Healy Insurances), Noreen Leader (AIB) and Maria Gormon (AIB). Photo: Michelle Breen Crean Photography

The Network Ireland Kerry April event was hosted in The Killarney Plaza Hotel & Spa, Killarney, where the focus on the evening was on, "Networking for Success – with the wonderful Jean Evan's of NetworkMe".

The MC for the night was, Aisling Foley, Network Ireland Kerry's Vice President and Awards Coordinator. Aisling also took the opportunity on the night to talk about the upcoming 2025 Network Ireland Kerry Businesswoman of the Year Awards, that are currently open for applications for the Employer, Employee and Entrepreneur. These applications are closing on Thursday 17th of April at 6pm. Applications can be submitted by Members through the following link: Network Ireland Businesswoman of the Year Awards.

Applications are now open for the following categories:

- **Emerging Businesswoman**
- **Solo Businesswoman**
- **Established Businesswoman**
- **Creative Professional**
- **STEM Professional**
- **Employee – Rising Star**
- **Employee – Shining Star**
- **Networker of the Year**

Closing the evening President, Emily Reen, along with Tralee Chamber Alliance Representative, Daire McCann of Crean McCann Property, presented Kerry Hospice Foundation and Kerry Rape & Sexual Abuse Centre, 2x Donation Cheques to the value of €500 each for their joint collaboration event and fundraiser for International Women's Day

during the month of March.

For the first time in over 42 Years the Network Ireland National Conference and Awards will be coming to The Great Southern, Killarney on September 25th & 26th, under the leadership of the National President, Amy O'Sullivan and we will have another opportunity to celebrate Women in Business and Professional Services here in Kerry again in 2025."

Applications for the upcoming Network Ireland Kerry Businesswoman of the Year Awards are closing on Thursday 17th of April at 6pm. All Applications can be submitted by Members through the following link: Network Ireland Businesswoman of the Year Awards.



Pictured at the presentation at the Network Ireland Kerry April event 'Networking for Success' in The Plaza Hotel, Killarney on Thursday evening (April 10th) were: Megan Daly-Tyrell (Corporate Membership Officer, NIK), Daire McCann (Crean McCann Property & also representing Tralee Chamber), Emily Reen (NIK President), and Aisling Foley (The Rose Hotel & Vice President & Events Officer/Awards Coordinator NIK).

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Pictured were: Megan Daly-Tyrell (Corporate Membership Officer, NIK), Mary Shanahan, Emily Reen (NIK President), Margaret Crean, Daire McCann (Crean McCann Property & also representing Tralee Chamber) and Aisling Foley (The Rose Hotel & Vice President & Events Officer/Awards Coordinator NIK). Photo: Michelle Breen Crean Photography



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Ornithologist Ed Carty presenting the Dawn Chorus as they Witness the many songbirds complete with a morning sunrise and the drumming sounds of Woodpeckers as part of the Killarney National Park Education Centre Spring weekend programme of events.

A special time to witness the rejuvenation of Killarney National Park at this glorious time of the year - a perfect Spring Season of growth and colour. Dr Killian Kelly MTU Wildlife Biology also presented the unique Dawn Chorus.

Photos:
Valerie O'sullivan

The day Killarney Stepped Into Spring

A magical sunrise... Woodpeckers... a swan fly-over... an Emperor Moth shows up

The Killarney National Park Education Centre 'Step into Spring' weekend programme was amazing! By 5.45am, Saturday morning in Knockree, the Dawn Chorus was in full swing. Guiding the dawn chorus was Ornithologist Ed Carty and Dr. Killian Kelly, MTU, Wildlife Biology, recognising each birdsong.

It was perfect, complete with a morning sunrise and the drumming sounds of several Woodpeckers. Audience participation and appreciation was wonderful for all the events. The weekend continued in that vein, it is such a special place to witness the rejuvenation of Killarney National Park at this glorious time of year - a perfect Spring season of growth and colour.

The programme of events included, a talk on Otters by Dr Ferdia Marnell, NPWS, 'Trapping Moths' with Stephen Cotter, Dawn Chorus with Ornithologist, Ed Carty and Dr. Killian Kelly, MTU, Wildlife Biology, identifying trees with Cormac Foley and Horacio Prieto, Shonagh Gray NPWS Conservation Ranger, presented a walk on Muckross Peninsula, Killarney National Park Education Staff members, Tara Buckley and Alison McAllister, presented the Nocturnal ramblings and nature based family activities. They organised the weekend, devised by Chris Barron, Head of the Education Centre.

The Autumn Gathering weekend takes place from Friday 17th - Sunday 19th October 2025



'Moth-Man' Stephen Cotter, gave a talk on the wonderful moths of Kerry. Highlighting their incredible diversity and the importance of this undervalued insect!



Paloma Bayley, left, and Thalie Konstantinidis, with the Dawn ringing of birds as part of the Killarney National Park Education Centre Spring weekend programme of events.



Billy Horan with a 'Emperor' Moth as he enjoyed the presentation with 'Moth-Man' Stephen Cotter.



Daniel Smith with a 'Scalloped Hazel' Moth.



'Moth-Man' Stephen Cotter, gave a talk on the wonderful moths of Kerry.



Alice Banks Sullivan enjoying the presentation.



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FROM UPGRADED DISCOVERY POINT

Construction has begun at Bray Head, Valentia Island, on the upgraded Wild Atlantic Way Discovery Point. The new project received an investment of €2.13 million from Fáilte Ireland and will be delivered in partnership with Kerry County Council. It aims to enhance the existing Wild Atlantic Way Discovery Point at Bray Head by restoring and conserving the historic Bray Head Signal Tower building, installing a new concrete spiral staircase and viewing platform offering visitors spectacular views of the Skellig Islands and South West coast. It will also include upgrades to the access road and car park to improve accessibility. The Wild Atlantic Way Discovery Points, first developed in 2014, showcase areas with spectacular views and unique historical sites along Ireland's west coast. Bray Head is one of 187 points along the 2,500km route, each marked with a distinctive Wild Atlantic Way signpost. Located at the most westerly point of Valentia Island, Bray Head offers breathtaking views of the Skellig Islands, the South West coast, including the Blasket Islands, Puffin Island, and Portmagee Channel. Once complete, the Discovery Point at Bray Head will complement the nearby Discovery Points at Kerry Cliffs and Fogher Cliffs on Geokaun Mountain.



At Bray Head, Valentia Island, Co. Kerry, (included) Niamh O'Sullivan, Director of Services Kerry County Council, Cllr Dan McCarthy, Cllr Norma Moriarty, Cllr Teddy O'Sullivan, Casey, Cllr Podge Foley, David Doyle, Senior Engineer Kerry County Council, Hilary Creedon, Manager, Activities at Fáilte Ireland, Cathaoirleach Kenmare Municipal District, Cllr., Tommy Cahill, Raymond Lyne, Project Manager, Kerry County Council, Fearghal Reidy, Chief Executive, Kerry County Council, Josephine O'Driscoll, Manager, Wild Atlantic Way at Fáilte Ireland. Photo: Valerie O'Sullivan

THE LAST ECHO PREMIERS IN CORK

A native of Killarney, now resident in Cork, Jay Woodward has just released his latest film, *The Last Echo*.

The film, follows Saoirse, a survivor who becomes entangled in a fight that isn't hers. With only one goal, to survive, to do that she must she must navigate the harsh realities of a crumbling society.

"The Last Echo" - A Gripping Post-Apocalyptic Short Film Set in Ireland premiered with a private screening for cast, crew, and family in Cork on April 12, 2025.

The Last Echo is an intense new short film written and directed by Jay Woodward. It is set against the rugged Irish landscape. Saoirse is a lone survivor who finds herself entangled in a brutal fight that was never hers to begin with. With only one goal...survive...she must navigate a world where danger lurks in every shadow. A Must-Watch for "The Last of Us" Fans Shot on location in Cork, Ireland, The Last Echo runs parallel to the universe of HBO's critically acclaimed The Last of Us, making

it an exciting companion for fans of the series. With Season 2 of The Last of Us premiering just days later, on April 14, 2025, this short film offers a thrilling expansion of the post-apocalyptic genre. Starring Hannah Henchin as Saoirse and Jay Woodward as Eamon, The Last Echo delivers high-stakes action, emotional depth, and stunning cinematography that brings this world to life. Jay's wife Jules and son Wyatt also appear in the film, with Jules also responsible for costume design.

Watch The Film
<https://linktr.in/WHuAkd>
YouTube:
youtube.com/@iamjaywoodard
Instagram: @iamjaywoodard

Fans of HBO's The Last of Us will love this thrilling parallel story, released just days before the show's highly anticipated second season.



Jay Woodward, pictured with his wife Julie and his mother Noelle Crosbie at the Premier of The Last Echo, his latest film.



Cast and Crew from left: Zach Frenett, Hannah Henchin, Alessia Leone, Leah Barbour, Cian O'Leary, Jules Woods, Jay Woodward and Rory Fitzgerald.

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In addition to this, AI, Virtual Reality and Driver Simulation will play a significant role at the conference, in improving safety by predicting and preventing accidents, optimizing traffic, and aiding the development of autonomous vehicles.

This 'Safer Roads' conference is a non-public event where road safety professionals, speakers and service providers from across Ireland, other EU countries and the UK will attend, including transportation experts, government and local authority officials, roads policing and vehicle inspection agencies, road safety advocates, educators and promoters, collision responders, cycling bodies and community safety networks. Frank Hartnett, Director of Services for Roads & Transport at Kerry County Council said:

Kerry County Council looks forward to welcoming National and International leaders in Road Safety to Kerry in May. This milestone event is an opportunity for a world class community that shares a passion, dedication and desire to excel in road safety to learn and share. Each and every road user is entitled to use the roads and not to have their safety or lives at risk. The safety of our roads is not the responsibility of one organisation, but that of all stakeholders and road users. Through working together, sharing our knowledge, expertise, and experience, we aim to develop a safer environment for all road users.

The two-day conference also provides an opportunity for exhibitors to attend, and interested state bodies, businesses and service providers are invited to exhibit at the event to showcase their products and services and engage with delegates and officials at the conference.

Kerry County Council's Road Safety Officer Declan Keogh said:

"Road safety has evolved over the years to a much broader scope, in terms of e-mobility, sustainability, technology and engineering for instance. It's not just about the road or the vehicle anymore, but also about how technology, human behaviour, enforcement,



Driving for Work: L-R: Senior Executive Engineer Brian Lennon, Assistant Health & Safety Advisor Katriona Scully and Road Safety Officer Declan Keogh.



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Country Music Legend Dermot celebrates 35 Years of Sounds Country

All roads will lead to the Gleneagle Hotel on Friday night next, April 25th to celebrate Dermot Moriarty's 35 years of Sounds Country on Radio Kerry. One of the headliners on the night will be Jack Keogh, with other artists including Olivia Douglas, Mick Flavin, John Glenn, Patrick & Conor O'Sullivan, PJ Murrihy, Shawn Cuddy & Neily O'Connor. John Glenn will make the long journey from Co. Armagh at a time when he is celebrating the fact that it is 50 years since he was asked to join the Mainliners, when Big Tom left the band.

Dermot's interest in music started almost 60 years ago when his parents would call him every Saturday morning to listen to Paschal Mooney and Noel Andrews doing a country show on Radio 1. He recalls all those years ago the numerous occasions he spent in Jack Scully's music shop at the Market Cross buying the hit records of that time.

His first break as an entertainer was when he was asked to join a band called The Country Rangers. Later he teamed up with Sean Brosnan as a two piece band called Gypsy Fever. Their big break came in 1983 when they recorded Killarney In My Dreams written by Denis Allen and performed it live on RTE 1 television from the Dome in Tralee.

As a result the song shot up the charts and made it to number 2. Then Dermot started his own band called The Kerry Cowboys, very popular all over the country and played many times in the famous Galtymore in Cricklewood. Sean stayed local and was joined by his wife Philo as a 2 piece.

In 1990 Dermot got the call to join Radio Kerry as a country music presenter. At that time he did four country music evening programmes and also Sunday mornings. It is estimated that over the 35 year period he would have played in excess of 145,000 songs.

On next Friday night doors will open at the Gleneagle Ballroom at 7pm and the show will start at 8. You can sit back and enjoy or dance the night away.

Tickets €20 available at the door on the night



Dermot Moriarty who is celebrating 35 Years of Sounds Country

SLIMMING GROUPS IN KILLARNEY & KILLORGLIN CLEAR OUT THEIR WARDROBES TO HELP FIGHT CANCER

Groups of Slimmers in Killarney and Killorglin helped raise thousands of pounds for a cancer charity with clothes that no longer fit them.

Slimming World members in Hayley Carter & Sharon Brosnan's groups raised over €2000 for the Irish Cancer Society by donating over 100 bags of clothes they've slimmed out of to the charity's shops.

The annual "Big Slimming World Clothes Throw" takes place in Slimming World groups across Ireland. It sees members donating good quality clothes, shoes, and accessories that no longer fit – and they're confident they will never need again.

Slimming World Consultant Hayley Carter who runs some of the groups, says she's proud of how her members came together to support the charity and life-saving research, as well as to celebrate how far they've come on their own weight loss journeys.

"It's always a pleasure to see the excitement in group when The Big Slimming World Clothes Throw comes around", Hayley told Killarney Outlook.

"When you're losing weight, it can be easy to focus on the number on the scales without realising how many non-scale victories are happening in the background, like slimming down a clothes size or two.

"This event celebrates those victories as it is all about members donating their old wardrobe while raising money for an important cause.

So far Hayley and Sharon believe they have raised close to or over €2000 with the donations from their members

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Minister for Justice Visits Kerry Community Youth Service Killarney



Kerry Community Youth Service (KCYS) staff and youth, TD Michael Cahill, Cllr Niall Kelleher, members of An Garda Síochána pictured with Minister for Justice Jim O'Callaghan TD seated centre front beside Berni Smyth, Chief Executive Officer of Kerry Community Youth Service (left) and Linda Kearin (Youth Justice Project Coordinator) during the minister's visit to the KCYS centre on Monday afternoon. Photo: Michelle Breen Crean Photography

On Monday 14th April 2025, Minister for Justice, Jim O'Callaghan, visited Kerry Community Youth Service (KCYS) in Killarney for a tour of this state of the art youth centre, get a flavour of the organisation's integrated youth work model and to hear more about the crucial role its range of services, including a County-wide Youth Diversion Project (YDP), plays in preventing youth crime and supporting young people who have engaged in criminal activity in the region.

KCYS, a cornerstone of community youth services in Kerry, has been running its Youth Diversion Programme with great success for many years, offering young people aged 12 to 18 years old, alternatives to involvement in criminal activity. The programme, which is funded by the Department of Justice, provides Early Intervention, Youth Work, Family Support, mentorship, skills development, and structured activities that help young people to engage in positive activities within their communities. Most recently, KCYS Youth Diversion Project

was one of three YDP's selected to pilot a national Court Accompaniment service.

During the visit, Minister O'Callaghan met with staff and youth participants to gain a deeper understanding of the impact of the Youth Diversion Project, how the KCYS integrated youth work model works, as well as discussing potential for expansion and further support in Kerry to meet the needs of young people and families in the area.

Minister O'Callaghan's visit to KCYS underscores the Government's commitment to enhancing youth support services and addressing the underlying causes of youth crime across Ireland. It is expected that the Minister will advocate for additional resources to further strengthen such initiatives nationwide.

The Youth Diversion Project is part of KCYS's broader mission to support young people through a variety of programmes ranging from universal

to highly targeted interventions aimed at supporting young people to reach their full potential. This visit highlights the importance of community-based initiatives in shaping the futures of young people and fostering positive societal change.



Minister for Justice Jim O'Callaghan TD chats about the facilities offered at the KCYS Killarney during a visit on Monday afternoon. Pictured from l-r were: Conor Flaherty (Youth Advisory Panel), Minister for Justice Jim O'Callaghan TD, Peg O'Sullivan (Family Support Manager), Berni Smyth (CEO KCYS) on Monday afternoon. Photo: Michelle Breen Crean Photography

Castleisland Community College JUNIOR AND SENIOR KERRY FOOTBALL CHAMPIONS!

Both Junior and Senior ladies football teams have become county champions and have now secured their places in Munster football finals. Both teams have progressed from regional competitions and will now represent the school in the Munster finals.

Following success against Regina Mundi College, Cork in the Munster semi-final, the junior team will now meet Presentation Secondary School, Ballingarry in the final, scheduled for late April or early May. The senior team secured their place in the Munster final after their semi-final fixture against Scoil Mhuire gan Smál, Blarney. They will also face Regina Mundi College, Cork in the Munster Senior final.

The teams are trained by Anna Kerin (SNA) and Annie Potts (History and PE teacher). Leah Boyle a past pupil and a member of the Kerry Senior Ladies football team was also involved in training the teams as part of her college placement.

'This is a great achievement to all players, some of who play on both the junior and senior panels. An honour to have progressed to this stage of competition. We wish the best of luck to both teams in their quest for junior and senior Munster titles,' stated Mairéad Corridan (Acting Principal).



In the photo from left is Mairéad Corridan (Acting Principal), Norma Murphy & Caoimhe O Mahony (Joint Junior Captains), Leah Boyle (Kerry Senior Ladies Player & Coach), Katie Kerins & Tara Kerin (Joint Senior Captains), Anna Kerin (Coach & SNA), Annie Potts (Coach & PE teacher)

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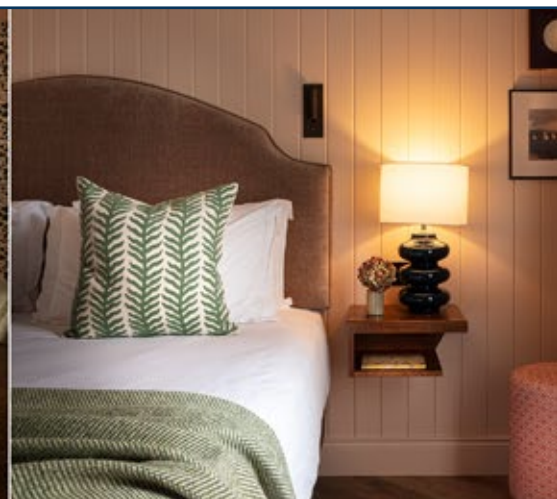
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When hotel owner Colin Boyle first laid eyes on the building that would become The Ashe Hotel in 2014, he observed, "There was a total air of abandonment." The property had been closed for some time, but its potential was evident: a prime town centre location, generously sized bedrooms, and well-designed bar, restaurant, and banqueting areas.

Jane, Colin's wife, shares their vision: "We wanted to create a warm and welcoming atmosphere by developing a great team and carefully designing the interior spaces, combining our love of vintage pieces with close attention to the comfort of our guests." Both are deeply involved in the hotel's daily operations, bringing expertise in hospitality, construction, and design to many aspects of the business. Situated in Tralee's Old Market area, the couple emphasised the importance of being warm and welcoming to both neighbours and visiting guests. The hotel quickly gained a reputation for excellent food and became a venue for special family celebrations and events. This popularity led to rapid expansion, including doubling the restaurant's capacity and adding a spacious, sunlit external terrace.

Today, The Ashe Hotel stands as a thriving 4-star destination in Tralee, featuring Alfie's Restaurant and Bar, the glamorous Lottie's event space, and the quirky Roundy's Bar just across the road on Brogue Makers Lane. Approaching their 10-year anniversary, the hotel has completed a €2 million investment in new deluxe rooms, suites, and energy sustainability projects, positioning them for continued growth. They attribute their success to loyal guests and a dedicated team, expressing gratitude to all who have contributed to the hotel's development. With Tralee being a wonderful place to live, work, and play, The Ashe Hotel anticipates a bright future ahead.



The team at The Ashe Hotel continues to build on their reputation by working with local producers and suppliers to create unique and memorable stays. Their commitment to quality, sustainability, and community engagement remains at the heart of their hospitality ethos.

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Easter Sunday Lunch at The Europe Hotel & Resort

Celebrate Easter Sunday in style at the award-winning Panorama Restaurant at The Europe Hotel & Resort. Gather with family and friends for a memorable afternoon filled with delicious dining, warm hospitality, and breathtaking views of the Lakes of Killarney.

Enjoy a carefully curated buffet featuring the finest locally sourced ingredients. The menu includes Roast Short Rib of Prime Irish Beef, Oven Roast Leg of Local Lamb, Grilled Organic

Salmon, and Vegan Mixed Mushroom Risotto, alongside a selection of starters, salads, and indulgent desserts. A variety of vegetarian and vegan options will also be available, ensuring to cater to all palates.

The Easter Sunday buffet lunch at The Europe Hotel & Resort is priced at €60 per person and €25 per child (under 16) and is served from 12:30pm – 14:30pm. Subject to availability, it is recommended to book in advance to avoid disappointment.

Easter Escapes at The Dunloe Hotel & Gardens

Reopens for the season on Thursday, 17th April 2025

Create cherished memories this Easter with family, friends, and loved ones at The Dunloe Hotel & Gardens. Enjoy a weekend filled with joy, relaxation, and fun. Children will be entertained with the exciting Dunloe Easter Programme, featuring arts & crafts, movie

Experience the Perfect Easter Getaway at The Killarney Hotels Collection



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Tea and Stay Escape at Ard na Sidhe Country House

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Doing their bit on KWD County Clean Up Day are from left: Left to right Mike Murphy, Marcus O'Shea, Tony Fleming (Ross Castle Boat Tours), Peter Tancred, Stanley Quinlan, Dave Kavanagh, Brian Bruton KWD, Denis Kearns KWD. The group took a gap boat from Ross Castle to Lord Brandons Cottage and picked litter from there to Kate Kearney cottage.





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CRAZY HAIR DAY CELEBRATES AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH



Group Photo with teachers from all schools.

As part of April's Autism Awareness Month - Killarney schools joined forces last Friday 11th April to raise acceptance and awareness of Autism & Neurodivergence by having a Crazy Hair Day.

The aim of Crazy hair day is to create small positive changes to the way we see and interact with neurodiverse people and this education promotes acceptance and inclusion and will lead to positive change in how the neurodivergent community experience life in our schools and town.

Autism Awareness encourages us to value different ways of thinking, learning and experiencing the world. The range of creative styles was fantastic and ranged from an easter bonnet, funky up dos to cupcakes and rainbow braids - the imaginations of our towns students truly delivered for a memorable Crazy hair day.

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Creagh is the son of Johnny and Sinead, (Gallivan) proprietors of The Victoria Hotel.

A former pupil of Loreto NS and St. Brendan's College, Creagh went on to attend UCC where he completed a Masters in Economics. Creagh went onto work in New York with Grant Thornton.

He joined Kerry New York in 2022 and made his debut in 2023 and was instrumental in Kerry winning both the intermediate county league and the championship.

With work schedules, Creagh opted to play with the newly formed Junior team in 2024. At the award ceremony last weekend, the club said that:

Creagh gives 100% to the team and to the club and makes himself available to help out, no matter the ob.

A young man well respected by his team mates and club members, Creagh always has a kind word, enjoys the craic and is a huge supporter of all things Kerry, both here and at home. Of course, more importantly, he is always first and foremost, a Crokes man!



Creagh Courtney receives his Player of the Year Award in New York.



Pictured at the awards ceremony are Amy O'Shea, Zoe O'Sullivan, Creagh Courtney, Sophie Keane, and Laura O'Sullivan.

Clean Up.... Clean Up.... Everybody do your share

VOLUNTEERS TAKING PART IN KWD COUNTY CLEAN UP DAY



Volunteers, Philip and Joey O'Callaghan, taking part in the 13th Kerry County Clean Up Day, the event is sponsored by KWD Recycling. The clean-up is an annual event which encourages members of the public to pick up litter in their estates, towns and villages. At least 3,500 people took part this year, either individually, as part of a group of neighbours, or with their local Tidy Towns group. Photo: Valerie O'Sullivan



Volunteer, Mike Murphy, taking part in the 13th Kerry County Clean Up Day, the event is sponsored by KWD Recycling. Photo: Valerie O'Sullivan



Volunteer, Dale Arendse, taking part in the 13th Kerry County Clean Up Day, the event is sponsored by KWD Recycling. Photo: Valerie O'Sullivan

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PRACTICALS TAKE CENTRE STAGE IN THE STATE EXAMS

ORALS

As Easter draws near exam students must focus on orals and practical exams before facing the written exams in June. Leaving Cert Oral exams in Irish, French, German, Spanish, Italian, Russian, Japanese, Mandarin Chinese, Lithuanian, Portuguese and Polish took place this week. The oral exams provide students with an early opportunity to bank some precious exam marks.

DATES

Friday, 18 th April is the completion date for Leaving Cert Textile Studies Elective Coursework in Home Economics (Scientific & Social). The Leaving Cert Vocational Programme Link Modules Written Exam takes place on Wednesday, 30 th April from 10am to 12.30pm. The Leaving Cert Construction Studies Practical exam takes place on Tues. 29 th April, Wed, 30 th April and Thurs., 1 st May.

COMPLETION

Friday, 2 nd May is the completion date for coursework in History, Religious Education, Geography, Politics & Society, Agricultural Science and Music. The Leaving Cert Engineering Practical exam takes place on Tuesday, 6 th May, Wednesday, 7 th May and Thursday, 8 th May. The Leaving Cert Computer Science Written Exam, Section A&B (9,30am – 11.00am) and Section C (11.30am – 12.30am) goes ahead on Wednesday, 21 st May.

LCA

Students taking the Leaving Cert Applied Exam, which takes a practical approach, have a busy schedule of activities from Friday, 11 th April right up to Tuesday, 3 rd June. Included in the schedule is the LCA Information Technology (Specialism) Practical performance and written

exam which takes place on Wednesday, 14 th May from 10am to 11.30am. Full details of the LCA schedule of exam dates is available on the website of the State Examinations Commission (SEC) at www.examinations.ie.

JC EXAM

Junior Cycle Home Economics Practical Performance exams are ongoing from Monday 31 st March to Friday 11 th April with contingency days from 28 th April to 2 nd May. Friday, 11 th April is also the completion date for Junior Cycle Engineering Coursework and Junior Cycle Wood Technology Coursework. The completion date for Junior Cycle Applied Technology Coursework is Friday, 2 nd May.

WRITTEN EXAMS

Just less than eight weeks remain before the state exams get underway on Wednesday, 4 th June. The Leaving Cert exams, the Junior Cycle exams and the Leaving Cert Applied (LCA) exams will run until Tuesday, 24 th June, Monday, 16 th June and Thursday, 12 th June, respectively. Full details of the schedule of oral and practical examinations as well as detailed timetables for the Leaving Cert exam, Leaving Cert Applied (LCA) and Junior Cycle are available on the SEC website, www.examinations.ie. A Junior Cycle and Leaving Cert candidate information Video on the same website is also worth viewing.

COUNTDOWN

The Countdown to the State Exams series will begin on the 25 th April. The series is structured to help exam candidates make best use of the final term and to optimise exam performance. A series of linked articles will explain how to

efficiently manage your time and study. It will also explain how good exam techniques will result in higher grades and advise how to avail of the opportunity to do a good exam. It will also deal with important self-maintenance issues such as food and drink intake, exercise and rest, how to be mentally and physically sharp for the exams as well as outlining how to use stress and anxiety to your advantage.

CHECKLIST

- As Easter draws near exam students must focus on orals and practical exams
- Leaving Cert Oral exams take place from Saturday, 12th April to Thursday, 17 th April
- The oral exams provide an early opportunity to bank some precious exam marks
- Leaving Cert Construction Studies Practical goes ahead on 29 th /30 th April & 1st May
- The Leaving Cert Computer Science Written Exam goes ahead on Wed, 21 st May
- LCA exam has a busy schedule of activities from Fri, 11 th April to Tues, 3 rd June
- Full details of the LCA exam dates available on www.examinations.ie.
- Less than eight weeks remain before the state exams begin on Wednesday, 4 th June
- LC, LCA and Junior Cycle written exam timetables are on www.examinations.ie.

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Crochet & Collection for Kerry Cancer Support Group

Staff and students of Killarney Community College were delighted to recently get involved in the 'Square to Share' initiative by the Kerry Cancer Support Group. The challenge was to crochet granny squares that will be used as a way of supporting the Health Link bus that the charity run and is an invaluable service to the people of Kerry. Also the staff of Killarney Community College raised €350 from a coffee morning which was also presented to the charity. The staff and students have enjoyed the challenge of making the granny squares and some have learned a new skill and found a new hobby in crochet!

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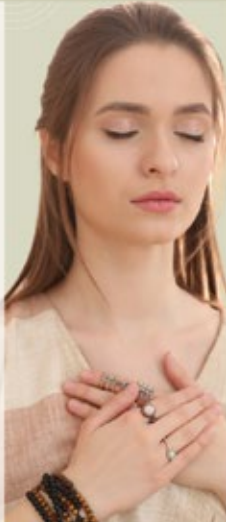


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Trish Kelly Administration and Breda Dyland Manager Kerry Cancer Support Group (centre) accepting the proceeds of two Fossa Two Mile Comhaltas Ceili's €3850 from Catherine Joy and Tim Kissane Fossa Two Mile Comhaltas group with (front) Kathleen Roche Sophie Fleming and Theresa Kissane (back) Lillian Murphy, Sarah Griffin, Geraldine Mulqueen, Martina Lonergan, Barbara Brennan, Mary Foley, June Burke, Kathleen O'Connor and Gretty O'Sullivan. The group presented the Charity with the proceeds from 3 céilís that they had organised. "We are extremely grateful for the funds. They will go towards developing and improving our existing services. We are due to take delivery of a fourth vehicle in the next few weeks", Breda Dyland told Killarney Outlook. Photo: Michelle Cooper Galvin



The Rose of Tralee Welcomes 'Rose Buddies' in Historic First for 2025 Festival! Pictured at the launch were: Kerry Rose Emer Dineen and Rose Buddy Iarla Farrell launched the search at the Fairtree Village – the new Official Sponsor to the 2025 Rose Buds and Rose Buddies. The Rose of Tralee International Festival has officially launched its search for this year's Rose Buds - and in a major first for the beloved Irish celebration, boys are now being welcomed into the fold as Rose Buddies. Photo By : Domnick Walsh © Eye Focus LTD



Gaelscoil Faithlaínn NS pictured at Crazy Hair Day for April's Autism Awareness Month



Pictured is IPU President Tom Murray with newly graduated IPU Technicians, Theresa Murphy, Reens Life Pharmacy, Killarney Co Kerry



Julia's Donation to Kerry Friends of Motor Neurone Many thanks to Kenmare woman Julia O'Connor for her generous donation to Kerry Friends of Motor Neurone recently. Picture shows Christy Lehane accepting the cheque from Julia O'Connor. The charity really appreciate that Julia chose Kerry Friends of Motor Neurone to be the beneficiary of this money.

HeartBeat Easter Pop-Up Event At The Killarney Outlet Centre

HeartBeat is running a Special Big Books & Booksets event this Saturday & Sunday. Find them at a table next to their bookstand and see the amazing array of "coffee table" books on display. Funds raised on the days will go to purchase BP equipment for our Nurses.



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RATHMORE | GNEEVEGUILLA PARISH

By Michael O'Mahony



*Danielle O'Leary
Rathmore & Kerry,
Player of the Match
in National League
Final with Nora
O'Connor, Rathmore,
who is part of
the Kerry Ladies
management with
the National League
Trophy*

KERRY LADIES FOOTBALL

Congratulations to Danielle O'Leary, Player of the Match, and the Kerry Ladies Senior team and management including Rathmore's Nora O'Connor, who was part of management who were crowned Div. 1 National League Champions defeating Armagh on Saturday last in Croke Park.

SHARE THE BUCKET

Gneeveguilla Community Facility Group reminds you that Share the Bucket takes place weekly. The draw is every Friday evening in Teach Fáilte @8.30 pm and can be viewed live on our Gneeveguilla Community Facility Group Facebook Page. This week's jackpot was €203 and the winner was Nellie O'Connell. Tickets cost €2 each or 3 for €5. They are available at Teach Fáilte and can be bought online at <https://tinyurl.com/y2ade5om> or in local businesses where you see the Green Share the bucket.

An extra draw next week to celebrate the Easter Weekend.

CONGRATULATIONS to Shane Daly and John Hughes who won the U20 National men's plate final on Saturday last in Dublin in Basketball. Well done.

THE 2025 AGM OF THE RATHMORE SOCIAL ACTION GROUP will take place on Saturday 19th April 2025 @ 10.30 to 1pm in St. Joseph's Day

Care Centre. The SAG is open to membership. Please email info@sag.ie to request a membership form.

DIVINE MERCY NOVENA

It will commence on Good Friday April 18th and conclude on April 26th. Get your Novena and Chaplet leaflet in the Church.

KERRY FOOTBALL MUNSTER SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIP SEMI FINAL

Best of luck to Shane Ryan & Paul Murphy & the Kerry team & management in the Munster Senior Championship Kerry v Cork at Páirc Uí Chaoimh this Saturday 12th April at 7pm.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY will be celebrated in St Mary's Cathedral. Killarney on Sunday April 27th @3pm, preceded by the Rosary @ 2.40pm.

TRIP TO INISFALLEN

There will be a pilgrimage (Mass and Talk) to Inisfallen Island, Killarney, on the 15 May, 2025. If you wish to go on this pilgrimage call Tigh na Sagart 066-9156131. It is essential to book your place.

O'CALLAGHAN COACHES TRIP TO KNOCK

Sunday May 4th 2025: Peggy Lynch's Knock & Lough Derg Tour (overnight trip). Details - 064 6631095.

3RD ANNUAL DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK will take place on Saturday 23rd of August 2025. May our prayer be "To Jesus through Mary".

ACCORD TRALEE are recruiting new members for Counselling and facilitating pre- Marriage courses. An open evening will be held in the Meadowlands Hotel .V92 DC83on Monday 28th April 7.30pm - 9. pm. Contact 066 7122280 or tralee@accord.ie.

DANNY HEALY REA TD

I am glad to welcome funding of €40,000 which has been announced for safety works to be carried out at Lisheen Cross.

I had made many representations back over the years as it is a treacherous junction and many accidents have happened here. These works will be carried out later in the year.

NOTES

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

LISTRY PARISH

Written by: Colette Leslie

LOTTO

Jackpot €8,550. Winning Numbers 4, 8, 13, 24. Not Won. €100 Sinead Lucey. €50 Gloria Mulcahy. €50 Mary Kennedy, Lahard. €25 Eilish McCarthy Spillane. €25 Helen Enright, Milltown. Jackpot next week : €8,700. Next Draw: April 20th

SENIORS

In next round of the Credit Union Senior Football County League Listry play st Mary's at home Sunday 20th of April at 2pm

U14

Listry play Rathmore away in the next round of Lee Strand County league, Tuesday 22nd of April at 19.00

MINORS

The minors play Fossa at home Monday 21st at 7pm

RETIREMENT

The staff and pupils at Faha National School would like to thank and wish our wonderful bus driver Mike the very best of luck as he retires today after 34 years of driving the school bus, 25 of those to Faha NS. The children prepared their own cards and goodbye messages to show their appreciation. Congratulations Mike on your well earned retirement!

Principal Jerry Fitzgerald with Mike Kennedy



FAMILY DAY AT THE RACES

Killarney races are kicking off the season with a Family Day taking place on Sunday May 11th for our 1st National Hunt meet of the season, with doors opening at 11am. The 1st race will be at 1pm. There will be lots of entertainment on the day with Children and adults alike with Garden games and Live Music on the lawn, children and adult wacky races, face painting, magic show, children's disco, mascots and much more. On the day entry is €20 with children under 14 going free.

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KILCUMMIN PARISH

Written by: Helen Moynihan



The students and staff of Kilcummin NS were delighted to welcome the Kerry Ladies Footballer, Danielle O'Leary, to the school recently. Danielle brought the coveted Brendan Martin Cup with her. This was a truly inspirational visit for all our young students. Danielle hosted a questions and answer session, signed autographs and the children had an opportunity to view this special cup up close! We are very proud of our all our Kerry Ladies who achieved a wonderful victory last year. We thank our All Star winner Danielle for visiting us and we wish her and all the team the best for continued success again this year. We were delighted that Danielle got to catch up with her cousins Elena, Chloe and Rachel O' Riordan at Kilcummin NS on Thursday, 10th April.

KILCUMMIN COMMUNITY

KILCUMMIN CCÉ

Our annual street collection will take place in Killarney on Saturday 26th April. All support will be greatly appreciated.

EASTER WEEK MASSES

Masses in our Lady of Lourdes Church Kilcummin for Holy Week: Good Friday 3.00pm, Holy Saturday Night 7.00pm. Please note change of time on Saturday night, Easter Sunday 11.30am.

KILCUMMIN GAA By Donal Barry PRO

SENIOR COUNTY LEAGUE

Both our teams are away next weekend. In Round 4 of the Credit Union Senior Football League Division 1 we travel to Tralee to take on Ballymacelligott at Caherslee GAA Pitch in Tralee. Currently both teams are on one point after 3 rounds, so this is an important game for both teams. Meanwhile in Round 4 of Division 7B of the Credit Union Senior Football League we are away to Na Gaeil. Currently both games are down for Easter Sunday 20th April with 2pm throw ins. We wish the best of luck to both sides, and you can follow the clubs X account for updates on both games.

FEILE FUNDRAISER 2025

Our Kilcummin under 15 boys have qualified to represent Kerry for the John West Féile Peile na nÓg national finals which will take place at the Derry GAA Centre of Excellence at Owenbeg on Saturday, June 28th. The club and community are extremely proud of our players, their hard work and commitment on their amazing achievement.

We are now fundraising to alleviate some of the high costs involved in the travel to Derry along with the additional costs of playing gear and expenses for the team as we endeavour to make it as memorable as possible for all the players. We would appreciate any donation you can make and thank you for supporting our boys by visiting the I donate page via our social media pages.

ACADEMY

Our academy continues on Saturday morning at 10.30am for boys (up to

u12) and girls (up to u10). New members welcome.

UNDER 14

Well done to the under 14 boys who won their second match in the county league defeating John Mitchels. Goals by Conor Gallivan and Aodhan O'Halloran in each half capped off a fine team performance.

UNDER 16

Well done to the under 16A team who enjoyed a narrow 4-16 to 6-8 win over Kenmare after a hugely entertaining and high scoring affair last night at Kilcummin. The goals arrived from Daniel O'Sullivan and Mark Fleming who scored 3 goals with Eamon O'Donoghue producing some eye-catching fielding over the hour. It was a busy weekend for the under 16B teams who had 2 outings. On Friday they suffered a narrow 2-point defeat to Currow, while on Sunday evening at Kilcummin they were defeated by Furies 2-24 to 2-18 in a high scoring entertaining encounter.

UNDER 12

It has been a busy start for our under 12 boys who have had 2 matches played over the last week. First up was a home game for both our under 12 teams against Na Gaeil which were played in a very sporting fashion with plenty great skill on show and last Sunday evening they travelled to Ardfert in two games in which they once again played in a good sporting manner with some great determination and work rate displayed by Kilcummin over the hour.

NOTES

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

MASTERGEEHA F.C

LOTTO

There was no winner on Friday 11th April 2025 of the Jackpot €6,200. Numbers drawn were 17,18,22,23. Consolation prizes of €50 went to Shonra Brosnan, Killarney; Patie Nagle, Mastergeeha; Egan Family, Mastergeeha; Dan Horan, c/o Klub. The next draw will be on Friday 18th April for Jackpot of €6,400.

BEAUFORT PARISH

By Bridget Hartnett

75TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

To celebrate the 75th Anniversary of the founding of St.Mary's Pioneer Centre a social will be held at Kate Kearney's on Friday, April 25th. Beaufort has a long and proud association with the Pioneer Movement over many decades. Come and join us to celebrate this great milestone. All welcome. Contact: 064-6644319 or 064-6644252.

FIXTURES

Senior men will be home to Furies in Co League, Div. 6 on Sunday, 20th April at 2pm

RESULTS

Senior men's Co League, Div. 1, round 3. Beaufort 2.08 Dr Croke's 4.14 Senior Ladies Donal Curtin Cup, Div.1. Beaufort 3.13 Rathmore 2.08

LOTTO

There was no winner of Beaufort G.A.A. Club lotto jackpot of €5,400 on Sunday, 13th April. Numbers: 2, 3,5,10. Consolation Prizes: €80 Sadhbh, Katie and Evan, c/o Ian. €50 Emily McMahon, Glenflesk. Jamie and Lauren Kelliher, Kilgobnet. €50 Eilish O'Brien-Moriarty, online.

The next draw for a jackpot of €5,600 will be on Sunday, 27th April. Tickets available from usual sellers and online at www.beaufortgaa.com. Thank you to everybody who support our lotto.

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GLENFLESK PARISH

Written by: Sean Daly

RAMBLING HOUSE

Glenflesk GAA will host a Rambling House on Easter Sunday 20th April from 8pm to 11pm in Glenflesk GAA Hall. The event was originally organised to support the Lenihan family from Killaha, whose home was destroyed by a fire. However, in a generous and thoughtful gesture, the Lenihans have kindly requested that all funds raised be donated instead to The Baby Grace Fund. Patrons will be treated to three hours of the best songs, music and stories and in keeping with the great rambling house traditions, tea and brack will be served on the night. There will also be a raffle with some great prizes. All are welcome to attend! Please contact Neily Moynihan with any queries on 087 2357232. We hope to see you there to support this great cause!

COMMUNITY GAMES

The art and handwriting competitions took place on Saturday April 5th. Well done to all the boys and girls who participated and best of luck to

the following whose entries will be submitted to County level: Girls Art U10 Grace Kelly, U12 Clodagh McSwiney, U14 Amy O'Connor. Boys Art U8 Eoghan O'Donoghue, U10 Grayson Kelleher Kelly, U12 Sheá Kelly, U14 Darragh Kelly. Girls Handwriting U10 Sadie Roche, U12 Emer O'Connor, U12 Fionn Murphy. Well done to the U14 Quiz panel of Isabelle Carey, Seoidín Dunne, Clodagh McSwiney, Abán Murphy, Amy O'Connor and Emmy O'Donoghue who competed in the quiz competition in Keel last Friday.

The area Athletics competition will take place in Killarney Valley AC on Tuesday May 13th.

ACADEMY

Glenflesk GAA Academy returned last Tuesday evening. It was brilliant to see so many enthusiastic children back on the field. Academy will continue every Tuesday evening 6:15pm to 7:15pm in Barraduff Community Field. Little legends 3 plus, U6 and U8 Boys, U6 and U8 girls. All welcome.

SPA PARISH

By Leanne Cronin

CREDIT UNION SENIOR FOOTBALL COUNTY LEAGUE ROUND 4

Spa will play Legion in Derreen on Sunday 20th April at 2pm in Round 4 of the Credit Union Senior Football County League

LGFA

The Spa Senior ladies hosted Annascaul/Castlegregory this Friday evening in the Credit Union Donal Curtin Cup Division 3 Round 4. In beautiful sunshine it was a perfect evening for football. Annascaul/Castlegregory opened the scoreboard in the very first attack but Spa answered back immediately and took off from there with Maireád Bennett and Meghann Cronin both controlling midfield. It was a very strong first half performance from all Spa players, closing down Annascaul/Castlegregory's kick outs and punishing them with some lovely scores which gave Spa a comfortable lead going into half time leading 1-12 to 1-02.

Annascaul/Castlegregory suffered a yellow card 5 minutes before halftime but began the second half with a strong attack and were unlucky with a wide that should've really been a goal. Spa lost a bit of their formation when the opposition was down to 14 players and let in a goal and two

points during this time but they managed to regroup again and stretch out their lead with some fine scores from Saoirse Kelly, Liadh Tobin, Aoife Cronin, Mags Cronin, Maireád Bennett and Meghann Cronin. Overall it was a brilliant team performance showing high work rate, strong support play and excellent turnovers. Our four subs were a great addition to this fast paced game and a huge congratulations to Grace O'Shea who played her first game for Spa tonight. The final score was 3-23 to 2-04 to Spa. Our next match is away to Firies on Sunday 27th April.

CONGRATULATIONS Ava Brosnan and the Kerry U14 girls who defeated Clare in the Munster B Championship Johnny Hayes Tournament last night. Great win for the Kerry girls and for Ava who had a brilliant game scoring 2-2. Well done Ava, super stuff.

LÁ NA GCLUB - SPA GAA FAMILY FUN day takes place Saturday 19th April from 10-1. Please come along to support our Coiste na nÓg and enjoy the fun.

NOTES

Any items for our notes please contact Leanne 085-7762411



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By Dermot Cronin,
Financial Advisor



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2nd: Pauline Lyne & Phyllis O'Regan

3rd: Tim & Mai Corcoran

E/W

1st: Peggy Barrett & Maire O'Sullivan

2nd: Miriam McFarlane & Teresa Sheahan

3rd: Mary Rose Felle & Mary Shanahan

Well done to all.

PRESIDENT PAULINE'S PRIZE

Next week, 24th is our second session of President Pauline's prize so good luck to everyone. Following bridge, lunch will be served at The Castlerosse Hotel.

AGM

Our AGM has been brought forward to the 01st May and results from the President prize will be announced.

FOSSA ROWING CLUB

LAKESHORE TIDY UP

Thanks to all of our members who took to the lake shore to take part in the KWD County Clean Up at the weekend. A fantastic turnout and trojan work done by one and all focussing on the Lakeshore. Thanks one and all.

JUVENILES ENJOYING THE WATER

Our Juveniles are delighted to be out of the gym and back on the water on a Sunday morning. Another fantastic turnout yesterday morning and a special thanks to our fantastic coaches for looking after their charges.

MUCKROSS ROWING CLUB

SKIBBEREEN REGATTA

Last weekend, the club got its regatta season underway with 39 crews representing the club at the Skibbereen Grand League Regatta. Two days of action packed racing were held at the National Rowing Centre with a high standard of rowing evident across the weekend. There were strong showings for the club in the Grand League categories with Muckcross crews contending in five A finals, seven B finals and three C finals following qualification from the heats. The club was 2nd in four A final events. Well done to Ronan Fahy, who teamed up with Darragh Morris of Tralee RC in the Mens Senior



Fossa Rowing Club Lakeshore tidy up: Thanks to all of our members who took to the lake shore to take part in the KWD County Clean Up at the weekend. A fantastic turnout and trojan work done by one and all focussing on the Lakeshore. Thanks one and all.

Double to record a super performance, placing second only to Olympians Fintan McCarthy and Ronan Byrne! The club was second also in both the Mens and Womens J18A Quad events. Well done to Cillian Leslie, Ronan Fahy, Cian Scannell, Senan Kennedy and to Khim Fleming, Rachel Fuller, Eva Stack and Muireann O'Donoghue. On Sunday, Khim, Rachel and Eva were joined by Aine O'Sullivan in another A final, placing 4th overall in the Womens J18A Four. Also reaching their A Final was the Mens J18B Quad who finished 5th in their category. Outside of the Grand League, more silverware followed. Congratulations to the winning Womens J14 Quad crew of Bebhinn O'Donoghue, Orla Forde, Olivia Murphy and Lauren O'Donoghue. It was double gold for Bebhinn and Orla, who also won gold in the Womens J14 Double. Well done also to the Mens Masters Quad crew of Anthony O'Sullivan, Jeremy Kenny, PJ Walsh and Noel Kelleher who finished second in their event and to the Mens J15 Quad of Aaron Hegarty, Cian Whitty Oscar O'Sullivan and Bruce Dorrell who finished third. More highlights and event photos can be found on our Facebook page.

UPCOMING

Limerick & Schools Regattas, Sat-Sun, April 26-27th, O'Briensbridge; Bantry Sprint Regatta, Sat May 3rd, Reendonegan Lake; Lough Rynn Regatta, Sat May 10th, Lough

Rynn; Castleconnell Spring Regatta, Sat May 17th; Dublin Metro Regatta, Sat May 24th, Blessington; Lee Regatta, Sat May 24th, Cork Marina.

WORKMEN ROWING CLUB

SKIBBEREEN GRAND LEAGUE REGATTA - A GREAT WEEKEND FOR WORKMEN'S RC

We were blessed with fantastic weather over the weekend, which allowed our crews to compete at the Skibbereen Grand League Regatta, held at the National Rowing Centre, Farran Wood, Co. Cork on Saturday and Sunday. A huge well done to all our rowers and coaches for their dedication and effort. We had some brilliant performances across various categories, and the results speak for themselves:

Notable Results

U16 Boys Quad - 1st Place

Aaron O'Connor, Zac Donaldson, Divo Lucic Kovacevic, Finn O'Neill, Cox: Derva Ireland

U15 Boys Double - 1st Place

Aaron O'Connor, Zac Donaldson

U15 Girls Quad - 3rd Place

Kayla Wharton, Liadh Counihan, Roisin O'Donoghue, Faye Mannix, Cox: Derva Ireland

U15 Boys Single - 1st Place: Zac Donaldson, 3rd Place: Aaron O'Connor

U16 Girls Quad - 3rd Place



WORKMEN'S ROWING CLUB - Skibbereen Grand League Regatta.

L-R Arron O Connor, Zac Donaldson, Divo Lucic Kovacevic, Finn O'Neill.



WORKMEN'S ROWING CLUB - Skibbereen Grand League Regatta in the National Rowing Centre, Farran Wood, Cork. Boat R-L Kayla Wharton, Amelie Counihan, Maria Clayton, Grace Mannix, Cox - Derva Ireland.



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*Killarney Judo Members*

Kayla Wharton, Amelie Counihan, Maria Clayton, Grace Mannix, Cox: Derva Ireland
A special thank you to Michael J. Burns and Mary for their coaching and mentoring throughout the weekend, and to Derva Ireland for her excellent work coxing.

LOOKING AHEAD: BANTRY REGATTA – SATURDAY, MAY 3RD

Best of luck to all our rowers preparing for the Bantry Regatta coming up on Saturday, May 3rd. We're looking forward to another great day of racing.

Training continues as usual for all members.

KILLARNEY JUDO - GIRLS ONLY CLASS

On Saturday, Mairéad Bennett taught our first ever girls only class. Mairéad earned her Black Belt in 2019 and is a previous All Ireland Champion with international experience. This was a great opportunity for the younger girls from 8 to 12 to learn from another coach with a perspective on women's Judo.

Next week, all our players will have an opportunity to train under 4 x Spanish Champion Isobel Puche who is a European medallist. If anyone is interested in learning Judo, please contact us via Facebook or Instagram

KILLARNEY VALLEY ATHLETIC CLUB

The County Sportshall Games were held in MTU, Tralee on Sunday. Well done to all our

athletes who competed.

The U10 Girls relay of Eve Horgan, Chloe Kealy, Alice Pyne and Grace Allen ran great and came 3rd for their efforts. In the U11 Girls Sprint, Jessie Doolan came 2nd and Sadhbh O'Reilly came 3rd and their relay along with Fiadh Driver and Erin McSweeney came 3rd. The U12 Girls relay of Lily Horgan, Siun O'Callaghan, Kate Doolan and Marcela Piechowiak came 1st. Dylan O'Connor came 1st in the U10 sprint. In the U11 sprint, Denis Doolan came 1st and Tadhg Casey came 3rd and their relay along with Oisín O'Connell and Oisín O'Donoghue came 2nd. In the U11 Standing Long Jump, Denis Doolan came 1st.

In the U12 Boys sprint, Cian O'Connell came 1st and Eric Muhere Bowler came 2nd and their relay along with John Byrne came 1st. John also came 2nd in the U12 Standing Long Jump and 4th in the Shot Put. Eric Muhere Bowler was 2nd in the U12 Shot Put and 3rd in the Standing Long Jump. Cian was also 3rd in the U12 Shot.

Thank you to Coaches Tim Horgan, Brid Stack, Derek Pyne, Miriam Lyne Corcoran and David Byrne who helped out on the day and to the parents for bringing the kids.

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

KILLARNEY SWIMMING CLUB

Killarney Swimmer Evan O'Donoghue competed at the Interprovincial Swim Meet at the National Aquatic Centre in Dublin at the weekend. Evan was selected for the Munster squad last August

*Carolina Kelly throwing Mairéad Bennett.*

and has been training at UL with the squad since then under the guidance of Swim Ireland Regional Development Pathway Development Coach Erin McNulty. He swam in two relays, a 150m free event and 200 Individual Medley. As this competition took place during the Irish Open Championships, Evan and his teammates had the opportunity to meet the top swimmers in the country and watch them perform. The Munster squad finished third place overall and Killarney Swimming Club is very proud of him and his teammates on a fantastic weekend of swimming.

*Erin McNulty, Regional Development Pathway Coach Munster and Evan O'Donoghue*

TEEING OFF IN AID OF KERRY MOUNTAIN RESCUE TEAM

The launch of the Golf Classic in aid of Kerry Mountain Rescue took place at Beaufort Golf Club this week. Members of the Kerry Ladies Football Team, Fiadhna Tangney and Fay O'Donoghue very kindly launched the event at the clubhouse.

Kerry Mountain Rescue Team is a voluntary rescue team that provides a 24/7/365 on-call mountain rescue service in the mountains of South West Ireland. Team membership is entirely voluntary and the 35 active team members come from all walks of life but all are active and accomplished walkers and mountaineers in their own right.

Operating costs run at well over €50,000 per annum which is part funded by Kerry Co. Council, Irish Coast Guard and Killarney Town Council. The balance must be met by fundraising.

The Golf Classic is taking place at Beaufort Golf Club on Friday, 20th June. Teams can be sponsored for a cost of €300 for a team of four. Tee boxes can be sponsored for €50.

Please contact the following for information and tee times.

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Sheila McCarthy - 086 8123817

Gerard Lane - 087 6597953

Pictured at the launch are Kerry Ladies Footballers Faye O'Donoghue, Fianna Tangney, John O'Donoghue, Jack Sweeney, Liam Ryan, Sheila McCarthy, Christy O'Mahony, Jonathon Sheridan and Ger Lane.





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It is easy to jump to a conclusion or make an assumption about someone, however, we need to remember that this may or may not be true.

Practice compassionate thinking

Instead of immediately reacting to a situation or person, stay open to curiosity instead. This helps you to live from a calmer place. Instead of judging or making up a story about someone else's actions, simply say to yourself, "I have no idea why they did what they did. I hope they are okay and all is well in their world." This produces feelings that are calm, kind and compassionate. Since we have no idea what anyone is experiencing in their life, let's be kind.

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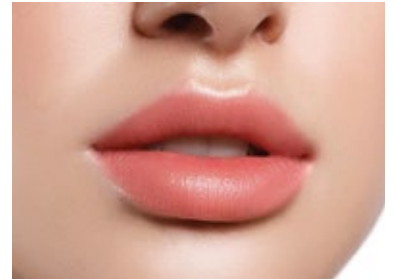


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Incorporating flexibility and mobility work into your daily routine can decrease the risk of injury, reduce stiffness and boost overall performance when running, strength training or even during your regular daily activities. Poor flexibility and mobility causes muscles and joints to be tight and stiff. When this happens we overcompensate with other muscles such as our lower back and shoulders. Over time this may result in injury. Flexibility and mobility training also aids recovery. Methods such as foam rolling increases blood flow and reduces soreness.

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HEALTH CAPITAL FUNDING

Health Capital Funding has been announced with €8.61m allocated to Kerry. Much of the Kerry allocation is going to University Hospital Kerry (UHK) with €350,000 towards the consideration of a new Ambulance Station for Cahersiveen Community Hospital. The announcement has been welcomed by Fianna Fáil's Deputy Michael and Councillor Tommy Cahill.

"There are a number of proposed projects being funded at UHK, significantly the Acute Inpatient Bed Capacity Expansion Plan 2024/2031, the provision of an additional Theatre (Obstetrics) plus upgrade of existing theatres and plant and the purchase and fit out of a building at John Joe Sheehy Road, Tralee to rehouse the Women's Health Team. These are all projects that are urgently required to support the provision of safe, modern Health Service" stated Deputy Cahill.

"The Ambulance Station initiative at Cahersiveen Community Hospital is vital also in the interests of safety and speedy transfer of patients" added Michael Cahill TD.



Minister Foley welcomes the expansion of the Hot School Meals programme to a further 33 Kerry schools

Minister for Children, Disability, Equality and Kerry T.D Norma Foley has welcomed the expansion of the Hot School Meals programme to a further 33 Kerry schools. The scheme was first set up in 2019 with a pilot of 30 schools but has now expanded to almost 2,850 primary schools.

Around 81 primary schools in Kerry are currently operating the Hot School Meals programme and this is now being extended to a further 33 primary schools in the county.

Minister Foley said:

"I'm really pleased to confirm that 33 additional schools are now joining the hot school meals program in Kerry. As a former teacher and indeed Minister for Education, I know the value of young people having the opportunity to receive food in schools. It improves their learning, improves their activity levels in school as well and indeed throughout the day.

I'm particularly pleased as well to acknowledge that there will be a review around the nutritional elements of foods that are available in school too. So huge thanks to my colleague, Minister for Social Protection Dara Calleary and indeed to the schools who operate and make this work every single day throughout the country.

There will be a review of the nutritional standards in the Hot School Meals scheme and the removal of the optional food that is high in saturated fat, sugar, and salt from the school meal menus.

The list of the Killarney primary schools joining the Hot School Meals scheme is as follows:

Scoil Barradubh
Glenflesk N S
Raheen National School
Coolick National School
Loughguitane N S
Knockanes Mxd N S

SHORT TERM LETS

Kerry Fianna Fáil TD, Michael Cahill has weighed in strongly on the political row about short-term lets in the county.

Deputy Cahill has contacted the Taoiseach, the Tanaiste, the Minister for Tourism, Peter Burke and Minister Patrick O'Donovan requesting that they take into consideration the serious implications for the Tourism Industry in Kerry that a short-term let register will have on established short-term let accommodation providers in the county and the perception which will be viewed as a new ban on short-term lets, in Tourist towns such as Killarney and Tralee.

"I have recently raised this important matter as a new TD and previously on a number of occasions as a County Councillor in Kerry.

I believe the Government should give favourable consideration to introducing a planning exemption for those involved in short-term lets in Killarney and Tralee for the past 3 years and longer" stated the Rossbeigh man.

"Accommodation providers, in short-term letting in Killarney and Tralee now feel that they are being partially blamed for the Housing crisis and that they are being forced into long-term letting. Surely when private individuals make investments, they should control their own destiny and should not be dictated to and should be allowed to freely invest in whatever they wish, with their own money" said Deputy Cahill.

"Is it accepted that Tourist accommodation in Ireland is made up of a mixture of types, that suit different categories of visitors to the different areas of the country. There are Hotels, Guesthouses, Bed & Breakfasts, Houses, Apartments, Hostels, etc, and more recently, Airbnbs. All of these accommodation options are essential to the success of our Tourism Industry in Killarney and Tralee. These are all legitimate business operations, adding value to our tourism product,

different potential customers preferring a particular option for themselves, depending on their circumstances. Some may wish to avail of the many additional facilities of a hotel, some less so, without pools, bars, prepared meals etc. I don't agree that different regulations should apply to any option being made available to our visitors, as long as everybody is on the same hymn sheet, providing safe, comfortable accommodation and are complying with the present laws" stated the Kerry TD.

"Tourism provides employment and income for our people and tax returns to the Exchequer. In Kerry, it is more visitor accommodation that is required, not less and we should welcome new entrants to a market which I see growing enormously with the opening of facilities, such as the South Kerry Greenway and indeed the North Kerry Greenways" said Deputy Cahill.

"In the case of the South Kerry Greenway, it is a widely known fact that a substantial increase in accommodation will be required to service the anticipated hundreds of thousands of additional visitors to the region on an annual basis and the same will apply to the Tralee to Listowel Greenway when developed" stated Kerry's newest member of Dáil Éireann.

"Not everyone can afford to get involved in Tourist Accommodation with the traditional forms of Hotel or B&B for example, but the Airbnb model does offer an opening to people to rent one or two rooms or a renovated cottage, etc.. Airbnb for most people is just a small additional income of €5,500 to €6,000 per annum, offering flexibility to hosts and visitors. The more varied offerings and options we here in Kerry have for our potential visitors, with different levels of holiday budgets, the more people will visit here to sample the delights of our county" added Michael Cahill TD.



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COMMUNITY HOSPITAL OPENING

The new 130 bed Community Hospital in Killarney will be opening Mid Summer. This is a very welcomed development and the fact that St Columbanus will be a minor injuries unit is vital, it will provide healthcare for people rather than people having to go to A&E in UHK or travelling to the Minor Injuries Unit in Mallow.

However the closure of the District Hospital at a time when more beds are required is a wrong move. Despite my best efforts what actually is the stumbling block is not the cost, it is quiet simply down to a lack of staff to run the two locations.

I welcome the fact that in our new hospital we will have a balance of long stay, short stay, respite and dementia beds which is very important to the Killarney and surrounding regions.

I will continue my representations to ensure HIQA do not delay the registration process like it has done so in the past.



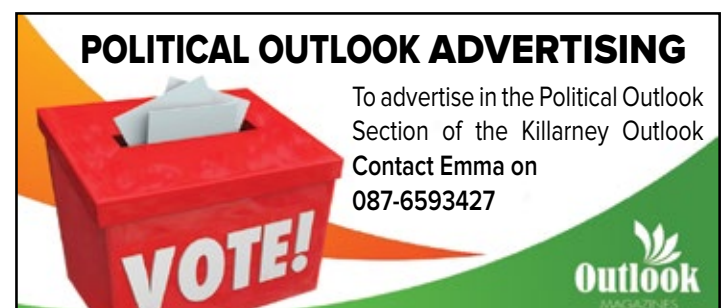
FOSSA ROADWORKS

The recent announcement of an additional €2.5m for road improvements in Fossa, outside Killarney on the Ring of Kerry was welcomed by local Fianna Fáil TD, Michael Cahill.

"These are essential works at Fossa and though it is causing a lot of inconvenience during the project, it will be a fantastic job when completed. Some people have voiced the fear that the new route will be too narrow, but Paul Curry, Senior Executive Engineer with Kerry County Council assures me that it conforms to the European standard of 6 metres for such a road" stated Deputy Cahill.

"I have been constantly campaigning for improvement works to be carried out on the N70 Ring of Kerry route and Fossa is just the start. I expect works all around at Sneem, Caherdaniel, Cahersiveen, Kenmare, Killorglin and Glenbeigh, as well as Killarney and they will be done, to

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RESULTS

On April 13th we held the final round of the M D O'Shea Spring League with a strokeplay competition

The winners were :-

- 1st: Tristan Eadie, 66 (21)
- 2nd: Denis Casey, 69 (20)
- 3rd: Seamus McCarthy, 70 (21)

Division 1

- 1st: Renaldas Bendikas, 70 (10)
- 2nd: David MacIndoe, 73 (3)

Division 2

- 1st: Jimmie Smith, 73 (13)
- 2nd: John Prendergast, 73 (18)

Division 3

- 1st: Anthony O'Mahony, 71 (21)
- 2nd: Shane O'Driscoll, 71 (26)

CLUB MATCHPLAY

The top 32 finishers have qualified for the

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ON THURSDAY APRIL 10TH OUR SENIORS HELD A 10 HOLE STABLEFORD COMPETITION.

The winners were :-

- 1st: Sean Hickey (10) 22pts
- 2nd: Donal Doherty (10) 21pts
- 3rd: Dan O Sullivan (14) 21pts
- 4th: John Hurley (12) 21pts

STABLEFORD COMPETITION

On Sat 19th and Sun 20th we will hold a stableford competition.

ROSS LADIES GOLF CLUB

RESULTS SATURDAY 12TH APRIL 2025

18 Hole

- 1st: Breda O'Farrell 35 (40)

9 Hole Results

- 1st: Emir Coffey 21 (23)
- 2nd: Maureen Beecher 20 (27)
- 3rd: Brenda Kelleher 18 (27)

COMPETITIONS

Saturday 19th April 2025 9 & 18 hole single Stableford qualifying competition. Booking through the BRS.

LADIES GET INTO GOLF

The Get into Golf is starting up again this season. Wednesday evenings June 4th to July 9th. Please Contact Breda on 087 4629501 for further information and booking.

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COMPETITION RESULTS

18 & 11 HOLE SINGLE STABLEFORD KINDLY SPONSORED BY B-WELL FITNESS CLUB. PLAYED ON KILLEEN COURSE ON 19TH & 20TH APRIL 2025

- Winner: Marie Leahy (23) 42pts
- 2nd: Nicola O'Mahony (22) 41pts
- Best Gross: Mairead Martin (+1) 37pts



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3RD: GERALDINE TARRANT (25) 40PTS

4TH: EILEEN DEVANE (28) 39PTS

5TH: JULIE KELLY (20) 38PTS

11 HOLES WINNER: MARY TREACY (24) 22PTS

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18-HOLE AND 13-HOLE LADIES SINGLES STABLEFORD on Mahony's Point Course kindly sponsored by Ahernes.ie on 19th & 20th April 2025,

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BEAUFORT GOLF CLUB (MEN'S)

BEAUFORT EXCHANGE DAY WITH DOOKS KINDLY SPONSORED BY ASPEN GROVE MEN'S RESULTS

- 1st: Paudie O'Shea (16) 39 points
- 2nd: Eoghan Moriarty (25) 38 points
- 3rd: Michael Conway (22) 37 points.

OPEN DAY Friday 18th April - Visitors welcome, call 064 6644440 to book tee time. Sponsored by Killarney Plaza Hotel.

EASTER WEEKEND 19TH/20TH APRIL - 18 HOLE STABLEFORD

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Declan Allman pictured at the 16th Hole on the Ballybunion Cashen Club where he scored a Hole In One.

HOLE IN ONE for Declan

Saturday April 12th is a date that Listry man Declan Allman from Flintfield won't forget for a long time after he scored a hole in one on the Ballybunion Cashen Club. Declan, along with friends, Danny Wrenn, Paul Carroll and Derek Lyttle were playing in a competition to raise funds for LB Rovers Soccer Club. The group came 4th in the competition, but it was Declan's triumph that was most celebrated on the day

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BEAUFORT GOLF CLUB LADIES RESULTS FROM DOOKS EXCHANGE DAY 13TH APRIL

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2nd: Grainne McShortall (15) 32 points
3rd: Marie Flood (26) 31 points

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COUNTY MATCHPLAY

Our congratulations to both John McGrath (Senior Mens) & Mark O'Shea (Junior Mens) on their respective victories last Sunday in Listowel. It was John's third win in the Mens Senior event while Mark will have the distinction of holding both the Junior Matchplay and Strokeplay titles in the county at the same time until this coming June.

WEEKEND DRAWS

First Nett: Robbie O'Brien Snr & Betty O'Brien,
Gross: Gearóid Cronin & Gerry Kelliher & Second
Nett: James Foley & Betty O'Brien.

EASTER WEEKEND

Please note due to the staging of the Munster Matchplay Qualifiers on the course on Easter Sunday morning, there will only be draws on Good Friday and Easter Monday this coming weekend at the usual times of 9am and 10.45am.

MUNSTER MATCHPLAY QUALIFIERS

Best Wishes to all in the club taking part in same this coming Sunday. We wish to inform everyone that the course is closed to general play until its conclusion which is expected around Sunday lunchtime.

MEMBERSHIP

Please note that membership for 2025 is due now as of March 1st. Prices the same as last year namely- Single Adult- €150, OAP- €100, Juvenile- €80 Family- €300. Club Registrar Bobby Kelly will be available over the coming weeks after

competitions for anyone wishing to sign up for the year.

OPENING HOURS

The club wish to clarify that in order for the general public to enquire as to whether we are open at present they must contact 087 7823138 in advance regarding same. Our opening hours for the summer months (June, July and August) are 12pm-8pm (Weekdays) and 12pm-6pm (Weekends).

SUMMER SERIES

Please note this year we will be running a summer series in a scramble format from Wednesday May 7th onwards. Full details on the club noticeboard currently.

COMMISERATIONS to James Fleming and the Utility Trust St Pauls Killarney Basketball team on their defeat in the Womens Super League Final last Sunday.

DORNAN RÁS MUMHAN 2025

Following the success of the 2024 edition, the Dornan Rás Mumhan returns with the Team Time Trial once again opening the race. The committee's commitment to introducing new challenges each year is evident with the reintroduction of the iconic climb in South Kerry, Cuam an Aispig, and a new stage finish in the village of Portmagee. The route from Killarney via Beallach Oisin will be crucial for team managers, as the prevailing southerly winds and open coastal exposure could disrupt even the best-laid plans the panorama of the region will be of little interest to the riders, but it will certainly provide a backdrop that is rarely experienced.

The opening Team Time Trial will be a strategic game of poker, with squads possibly hesitant to reveal their strengths too early, given the four demanding stages that follow. The coveted yellow jersey, while prestigious, can attract unwanted attention and may deter favourites from taking it on too soon. The first road race stage to Knocknagoshel, where last year's winner George Kimber of Spirit Race made his mark, promises to be a tough, lumpy challenge. Stage 3 to the Kerryman's Table above Millstreet in North Cork will test those who haven't fully recovered from the previous day's efforts in Portmagee. The fast and challenging start will highlight the strength and depth of the teams supporting their General Classification (GC) contenders.

Last year's runner-up, Dom Jackson of Foran CT, who went on to win the 2024 Rás Tailteann, is determined to add Rás Mumhan to his palmarès. The ever-present Daire Feeley, winner of the 2022 Rás Tailteann, will undoubtedly have his own plans for the race. Domestically, riders like Con Scully of Team Dan Morrissey Pissei, recent winner of the Bobby Power Classic, and Ruairi Byrne of UCD, winner of the Des Hanlon, are expected to bring the necessary firepower. The return of the West Frisia team from the Netherlands, along with a Lithuanian squad



and several British teams, adds an international flair to the competition. Liam Crowley, showing good form with Austrian Team Vorarlberg, aims to improve on his top ten finish in the 2024 edition. The presence of junior provincial squads, with stages averaging 120km, will showcase emerging talent and could reveal the next generation of riders.

The final stage in the theatre that is Killorglin, the traditional finish for this annual race, will likely determine the general classification. As we anticipate the spectacle that is Dornan Rás Mumhan 2025, we can only imagine the thrilling battles and emerging stars that will define this year's race.

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**U20 Men's National League Plate Final
National Basketball Arena Tallaght
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ST PAULS 78 TEMPLEOGUE 65



Report: Enda Walshe

St Paul's U20 Men's team certainly saved their best till last with an extremely impressive performance that helped them capture the National League Plate Final. And while Eoin Carroll may have got the official MVP gong you could definitely highlight other performances for worthy mention. Shane Daly absolutely lit up the second quarter with a virtuoso display, Mark Sheehan hit a mesmeric seven three pointers and while Jack O Sullivan did not trouble the scorers sheet as normal he definitely gave his finest defensive performance ever in a St Pauls vest.

After a cagey first half the seeds of success were definitely sown in that second quarter when they outscored the Metropolitans by 24-16 and that advantage helped them to hold sway for the remainder of the game. Despite the best efforts of Jacob Fazande for Templeogue they could never really trouble what was an outstanding rearguard action by Manuel Suarez side, That stoic defensive performance was built on a never say die attitude, exemplified by the hustle of Oisín Spring and John Hughes. And while that work doesn't register on the scoreboard it is equally important to anything done at the offensive end.

It was something Jack O Sullivan enjoyed. "We've worked hard all year and we feel that this is something our graft deserved. It was physical in the paint but I enjoyed the contact going to the rim." Game MVP Eoin Carroll acknowledged the input of the crowd. "The Killarney crowd really got behind early on and once we figured out the Templeogue style of play and got our shooting going through Mark (Sheehan) and Shane (Daly) we really got going.

It was Templeogue who got the scoring underway through their main man Jacob Fazande and Jake Mullins but the old firm of Mark Sheehan, Jack O Sullivan and Eoin Carroll soon got St Paul's noses in front. Mullins and

Wilfred Onorusi put Templeogue in front but Mark Sheehan was starting to heat up from outside, a point accentuated by hitting two on the trot. O Sullivan finished neatly before Carroll did all the hard work himself to put St Pauls 17-12 clear at the end of the first.

Shane Daly had interchanged with Oisín Spring to great effect in the opening period but he was now about to take centre stage. He hit a swift basket on the break and then nailed a huge three. Tyrone Gonga and Fazande were trying hard to keep pace but Sheehan and Daly were now rampant, combining for eleven points, to open up a 34-22 lead. Cian Forde was now adding his intensity to the effort and Carroll was stamping his authority inside, all those factors helping to maintain a ten point advantage, 38-28. Templeogue may have felt the game was in hand at this stage but a superb three from Sheehan put the kibosh on that notion.

The third quarter had a gentle opening which suited St Pauls with the advantage they had, Mullins and Gian Cabello netting early for Templeogue but Carroll was now imperious inside and with Dalys confidence going through the roof, Pauls were cantering. Jack O Sullivan was a colossus in defence at this stage but Templeogue were starting to make some outside shots, mainly through Jack Finn and Cabello. But much like the second quarter Sheehan made his mark from outside with a monster three to give St Pauls a 56-45 third quarter lead.

If Templeogue were to make any inroads into the game they needed a rapid start to the final quarter but Carroll owned that period with his six points prompting a time out. It had a temporary effect as the gap was shaved back to ten but Sheehan popped in another three which was quickly followed by an awesome basket from Daly. O Sullivan was proving himself to be a jack of all trades holding the offence at bay although Gonga was starting to pick up the slack from Fazande. Adam Whitty got a well deserved run out as St Pauls looked in control, thanks mainly to another Sheehan three, Carroll was running amok as the clock ticked and Coach Suarez had the luxury of running his entire bench with only the injured TJ O Sullivan not getting court time. The icing to the cake was applied by Chris Healy as he hit another three as the final buzzer sounded to the delight of the huge travelling support and the scoreboard made pretty reading, St Pauls 78-65 to the good.



*Shane
Daly 20*



*Mark Sheehan hit
23 points*

Captain Mark Sheehan picked the right day to hit top form. His accuracy from outside was integral to the win. "It was an excellent feeling to get them, especially in the final and anything I didn't get Eoin and Jack swept up inside. Templeogue were not as big as Killester but they brought a huge physicality to the game and that was tough to compete with." Coach Manuel Suarez couldn't hide his delight post game. "It's an amazing feeling, the crowd, the team, everyone did their best. The last minute of the game was like a carnival with the crowd on their feet. The people of Killarney are amazing and the team deserves to have a crowd like that."

Eoin Carroll was MVP with 26 points and 17 rebounds, Mark Sheehan had 23, Shane Daly 20, Jack O Sullivan 6, Chris Healy 3, John Hughes, Oisín Spring, Cian Forde, Adam Whitty, TJ O'Sullivan, Cathal Spring, Dara O'Sullivan. Jacob Fazande was best for his side with 20 points, Tyrone Gonga had 12, Wilfred Omorusei 11 and Jack Finn 6.





St. Paul's Killarney U-20 Captain Mark Sheehan, teammates supporters and members of the St. Paul's senior ladies team at a homecoming reception in The Failte Hotel, Killarney, on Sunday night. Photo: Eamonn Keogh



St. Paul's Killarney U-20 Captain Mark Sheehan with his parents Paul and Bridget and sister Ava at a homecoming reception in The Failte Hotel, Killarney, on Sunday night. Photo: Eamonn Keogh



St. Paul's Killarney U-20 Captain Mark Sheehan with his proud grandfather and club President Christy Sheehan and his father Paul (club Chairman) at a homecoming reception in The Failte Hotel, Killarney, on Sunday night. Photo: Eamonn Keogh



St. Paul's Killarney U-20 match MVP Eoin Carroll with his parents John and Frances and sister Clodagh at a homecoming reception in The Failte Hotel, Killarney, on Sunday night. Photo: Eamonn Keogh



The Utility Trust St. Paul's team that played Killester in the ladies Superleague final at the National Basketball Arena on Sunday. Photo: Eamonn Keogh

UTILITY TRUST ST PAULS VS KILLESTER REPORT

DOMINOS WOMENS SUPERLEAGUE FINAL SUNDAY APRIL 13TH NATIONAL BASKETBALL ARENA TALLAGHT

**UTILITY TRUST
ST PAULS 63
KILLESTER 83**

Report by Enda Walshe

Contrasting fortunes in the third quarter made all the difference in this Dominos Womens Super League final. Unfortunately for Utility Trust St Pauls they were at the receiving end

of a blitz from Killester who outscored them 24-4 in that period. and effectively put the game to bed. But credit to James Fleming they played to the final buzzer and as they have done all season long never threw in the towel. The damage of that third quarter was clearly visible in the scoring stats as St Pauls retained parity with the Metropolitans in the other three periods.

While Samantha Haibys contribution to the cause would be well signposted before the game it was the accuracy of her compatriot Destiny Strother that caught the St Paul's defence off guard. Strother is renowned as a superb defender and her scoring average is 10 points per game. But she doubled that in this encounter and all her outside efforts were well timed. Michelle Clarke was another thorn in the Killarney sides as were the twin threats of Ieva Bagdanaviciene and Hannah Thornton.

It had started so brightly for St Pauls as they ran into an early 9-2 lead and were well in the game at half time. But the nagging feeling was that they had given Killester some easy points with some costly turnovers. Had they cut them out and led as their performance deserved they would have been in a much better position to counteract any Killester purple patch. As it happened Haiby and Co. grabbed the game by

the scruff of the neck in that moving quarter and clinched their third league title on the trot. The fact that St Pauls are being spoken about in the same context as Killester tells you all you need to know about the magnificent season they have had.

St Pauls settled into the game quickly with Lorraine Scanlon, Mathilde Diop and Denise Dunlea all netting. Michelle Clarke had replied for Killester but it was scoreboard error that halted St Paul's early gallop. There was a lengthy delay while repairs were carried out but it didn't seem to deter Diop who was attacking the basket with gusto. She helped to put her side 9-4 ahead but Killester went to work with Haiby, Clarke and Strother putting them in the driving seat to push 16-11 clear. Callie Cavanaugh was unlucky with some efforts but Scanlon and Gracen Kerr kept their side in the conversation, despite another Strother three.

The second quarter saw St Pauls spring out of the traps as Kerr and Diop squared up the game at 21 apiece. But Coach Fleming had to call a timeout soon after Bagdanaviciene, Haiby and Clarke opened up their box of tricks to go on a 9-0 scoring run. It served to steady the ship after some outstanding defence by Leah McMahon inspired her side. Cavanaugh, Diop and Kerr got their side back up and running,





Supporters of Utility Trust St. Paul's Killarney cheering on their side in the ladies Superleague final at the National Basketball Arena on Sunday. Photo: Eamonn Keogh

while Dunlea and Scanlon made sure the game was manageable with a five point halftime deficit, 38-33.

Nothing would have prepared St Paul's though for what was coming. Haiby went on the rampage with assistance from Hannah Thornton and they helped their sides total rise to 51 before Scanlon got her side's first reply. Strother then started throwing them in from everywhere and anywhere and not even the introduction of Siofra O Shea could arrest the slide. Sara Lopez then joined the party with two mid range jumpers and the lead was suddenly stretched out to twenty five, 62-37. It was a hard watch for the huge travelling support to see the rhythm of the game go against their side as nothing seemed to go right in this quarter. Eventhough their heads must have been spinning Kerr made a flying start to the final quarter, hitting two threes as they looked to restore pride. But as was their want all evening Strother and Haiby replied in kind. One kind you can't accuse St Pauls of is that they lack

heart because they still gave everything to the cause. Cavanaugh and Kerr started to make some shots but Killester were tipping away as needed. Lynn Jones exemplified the St Paul's commitment as she fought tooth and nail for every ball and if this was to be the ageless wonders last appearance in the club vest she certainly went down fighting. But in what many supporters will see as a nod to the future 18 year old Leah McMahon, who sat her Irish Oral Leaving Certificate Exam on Saturday, scored her sides eight closing points and left the scoreboard looking healthier at 63-83.

So the dream is over for another year but Coach Fleming can point to a season of huge progress. To reach the final in their first year in the division is some achievement, not to mention the hours of entertainment and fun they have given to their loyal group of supporters. And while they will of course be disappointed with the result they can hold their heads high, safe in the knowledge that they are a match for any team in the country. The stats will point

out that they recorded wins over every team in the division, bar one, Flomax Liffey Celtics, and they went down by a single point to the National Cup champions. The players can be proud of their season, because the club faithful certainly are.

Callie Cavanaugh 18, Gracen Kerr 16, Mathilde Diop 10, Leah McMahon 8, Lorraine Scanlon 5, Denise Dunlea 4, Rheanne O'Shea 2, Siofra O Shea, Lynn Jones, Kate Healy, Cloadagh Clancy, Abby Doherty.

For Killester Samantha Haiby hit 25, Destiny Strother was MVP with 20, Michelle Clarke 14, Ieva Bagdanaviciene 10, Hannah Thornton 7. Sara Lopez 4.



Utility Trust St. Paul's Killarney players and coach James Fleming showing their appreciation for veteran star Lynn Jones after the ladies Superleague final at the National Basketball Arena on Sunday. Photo: Eamonn Keogh



Veteran St Paul's star Lynn Jones with her children George, Heidi and Caden Burchill after the Super League final at the National Basketball Arena. Photo: Eamonn Keogh

MEK GALAXY

UNDER 16 DIVISION TWO PLAY-OFF

MEK Galaxy 4 Park FC 0

MEK are League Champions following a comprehensive win over Park FC thanks to four goals from striker Cade Jameson. The sides had finished level on points at the top of the league, requiring a play-off to settle matters and MEK did that in decisive fashion. Cade Jameson opened the scoring on 20 minutes, lobbing the keeper following a through ball from Oisín Walsh and he collected two more before half-time, the first following an impressive pass from Harry O'Mahony. Cade added his fourth with a speculative effort from distance on 66 minutes and it was a matter of error-free football to see out the game.

There were stand-out performances across the park and MEK's defence put in a fantastic shift to stave off any danger. A well-deserved win which was made all the sweeter after losing last year's league on penalties in the play-off. Well done to a fabulous bunch of boys who have played together up through the years in the Kerry Schoolboys League.

TOTW nominees: four goal hero Cade Jameson, Michael Griffin and David O'Shea

BALLYHAR DYNAMOS

LOTTO

No.s 9, 12, 15, 20. No winner of the Jackpot. 5 x €25: Jackie O'Connor, Furies. Mary Cooper Looney, Ballyhar. Brendan O'Connor, Furies. Margaret Kelly, Farranfore & Cian Ring, Farranfore. Next draw for a jackpot of €2100 will take place on Sunday next, 20th April at Henderson's Bar, Furies. Tickets available from Committee members, Sheehans Filling Station Farranfore, Spar & Hendersons Shops, Furies & Butlers Bar, Furies. Thanks to all who support & Help out with the club lotto.

TEAMS

The U12 A squad advanced to the next round of the John Murphy Cup thanks to a 0-1 away win to St Brendans Park C. This was an end to end game with both keepers in fine form. Fabian Mrotek was the first half goal scorer with Gavin Sheehan, Dermot Nealon, Noah Finn, Tiernan Scanlan, Jack Cooper, Jack Sheehy & Michael



MEK, newly crowned U16 Division 2 Champions

Griffin in fine form.

The U12 B squad finished their league campaign on Saturday last with a 1-6 loss to Dingle Bay Rovers. Paddy Hurley being on the score sheet who along with Fiachra McCarron, Shane Collins, Sean Evans, David McKenna & Fionn Curtin played well.

The U13 Girls travelled west to Dingle in the Brid Devane Cup where they lost on a 2-1 scoreline. Mollie O Connor was the goal scorer with Ciara Dower, Sophie O Bren & Faye O'Brien playing very well. This squad now compete in the shield competition.

The U14 boys advanced to the next round of the Tom Hayes Cup thanks to a 2-0 home win to Killarney Athletic B. Two second half goals ensured the victory with Eoin Cremin & Daniel Ryan on the score sheet. Aaron Looney, Darragh O Sullivan, Brendan Flynn, Charlie Curran, Ruben O Leary Griffin, Luke Bartlett & Jack Duggan all played well in a tight encounter.

The U16s lost 0-4, trailing 0-2 at half time at home to Camp Utd in Division 1 League action with good performances from Jamie O'Brien, Ryan Quilter, Nico Neuman, Jack Kelly, Conor Edwards & Alan Mrotek.

KILLARNEY ATHLETIC

AFC

U17 PREMIER LEAGUE

Mastergeeha 2-1 Killarney Athletic

Leo Allen x 1

Following on from their 3-1 league win at home against Dynamos on Sunday, the 17's made the short trip up to Mastergeeha this evening. Geeha took the lead after a minute when one of their players reacted quickest to a dropping ball in the box to direct it into the corner. The bad start continued when we conceded a second shortly afterwards from a great finish from outside the box. The lads regrouped and put in a much improved performance for the remainder of the half and deservedly got one back when Leo Allen got on the end of a great through ball from Evan Doona and finished well to the goalies right. 2-1 at the half time whistle. The lads continued the tempo into the second half with most of the play in our attacking sector with a few near misses but, unfortunately, the equaliser wouldn't drop for us. Geeha are a physical, well organised team and defended their lead well. It's always a tough place to go and going 2 behind isn't an ideal situation. The effort of the lads couldn't be questioned and huge credit is due to all the U16's who put in a great shift after a tough Cup semi final in Castleisland last night. Best for Athletic tonight were Finan Blackwell and Kalen Brown at the back along with Evan Doona in the centre of the park. Special mention also to Fionn O'Donoghue Sheehan in goal who pulled off a point blank top drawer save in the final minute when we were chasing the game. We are still in a great position to reach a league final and will quickly move on from this setback in search of silverware to close out the season.



Ballyhar Dynamos FC U14s who advanced to the next round of the Tom Hayes Cup after defeating Killarney Athletic B at Murt Scott Park on Saturday last.



Kerry FC Under 15 Goalkeeper Conor McKeown pictured with former Republic of Ireland Goal keeper Darren Randolph at Kerry FC at the weekend.

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U16 CUP SEMI FINAL RESULT

Castleisland 0 - 1 Killarney Athletic

Donnacha Vaughan x1

Our U16 progressed to their first ever final on Tuesday night with a hard fought win against Castleisland away. With most of the possession throughout the game we needed Ethan to make a great save in the first minute. Athletic created a lot of chances but found the Castleisland defence and keeper in good form. HT 0-0. The second half large saw Athletic camped in the Castleisland half only for late in the half Castleisland has two good chances of their own. With the game inching towards ET Alex won a corner which Jayden delivered and Donnacha rose highest to send us to the final FT 0-1 Athletic. The evening was overshadowed a bit when one of our coaches went to retrieve a ball stuck in the netting and came away with a nasty hand injury. We wish him all the best and a speedy recovery

U16 BOYS PREMIER RESULT

Killarney Athletic 3 - 0 Listowel

Leo Allen x2 Jayden Hurley x1

Our U16's welcomed Listowel to Woodlawn Saturday evening and came out convincing winners on the day with two goals from Leo Allen either side of a Jayden Hurley penalty. Leo's first goal was a great strike from the edge of the box after some brilliant work from Darragh o Donoghue. Leo was taken down in the box in the second half and Jayden made no mistake from the spot. Our third was another penalty that Leo won when he was taken after beating the Listowel defence and he dusted himself down and slotted home. FT: 3-0 thanks to Listowel for a very sporting game and the ref of the day for officiating

U16 DIVISION 2

Killarney Athletic 1-0 Iveragh

James Marshall x1

The blues welcomed Iveragh to Woodlawn on a rainy afternoon today in the final game of the season. The blues started well in the opening 20 minutes and creating chances but couldn't find the back of the net. The away side dominated the next 20 minutes before the half with some great deliveries from corners and a brilliant save from our keeper Jamie to keep them out. 0-0 at halftime. The second half was the same as the first with both teams creating good opportunities. With 10 minutes to go James got to the ball before the keeper after a brilliant ball

from Conall over the top to make it 1-0. The boys held firm and everyone defended excellently to keep a clean sheet and see out the season with a win. Thanks to iveragh for an entertaining game. With this being the end of the season and also our last ever game with the boys, we just want to thank all the parents for their continued support with getting the boys to training and games over the years

U14 BOYS CUP RESULT

Killarney Athletic A 6 - 0 Castleisland B

Robert Murphy x 2, Max Moynihan x 2, Nathan Mulcahy x 1, Caelen Prendergast x 1

A convincing win for our boys this evening in the Cup against Castleisland. Thanks to Castleisland & the referee for a good, sporting game

U14 CUP/SHIELD RESULT

Ballyhar A 2 - 0 Killarney Athletic B

Our young blues gave a good account of themselves today, dominating the play in the 1st half but sadly couldn't find that all important goal. Ballyhar came out in the 2nd half with new energy scoring 2 goals whilst the Athletic boys slightly lost the edge they had from the 1st half. Very proud of the way they approached the game though, maintaining their style of play throughout and that result means we're now into the Shield competition. Best of luck to Ballyhar in the Cup and thanks very much to the Ref.

MOTM - Ryan O' Keeffe

GIRLS U15 RESULT

Killarney Athletic 4 - 0 Listowel Celtic

Roxy Wawro x 2, Ella Murphy x1, Lilianna Firek x1

The girls welcomed Listowel to Ferndale today in the first round of the Cup. Athletic were really in it from the start gone up one nil with a great goal from Ella Murphy, Roxy Wawro with the second and we went in at two goals up at half time. The girls started the second half the way they finished the first with two more goals one for Roxy a brilliant strike from distance and one from Lilliana Firek. It was a really good day for the girls they played some fantastic football and deserved their win. We would like to thank Listowel for a very sporting game and the Ref for a fantastic game.

U13 GIRLS CUP

Killorglin 1-2 Killarney Athletic

Leah Heinemann x 2

We started very good chances with their gk making very good saves. Within the girls gone

1-0 down though a good goal. Then we scored equaliser though ball though to Leah finished brilliantly with one on one. We gone into half-1-1.

Half way through the 2nd half, Lori Rujevčan made excellent penalty save. Her second pen save in last 4 games. With 10 mins to go. Leah scores the winner. The girls defended very well for rest of the game. The girls had many chances to score but were stopped by excellent performance by their gk with 6/7 excellent saves. Then we scored girls played very well. Any of them could got POTM. Well done to girls on the performance and Clodagh Hegarty despite missing through injury but excellent assistant manager. Thanks to Killorglin and the referee for the sporting game. Onto next round of the cup. Well done to girls on excellent performance. Happy Easter to all

KERRY SCHOOLBOY/GIRL SOCCER

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KERRY GIRLS BOOK ALL IRELAND FINAL TICKET

It was a double delight in Christy Leahy Park on Sunday afternoon, as the Kerry U12 and U15 Girls both qualified for respective Inter League All Ireland Finals.

Three opening half goals set the scene for the Kerry U15 Girls to record victory in their All Ireland Trophy Semi-Final, as they defeated Limerick County 3-2.

Earlier that afternoon, the 12's Girls were 2-0 winners over Louth, a goal in each half from Caoimhe Field and Katelyn Joy enough to seal the win.

Kerry held a 1-0 lead to the break, following a moment of class by Field, playing on her home field, she struck an audacious effort from range that looped over the Louth keeper and into the back of the net.

Pressing continued into the second half, and following the concession of a penalty, the hosts had a chance to double their lead. Up stepped Katelyn Joy, who dispatched the penalty kick into the right bottom corner of the net. And from here Kerry never looked worried to secure the win.

GIRLS

MASTERGEEHA GET CLOSER TO 12'S SOUTH



Ballyhar Dynamos FC u16s who were defeated by Iveragh FC on Saturday last in Division 1 of the Kerry schoolboy league.



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TITLE

Another win for Mastergeeha extended their unbeaten run in the 12's South this season, as they got closer to lifting the title.

Mastergeeha picked up another impressive win, defeating MEK 2-0. Goals from Anniemai O'Donoghue and Gracie Maher secured the victory. Killorglin are still hot on their heels, picking up another win, 3-0 away to Iveragh. Sienna Boyle led the line with a brace, while Chloe O'Sullivan added a third in a commanding team display.

In a closely contested clash, Inter Kenmare A overcame MEK 2-1. Lilly Murphy Noonan and Orlaith Lynch were on target for Inter, who held firm after MEK pushed hard for an equaliser.

BRID DEVANE PERPETUAL CUP GETS UNDERWAY

An exciting opening round of action in the U13 Girls Brid Devane Perpetual Cup, delivered some superb performances, big wins, and hard-fought battles across the county.

Killarney Celtic progressed with a strong 2-0 win over Listowel Celtic, thanks to goals from Olga Kumor and Aimee Shine, both showing great composure in front of goal. Killarney Athletic came from behind away to Killorglin winning 2-1, Niamh Murphy had given the hosts the lead, but Leah Heinemann the star of the show, netting a goal in each half in a match-winning display.

Goals from Tia Falvey and Mia Healy earned Tralee Dynamos a narrow 2-1 win over a resilient LB Rovers side. Bethany Purcell scored for LB, but Dynamos held firm for the win. In a close encounter, Dingle claimed a 2-1 victory against Ballyhar, with goals from Eilis Nic Gearailt and Niamh Ní Sé proving the difference.

Hannah Barrett Neziri put on a sensational display, scoring five goals as Fenit cruised to a 6-1 win over Park. Sadhbh O'Donnell added another as Fenit stamped their authority on the tie. Elsewhere Castleisland recorded a commanding 6-0 win over Camp. Roisin Cronin netted a brace, while Bella Clifford, Katie Reidy, Mia Smyth and Jessie Horgan also found the net.

BOYS

GOALS GALORE IN JOHN MURPHY CUP/SHIELD PRELIMINARY ROUND

An action-packed preliminary round of the U12 John Murphy Cup/Shield, saw a flurry of goals across the county, as teams fought it out to stake their claim for the next round of the Cup. Castleisland A saw off Killorglin A with a 3-0 win. Noah McCarthy netted twice, with Padraig Flynn also on target. Killarney Celtic A were ruthless in a 6-0 win against Fenit B, powered by doubles from Dylan McCarthy and Erik Dominguez, with Cillian Daly adding two more for a dominant display.

In a goal-fest, Inter Kenmare A overcame Milltown 7-2, with a stunning hat-trick from Alasdair O'Sullivan, and additional goals from Shay Conor, Jamie Noonan, Tadhg Clifford, and Timmy O'Sullivan.

A thrilling encounter saw Listowel Celtic A beat Tralee Dynamos A 5-2, with braces from Jamie Doyle and Peter Hayes, and a goal from Sean

Kerry U15 Girls Semi Final



Kissane sealing the win. A clinical 3-0 win for Killarney Athletic A over Camp A was driven by a brace from Darragh O'Toole and a fine strike from Ryan O'Donoghue.

MEK A delivered a dominant 6-0 win over Killarney Celtic C, with Issac Robins bagging a hat-trick. Sean O'Sullivan, Jack Lynch, and Gavin Coleman also chipped in. Tadhg O'Rourke Stack was unstoppable, scoring a hat-trick as LB Rovers B beat Listowel Celtic C 4-1, with Anlon O'Brien rounding out the scoreline.

TOM HAYES TROPHY GETS UNDERWAY

The opening round of the Tom Hayes Trophy served up commanding wins for Tralee Dynamos, Park C and Listowel Celtic B, as they all advanced to the next round.

Tralee Dynamos produced a polished performance to see off Milltown with a solid 4-0 win.

William Scanlon was the star of the show with a well-taken brace, while Kyle Smith and Conor Ryan added one each in a dominant display.

Park C were ruthless on the road as they powered to a 5-0 victory over Killarney Athletic C.

Corey Kinsella bagged a brilliant hat-trick, with Tom Óg O'Regan and Oscar Curran completing the scoring for the visitors.

Listowel Celtic B progressed with a 3-0 win over LB Rovers B.

Goals from Ruairi O'Brien, Enrique Walshe, and Jack Heffernan sealed the deal for the home side in a strong all-round team performance.

MEK CROWNED U16 DIVISION 2 CHAMPIONS

MEK were crowned Division 2 champions in style, with a 4-0 victory at home to Park B in the playoff final. The match belonged to one man, Cade Jameson, who delivered an unforgettable performance, netting all four goals in a sensational solo display.

KILLARNEY CELTIC

CELTIC LOTTO

Numbers drawn 10,16,23,25. No jackpot winner. Match 3 winners received €75. Next jackpot €15,000 on Monday April 21st. Jackpot is capped at €15,000 with the additional €200 going on to the 1st jackpot after the next jackpot win. Tickets available from The Dungeon Bookshop, Amber Shop (Top of Ross Road), club members and

online through clubzap.

GREYHOUND BAR CUP

Killarney Celtic 1-1 St Brendan's Park

AET Park win on Penalties.

Blake Bolster

Killarney Celtic relinquished their hold on the Greyhound Bar Cup as their bid for a 7th consecutive title was thwarted by St Brendan's Park. Penalties were once again the undoing of the team. St Brendan's Park led before Blake Bolster levelled. Extra time came and went but the tie remained deadlocked. The excitement lasted until the 11th round of penalties before a winner was found and it was St Brendan's Park who made the next round.

CHARLEVILLE CHEESE PREMIER B

Castlegregory Celtic 1-3 Killarney Celtic B

Evan Cronin, Eoghan Crowley, Cathal Kelly

Celtic B completed their regular season games with a fine win last Sunday. They now sit top of the table but must now wait for the final games to be played to see if they make the league final.

U12 JOHN MURPHY CUP

Killarney Celtic Green 6-0 Fenit B

Dylan McCarthy 2, Erik Dominguez 2, Cillian Daly 2 Celtic led 2-0 at the break against a hard working and well organised Fenit. Eventually Celtic took greater control in the 2nd half and pulled away for a clear win.

Killarney Celtic Hoops 0-6 MEK A

The Hoops team battled extremely hard but the gulf in class against an A team showed as MEK advanced in the Cup.

WU17 FAI CUP

Killarney Celtic 0-3 Carrigtwohill

Celtic bowed out of the Cup last weekend. Carrigtwohill hit Celtic on the break in the opening half and late in the 2nd half with Celtic pressing for the equaliser, Carrigtwohill pounced for the late goals that sealed the tie.

U13 BRID DEVANE CUP

Listowel Celtic 0-2 Killarney Celtic

Olga Kumour, Aimee Shine

Killarney Celtic overcame Listowel after a fine win in this cup tie. Olga Kumour made the breakthrough to edge Killarney in front. In the 2nd half Killarney pressed hard and eventually Aimee Shine sealed the win.

CONGRATS to Andrew Daly U12 who made the KSBGL Team of the Week.

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takes a look at all things sport...

LADIES DIVISION ONE FINAL

Kerry 4-14 Armagh 0-11

Kerry and Armagh have an interesting recent history in the National League – they have had our number more often than not in recent meetings. Not this time – most emphatically not. It wasn't even close. Declan Quill and Darragh Long set a very high benchmark, but Mark Bourke has put his own stamp on this team and they are starting to look really good. I know, I know, it's early days and Brendan Martin isn't on the table just yet. But silverware is silverware and the way that Kerry won it was even more impressive than the fact of it happening. Kerry looked good here. Really fast, really strong, and very direct. Armagh are a really good team at directing the traffic and leading opposition players in possession down blind channels. Here they never got a chance because Kerry simply ran past all the roadblocks. Armagh were reduced to picking off what points they could; Kerry were hunting goals. For that matter, we could have added at least three more if they needed them.

Armagh had early chances but couldn't raise a flag. Kerry were only starting to settle themselves. Then a loose kick-out was directed towards Siofra O'Shea – the one player Armagh didn't want to give the ball to – and she promptly fed Niamh Carmody, who dropped a beautiful lob over the head of the backpedalling goalkeeper. A small enough mistake by Armagh, but Kerry extracted the maximum penalty. Danielle O'Leary was almost in for another one, but Louise Kenny denied her with a brilliant piece of defending. Siofra



Niamh Reel of Armagh in action against Elis Lynch of Kerry during the Lidl Ladies National Football League Division 1 final match between Armagh and Kerry at Croke Park in Dublin. Photo by Shauna Clinton/Sportsfile

O'Shea with a handy free and Kerry led by 1-1 to 0-0.

Aoife McCoy cut in along the endline but her pass across to Niamh Reel was a tad overcooked and Kerry got away with it. Fine margins....

Armagh were pushing forward a bit and leaving a lot of defenders one on one – against this Kerry forward line? I admire a positive approach, but it's not that fine a line. Sure enough, Danielle O'Leary skins her marker. Her first effort comes back off the post but the rebound falls kindly to her and if you give a player like Danielle a second chance, you know as well as me what the result is going to be. 2-1 to 0-0.

Nice movement by Kerry to find Niamh Carmody in space and she coolly splits the posts.

17 minutes gone and Lauren McConville finally gets Armagh on the scoreboard. Eve Lavery adds another and then points again. Are Armagh staging a mini-revival?

Danielle O'Leary has other ideas, surging through and laying off to Jadyn Lucey for a score. Once Danielle gets her hands on the ball, Armagh just can't dispossess her. I considered Jadyn a 'possible' rather than a 'probable' as a championship starter; she is changing my mind here.

Armagh are still pushing up the field. It could very well throw a young team off their game. But an experienced side like Kerry? The likes of Aishling O'Connell, Kayleigh Cronin, and a very impressive Deirdre Kearney are breaking the line easily and passing through the gaps, and once Kerry get the ball into open space.... maybe there is an undercurrent that I'm not understanding, but it feels to me like Armagh are being naive. Their Plan A is meat and drink to Kerry. Danielle O'Leary, definitely the bean laoch so far, makes it 2-4 to 0-4.

Lauren McConville wins a free. Very tricky kick, but Niamh Reel judges it to perfection. Great score, but Kerry's response is dynamite. Siofra O'Shea emerges to gather a good ball in and flick it across to Jadyn Lucey. Kerry are so good at timing those support runs, and Anna Carr ends up picking the ball out of her net for a third time. Kerry ahead by 3-4 to 0-5 at the break. I can't really see Armagh turning this around, but you never know....

Danielle opens the second half scoring to put Kerry nine clear. It wasn't far away from being a goal. Armagh, with a more traditional format, are looking much livelier though. Aoife McCoy brilliantly slices through a defensive gap and it took a moment of real brilliance by Kayleigh Cronin to clear off the line. Just two minutes



Danielle O'Leary of Kerry lifts the trophy with Grace Dumigan, from Killarney, Kerry, following the 2025 Lidl Ladies National Football League Division 1 Final between Armagh and Kerry at Croke Park, Dublin.

Photo by Sam Barnes/Sportsfile

later Niamh Henderson's thunderbolt cracks off the post and goes wide. A goal from either of those chances would have changed the narrative completely. Would Aimee Mackin have made a difference? Be fair about it, of course she would. A player like Aimee Mackin will make a difference in any game; this is one of the all-time greats. But enough of a difference? I can't see it, not here. Kerry are simply too strong, too fast, too dominant in almost every sector.

Kayleigh Cronin isn't exactly known as a scorer, but it turns out she has that in her toolbelt as well as she puts Kerry ahead by 3-6 to 0-5. This is Kayleigh's last game before heading to Australia on a professional contract; what a way to bow out. Armagh are fading now, simply losing too many individual duels at either end. Kerry's movement is excellent. There is a touch of luck about their fourth goal, though. Jadyn Lucey was going for a point when her shot drops short but is misjudged by the unfortunate Carr, who gets a hand to it but only enough to steer it into her own net. It happens in both ladies' football and camogie more often than you might think.

Niamh Carmody forced a great save out of Anna Carr before pointing the rebound. Again, that could as easily have gone under as over the crossbar.

To be honest, this is effectively over. Kerry have another gear in them if they need it, but they don't look like needing it.

Long road ahead, and plenty of it uphill. But – and I know that this kind of fitness is hard to sustain in the long term – I can't see too many living with this Kerry team when the air gets thinner. Mind you, we all spent three decades saying that; let's stay quiet for a while yet.

Kerry: Mary Ellen Bolger, Roisín Rahilly, Deirdre Kearney, Eilís Lynch, Aisling O'Connell, Kayleigh Cronin (0-1), Aoife Dillane, Mary O'Connell, Anna Galvin, Caoimhe Evans, Niamh Ni Chonchuir (0-1), Niamh Carmody (1-2), Danielle O'Leary (1-5), Siofra O'Shea (0-3, 2f), Jadyn Lucey (2-1). Subs: Leah Boyle (for Niamh Carmody, 46 mins), Rachel Dwyer 0-1 (for Jadyn Lucey, 46 mins), Ciara McCarthy (for Aoife Dillane, 51 mins), Fay O'Donoghue (for Roisín Rahilly, 53 mins), Niamh Quinn (for Niamh Ni Chonchuir, 56 mins).

Armagh: Anna Carr, Maeve Ferguson, Clodagh McCambridge, Louise Kenny, Lauren McConville (0-1), Cáit Towe, Roisín Mulligan, Niamh Coleman, Caroline O'Hanlon, Elise Druse, Blaithín Mackin, Eve Lavery (0-2), Niamh Reel (0-5, 4f), Aoife McCoy, Niamh Henderson (0-1). Subs: Gráinne Ferguson (for Louise Kenny, 10 mins), Kelly Mallon 0-1 (for Elise Druse, 40 mins), Caoimhe McNally 0-1 (for Eve Lavery, 40 mins), Eimear McGeown (for Niamh Coleman, 53 mins), Megan McCann (for Cáit Towe, 56 mins).

Referee: Shane Curley (Galway)

MASTERFUL RORY FINALLY SEALS CAREER SLAM

It was a big weekend with quite a lot on. The



Jadyn Lucey of Kerry collides with Armagh goalkeeper Anna Carr after scoring her side's third goal during the Lidl Ladies National Football League Division 1 final match between Armagh and Kerry at Croke Park in Dublin.
Photo by Sam Barnes/Sportsfile

basketball was the obvious priority – PRO Enda Walshe has always been brilliant at keeping people updated and, frankly, reads the game better than me. The Ladies was a must-see – Armagh when they click are a very dangerous team and there's a lot of young talent coming through.

The US Masters? To be honest, I dip in and out of it. Mostly twitter updates while I'm on the move; radio commentary when I'm in the car. I don't sit down and watch hours of golf. I'd go to it, I'd love to go to it. But sit down watching television while there are sporting events happening in real time closer to me – on Day One? Sorry, are you for real? Fair play if you did that. I didn't and I ever will.

To be fair, Sky Commentary is actually pretty good on the golf. They actually analyse the play, talk about strengths and weaknesses, who needs to do what. It actually surprised me the first time I watched it. I don't have a Sky subscription myself – I gave up on pay-per-view quite a while back (one exception and I get the occasional bit of work from them, so I'm not saying who it is). The occasional Saturday night GAA game exempted, I haven't missed it since. I used to watch Premiership soccer on Sky....jaysus almighty, you'd get better analysis from celebrity magazines.

Day One

Rory absolutely flying early on. Arrah stop,

we've all been here before. Personally I think Rory is better off without the pressure of leading and putting a target on his back. He's always a top ten player, but the Masters is a ghost that has haunted him for a long time. This looks like the usual. The Northern Ireland Icarus will fly very high....before crashing and burning. For my money Scottie Scheffler is the likeliest winner. If DeChambeau hits form.... but he is a form player. Like Rory, consistency is his hobgoblin. Sometimes you should play it safe, but they can't help going for the best shot rather than the optimal one.

Justin Rose is playing precision golf. Great saves on the 13th and 14th. Rory is staying nicely in the hunt, picking up shots neatly. Shane is doing alright as well.

Disaster for Rory. A chip off the back on the 15th picks up too much pace and plop! Water. Double bogey. Ah well, sin é. We'll always love you, Rory.

Remember what I said about DeChambeau? He's four under after 16. And if he's in contention after Day One, he will be there or thereabouts to the finish.

Another double bogey for Rory on 17. Jaysus. Four shots gone in three holes. We all know about Amen corner; but I suspect Rory will have a different nickname for the later holes after this round.

Rory on 18. His head is gone and the drive takes an awful bounce. Good recovery, though

and he gets par. That's not a bad result in the circumstances. He is seven – oh lads, you are not making that up – behind on Justin Rose.

Day Two

Rose with a birdie on the second hole. So far, this isn't far off a prime Tiger Woods display by the Englishman. Drops a hole on the fifth, though.

Rory just about saves par on the first and his drive ends up behind a tree on the second. Brilliant recovery shot, though – I suppose you can argue that he has had plenty of practise! – and he notches a birdie.

Aberg is beginning to put pressure on Rose. Aberg? Look, if you told me beforehand that it was the name of a pokemon card, I wouldn't have argued.... DeChambeau reels in another shot as well. In fairness to Rose, he birdies the fifth. Anyone catching him is going to have to accelerate. Fair enough, that's how it should be. DeChambeau is doing exactly that, but another good birdie for Rose on the 12th gives him daylight. Rory is making solid pars. Good golf – actually, almost incredible golf, I think we all forget exactly how hard this is and how good these players are – but he isn't really making up any ground.

DeChambeau within a shot after a bogey by Rose. Shane Lowry moves into the top ten.

Rory on the back nine. Perfect start with a birdie. Amen corner? Rory hits an Aleluia drive straight down the 11th. Practically a tap-in birdie (the phrase 'tap-in birdie' wasn't made illegal until midnight on Sunday night, Irish time).

Matt McCarty is burning up the course. Who is Matt McCarty? And why does he spell it without the 'h'? Well, he's the clubhouse leader (-5); he can do what he wants. Including possibly imposing tariffs; the criteria seem a little mixed on that.

Rose with a bogey. The sharks aren't moving in close just yet, but they are definitely starting to circle...

Rory on the 13th. I was actually out at the time and not following it, but suddenly I could hear whatsapp message humming into the phone. What, eagle? Okay, it's the US Masters. Did Rory shoot two under par, or has Rory actually eaten an American Eagle? One is slightly more likely (there's almost no meat on bald eagles) and yes, suddenly Rory is five under and just three shots off Rose.

Blast it. You know what's going to happen. Rory is going to go on a run, get into contention.... and end up dropping late shots to finish just inside the top ten.

Except....Rory was ambitious on the 15th yesterday and it cost him a double bogey. Today he deliberately goes for the two putt. I like it. Sure, he's left a potential eagle behind. But I'm pretty sure that what he actually left behind is a bogey, and instead he picks up a shot. In a weird way, that was his least spectacular golf and simultaneously his best. Hours of consistency will beat moments of spectacular brilliance. Par on the 17th. Same on the 18th. 66 for Rory, 68 for Shane. Rose at eight under, DeChambeau on seven under, Rory and Connors one behind. DeChambeau and Scheffler dropped late shots. Bernhard Langer with his last ever hole at the



Masters. I like Langer, always did. Jaysus, we used to make jokes about his surname back in the early days of secondary school (Cork idiom more than Kerry). I feel old.

Day Three

Yep, Rory goes for the long drive over the bunker on the first. He makes it, but I'm convinced that he'll go for those all day now.... and drop the occasional shot as a result. He birdies it, fantastic birdie. Back within one shot of the leader now. A few friends are getting excited on the whatsapp. Calm down, children. I'm not just a glass-half-empty pessimist. I'm a 'that glass is going to explode in this heat' kind of pessimist.

DeChambeau with a birdie. Joint leader now. I can't see Rose staying with him to the tournament finish. Scottie is playing some absolutely brilliant golf, but mostly to save pars. Rory....certainly not impossible, but like I said, he is carrying a big monkey on his back.

Eagle. And Rory, completely unfettered by that weight, almost nonchalantly slots his

second eagle of the Masters. He leapfrogs both DeChambeau and Rose. Shane Lowry with a birdie as well. He is within two shots. Drops one pretty fast, though.

Another birdie for Rory! He dropped for shots in three holes in his opening round. He has just picked up four shots now in three holes.

A very solid par for Rory. DeChambeau drops a shot. You are getting to the business end now, no player can really afford those.

Par on the fourth for Rory, and then a long putt for birdie on the fifth. Of course, he makes it. He obviously heard me earlier on; he's just mocking me now. I can't say that I blame him.

Justin Rose drops a shot, Shane Lowry gains one. Back into joint third. Rory is in trouble on the sixth.....great save. Makes par. I actually have a bit of a long drive home at the moment; for once, that suits me fine.

DeChambeau, Rose, and Rory all drop shots. Rory will be disappointed; the top players almost expect to pick up shots on the par fives. Birdie chance on the nine. Doesn't get it, but he is halfway round in 32.

DeChambeau picks up a shot and it's twice as valuable when Rory drops one. Connors picks up a third birdie in a row. Moving Day....it feels like tectonic plates are starting to shift.

A good par for Rory on the 11th. They are all playing solid. DeChambeau drops a shot. There's a definite leading pack at the moment. Overall, I still fancy DeChambeau. But then he drops another shot. I don't have a leaderboard in front of me (obviously) and I'm struggling to remember the order of contenders. That's okay; confusion is kind of my default setting anyway. Birdies for both Rory and Connors. Rory is 10 under, Connors is -8.

A good par on the 14th for Rory, Connors is unlucky not to pick up a birdie. Too bad about him. Spell your surname correctly and you'd have made it.

15th. Disastrous for Rory on his first round, brilliant in his second. I'm not superstitious, but Augusta can be capricious enough. So can Rory, and today Augusta's 15th does what it's told. Another eagle, and suddenly there is serious daylight between Rory and the chasing pack. Birdie chance on the 16th, but Rory will be happy out with par. Right now, it's about not dropping shots more so than picking up shots. Same story with the 17th, could have been a birdie, but par is grand. Great approach on the 18th, an even better birdie chance. DeChambeau is making a bit of a charge. Two late bogeys for Shane Lowry, that's tough. Played some great golf, but just couldn't nail those chances.

A second 66 at the Masters for Rory. Another good day. DeChambeau hot on his heels. Can Rory lose it from here? Umm, yes. He really, really can. Say nothing yet.

Shane Lowry certainly isn't saying too much. It's no secret that he and Rory are great friends but asking the Offaly native about Rory's chances after he has just bogeyed two of the last three holes himself? Shane is curt enough about it, and he is absolutely right.

Day Four

I like RTE for the most part, but what was the point in going to Rory's home town and asking his Hollywood neighbours if they are rooting for him? What exactly were ye expecting? What would make this truly great is for some-one to say "Not at all, I've hated the McIlroys for years". Otherwise it's a bit pointless.

Opening birdie for Rose. Morikawa is quietly creeping up on the leaders. Zach Johnson with an eagle. Five under, not out of it at all.

Bunker on the first for Rory. Putt for par, but he puts a lot too much on it and has to settle for double bogey. Justin Rose picks up another shot. Just like that, Rory has no room for error. DeChambeau makes par and is level.

Rose drops one on the fourth, but Rory is straight into sand. Does well to save par, while DeChambeau was too timid with the eagle effort and does well to make birdie. He's on his own at the top of the leaderboard.

Third green. Both have birdie putts. Rory makes his, DeChambeau doesn't. And then Bryson misses again. Rory back in front.

Fourth. Great approach shot by Rory. DeChambeau has another bogey. Rry has

another birdie putt.....and makes it. That feels to me like a big, big moment.

Rory hits the trees on the fifth. Good recovery shot, but DeChambeau has a birdie chance. Ludvig Aberg moves to 8 under. DeChambeau misses, a let-off. Rory makes par. That was a real chance for DeChambeau to close the gap. Shane Lowry has dropped another shot, though. He's out of contention.

Rory and Bryson both save par on the seventh. Rory's drive goes left on the seventh, but he hits a brilliant recovery shot. Birdie chance; he ends up with a good par. DeChambeau finds sand, but again it's a great recovery.

8th hole. Par five. But they both find sand and both have to lay up. Nice wedge by Rory to give himself a birdie chance. DeChambeau overcooks his just a tiny fraction – jaysus, but Augusta is unforgiving. Has to be, I suppose. Shane Lowry has dropped another shot. Sadly, he's in freefall right now. Justin Rose is quietly and carefully creeping up with birdies.

Two putt by Rory and a safe par. For a lot of his career, he'd have staked everything on the birdie putt. Playing it safe is the right move. This is business, Rory, not entertainment (it's colossal entertainment for everybody else, of course). They all have to chase you, not the other way around. DeChambeau does the same thing and secures his par.

Eagle by Sung-Jae Im. He's seven under now and in the hunt. Justin Rose makes another birdie. Patrick Reed has four birdies in a row as well.

Great approach shot by Rory on the nine. His tee shots have been shaky enough today but that was good. Real chance for a birdie and he could do with it. Rose, Aberg, DeChambeau are all on nine under and no way will all three be dropping shots.

Birdie for Rory. It can all fall apart yet, but even a sceptic like myself is starting to believe that he can pull this off. No, stop it, we have been here before.

Great approach on the tenth by Rory. DeChambeau is on the green as well but it's a harder putt. Rory slots his birdie, DeChambeau makes par. Another chink of daylight. Another birdie for Justin Rose.

Poor tee shot by Rory. Gets lucky with his second, on the edge of the water. DeChambeau does hit water and ends up with a double bogey. It's that fast and that cruel. Golf is absolutely merciless, just one mistake and you can be gone. Rose has dropped a shot as well. Five clear. Jaysus, Rory, I'd bring it home from this position (the arrogance of self-delusion, Stevie Wonder would destroy yours truly at golf). Rory isn't five clear for long though, he takes a bogey himself.

He navigates the 12th well and comes out with another par. DeChambeau drops another shot, but Justin Rose picks up another one (almost an eagle). Patrick Reed and Scottie Scheffler are pushing to the front of the chasing pack.

Justin Rose with another birdie. In fairness, he is eating up this course today. Patrick Reed has three-putted, though.

Boom. Rory in the water. That sense of foreboding was right all along. Double bogey. Justin Rose with a birdie. It felt inevitable. They

are tied for the lead on 11 under and the smart money must be on Justin Rose now. He has definitely been the most consistently excellent player today.

Rory with yet another poor tee shot on the 14th. It'll be difficult to rescue par here – it basically hangs over the hole but doesn't drop. Justin Rose is a shot clear. What's more, another birdie for Ludvig Aberg sees him right on their heels. The only good thing is that they will be finishing ahead of Rory; he'll know what he will need to do. I'd suggest a drop of holy water but in this instance I want Rory staying far away from any kind of water.

Bogey for Rose on the 17th. Three way tie now on ten under.

Rory on the 15th. Par five, and he has to go for it. This is a huge test of his mentality. Decent tee shot and an incredible second. That's just magic. It's an eagle chance. Doesn't go, but takes his birdie quite comfortably. He's back in front on the leaderboard.....Justin Rose takes his last shot of the 2025 Masters.....and birdies the 18th. It mightn't have been his last shot after all, this could well end in a play-off. You couldn't script this. This isn't any Hitchcock movie, this is all Tarantino.

Birdie chance for Rory on the 16th but it rolls past. Just millimetres away, but he makes par safely.

Two tough par fours ahead of him. Has to par to force a play-off, a birdie to win.

Once again it's not a great opening drive on the 17th. But, not for the first time today, his approach shot is sheer brilliance. Three feet from the pin, and he slots it as though it was just a practise round. Rory McIlroy is just one hole away from a career Slam. I can't ignore it; I'm just hoping that he can.

18th.Great tee shot. That was the big hurdle as far as I am concerned. Three shots to hole it from here? Rory McIlroy? Superstition be damned, he's got this.

Except that he doesn't. Straight into the bunker. Big ask now. Decent recovery, but that's not an easy par. And it doesn't drop. Play-off.

Rory and Rose tee off at the 18th. Sudden death. Good drive by Justin Rose. Rory matches it. Great second shot by Rose. Even better by Rory. He should birdie this.

Justin Rose has to go for it...close, but no cigar. Rory has a bread and butter putt to birdie and win. Put it in, Rory, for my sake if not your own. I want to go to bed; I'm up early in the morning. And there it is. Green jacket, money....blah, blah, blah. Rory McIlroy becomes just the sixth player in history to have won the Big Four (I presume Donald Trump claims to have done it, but I also presume that he is lying). Gene Sarazen, Ben Hogan, Gary Player, Jack Nicklaus, Tiger Woods (the only man to hold all four titles simultaneously, though it was over two years, not one) and now, Rory McIlroy.

Apparently there are people who play this game to relax. What do they do for excitement? Juggle chainsaws?

EAST KERRY NEWS

EAST KERRY MINOR LEAGUE

First team named will be at home

Division 1 (15 a side)

Round 1

Dr Crokes 3-15 Kenmare 3-12

Legion 0-07 Rathmore 4-18

Division 2 (13/15 a side)

Fossa 3-16 Glenflesk 7-16

Cordal Gaa 7-08 Listry Gaa 4-16

Division 3A (13 a side)

Round 1

Spa 1-22 Kilcummin 6-09

Division 3B (13 a side)

Round 1

Kenmare 4-10 Currow 6-18

EAST KERRY LEAGUE FIXTURES

Division 1 Round 3 – Monday 21st April

Dr. Crokes V Legion

Kenmare V Rathmore

Division 2 Round 3 – Monday 21st April

Listry V Fossa

Cordal V Glenflesk

Division 3A Round 3 – Monday 21st April

Firies V Spa

Kilcummin V Beaufort

Division 3B Round 3 – Monday 21st April

Currow V Gneeveguilla

Kenmare B bye

EAST KERRY U 16 LEAGUE

Div 1A

Cordal 6-11 Dr Crokes 2-15

Listry 3-15 Firies 3-14

U16 Div 1B

Legion 7-19 Spa 0-9

Kilcummin 4-16 Kenmare 6-8

Division 2A

Kilgarvan 5-11 Rathmore 6-17

Gneeveguilla 2-18 Fossa 5-19

Division 2B

Scartaglen 6-13 Glenflesk 5-3

Beaufort 6-10 v Legion B 5-09

EAST KERRY MONTHLY MEETING

The monthly meeting of the East Kerry Board will take place in the Killarney Heights Hotel at 9pm on Tuesday 22 April.

LADIES NATIONAL LEAGUE FINAL

Congratulations to the Kerry Ladies team on their great win in the National League Final over Armagh.

CONDOLENCES

Sympathies from all in the East Kerry Board to Abbeydorney GAA and the families of Lillie Gaynor on her recent tragic passing.

FOSSA NOTES

LOTTO

The numbers drawn on 13/04/2025 for a jackpot of €9,600 were 12, 17, 21, 25. There was no jackpot winner. The €40 consolation prize winners were; Eimer Hallissey, Niall Myers, Patricia O'Neill, Phil Ahern, Hannah Wharton. 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>

BOYS UNDER 14 COUNTY LEAGUE

Fossa 5-19 Churchill 4-05

Fossa welcomed Churchill for Round 2 of the County League. Conditions were ideal for



Fossa u12 boys welcomed Dr Crokes to Fossa on Sunday evening. Two wonderful games - full of skill and football. Thoroughly enjoyable to watch the passion at such a young age from both teams. Well done to both teams and management.

attractive open football and the home side certainly did not disappoint. Within a minute Ryan Lynch had hit the back of the Churchill net with a peach of a goal and this was quickly followed up by a Ross Cronin goal. And before they knew it the visitors were again picking the ball out of the net after a daisy cutter from Mark O'Connor found the net. Churchill eventually got on the score sheet when they converted a penalty, but this was quickly cancelled when Ryan Lynch scored his 2nd goal. As the half time whistle blew Fossa held a commanding lead of 4-06 to 1-01.

In fairness to Churchill, they never gave up and they played much better in the 2nd period hitting Fossa for 3 goals. Fossa continued to keep the score board ticking over with team captain Gerry Moroney scored a fantastic goal. When Desmonds referee Jim O'Connor blew his final whistle it was Fossa who ran out easy winners. On the night it was a wonderful team performance by everyone of the Fossa lads in front of their vocal home supporters, but much tougher tests await this team in the coming weeks. Fossa Scorers : Johnny Myers 0-08, Ryan Lynch 2-02, Gerry Moroney 1-05, Ross Cronin 1-02, Mark O'Connor 1-00, Shea Driver 0-02. Fossa Team: David Kennelly, Cian Riordan, Charlie O'Meara, Tristan Cryan, Sean Doyle, Donnacha Coffey, George Nomikas, Shea Driver, Gerry Moroney, Aaron O'Sullivan, Johnny Myers, Eoin Murphy, Ryan Lynch, Ross Cronin, Mark O'Connor, Noah Keogh, Rory Salvador, Colm O'Sullivan, Peter Clifford, Luke Nott, Oliver Bagi

U-16 BOYS EAST KERRY LEAGUE

The U16 boys began their East Kerry campaign with an away match against Gneeveguilla. In ideal sunny conditions, the home side started strongly, taking an early lead of 0-4 to 0-2. Fossa responded with a well-executed move that saw Ross O'Gorman score the first goal of the game. However, Gneeveguilla quickly regained control, registering a goal and four points in a five-minute period. The match continued to swing back and forth, with James O'Meara finding his rhythm and slotting over four points. Just before the break, Luke Rennie found the net, giving Fossa a narrow lead of 2-10 to 1-11 at halftime. Fossa dominated the second half, adding 3 goals and 9 points to their tally. Mikey Moroney

delivered an outstanding performance in his comeback from injury, contributing 3-2. In defence, Dara Whelton, Oisín Cryan, Charlie Griffin, and Paddy Myers kept Gneeveguilla to just 1-7 in the second half. The match ended with a win for Fossa, 5-19 to 2-18. A great start to the campaign, next up is an away clash with Rathmore.

HI ALL CLUB MEMBERS

We are continuing with our efforts to raise funds for the development of our Club facilities and it's wonderful to see the new dressing rooms advance week on week towards completion.

We are asking for your support again - little by little each week

If all our club members could bring €1 worth of plastic bottles/cans to the Clubhouse for the club to recycle and get the proceeds, eg if 300 members could bring €1 worth of bottles each week that could potentially generate €15k for the club.

But let's start small - next time when coming to Fossa GAA bring a euro worth of bottles.

Many thanks to Seamus Kelly who sourced our bin and will do the recycling for the club.

WELL DONE

Huge congratulations to Emma O'Connor and the U14 Kerry Ladies Gaelic Football team who won their Munster final, beating Waterford on a score of 4-16 to 2-06.

KILLARNEY LEGION GAA

U14 BOYS

Our Under 14 Boys White Team commenced their County League Football on Tuesday evening. Spa provided the opposition, and our boys with the majority of the team playing up from U12 were complimented with some superb displays for the older boys in the team., and they played out a very exciting and entertaining match. Our lads adapted to the new rules very well and had excellent discipline throughout and just about pulled away in the end for a victory

U16 BOYS

Our U16s visited Spa on Wednesday evening and came away with a comprehensive win played in ideal conditions. They played some superb football throughout, and all 18 lads contributed

to this fine win. Thanks to Spa, who never gave up and were unlucky not to score a goal or two at the end of the game. Thanks to Brendan Brosnan for refing. Unfortunately, Samuel and Micheal picked up a knock each which hopefully wont stop them seeing action next week for our last group game which is Kenmare away, so we wish them a speedy recovery.

Our B team played Beaufort A away on another ideal Friday evening for football. We had a lot of possessions early in the game but didn't take our chances while Beaufort did. We went in 3-7 to 1-4 down at half time. Beaufort hit us for two early goals early in the 2nd half but our lads dug deep and battled brilliantly to get it back to three points with a minute remaining, However Beaufort worked a score at the very end to win by four. This group are playing up a division, so games are very competitive and tough for them, which hopefully will benefit them in the long run. They showed great heart and never gave up. Thanks to Beaufort for a fine game and to John Purcell for refing.

They followed up that game with a Sunday evening joust as they took on Scartaglen but unfortunately they just came up short in a sporting game of football. Having enjoyed a lot of possession in the first half, unfortunately the conversion rate was low for the amount of chances created . The half time score read 1-7

to 1-5 in Scartaglens favour .The second half was an even affair with both teams going for the win. With just over a minute left a well worked goal put us within one point of the lead. Having won possession of the kick out we unfortunately turned over the ball to give Scartaglen the win. Again this was a great test for the team and proved to be a good learning experience for them. Thanks to Scartaglen for the game and to Evan Horan for his excellent officiating as usual.

DEEPEST SYMPATHIES

The Club extends its sympathies to the family of Dan O Mahony. Dan's sons Paudie and Denis played for the Club at all grades and that legacy has carried into the next generation with grandsons Denis, Danny and Cathal who are sons of Mairead and Judy.

May Dan Rest in Peace

LOTTO

Results Monday April 7th. Numbers were 12 , 13, 16, 18. Bonus 26.No Jackpot winner. Match 3s / Lucky Dips: 1.Brid Horgan 2.Darren O Shea 3.Michael Myers

DR. CROKES

MEMBERSHIP

Membership for the 2025 season is now due!

LOTTO took place April 14th. Numbers drawn were 9, 20, 21, 24. Jackpot of €5,300 was NOT

WON. 10 patrons matched 3 numbers and receive €40 each. Jackpot for draw on April 21st will be €5,600.

EASTER CAMP REGISTRATION is now live.

https://member.clubforce.com/memberships_cart_m.asp?LL_ID=2545&intMF_ID=14412#topp

DR. CROKES GAA CLUB EVENTS

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GENTLE YOGA continues every Thursday until April 24th from 6:15pm.

DR. CROKES SHOP

You can shop worldwide on our online shop. Follow the link <https://www.oneills.com/shop-by-team/gaa/ireland/dr-crokes-gaa.html?p=2>

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.

BEST WISHES TO KAYLEIGH CRONIN on her move to Australia.

NOTES

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

‘Keane’ to Support their Club

LOCAL BUSINESS SPONSOR LISTRY GAA JERSEYS

The Keane Family who own Keane's Supervalu in Killorglin, Centra in Farranfore and Keane 2 Clean Launderette and Dry Cleaners in Killorglin have presented Listry Football Club with a set of jerseys for three teams.

Peadar, Barry and Micheal Keane are all members of the club and their mum, Siobhan and dad, former Kerry Football Manager and current Clare Football Manager have always supported the club.

This week the Under 12's, Under 14's and Under16's all received a new set of jerseys from Peter, Peadar and Barry at their shop in Killorglin.



Members of Listry GAA Club receive jerseys for three teams from Peter, Peadar and Barry Keane



Peadar, Peter and Barry Keane with the jerseys.

O'LEARY INSPIRES KERRY TO 13TH LIDL NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE CROWN

LIDL NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE DIVISION 1 FINAL

Kerry 4-14 Armagh 0-11

By Daire Walsh

Danielle O'Leary struck a magnificent haul of 1-5 at Croke Park on Saturday evening as a goal-hungry Kerry secured a record 13th Lidl National Football League Division 1 crown with a comprehensive victory over Armagh at Croke Park on Saturday evening.

Having lost out to Armagh in last year's NFL top-tier decider at the same venue – a few short months before triumphing in the TG4 All-Ireland senior football championship – the Kingdom emphatically reclaimed a trophy they had most recently won back in 2023.

Picked out by Siofra O'Shea after she gathered an Armagh kick-out, last year's All-Ireland winning skipper Niamh Carmody floated a looping effort over the head of Armagh netminder Anna Carr for a deadlock-breaking goal on seven minutes.

This major was complimented by a pointed free from O'Shea and after her initial strike on goal had rebounded off the post, livewire corner-

forward O'Leary fired home a second Kerry goal in the 13th minute.

The impressive Carmody proceeded to split the uprights for a rampant Kingdom, before Armagh finally got up and running with three unanswered points from Lauren McConville and Eve Lavery (two).

Inside forwards Niamh Henderson and Niamh Reel (free) were also on hand to raise white flags in response to Jacy Lucey and O'Leary at the opposite end, before a third goal courtesy of Lucey on 28 minutes propelled Kerry towards a 3-4 to 0-5 interval buffer.

O'Leary added to her tally on the resumption with another fine point, but the Kingdom faithful breathed a sigh of relief when Aoife McCoy and Niamh Henderson both went close to shaking the opposition net.

Yet Kerry continued to possess a potent attacking threat and after centre half-back Kayleigh Cronin broke free for an excellent point, a speculative strike from distance by Lucey dropped into the net for her second goal (and Kerry's fourth) on 37 minutes.

This effectively eliminated any prospect of a dramatic fightback from Armagh, but Kerry still kept the scoreboard ticking over with four points without reply courtesy of Carmody, O'Shea, Niamh Ní Chonchúir and O'Leary.



Kerry captain Anna Galvin lifts the trophy following the 2025 Lidl Ladies National Football League Division 1 Final between Armagh and Kerry at Croke Park, Dublin. Photo by Shauna Clinton/Sportsfile

To Armagh's credit, they did persevere with their challenge during the closing quarter of the game with substitutes Caoimhe McNally and Kelly Mallon finding the target to supplement four additional points from Reel. Yet with O'Leary (two), O'Shea and Rachel Dwyer all firing over scores of their own, Kerry eased towards a deserved victory.

Scorers – Kerry: D O'Leary 1-5, J Lucey 2-1, N Carmody 1-2, S O'Shea 0-3 (2f), K Cronin, N Ní Chonchúir, R Dwyer 0-1 each.

Armagh: N Reel 0-5 (4f), E Lavery 0-2, L McConville, N Henderson, C McNally, K Mallon 0-1 each.

KERRY: ME Bolger; R Rahilly, D Kearney, E Lynch; A O'Connell, K Cronin, A Dillane; M O'Connell, A Galvin; C Evans, N Ní Chonchúir, N Carmody; D O'Leary, S O'Shea, J Lucey. Subs: R Dwyer for Lucey, L Boyle for Carmody (both 45), C McCarthy for Dillane (51), F O'Donoghue for Rahilly (53), N Quinn for Ní Chonchúir (57).

ARMAGH: A Carr; M Ferguson, C McCambridge, L Kenny; L McConville, C Towe, R Mulligan; N Coleman, C O'Hanlon; E Druse, B Mackin, E Lavery; N Reel, A McCoy, N Henderson. Subs: G Ferguson for Kenny (11), K Mallon for Druse, C McNally for Lavery (both 40), E McGeown for Coleman (53), M McCann for Towe (57).

Referee: Shane Curley (Galway).



Danielle O'Leary of Kerry is presented with the Player of the Match award by Christine McIntyre, Senior Partnerships and Events Manager, Lidl Ireland and Northern Ireland, following the 2025 Lidl Ladies National Football League Division 1 Final between Armagh and Kerry at Croke Park, Dublin. Photo by Sam Barnes/Sportsfile



Kayleigh Cronin of Kerry in action against Cait Towe of Armagh during the Lidl Ladies National Football League Division 1 final match between Armagh and Kerry at Croke Park in Dublin. Photo by Shauna Clinton/Sportsfile



Eilis Lynch of Kerry in action against Maeve Ferguson of Armagh during the Lidl Ladies National Football League Division 1 final match between Armagh and Kerry at Croke Park in Dublin. Photo by Shauna Clinton/Sportsfile

MUNSTER SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIP LAUNCHED

Munster LGFA were delighted to welcome the 6 Counties to the recent launch of the Munster Senior and Senior B Championships, held in Mallow GAA Complex on Tuesday April 15th.

This year's competitions will again be run on a round robin format with each team facing off against each other to earn the right to contest the Munster Final. Games will take place over three consecutive weekends with a two-week break before the finals.

Speaking at the launch Munster LGFA President Robbie Smyth said he was really looking forward to the Championship which "is looking like it's going to be one of our best Championships in a long long time" with four top quality teams taking part.

Both Munster Ladies Senior Football Championships commence on Saturday, April 26th with finals taking place in Mallow GAA Complex on May 25th.

SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIP

Round 1 on April 26th sees Cork welcome the Kingdom to the Rebel County for their opening encounter, with Kerry on the hunt for back-to-back Munster titles having won the Senior Munster Championship last year.

Our second Round 1 game takes place on Sunday, April 27th where Tipperary will host neighbours Waterford in a game that could go any way.

The second round sees Tipperary at home again the opposition this time Cork, with Waterford welcoming reigning All Ireland Champions Kerry to the Déise.

The final round stage will decide on our final pairings, with Waterford and Kerry having home advantage. Mr Smyth wished all the panels and their management teams the best of luck in the coming games, and we would hope that one of our teams will bring the All-Ireland Championship title back to Munster.

The Munster President also congratulated Kerry on their dominant performance and fabulous win over Armagh in the Division 1 Lidl National Football League Final held in Croke Park last weekend. Commiserations to Cork who are a very young team who were up against top opposition Galway in the Division 2 final. This team is building and congratulations on moving up to Division 1 next year.

Senior B Championship

The Munster Senior B Championship structure and dates follow our Senior Championship and this year we are delighted to have 4 teams



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CLARE VS LIMERICK		LIMERICK VS KERRY	CLARE VS KERRY
ROUND 1 APRIL 27 TH		ROUND 3 MAY 11 TH	
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competing and developing their players in the campaign. This is the 3rd year of this competition, which is proving to be vital in the development of players from club to county standards with Senior B panel members being drafted onto Senior County Panels.

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By NICKY BARRY

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And represented Ireland, in which he took great pride.
He won three Majors early on, and then the well dried up,
Although he was Europe's banker, in the Ryder Cup,
But the Master's was the big one, that eluded him for years,
Until last Sunday evening, when it ended up in tears,
Of relief and happiness, that at last he achieved,
All he ever dreamt of, since he was a kid.

It's a story of endurance, and burning self-belief,
To persist through disappointments, with a Down will to win!





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Request for Expression of Interest in the provision of 16 seater bus driver

Killarney National Park requests Expressions of Interest for the provision of bus driving services for a 16 seater bus.

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Basic Requirements:

- A full Category D Irish Driving Licence
- Must also have held a Category B for a minimum of 2 years
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- A strong knowledge of Killarney and its environs
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All dates will be pre-booked and successful contractor notified with at least 2 weeks' notice.

Interested parties can contact: PermitsKNP@npws.gov.ie for further information.

This contract will be for an initial 12 months with the potential to extend to two years.

Closing date for receipt of tenders

The closing date for receipt of tenders is 1pm on Friday the 2nd May 2025.



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Tender for Boating Permit to operate "Gap Trip" EXTENSION

Tenders are invited for a licence to operate boats carrying twelve passengers or less on the Gap Trip in Killarney for the period 1st May 2025 to 01st March 2027. The licence shall be offered on the following basis: One licence to cover 5 boats (minimum reserve price: €774.55 per season, €1,523.68 for the full period). Two separate licences to operate one boat (reserve price: €133.32 per licence per season, €266.64 for the full period).

Tender documents may be obtained from permitsKNP@npws.gov.ie. Sealed tenders should be marked "Gap Trip" and sent to Danny O'Keefe, NPWS, Muckross House, Killarney National Park, Killarney, Co. Kerry, V93 CK73. Only tender submitted on the official tender form and received before the extended tender deadline 2p.m. 2nd May 2025, will be accepted. The successful tenderer must be able to provide a current Passenger Boat Licence from the Marine Survey Unit, Department of Transport, for each craft together with the appropriate PL & EL Insurances of €10m which indemnifies the Minister, his servants, agents, etc. and a current Tax Clearance Certificate.

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KERRY COUNTY COUNCIL STOPPING HOUSE BUILDING IN KERRY

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

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

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

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

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



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



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

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



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

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KERRY STUDENTS WIN TOP PRIZES IN TEXACO CHILDREN'S ART COMPETITION

A ten year old student at Holy Cross Mercy, Killarney has won a top prize in the 71st Texaco Children's Art Competition.

Rose is joined by three other Kerry secondary school students in the prizes including I, Tralee – Nicole Ladjusenkova (13), Jolin Weng (15) and Esha Shet (15).

All were winners of Special Merit Awards for artworks that Final Adjudicator – Irish visual artist, curator and educator – Pauline O'Connell, said 'displayed high levels of skill and creativity.'

No stranger to the Competition, Jolin also won a Special Merit Award in 2023.

The Texaco Children's Art Competition is popularly regarded as the longest-running sponsorship in the history of arts sponsoring in Ireland, with an unbroken history that dates back to the very first Competition held in 1955. This year, as has been the case throughout its life, it has been a platform on which young artists from Kerry and counties throughout Ireland have had their talents recognised and their creativity commended.



Rose Onlova - Holy Cross Mercy



Nicole Ladjusenkova – Mercy Mounthawk



Jolin Weng - Mercy Mounthawk



Esha Shet – Mercy Mounthawk



Beaufort Pioneers to Celebrate 75th Anniversary

To celebrate the 75th Anniversary of the founding of St.Mary's Pioneer Centre a social will be held at Kate Kearney's on Friday, April 25th. Beaufort has a long and proud association with the Pioneer Movement over many decades. Come and join us to celebrate this great milestone. All welcome. Contact: 064-6644319 or 064-6644252.



Sliabh Luachra Drama group presented a cheque of €14,592.05 to the Killarney/South Kerry Irish Cancer Society in the Killarney Brewery on Saturday front I-r: Moira Hughes, Eugene O'Sullivan, Kathleen O'Shea, Nora Walsh and Eleanor O'Doherty,



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When finished planting, make sure to water the plants well, and if you decide to keep the flower bowl indoors make sure that the saucer is underneath. Keep the finished bowl in as much light as possible and this will flower well into the time for Summer bedding. As certain flowers go off before others, don't be afraid to remove them as this will keep your bowl looking good for longer.

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PEGGY LYNCH'S KNOCK & LOUGH DERG TOUR (overnight trip) **Sunday May 4th 2025:** If there are any queries, we can be contacted here at O'Callaghan Coach Holidays on 064 6631095.

INTO ACTION AA GROUP are holding an Open AA meeting on Sunday 27th April 2025 at 7.30pm, in The Parish Centre, Church of the Resurrection, Park Rd. All are welcome to attend.. Refreshments will be provided

KILLARNEY VALLEY RACE GOOD FRIDAY RACE: Good Friday 18th of April, street closures and traffic Management from, 6.30pm—8.30pm. There will be 1000 participants at the event from all over Ireland. The Race begins at Killarney House at 7pm., from the demesne crossing Port Road at the Deenagh Bridge and takes in New Street, High Street, New Road and Port Road route twice before finishing on Beech Road next to the tourist office.

FAMILY CARERS: Are you caring for a loved one at home with additional needs? A spouse, partner, child, close relative or neighbour? Then you are a family carer! Become a member of Family Carers Ireland, the national charity supporting Ireland's 500,000+ family carers nationwide. Contact 057 93 70221 and hear how we can support you or for more info visit www.familycarers.ie

BINGO at St. Mary's Parish Hall, will be held on Wednesday next week @ 8.30pm, day change due to Holy Week. All Welcome.

CATHOLIC PAPERS: The Irish Catholic and the Universe, along with other great reads, are available in the bookstands for Sale. This is a great way to keep informed about what's happening in the Church nationally and internationally.

EASTER DUES ENVELOPES FOR SUPPORT OF THE PRIESTS OF THE PARISH are available at Church Doors for those who don't use the Parish Envelopes and would like to contribute. The Envelopes will be taken up as a second collection at the Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday Masses. Many Thanks for your continued support

EASTER BLESSINGS: on behalf of Bishop Ray, Fr Kieran, Fr Joe & Fr Vitalis – We wish you every blessing this Easter day and season. May the Risen Lord renew your lives and your hearts and homes bringing New Life, Hope and Peace.



A Word of Victory

*"Every good and perfect gift comes down from the Father of heavenly lights
Who does not change like shifting shadows" (James 1:17).*

Welcome back dear student, as we celebrate Resurrection Sunday this weekend I pray you enjoy a joyous time of fellowship with your Saviour! God gave us His best gift ever - Jesus, His Son. The Lord tells us not to be stressing about life, because God already knows all our needs, and He wants to look after us completely (Matthew 6:25-33). We all have needs and they differ from one person to another; for example, one may be in poverty or drowning in debt, while another has plenty of money, but is lacking good health, while yet another may be fearful, isolated and lonely. Needs vary, even from season to season; but one need we all have whether rich or poor, young or old is - we need a Saviour!

No one is good enough to approach the Righteous God. He is Holy, and our sins cannot enter His Presence. Whether those sins are murder, theft, unforgiveness, or gossip – all sin is equal in God's view, and must be repented of, and that lifestyle turned from to receive Salvation. This can be hard to swallow, as the world ranks sin from 'bad sins' that some call mortal, right down to perceived 'little' sins - referred to as white lies. No dear friend, in God's sight they are all the same. He wouldn't be the God of Justice if He graded sin - that is man's theology. People may find this difficult to accept – it's a battle with pride, because the flesh can get puffed up, and we compare ourselves to others, and judge them into categories – the good, bad, and ugly. We think of ourselves 'more highly than we ought' the Word declares (Romans 12:3; 1 Corinthians 10:12). But God knows us inside out, upside down, and everything in between. There is nothing hidden from Him. And yet He still loves each one of us, and longs for us to repent, come to know Him and live for Him (John 3:16).

So, God did the unexpected. He came down Himself, born as a humble Child – in the Person of Jesus (Isaiah 59:16-17; John 1:14). The Lord Jesus faced all kinds of temptations to sin, just like us, except - He never sinned, for His Bloodline came from God, not man. Jesus resisted Satan and his relentless afflictions, but make no mistake, the battle was unimaginable! (Hebrews 12:2; Luke chapter 23; John chapter 19) How many times did Jesus feel like throttling those who persecuted Him? But He never gave in to sin. He often withdrew, alone with His Father, to worship and pray. I wonder was He asking God for strength to be able to cope with the difficult situations and personalities He was enduring? The relationship between the Lord Jesus and God was unshakeable, because Jesus lived totally dependent upon Him, and God helped Him withstand every trial.

The final battle though, He faced alone. For there, God put on His Innocent Son all the sin, sicknesses, and griefs of mankind (Isaiah 53:3-12; Matthew 27:46; Isaiah 59:2). Jesus became curse and carried all our sins - taking them into the grave and hell where He defeated Satan on our behalf (Colossians 2:13-15). He willingly became the Lamb of God, for none of us could ever pay the ransom sin demanded. However, the grave couldn't hold Jesus as He was sinless, so God raised Him from the dead after Satan's defeat (Acts 2:22-36). Hallelujah! This is why we celebrate the Good News: Jesus is Alive - and He has overcome sin, curse, and death to bring the gifts of forgiveness, peace, and freedom for you and me, Glory to God!

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

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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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4TH ANNIVERSARY

IN LOVING MEMORY OF
PATRICK FLEMING



LATE OF 29 MARIAN TCE,
KILLARNEY, & 16 SCRAHAN
COURT, ROSS ROAD, KILLARNEY,
WHO PASSED AWAY ON
APRIL 16TH 2021.

Someone is Missing

DAD

*Let this be a loving reminder,
That someone is missing today.
Someone our hearts still hold onto,
As we travel along life's way.
Someone who made life special,
For all those who gather here.
Someone who won't be forgotten,
But cherished from year to year.
And now as we pause to remember,
Let us fondly recall,
How dearly each of us loved him,
And oh, how he loved us all.*

Sadly Missed by Derek, Kathleen,
Kiain, Aoife and Dara.

PRAYER TO PADRE PIO

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



1ST ANNIVERSARY

IN LOVING MEMORY OF
TIM (TIMMY) O'CONNOR



PINEWOOD ESTATE, KILLARNEY
WHO PASSED AWAY ON
THE 18TH OF APRIL 2024.

*In God's care you rest above
In our hearts, you rest with love.
Never more than a thought away
Loved and remembered every day.*

Forever loved by your brothers,
sisters and their families.

11TH ANNIVERSARY

BUCKLEY



IN LOVING MEMORY OF
JERH BUCKLEY
LATE OF LISMONGANE, FOSSA,
KILLARNEY,
WHO DIED ON THE
16TH APRIL, 2014.

*Somewhere beyond the sunset
Where loved ones never die
You sleep in a beautiful garden
Beneath a golden sky
Though heaven and earth divide us
We are never far apart
For you are always in our thoughts
And forever in our hearts.*

Sadly missed and lovingly remembered
by Kathleen, Mary, Teddy, Michéal,
grandchildren and great grandchildren.

POWERFUL NOVENA TO THE SACRED HEART

O my Jesus, you have said:
"Truly I say to you, if you ask anything of the Father in my name, he will give it to you."
Behold, in your name, I ask the Father for the grace of...
(Mention your Intention Here)
Sacred Heart of Jesus,
I place all my trust in you.

6TH ANNIVERSARY

REMEMBERING WITH LOVE
CARMELLA SHEEHY



LINN DUBH, AGHADOE,
KILLARNEY
WHO DIED ON
APRIL 24TH 2019

*If roses grow in Heaven,
Lord please pick a bunch for us,
place them in Carmella's arms
and tell her they're from us.
Tell her we love her and miss her,
and when she turns to smile,
place a kiss upon her cheek
and hold her for a while.
Remembering her is easy,
we do it every day,
but there's an ache within our hearts
that will never go away.*

Ní imithe uainn ach romhainn.

Forever in our hearts
Eddie, Dáire, Tríona and Éamonn.

*Anniversary Mass will be held on Friday
April 25th at 7.30pm in The Prince of Peace
Church, Fossa.*

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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