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# A Note from the EDITOR



In the week when Dr. Crokes sealed victory in the County Championship, we bring you a jam packed magazine. The Kerry Hospice Foundation is receiving lots of support with various fundraisers including a coffee mornings at The Royal Townhouse and the Aghadoe Heights Hotel, along with a Sky dive, to raise much needed funds for the charity.

Daly's Supervalu celebrated 30 years in business, there is a call for volunteers to help protect Killarney National Park and the county is set to celebrate it's amazing Architecture.

Anne Lucey takes a look at the chaotic Cathedral Car Park, Killarney Town Twinning strengthen their ties with Santeny in France and it was Awards Night at Killarney Golf & Fishing Club.

GAA heroes will unite for a unique fundraiser, Training with the Stars, St. Paul's Basketball Club is planning to mark 40 years, while Fossa Two Mile Comhaltas celebrates 20 Years of Set Dancing.

A century of Badminton was celebrated with a win, hundreds of women took a dip in the nip for the Kerry Cancer Support Group and Recovery Haven and families took centre state at the Killarney Legion BBQ.

Kerry FC are celebrating a historic win, Killarney Valley AC have received funding and Jimmy takes a look at All Things Sport.

Hope you all enjoy this week's Killarney Outlook.



*Aisling Crosbie*



*O'Sullivan's cascade in all it's splendour after a weekend of rain captured perfectly by Denis Kelleher*



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# This One's for Jamie

## Always in Our Hearts

It was a poignant and emotional moment for the Dr. Crokes senior footballers on Monday evening last when, fresh from their victory in the County Championship, the team gathered not in celebration alone, but in remembrance. Together, they made their way to the graveside of their late teammate and friend, Jamie Doolan, to honour his memory and dedicate their triumph to him.

Jamie, who sadly passed away in July of this year, had been an integral part of the Dr. Crokes club for much of his life. A gifted footballer, he wore the black and amber with pride from underage right through to adult level. His talent, dedication, and love of the game made him a standout figure on the field, while his warmth and generosity of spirit made him a cherished teammate and friend off it.

Jamie's passion for the sport never waned. He channelled his energy into nurturing the next generation of players, serving as part of both the minor and senior management teams in recent years. His knowledge of the game, encouragement, and leadership left an indelible mark on those he mentored.

After the county final win, team captain David Shaw paid a heartfelt tribute, dedicating the victory to Jamie. "This one is for Jamie – he'll always be part of us," he said, capturing the emotion of a day that was as much about remembrance as it was about silverware.

The team's visit to Jamie's grave was a powerful symbol of the bond that exists within Dr. Crokes – a reminder that while victories on the pitch are celebrated, the true measure of a club lies in its people and the love and respect they hold for one another.

As Dr. Crokes look ahead to the next stage of their campaign, Jamie's legacy will remain a guiding force. His memory lives on in the spirit of the club, in the young players he inspired, and in the hearts of all who had the privilege to know him.

Gone far too soon, but never forgotten – Jamie Doolan will always be part of Dr. Crokes.



Members of the Killarney Branch of the Kerry Hospice Foundation gathered at The Killarney Royal Townhouse this week to launch the annual coffee morning. The event takes place on Thursday 25th September from 10am to 12.30pm at Figo, the boutique cafe within the townhouse. Everyone is invited to attend.

*Pictured at the launch are Pat Doolan, Chairperson, Berl Fernandez, Joanne Brosnan, Chef Erik, Catherine O'Reilly Nuala Doolan, Angela Curran and Dermot O'Reilly.*





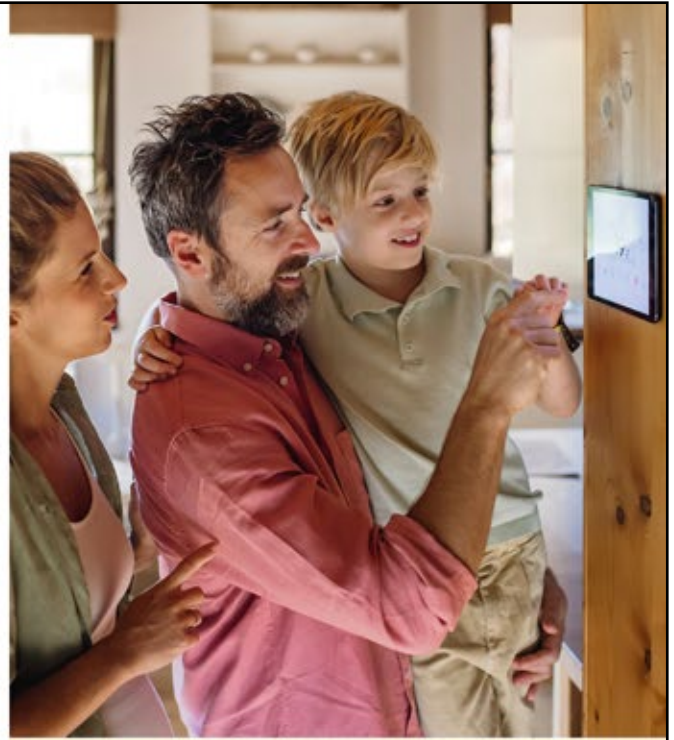


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The memory of much loved family man and friend, Kevin O'Shea will be honoured at the Aghadoe Heights Hotel in Killarney on Saturday, October 18, from 11.00am to 1.00pm, in aid of charities that are very close to the O'Shea family.

Kevin was a familiar and friendly face at the hotel, where he worked as concierge and became a firm favourite with both colleagues and guests.

To honour his birthday weekend, Kevin's family, his wife Siobhan, sons Keven, Darragh, daughter Orla and her husband John are inviting the wider community to join them in celebrating Kevin's life, sharing memories, and enjoying a cup of coffee in the hotel he loved so dearly.

Proceeds from the event will go towards Palliative Care Kerry, the Kerry Cork Cancer Bus Link, and Recovery Haven, three organisations that supported Kevin and his family during his journey.

Not only will the coffee morning be a tribute to Kevin it will also be a chance to support three very worthy charities.

## COFFEE MORNING IN MEMORY OF KEVIN



Family and friends of the late Kevin O'Shea will hold a coffee morning in his memory at the Aghadoe Heights Hotel on Saturday 18th October from 11am to 1pm. Included are Kevin's wife Siobhan, sons, Keven and Darragh, daughter Orla, her husband, John and Kevin's friends and colleagues, Brendan Harnett, Gerry McGowan and John Moynihan.



## Mother and Daughter take the

## Leap for Kerry Hospice

A brave mother-and-daughter duo from Kerry are preparing to take to the skies this month in support of a cause that is deeply personal to them.

Doreen O'Shea, a popular staff member at Cahernane Medical Centre and her daughter Shauna, will be taking on a charity skydive to raise vital funds for Kerry Hospice Foundation's Palliative Care Unit at University Hospital Kerry (UHK). The pair are dedicating their daring jump to the memory of their beloved Nan and mother, Noreen, who passed away in June following a battle with Non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma.

In her final days, Noreen was cared for by the dedicated staff of UHK's palliative care team and Muckcross Ward. The family say they will be "forever grateful" for the compassion, dignity, and support shown not only to Noreen but to them as well during such a difficult time.

"The kindness and professionalism of the staff went beyond anything we could have hoped for," Shauna explained. "They made sure she was comfortable, respected, and surrounded by love right to the very end. We saw firsthand just how essential their work is, and now we want to give something back."

That gratitude has inspired Shauna and Doreen to take on what they jokingly call "something a little bit mad" by jumping out of a plane. But, they say, every second of freefall will represent something much bigger: ensuring other families continue to receive the same level of outstanding care.

All funds raised will go directly to Kerry Hospice, with proceeds split

between the palliative care unit and Muckcross Ward staff, supporting their vital work for patients and families during times of greatest need. Donations of any size are welcomed. "Every euro will make a difference," Shauna said. "This is about giving others the same incredible care we were so lucky to receive."



Shauna and Doreen with their beloved nan and mum Noreen.





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# Killarney Recognised in Ireland's Greenest Places Awards as Dingle is crowned Overall Winner

The Dingle Peninsula has been crowned the overall winner of Ireland's Greenest Places 2025, with judges praising the community's commitment to protecting and improving their unique environment for future generations.

Kerry was strongly represented in the competition, with Killarney named as one of three finalists in the Greenest Town category, alongside Ballina, Co. Mayo, and Skerries, Co. Dublin. The title ultimately went to Skerries, but Killarney's inclusion highlighted the town's ongoing efforts in sustainability and community-led green initiatives.

Over 120 nominations were received nationwide, with a shortlist of 14 projects assessed by a judging panel that included environmental leaders and journalists.

Other winners included Inagh, Co. Clare (Ireland's Greenest Village), Dún Laoghaire (Ireland's Greenest Suburb), and the Dysart River Project, Co. Westmeath (Ireland's Greenest Community).



The Dingle Peninsula has been named the overall winner of Ireland's Greenest Places 2025. From left, Darach Ní Murchu, Transition Corca Dhuibhne, Martin Bealin, Dingle Food Festival, Niamh O'Kennedy, Dingle Food Festival and Bia Dingle.

Photo: Valerie O'Sullivan

## Frankie is coming to Listowel Races

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Frankie Foster, well known Presenter and Content Creator, along with the Raceday TV team, will be broadcasting from the Listowel Races Harvest Festival Races on both Tuesday 23rd and Wednesday 24th of September. Make sure to come along and say hello as he will be out and about on the race course both days capturing the drama and atmosphere that makes Listowel Races the place to be this September. To pre book tickets and for more

information visit [www.listowelraces.ie](http://www.listowelraces.ie)

Frankie Foster was also a contestant on Love Island in 2018, and is today a presenter and content creator who blends racing, fashion, and travel with plenty of energy and humour. Known for bringing a fresh style to racing coverage, he's built a following by capturing the buzz of the sport in a way that connects with both racing fans and new audiences. A big admirer of Irish racing and culture, Frankie can't wait to experience the magic of Listowel for the very first time, from the action on the track to the atmosphere in town, he'll be right in the thick of it

"I'm buzzing to be heading to Listowel with the Raceday team and the famous orange mic in hand. I've heard so much about the festival, the racing, the atmosphere, the craic, and I can't wait to finally experience it all in full for myself. From the track to the town, I know it's going to be something special!", Frankie Foster, Racing TV said.

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Breda Dyland - Manager at Kerry Cancer Support Group, left, and Michaela Edwards, Event Organiser at the annual DIP in the Nip 2025, a ladies-only sunrise swim event for women in Kerry, supporting Kerry Cancer Support Group and Recovery Haven Kerry. The event is organised by Michaela Edwards of Wild Water Adventures and an all-female volunteer team. The aim of the charity event is to provide a supportive atmosphere for healing, celebration and empowerment of the sisterhood. Photo: Valerie O'Sullivan - See Page 20



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# Irish Women Bring Home 20 Gold Medals from World Masters Regatta

Irish women's masters rowers have returned from the 2025 World Rowing Masters Regatta in Banyoles, Spain, with an extraordinary 20 gold medals.

The regatta, held from 10–14 September, was the largest masters rowing event in the world this year, attracting over 5,000 athletes from 55 countries, with 5,428 entries across 745 clubs worldwide. Against this backdrop of fierce international competition, the Irish women's crews delivered a dominant performance.

A squad of 25 women, aged between 32 and 74, raced in 24 events and emerged victorious in 20 of them. Many athletes competed in multiple races across the four-day regatta, underlining the depth of experience, endurance, and teamwork within the group.

Irish clubs represented included St. Michael's RC, Commercial RC, Killorglin RC, Old Collegians BC, Clonmel RC, Belfast RC, Lee BC, Tralee RC, Tribesmen RC, Skibbereen RC, Cork Boat Club, Belfast RC, and Shandon BC.

Highlights included:

Sheila Clavin (St. Michael's) and Vanessa Lawrenson (St. Michael's) each winning nine gold medals – the most ever by an Irish female rower at the World Masters Regatta, and the highest tally of any female athlete at this year's event.

Standout performances from Fiola Foley (Killorglin RC, 6 wins), Kate Rooney (OCBC, 5 wins), Naomi Fearon (OCBC, 5 wins), Eimear Moran (Commercial RC, 5 wins), Sally Cudmore (Cork Boat Club, 5 wins), Breanna Larsen (OCBC, 4 wins), and Sophie Connolly (Commercial RC, 4 wins).



*Paula Maloney and Crew Gold Coxed 4+*



*Fiola Foley Paula Maloney Gold in Mixed 8+*



*Fiola Foley & Vanessa Lawrenson*

## Stepping forward a huge success

Last Friday, the First Year students of the Killarney Community College took part in the KCC First Year Stepping Forward Event, a retreat designed to connect, inspire and prepare them for the journey ahead.

From Icebreakers in the classrooms, to a refreshing Walk in the Wild, thought-provoking workshops on Personal Resilience & Cyber Safety, some active Wellbeing Time, and even an Escape Room Challenge, the day was packed with opportunities to learn, reflect, and grow.

Despite the weather, the students threw themselves into every activity with positivity and energy. They bonded as a group, supported one

another, and truly showed the spirit of KCC.

Principal, Ms. Loughnane, said "It's important to acknowledge and give our students the tools to be aware of their own wellbeing. Our students' wellbeing is just as important as their academic success."

After the event, these students are a little more prepared for whatever life throws at them, stronger, more connected, and ready to step forward with confidence.

Well done to all the staff for facilitating such a meaningful and enjoyable day.





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**Anne Lucey**  
looks at the positive news  
happening in Killarney



*The current situation at the car park can be chaotic at busy times.*

## THE CATHEDRAL CAR PARK - WHAT IS THE STORY?

A motion before the council from Cllr John O'Donoghue elicited precious little other than negotiations are ongoing with regard to the free Cathedral Car Park.

That car park may be free for all in more ways than one. Was it counted in the numbers of spaces sent to the OPR recently? And how much is being paid by the council if the car park is being bought off St Brendan's Trust. It's like the third secret of Fatima at this stage.

We highlighted the confusion 18 months ago. Councillor John O'Donoghue asked for an update on plans to tar and line it "as the current situation is chaotic at busy times", he said.

John was told "there has been engagement on this proposal at this location and the matter currently rests with St. Brendan's Trust." New Killarney manager Martin O'Donoghue said "negotiations are ongoing."

There is some suggestion locally the council were offered it thirty years ago with conditions attached.

One thing stands out to me whether it is Green Lawn or the Cathedral and that is a lack of transparency when it comes to car parks in this town.

Either the councillors are not seeking precise information. Perhaps because they are too deferential. Or management are not disclosing it as a matter of course, because they get away with it.

The council is a public body, answerable to the people. It might be argued the Cathedral too was built with public money. But the church is a private institution. It is the elected body that is maintaining the silence of the confessional. For instance at the public Green Lawn vote in August, Councillor Niall Kelleher said he spoke to the landowner who had offered the site to the local authority "to resolve a problem for the town"; this property owner was a very



"conscious" landowner and was "full and frank", Niall said. No one named or even asked who the conscientious property owner was.

## FINIAN'S OR FINAN'S - IT'S NOT ALL DARK HISTORY.

St Finian's Hospital - the history is not all dark, I was reminded by a reader last week. At long last, the Land Development Agency which is tasked with using public property has St Finian's on its radar.

The good news relayed by the new town manager Martin O'Donoghue is the council, not the owners the HSE, is liaising with the LDA and Martin is the council representative. This is important news for Killarney.

Since 2012 and its closure there have been calls to turn it into apartments, or a hotel and to have houses built on the 29 acres of lands surrounding the looming limestone building. The crux is the listed building and the enormous costs attached. To do anything with it will cost a minimum of Euro 100 million. Councillor Brendan Cronin nailed the issue. Finian's was finally "on the radar" of the LDA. The costs were huge but it was worthwhile.

"The difficulty is in two places," Brendan said. First there had been the HSE. Now it would be a case of "persuading the LDA to act".

A briefing report from Cork City Council on St Kevin's Hospital where 290 units are built on a 14-acre-site must be produced to the Killarney

council he urged.

The agency wanted the land but not the building; whereas the HSE wanted to be relieved of both land and building either to the LDA or on the open market, said Councillor Niall O'Callaghan. In fifty years time the building would be falling down, he feared.

"The worry would be the building is left to rack and ruin surrounded by houses," he said.

Niall also said there were a lot of bad memories inside that building and "I wouldn't have a problem if it wasn't there".

But there are grounds for Killarney to be grateful to that institution too. The hospital provided a lot of employment and families were raised on the wages. Staff had very happy memories of their work relations. People were helped through various issues and no-one outside was ever the wiser. Most of the employment - around 1,000 at one stage - is now gone to Tralee, remember. This county is being "Dublified" with everything centralised in the biggest town whether its the psychiatric hospital or the Torc hotel college.

Meanwhile, is it Finian's or Finan's? I grew up saying "Finian's". I suppose we can be grateful it's not the original "Killarney and District Lunatic Asylum".

By the way, this column wishes the new Killarney manager well and also wishes Angela McAllen success in her new post. She was a welcoming and an able representative in Killarney.

## HOUSING FEARS IN KILLARNEY

Not a single affordable house is on the radar in Killarney, I am sad to have to confirm. Cllr Maura Healy-Rae sought the information. Maura has been lobbying non-stop for infill sites - unused parts of estates - to be surveyed and identified for affordable houses and apartments. She had a further question on Monday at the main council meeting regarding affordable housing. The news is there is a site for affordable housing in Tralee but none yet in Killarney. Plus ca change...

Another issue looms in Killarney: Fears that development will be stymied over the town's waste water system This column has been writing about it ad nauseam.

Now failure to upgrade may put a stop to housing and other development in Killarney both Councillor Niall Kelleher and the Department of Housing in Dublin have each warned town management.

Pollution in the lake and the Laune is exacerbated when it rains by overflow discharges from the plant in the Demesne because of the

shared storm water and foul sewage network going into it.

The Department of Housing is recommending new developments restrict connections of surface water to the sewer network - or find a way offsetting the discharges elsewhere in the network.

Niall Kelleher said 80 per cent of the storm water was coming off roads and estates which the council had taken in charge.

"It is our stormwater. I want a reasonable vision for reducing this," he said. Niall also wanted the run off into the foul network to be quantified.

Anglers had already objected to one development because of the threat to the lakes by storm water overloading the plant, he reminded Martin O'Donoghue. New large-scale developments would be challenged, "unless we take this on," he said.

"It will stop development in this town with zoned land. And that's the issue," Councillor Kelleher said.

The council cannot leave it all to Uisce Eireann.





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# Training with the Stars:

## GAA Heroes Unite to Support St Francis Special School

A unique fundraising event, Training with the Stars, will take place on October 4th at Kenmare Shamrocks GAA Club, bringing together some of Kerry's top GAA football and hurling stars in aid of St Francis Special School, Beaufort.

The initiative, organised by Jean O'Sullivan, a parent of a student at the school, offers children from across Kerry, including pupils of St Francis, the chance to train alongside their sporting idols and capture unforgettable photos.

St Francis Special School provides vital education and developmental support for children with moderate to severe learning disabilities. For many families, the school is a lifeline, offering specialised care and tailored learning in a supportive environment.

Funds raised through Training with the Stars will go directly towards the Home Support Grant, which provides respite assistance during the summer holidays. This grant enables families to access support workers for a few hours each week, helping children cope with the absence of school routines and easing the challenges faced by parents and carers.

Events like this are more than just a day of fun, they are about community, compassion, and ensuring children with additional needs have the resources they deserve.



Training with the Stars launch

"Your support, whether by attending or donating, helps nurture children with special needs while also providing their families with much-needed relief," Jean told Killarney Outlook.

"It truly makes a difference during a very challenging time of year."

The organisers are encouraging the public to come along, enjoy a memorable day of sport and community spirit, and help support the

invaluable work of St Francis Special School. To donate to this amazing cause you can do so at <https://www.idonate.ie/fundraiser/JeanOsullivan66411> or scan the QR Code below.



Adrian Spillane and Tadgh Morley pictured at the launch of Training with the Stars



Michael O'Sullivan and Sean O'Shea getting the practice in before Training with the Stars

## DAVID KENNY FORCED TO WITHDRAW from Men's 20km Race Walk at World Athletics Championships

Ireland's David Kenny (Farranfore Maine Valley AC) has been ruled out of the Men's 20km Race Walk at the World Athletics Championships in Tokyo due to recent illness.

Kenny had been preparing to compete on Saturday, but despite his best efforts, the race has come too soon in his recovery. The Kerry athlete will now turn his attention to regaining full fitness before returning to competition.

It's a disappointment for the 25-year-old, who has been one of Ireland's leading race walkers in recent years, but the focus remains firmly on his long-term health and performance.







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## St Paul's Basketball Club

### Marks 40 Years with Special Celebration

St Paul's Basketball Club will celebrate a remarkable milestone on Saturday, September 27th, with a special 40th anniversary event in the Killarney Avenue Hotel. The evening will feature a four-course dinner, during which the club will pay tribute to its founders and honour those who have proudly represented St Paul's at international level. The night promises to be one of nostalgia and celebration, as memories of four decades of basketball achievement are shared.

From humble beginnings, St Paul's has grown into a powerhouse on the national stage, fielding competitive men's and women's teams while also boasting a thriving juvenile section. With record numbers of young boys and girls now playing, the future looks brighter than ever for the club.

The anniversary weekend will also include the Annual Golf Classic on Friday, adding to the celebratory atmosphere as the new basketball season tips off on the first weekend of October.

For past and present players, mentors, and supporters, the 40th anniversary is not just a celebration of basketball, but a testament to community spirit, dedication, and the vision of those who laid the foundations back in 1984.



*Pictured at the launch of the 40th Celebrations are front Row. Shane Horgan, Christina Bartlett O'Rourke, Patricia McCarthy, Theresa O'Neill, James Fleming.*

*Back Row. Elizabeth Switzer, Enda Walshe, Tim Clifford, Paul Sheehan, Eamonn Keogh, Niall O'Callaghan. Photo by Tatyana McGough.*

### Fossa Two Mile Comhaltas Celebrate 20 Years of Set Dancing with Reunion Night

Fossa Two Mile Comhaltas will mark a major milestone this month as the branch celebrates 20 years of set dancing classes with a special Reunion Night on Tuesday, September 30th, in Fossa Community Centre from 8.30pm to 10.30pm.

An open invitation has been extended to everyone who has taken part in the classes over the past two decades. The evening will feature live music, set dancing, waltzing, and plenty of fun, with sets called on the night to keep the floor lively.

The branch, which will officially celebrate its 20th anniversary this December, has organised the reunion as the first in a series of anniversary events. "This great achievement could not have been reached without the support of our members and community," the organisers said. "We want to thank everyone and invite you all to join us for a night of music, dance, and celebration."

Proceeds from the event will go to Crumlin Children's Hospital (Ronald McDonald House), which has provided accommodation, care, and support to more than 5,000 families since opening in 2004. The facility enables parents and families to remain close to their children while they undergo treatment at Children's Health Ireland, Crumlin.

All are welcome to attend. For those unable to be there on the night, donations can be made by contacting Tim Kissane (087 241 3116) or Jackie Hennessy (085 768 4933).



### A Century of Badminton Celebrated with a Win!



*Paudie O'Mahony is on the left, Mike Lyne on the right.*

The Munster Masters Tournament, held last weekend in Waterford, brought a special reunion for two Kerry men whose love of badminton stretches back more than half a century.

In the Over-60 Men's Doubles, Mike Lyne faced off against Paudie O'Mahony - once schoolboy teammates at Presentation Monastery Primary School in Killarney, where they first began playing badminton over 50 years ago.

Back then, the pair trained almost daily in the Old Monastery, forging a passion for the sport that would endure across decades. On this occasion, however, they found themselves on opposite sides of the net for the first time in over 40 years.

In a fiercely contested match, Paudie, now living in Cork, alongside his doubles partner, edged out Mike in three sets: 19-21, 21-10, 21-14. Paudie went on to claim gold, while Mike secured a hard-fought silver.



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# KILLARNEY INNOVATION CENTRE

## welcomes Consulate General James C. O'Shea

The Killarney Innovation Centre welcomed the Consulate General of Ireland in Munich Germany, Mr James C. O'Shea, this week for a visit that highlighted both international collaboration opportunities and the transformative potential of the Centre's forthcoming new build project.

During the visit, Innovation Centre representatives outlined the Centre's current contribution to the regional economy and presented plans for its ambitious new development. The project will significantly expand facilities for research, entrepreneurship, and industry collaboration. Discussions highlighted how the initiative could serve as a catalyst for local economic growth while also deepening connections across Europe.

The Centre's commitment to fostering innovation and underlined the value of closer collaboration between Ireland, Germany. Ideas for future joint initiatives were explored, with particular emphasis on supporting emerging businesses,

advancing research excellence, and creating sustainable pathways for growth.

"This project has the power to really change the region's economy, and even make an impact beyond," said Sean Counihan, Chair of the Board at the Innovation Centre. "We loved having the Consulate General visit and sharing our ideas on how innovation, teamwork, and investment can create new opportunities and growth and explore where there is opportunities for collaboration."

The new build, is expected to create significant opportunities for local employment, attract inward investment, and further establish the region as a hub for innovation.

The visit reaffirmed the shared ambition of all parties to promote stronger links across borders, with innovation at the heart of regional and international growth.



*Pictured are Sean Counihan, Chair Killarney Innovation Centre, James C. O'Shea, Consulate General of Ireland Munich and Conor O'Leary, Centre Manager.*



*Peigin Crowley, Founder, Ground Wellbeing speaks to guests at the GROUND wellbeing Masterclass in Selfcare held at the Aghadoe Heights Hotel and Spa. Photo: Anastasia Garbera*



*Joanne and Ciara Brosnan pictured at the GROUND wellbeing Masterclass in Selfcare at the Aghadoe Heights Hotel. Photo: Anastasia Garbera*

## GROUND Wellbeing

### Masterclass in Selfcare

#### at Aghadoe Heights

Guests at the luxurious Aghadoe Heights Hotel and Spa were treated to an afternoon of relaxation and reflection on Sunday, 14th September, as renowned wellness expert and spa innovator Peigin Crowley hosted a Masterclass in Selfcare.

The immersive event offered participants the opportunity to pause from their busy routines and reconnect with themselves. Crowley guided attendees through a soulful journey of self-awareness, focusing on themes such as burnout, gut health, female wellbeing, and the vital role of rest, digestion, and restorative sleep.

Designed to help women better understand their own body's natural language and rhythms, the masterclass blended expert knowledge with deeply relaxing practices. Guests left feeling renewed, inspired, and equipped with tools to incorporate greater balance and self-care into their everyday lives.

The setting of the 5-star Aghadoe Heights Hotel and Spa provided the perfect backdrop for the afternoon, combining elegance and serenity with a focus on holistic wellbeing.



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# Annual “DIP IN THE NIP” 2025 at Banna Strand

**Photo: Valerie O'Sullivan**

Hundreds of women gathered at sunrise on Banna Strand, Tralee, on Sunday, September 14th, for the annual “Dip in the Nip”, a ladies-only swim organised in aid of two local cancer charities, Kerry Cancer Support Group and Recovery Haven Kerry.

The charity event, now a much-loved fixture on the Kerry calendar, is coordinated by Michaela Edwards of Wild Water Adventures alongside an all-female team of volunteers. Their aim is to create a safe and supportive space where women can come together in a spirit of healing, celebration, and empowerment of the sisterhood.

Participants braved the early-morning chill to take part in the symbolic dip, with many describing it as both a liberating and uplifting experience. Organisers highlighted the importance of community and solidarity, particularly for women and families affected by cancer in Kerry.

Funds raised will go directly towards supporting the vital services provided by Kerry Cancer Support Group and Recovery Haven Kerry, both of which play a crucial role in helping individuals and families through cancer journeys.



Sally Ryle, Veronica O'Brien, Geraldine Shannon, Katry Irwin and Trish Daley, taking part in the annual DIP in the Nip 2025



Patricia Edwards, Left, Fiona Stewart and Mary Curran, from Killarney, taking part in the annual DIP in the Nip 2025,



Mags O'Callaghan, left, Amy O'Donnell, Ciara Murphy, Birthday girl, Andrea Thornton, Jessica Hastings, Tracy Stack, Debbie Oakes and Sarah Ryles, at the annual DIP in the Nip 2025

## PICTURE THIS ADD ANOTHER DATE



Due to phenomenal demand, PICTURE THIS have added another date to their Home for Christmas tour this December. The band will now also play the Gleneagle Arena, Killarney on Saturday 20 December 2025, alongside their already announced run of sold-out arena shows. Witness the band's unique theatrical show with a pub, its garden and a car park on stage; party moments of a pub lock-in paired with the stripped back emotions of a trad session; a journey through the band's best of catalogue of four albums.

The announcement follows the release of their new single Heart over Head, a collaboration with German artist Joris and a reinvention of his huge domestic hit Herz über Kopf. The track pairs Picture This's trademark anthemic sound with Joris' warmth and directness, bridging Irish alt-pop and German folk-pop in a powerful new version of a modern classic. The accompanying video, filmed across Dublin, captures the band in their element.

Since first emerging ten years ago in 2015, Picture This have become one of Ireland's most successful bands, selling out arenas at home and abroad and amassing a global fanbase drawn to their heartfelt lyrics and arena-sized choruses. Tickets €67.70/€72.70

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# LIAM TAKES ON MARATHON JOURNEY FOR CHARITY

Kerry's 1997 All-Ireland Winning Captain will give his knees a final test by running the Irish Life Dublin City Marathon on Sunday 26th October to raise funds for Kerry Mental Health Association. Liam Hassett, who's from Killorglin, lives in Tralee and teaches in Listowel, said, "I'm running the Dublin City Marathon before my knees pack in completely and I've chosen to fundraise for Kerry Mental Health Association CLG Killorglin & District Branch. They are fundraising to purchase a bus for Ard Álainn Mental Health Day Centre, a community hub for people with mental health needs, to provide service-users with easy access to appointments and outings. I hope to raise enough money and I'm asking my family, friends and the wider community to help me by donating whatever you can."

Liam has followed a detailed training programme to ensure that he is not only physically but also mentally ready to take to the starting line on Leeson Street and reach the finish near the RDS on 26th October.

Kerry Mental Health Association is a volunteer-led, countywide voluntary organisation that aims to promote good mental health and to actively support people with mental health difficulties and their families and carers by identifying their needs and advocating their rights.

Visit <https://www.idonate.ie/fundraiser/LiamHassett> to donate to Liam Hassett's Dublin City Marathon Fundraiser.



*Liam Hassett, who's from Killorglin, lives in Tralee and teaches in Listowel, Kerry's 1997 All-Ireland Winning Captain will give his knees a final test by running the Irish Life Dublin City Marathon on Sunday 26th October to raise funds for Kerry Mental Health Association. Photo: Dommick Walsh © Eye Focus LTD*

## Killarney Strengthens Ties with Santeny in Successful Twinning Visit

A delegation from Killarney Town Twinning Association travelled to Santeny, France, last weekend at the invitation of the town's officials, to further strengthen cultural and community links between the two regions.

The visit focused on the promotion of tourism, cultural exchange, and greater cooperation across all areas of citizen involvement. Representatives from both towns highlighted the role of sports clubs including golf, soccer, basketball, and running groups - as key areas to forge connections between communities.

Santeny, located just 20 minutes from Euro Disney and 45 minutes from Paris, provided the perfect backdrop for showcasing Killarney as a leading tourist destination. The event also marked an important step in linking the Erasmus Programme with the KCYS opening doors for further youth and educational exchanges.

KCYS CEO Bernie Smith, joined members of the Killarney Town Twinning Association for the visit. Together, they engaged in discussions, cultural activities, and promotional events aimed at enhancing mutual understanding and cooperation between the two towns.



Members of the Killarney Town Twinning Association on their recent visit to France.



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# Victory for Muckross RC in Spain

The crew from Muckross Rowing Club, guided by their experienced coach Noel Casey, achieved an outstanding victory at the World Rowing Championships in Banyoles, Spain, over the weekend. Competing in the Men's C 4+ category, the team delivered a powerful and composed performance to secure the gold medal.

The winning boat featured a mix of seasoned rowers: John Hurley from Fermoy Rowing Club, Paul Kennedy, Brendan O'Neill, and John Buckley, with Siobhan Galvin steering as coxswain. Together, the crew demonstrated exceptional teamwork, rhythm, and determination, overcoming strong international opposition.

This triumph marks a significant achievement for the rowers and their clubs, highlighting the depth of talent in Irish rowing. For many of the athletes, it was not only a chance to showcase their skill on a world stage but also to bring home a memorable victory for their local clubs and supporters.



Muckross Rowing Club crew Noel Casey Coach, John Hurley Fermoy RC, Paul Kennedy, Siobhan Galvin Cox, Brendan O'Neill and John Buckley winners of the Men's C 4+ at the World Rowing Championships in Banyoles, Spain over the weekend.

## Grant for Killarney Musical Society

Killarney Musical Society has expressed its gratitude to Kerry County Council after receiving a €200 grant under the Community Enhancement Fund, which will go towards preparations for the group's upcoming production.

The society launched its new show, 'All Shook Up', with an information evening at the Gleneagle Hotel last Monday. The event was well attended, with many newcomers showing an interest in joining the cast and crew.

"We were thrilled to welcome so many new people," said PRO Aoibhe O'Connor, speaking after the launch.

The lively musical, inspired by the music of Elvis Presley, will take to the stage in the Gleneagle Arena from February 10th–12th, 2026. Tickets are now on sale, with strong interest already reported.



The production team and attendees at the launch. Photo: Marie Lyne Kelly

## HSE Health App Appointments in Cork and Kerry Hospitals now included in App update

The HSE has announced a major update to the HSE Health App, making it easier than ever for people across Cork and Kerry to manage their healthcare appointments and access trusted health information - all from their smartphone. These updates are part of the HSE's ongoing commitment to digital innovation and improving the patient experience.

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# Families take Centre Stage at Legion BBQ

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Cllr Martin O'Grady who brought the Fire Truck for the kids.



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# John Lonergan Delivers Mental Health Talk To Castleisland Secondary Students

KERRY Mental Health Association Castleisland Branch hosted two information sessions at Castleisland Community Centre for 1st Year and 6th Year students from Castleisland on Monday 15th September on how to manage the anxiety that may be experienced at the start and end of their secondary school journeys.

The guest speakers were the former Governor of Mountjoy Prison, John Lonergan and

Founder of Career Ahead, Mary Lucey.

Jennifer O'Sullivan Coffey and Mary Spring, Volunteers with the Kerry Mental Health Association Castleisland Branch were pictured with John and Mary and 1st Year students from Presentation Secondary School, St Patrick's Secondary School and Castleisland Community College.

They also delivered a third session for parents of secondary school students at the Ivy Leaf Arts Centre. The sessions were funded by proceeds raised at the Second Chance Charity Shop, Main Street, Castleisland. The shop is operated by volunteers with Kerry Mental Health Association Castleisland Branch. It's open 10am to 4pm, Monday to Saturday.



John Lonergan pictured in Castleisland recently.

## COLM COOPER TOURNAMENT *Shines at Dr. Crokes Grounds*

The annual Colm Cooper Tournament took centre stage on Saturday last at Dr. Crokes Grounds, Lewis Road, delivering a great day of football, fun, and community spirit.

Eire Óg of Cork were crowned Cup winners after overcoming Salthill Knocknacarra in a thrilling final, while St. Kevin's of Kildare claimed the Plate title following a strong showing throughout the competition.

The day was made possible thanks to the generous support of sponsors, with medals and trophies sponsored by the Coffey family and the overall event sponsored by Utility Trust. Radio Kerry were on-site across the day, adding to the excitement as they captured the games and atmosphere for listeners.

A special highlight was the presentation of the 'Player of the Tournament' award in memory of Jamie Doolan, which fittingly went to Brayden O'Shea of Eire Óg for his outstanding performances.

There was huge excitement for the young players as Colm Cooper and his family spent time with teams, while visits from Kerry stars Gavin White, Tony Brosnan, Evan Looney and Mark O'Shea added an extra buzz around the grounds. Every participant left with treasured memories, a unique Colm Cooper-designed t-shirt and a framed team photo with the Gooch himself.



The 'Player of the Tournament' award in memory of Jamie Doolan, which fittingly went to Brayden O'Shea of Eire Óg. He is pictured with members of Jamie's family, mum Margaret, dad Eddie, sisters Michelle and Chantelle and extended family along with Colm Cooper



All hands on deck at the treat stand at the tournament



Catherine and Noreen Coffey with Colm Cooper at the tournament.



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# Daly's SuperValu Killarney Marks 30 YEARS IN BUSINESS

Daly's SuperValu Killarney celebrated a major milestone last weekend as the store marked its 30th anniversary in business. The celebrations took place on Friday, 12th September, and Saturday, 13th September, with exclusive offers available to customers as a thank-you for their continued support.

Shoppers were welcomed with a festive atmosphere, complete with balloons and in-store promotions, as staff and management reflected on three decades of service to the Killarney community. The celebrations were made all the more special by the presence of the Daly family, who joined staff and customers in marking the occasion.

Established in 1995, Daly's SuperValu has grown into a cornerstone of local retail, known for its strong community ties and customer-focused approach. The anniversary events highlighted not only the store's longevity but also the loyal support of its customers over the years.

Management expressed their gratitude to the community for supporting the store since its opening and looked forward to continuing to serve the people of Killarney for many more years to come.

# 30 Years

Billy and Jimmy Daly with the extended family and staff members at the celebrations on Friday last.



Niamh O'Connor pictured with Jack Giggles at the celebrations.



Mary Horgan pictured with Nicola Breen, Annie Boldig and Lizandra Fernandes.



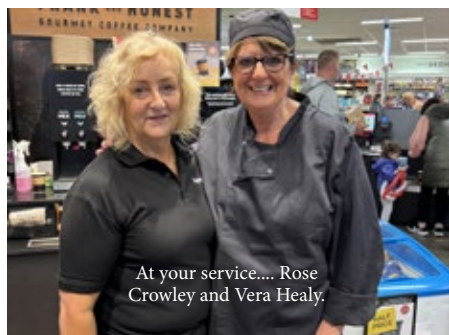
Pat Moynihan and Patricia O'Connor.



Caroline and Aoife O'Brien at the celebrations.



At your service.... Rose Crowley and Vera Healy.



John Fleming from Muckcross Ice Cream pictured with Ann and Patrick Cahill.



Cathal Allen from Ballyvourney Pudding and Mary Griffin, Tralee.



Irene O'Connor .



Isabelle Egan with the Disney characters at the celebrations.



Pat and Mary O'Connor pictured with Jimmy and Zara Daly.







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# MANOR WEST HOTEL



## *Celebrates* **20 YEARS** *of Hospitality*

Manor West Hotel is proud to celebrate its 20th birthday, marking two decades as one of Tralee's most welcoming and contemporary hotels. Since opening its doors in 2005, the family owned hotel is a place for families to celebrate, couples to escape, and friends to gather - it's been two decades of memories, warm service, modern facilities, and a true Kerry welcome.

To mark this milestone, Manor West Hotel has unveiled a host of investment that reflects its commitment to comfort, sustainability, and innovation. The hotel has recently refurbished its bedroom offering with the addition of Superior Double Rooms, spacious Family Suites, and stylish Executive Suites. Each new room has been designed with a blend of modern elegance and homely comfort, ensuring guests enjoy the perfect balance of relaxation and ease.

The celebration also shines a light on the hotel's team. Staff members Richard O'Connor, Noel Lee and Niall Hickey are proudly celebrating 20 years of service, having been part of the Manor West Hotel story since the very beginning. Their loyalty, hard work, and passion for hospitality have played a vital role in shaping the warm and friendly atmosphere for which the hotel is renowned.

Equally inspiring is the dedication of members in the Manor West Leisure Club, where community and connection have always been at the heart of its success. Remarkably, 11 founding members of the Leisure Club have remained loyal since its opening 20 years ago, a testament to the hotel's welcoming environment and enduring sense of community. Their commitment reflects the strong relationships Manor West Hotel has built over the years, extending far beyond hospitality to lasting friendships.

Manor West Hotel has always valued its connection to the local community, proudly supporting sport at every level. Over the years, the hotel has been a dedicated sponsor to Tralee Bicycle Club and the Kerry Senior Ladies Football Team, celebrating the spirit and success of local athletes. Additionally, the Leisure Club Sports Ambassadors help inspire and engage members. These initiatives reflect Manor West Hotel's commitment to supporting local talent and strengthening ties with the people of Kerry.

Over the past 20 years, Manor West Hotel has built a reputation for excellence, consistently recognised among the top hotels in Ireland for its service, style, and family-friendly atmosphere. With its new offerings and sustainable direction, the hotel looks forward to the next chapter of creating memorable experiences for guests from near and far.

For more information, visit [manorwesthotel.ie](http://manorwesthotel.ie)





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“We are incredibly proud to celebrate 20 years of Manor West Hotel. This anniversary is not only a reflection of our journey so far but also a statement of our vision for the future. The investment in superior bedrooms and our ongoing sustainability initiatives demonstrate our commitment to evolving with the needs of our guests while staying true to our values of warmth, quality, and community.”

Colin Boyle,  
Director, Manor West Hotel





## The Art of Performing: Killarney Artist Pays Tribute with Bottle-Cap Mosaic

Killarney artist, Elhaji Conde has turned thousands of discarded bottle caps into something extraordinary: a vibrant mosaic portrait of his good friend, world-renowned musician and performer Liam O'Connor.

The piece, titled "The Art of Performing," is no ordinary portrait. With 5,482 carefully placed caps, Conde has captured not only O'Connor's likeness with his beloved accordion but also the energy, spirit, and joy that define his music.

"At first glance, it's the colours and textures that catch your eye," Elhaji told Killarney Outlook.

"But when you look closer, each cap feels like it has its own story to tell, much like Liam's music. From his days playing in our community to performing on the world stage, Liam's journey has always been about more than just notes and melodies."

"This artwork doesn't just show Liam's face it captures his spirit," he says. "It's a reminder that great music doesn't simply disappear when the last tune is over. It carries on, inspiring people, sparking memories, and even turning up in unexpected forms like a mosaic portrait made from 5,482 bottle caps."

When Liam O'Connor saw the portrait for the first time, his reaction was simple "Wow".



## EIGHTH ANNUAL FESTIVAL SET TO CELEBRATE KERRY'S ARCHITECTURE

Kerry's built heritage and the county's architectural landscape will be celebrated during the eighth annual Architecture Kerry Festival from 24th September to 8th October. A wide range of events including free guided tours and exhibitions will take place around the county.

The aim of the festival is to highlight the wide diversity of the architectural landscape in Kerry and to make some of the best-known sites of architectural significance in the county accessible to all ages. Tours this year aim to focus on high quality contemporary architecture, town centre living and renovation projects. Kerry County Museum and Kerry County Library are also hosting exciting events for Architecture Kerry exploring archaeology, technology and architecture and the county's built environment.

Kerry County Council's Architectural Conservation Officer, Victoria McCarthy, said the programme of events has something for everyone, even those with a passing interest in architecture: 'Following the success of the festival last year, we decided to arrange a series of events again this year to promote and highlight some of our unique and attractive architectural heritage in the county.'

On 25th September, the Architectural Association of Ireland and Architecture Kerry will present Peripheral Vision to examine architecture built in the margin, projects built on or within places of periphery, edge and

in-between in Saint James's church, Dingle at 6.30pm.

On 26th and 27th September, the Irish Georgian Society, the Trustees of Muckross House CLG and Architecture Kerry will host the Kingdom of Skills at Muckross Schoolhouse which includes talks and demonstrations from over two dozen practitioners and free conservation clinics. Students and anyone interested in traditional skills and crafts are especially welcome.

On Saturday 27th September, Kerry Archaeological and Historical Society hosts The Massacre at Dún an Óir at An Díseart in Dingle, featuring poets, historians, folklorists,

archaeologists, and literary critics. An afternoon to celebrate Gardens on the Edge of Europe will be held at Glanleam House on Valentia Island on Sunday, 28th September at 1pm.

The Cork Centre for Architectural Education (CCAEE) will showcase Re-Imaging Caherdaniel at Derrynane House, Caherdaniel on Friday 3rd October at 3.30pm and a seminar on the architectural, social,

historical and cultural landscape of The Spa and Environs in Tralee Bay will feature on Saturday 4th October at 10am in Kerry County Museum, Tralee.

From Friday 20th September to Wednesday 8th October, Architecture Kerry presents a range of free guided tours of renovated buildings, lighthouses, castles, country houses, walking tours, town centre adaptation projects, low carbon homes, exhibitions, street art, sculpture, and much, much more!

The full programme of events is now available on the Kerry County Council website or via <https://architecture.kerrycoco.ie>



Tom Allison, from Sneem, a traditional full time blacksmith, demonstrates his artistry at Muckross Traditional Farms, as part of Kerry County Council - Architecture Kerry 2022 weekend Festival. Photo: Valerie O'Sullivan/File photo





A romantic wedding scene featuring a bride and groom walking hand-in-hand on a grassy bank next to a lake. The groom is in a black tuxedo, and the bride is in a white gown. A large, ancient tree stands to their right, and its reflection is visible in the calm water. The background shows rolling hills under a soft sky.

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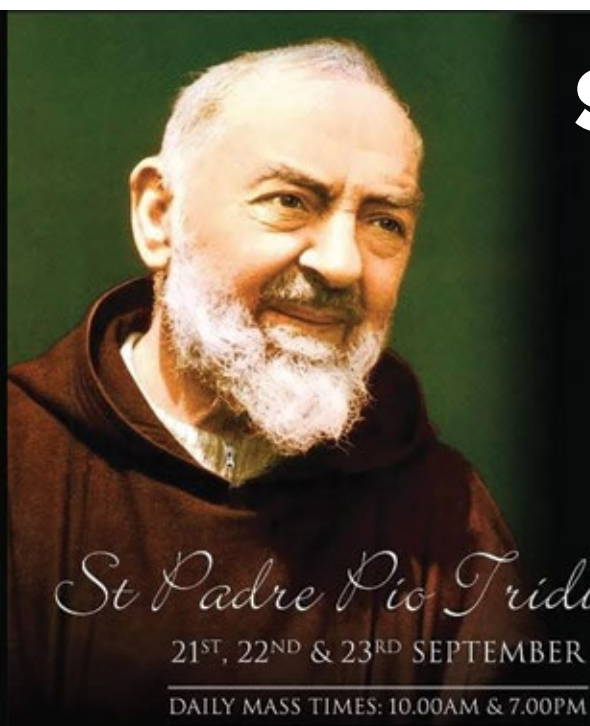
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# St. Padre Pio Triduum

## at Franciscan Friary, Killarney

The Franciscan Friary in Killarney will host a Triduum in honour of St. Padre Pio from Saturday, September 21st to Monday, September 23rd led by Fr Eamon O Driscoll OFM, who was a very popular Friar in Killarney and who is now based in Rossnowlagh Co Donegal.

Daily Masses will take place at 10.00am and 7.00pm, offering parishioners and visitors the opportunity to gather in prayer and devotion to the Capuchin saint, who remains one of the most beloved figures of modern times.

The Triduum will include special prayers through the intercession of St. Pio of Pietrelcina, reflecting his deep spirituality and devotion to Christ's passion. Worshippers will be invited to seek the grace of living in conformity with the death and resurrection of Jesus, following St. Pio's example of faith, sacrifice and holiness.

All are welcome to attend the celebrations at the Friary, which continue a long tradition of devotion to Padre Pio in Killarney and across Ireland.

*St Padre Pio Triduum*

21<sup>ST</sup>, 22<sup>ND</sup> & 23<sup>RD</sup> SEPTEMBER

DAILY MASS TIMES: 10.00AM & 7.00PM

## Volunteers Resume Work to Protect Killarney National Park

The Mountain Meitheal volunteers will soon be back in action at Killarney National Park, continuing their vital work to combat the spread of *Rhododendron ponticum*.

The first outing of the season will take place on Sunday, October 5th, at 9:00am, with volunteers meeting at the Dundag car park. The focus of this session will be the removal of dead rhododendron plants, an important step in allowing native woodland to regenerate naturally.

Invasive rhododendron has long threatened biodiversity in the park, outcompeting native trees and plants. The work of volunteers plays a key role in restoring balance to the ecosystem and ensuring the survival of native woodland species.

Organisers have appealed for as many hands as possible, noting that all help is greatly appreciated in stemming the spread of this invasive shrub. For those unable to attend on Sunday, volunteers also meet at the same site on Tuesday mornings, offering an alternative opportunity to get involved.



Many hands make light work. Meitheal volunteers pictured last year.  
File Photo: Valerie O'Sullivan

## From the Streets of Dublin — A Rock-Theatre Spectacle Comes to Killarney

Music and theatre fans are in for a treat this autumn as Fatdan Productions, AMA Music Agency, and Zero 3 bring the sensational rock-theatre production *Moonlight: The Philip Lynott Enigma* to the Gleneagles Arena, Killarney, on October 24th, 2025. Tickets are on sale now from Ticketmaster and directly from the venue.

This is not just another tribute show – it's a theatrical journey into the life and legacy of one of Ireland's greatest rock icons. *Moonlight* goes beyond the headlines, telling the deeper story of Philip Lynott – from his formative years and personal

struggles to his enduring legacy as a musician, lyricist, and one of Ireland's most powerful cultural voices. The production honours him not only as a rock star but as a poet whose words and music continue to inspire across generations.

*Moonlight: The Philip Lynott Enigma* is set to be one of the standout cultural events of the year, fusing theatre, live music, and storytelling into a spectacular night that celebrates the life of a man who defined an era.

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# Macrooom Food Festival 2025



We are on countdown to the Macrooom Food Festival 2025 on the 19th – 21st September next. Continuing last year's theme of Sustainability with Food Production and supporting this initiative there is a wide and varied programme with something for all ages and culinary tastes, along with lots of entertainment throughout the weekend. Many are aware of the need to be more sustainable, therefore we want to create and share some easy steps that everyone can take to become more sustainable in their everyday approach to food.

The festival opens with the Culture Night at the Briery Gap. Thin Places is dancing for those that were and those to come. The work incorporates contemporary dance, live sound and visuals. Ceili All Stars are a super group of Irish Musicians who play Sliabh Luachra Inspired Music. Be sure to call in and hear a most captivating session of tunes.

Join us in the Mulligan Room for An Evening of Latvian Cuisine, a special celebration of the rich flavours and traditions of Latvia. Experience authentic Latvian dishes prepared by experienced Latvian chefs from our own community and enjoy a culinary journey through Latvian culture. This one night only event offers a warm and welcoming atmosphere, perfect for discovering new tastes and learning about the heritage behind each dish. Don't miss this unique cultural experience!

On Saturday morning visit the Better Together Wellness Event, meet twenty different complementary therapists and practitioners. Explore their approach, ask questions and discover which might support your wellbeing.

**SECAD Celebrating Multiculturalism Through Food** come and join us for a vibrant and flavourful event that brings our diverse community together through the universal language of food. We invite you to explore a world of culinary traditions, with dishes from around the globe prepared by home cooks representing a variety of cultures. This is

also celebration of unity, diversity, and the unique flavours that make our community stronger.

The Clothing Repair Workshop learn how to give your clothes a second life at this hands-on session. Whether it's fixing a tear, sewing on a button, or patching up your favourite jeans, this session will teach you simple, practical skills to extend the life of your wardrobe. No experience needed just bring an item or two in need of repair and enjoy a relaxed, sustainable way to save your clothes from landfill and help Pieta along the way.

**How to Love Your Larder** with renowned sustainable chef Orla McAndrew for an inspiring and practical cooking demonstration focused on making the most of what you already have. How to Love Your Larder is all about reducing food waste, saving money, and getting creative in the kitchen. Orla will share clever tips on how to turn overlooked pantry items and fridge leftovers into delicious, nourishing meals, and all while embracing a zero-waste mindset. Whether you're a seasoned cook or just starting out, you'll leave with valuable advice, new recipes, and a fresh appreciation for sustainable cooking. Come along and learn how to let your larder lead the way!

**Cook with Confidence – A Hands-On Workshop for 10-15 Year Olds with Orla McAndrew.**

Join Orla for a fun, interactive cooking workshop designed to empower young chefs aged 10 to 15 years. Cook with Confidence gives budding young cooks or even those that have no cooking experience the confidence to create tasty, healthy meals from scratch, all in a supportive and engaging environment. Orla's passion for no-waste, sustainable cooking will inspire a new generation to cook creatively and responsibly. Perfect for curious minds and hungry appetites, so don't miss these sessions.

**Family Friendly Treasure Hunt** takes place on Sunday morning, get ready for a fun-filled journey where the kids will follow clues, solve tasty puzzles,

and discover exciting food-themed surprises along the way. This is sponsored by the "Fzin" our local Sustainability Coffee Company. Designed for curious minds this interactive hunt will have kids learning about different ingredients, trying new flavours, and picking up fun food facts as they go. It's a playful mix of discovery, learning, and delicious rewards, a true treat for little foodies of all ages!

**Danone Schools Cook Off** has become the cornerstone of the Macrooom Food Festival, and once again this takes place on Sunday afternoon. This year's Judge is Mark Doe from Just Cooking. Come and see the amazing talented senior cycle students who prepare and present their impressive menus from local and nutritious produce.

**The Monster Food & Craft Market** has over 50 producers with a variety of offerings, please support these traders, remember you don't need a silver fork to enjoy good food.

Lots of entertainment with live music and side shows on Sunday for all the family.

Again this year the Macrooom Food Festival would not be possible without our loyal sponsors who support the event, we thank them all and we will issue a full list of sponsors in due course.

Whether you're a serious foodie or just love trying something new, there's something here for everyone. Think sizzling street food, sweet treats, cooking demos, foodie treasure hunts for the kids, and even hands-on workshops with expert chefs. So come along join the community spirit, bring your friends, bring your family, and most importantly, bring your appetite!

**Full programme of events, dates, booking requirements and entry fee details check our social media @macrooomfoodfestival or visit our website [www.macrooomfoodfestival.com](http://www.macrooomfoodfestival.com)**







# MACROOM FOOD FESTIVAL

## THIS FRIDAY NIGHT 19TH

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Register at the Stage at 12pm - Free Entry

**DANONE SCHOOLS COOK OFF COMPETITION**  
From 12pm at the Square



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# BUSINESS OUTLOOK

GROW YOUR BUSINESS HERE - WITH US!

For over two decades, Mods & Minis has been a go-to store in Killarney, proudly serving families with stylish, sustainable children's clothing up to 12 years and thoughtful baby gifts. Now located centrally in Killarney Outlet Centre, this vibrant store is more than just a shop, it's a trusted destination for everything from newborn gifts and essentials to Communion wear for boys and girls.

With four additional stores across Munster, Mods & Minis continues to grow while staying true to its roots.

Founder and Killarney native Deirdre McCloskey recently spoke with the Killarney Outlook about the values that have shaped the brand's success.

"Our brand is all about offering quality at a fair price," Deirdre shares. "Whether it's back-to-school basics, cosy seasonal jackets, occasion wear, or the perfect gift for newborn, we've got it covered. What sets us apart is our exceptional customer service and the experienced team behind it."

That personal touch is especially evident during Communion season, when staff take the time to help each child find the perfect outfit - ensuring comfort, confidence, and great value.

Mods & Minis unveiled a beautifully redesigned store in the Killarney Outlet Centre in 2023, adding even more brands for newborn gifts and creating an inviting shopping experience. Deirdre adds:

"We're so grateful for the continued support from our local customers since the move. Shopping local really does make a difference and we invite readers to visit us this season and help keep independent retail thriving."

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Ballymac Vintage Club members & family of Lucy Breen presenting the proceeds from their recent Car & Honda 50 run, held on Aug 3rd, to staff and patients of Tralee Community Hospital for their activities fund.



The Business Leaders Dinner 2025 hosted by Kerry Innovation Centre (KIC) in partnership with Kerry County Council and EY was held in the Rose Hotel, Tralee on 11th September 2025. Pictured is Brid McElligott, Chair of KIC presenting Patrick O'Donoghue, Gleneagle Group, Killarney with the Business Leader of the Year Award. Photo: Pauline Dennigan



# Childcare Facility For Sale

## Ideal Business Opportunity

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KILCUMMIN PARISH

Written by: Helen Moynihan

KILCUMMIN LOOKING GOOD

Save the Date! Kilcummin Looking Good are again hosting the Christmas event for the village of Kilcummin – JINGLE & MINGLE. This event will be held on the evening of Sunday 14th December. More details to follow.

SCÓR NA NÓG

Club Members under the age of 17 years on January 1st 2025 interested in participating in the East Kerry Scór na nÓg competitions, Advanced Figure Dancing, Solo Singing, Recitation, Instrumental Music, Ballad Group, Set Dancing & Table Quiz, contact Marie O’Leary 0874619954 for more information by Monday 29th of September.

SCÓR NA BPÁISTÍ

Scór na bPáistí will be commencing shortly for anyone from 3rd to 6th Class interested in the following; Figure dancing, Solo Singing, Music Group, Solo Music Ballad Group Novelty Act, Quiz and Set Dancing. For more information please contact Maria O Leary on 0874619954

JUNIOR SET DANCING

Registration for junior set dancing will take place on Friday 19th September from 7 to 7.45pm in the Recreational Hall. Dancing will commence on Friday 26th Sept from 7 to 8pm for beginners and intermediates and 8 to 9pm for advanced. These classes are also open to children from outside Kilcummin parish. Further information contact Mary on 087 9620135.

KILCUMMIN BABY & TODDLER GROUP

Kilcummin baby & toddler group is held every Monday morning 9.30am-11.30am at Kilcummin Recreational Hall. A large heated hall providing a great space for babies and toddlers to mingle and explore through play. Also the opportunity for guardians/caregivers to get to meet loads of others from the surrounding areas over a tea or coffee. The cost is €3.00. No pre booking, just drop in any Monday. All welcome. For more details contact Orla 086 3628335/ Fiona 087 6133751.

KILCUMMIN CCÉ

We are delighted to be part of Tesco’s blue token Community Fund Initiative at this present time. If you are shopping in Tesco Deerpark over the coming weeks please ask for blue tokens at the checkout and pop them into the Kilcummin Comhaltas collection box by the exit door. The more tokens we can collect the higher the pay-out we will receive from Tesco. Please spread the word to family and friends.

KILCUMMIN GAA By Donal Barry PRO

JUNIORS

Kilcummin kicked off their McElligott Cup campaign for 2025 with a deserved 1-15 to 0-12 win over Firies on Saturday evening. In a 3 team group with Castleisland Desmonds, Kilcummin will have their second outing on 27th September @ 5pm when they travel to Castleisland. Group Winners play in Cup Final (04th October) Group Runners up play in Shield Final (04th October)

SENIOR LADIES

It was heartbreak for our Senior ladies in the Bon Secours County Junior B Championship Quarter Final against Tralee side Kerins O’Rahilly’s when they were edged out 3-13 to 0-16 after extra time on Sunday.

UNDER 14 BOYS

Our Under 14 boys have been drawn to play Spa in the Under 14 East Kerry Championship which will take place next Sunday at 11.30am

SHINE GREEN RIBBON

Kilcummin GAA & LGFA are delighted to take part in the Shine Green Ribbon Campaign to reduce mental health stigma. Shine manages the national stigma-reduction programme for Ireland.



Guest Mastergeeha U12 boys game last weekend

An important part of their work is their annual Green Ribbon Campaign, which is now in its 16th year.

September is the focus month for campaign awareness-promote the wearing of the green ribbon, a symbol of solidarity, encouraging us all to engage in open conversations and break down the barriers surrounding mental illness. We are encouraging members & supporters to wear green ribbons to support this campaign. Anyone who would like to pick up their green ribbon can do so from Monday in Kilcummin Post Office.

MOTHERS AND OTHERS

Our Mothers & Others will be back training as usual on Monday night from 7-8pm in Kilcummin. New members welcome. Anyone interested in joining the M & O for fun, fitness & football, contact Ann-Marie on (087) 904 7274.

LOTTO

There was no winner of our lotto on Monday 08th September for the Jackpot of €3,750. Numbers drawn were 08,09,15,28. Consolation prizes of €50 went Dave Slattery, Natalie Breen, Marie Connor, and Liam Fleming. Our next draw will be on Monday 22nd September for Jackpot of €4,000.

MASTERGEEHA F.C.

KSBGL U12 Division 1 – Mastergeeha B vs Ballyhar A

Our U12 boys kicked off their Division 1 campaign with a thrilling away fixture against Ballyhar A, and what a game it turned out to be. The tie ended 3-3 with goals from Adam Kelliher and Kyle Morrissey. Thanks to Ballyhar for hosting and to the referee for a top-class performance. Plenty of positives to build on as the season gets underway, well done to the boys.

LOTTO

There was no winner on Friday 12th September 2025 of the Jackpot €10,600. Numbers drawn were 10,11,20,23. Consolation prizes of €50 went to John & Margaret Lenihan, Pat Sheehan Kilcummin, Eileen & Timmy Devane and Bea O’Neill & Saoirse Ballinamanagh. The next draw will be on Friday 19th September for Jackpot of €10,800.

Breda and Ritchie Celebrate Golden Anniversary with Kerry Hospice Fundraiser

Breda and Ritchie marked their 50th wedding anniversary in style with a special night in The Club Bar. Instead of gifts, the couple chose to host a collection for Kerry Hospice, a cause close to their hearts. Thanks to the generosity of family, friends, and well-wishers, a substantial donation was raised. The cheque was officially presented last night to Pat Doolan and Marion O’Keeffe, who accepted it on behalf of Kerry Hospice. Breda and Ritchie wish to sincerely thank everyone who contributed so kindly to the fundraiser, making their milestone celebration even more meaningful.





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## BEAUFORT PARISH

By Bridget Hortnett

### GAA LOTTO

Numbers drawn on Sunday night were 2, 4, 8, 15. There was no winner of the Jackpot for €7,600. Consolation Prizes: €80 Brian and Tara O'Shea, Churchtown Park. €50 each to Mikey Breen, Cullina, Jamie and Lauren Kelliher, Kilgobnet and Fiona Dunne, Coolmagort. Next Draw for a Jackpot of €7,800 will be on Sunday 28th September.

### U15 GIRLS DIVISION 2 COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP

Scartaglen V Beaufort in Cordal pitch. It wasn't to be for our girls who came up against a very strong Cordal/Scartaglin side. The girls never gave up and battled to the end. Well done to Cordal/Scart and best of luck to them for rest of Championship. We now go into the Shield Semi Final.

### U10s

U10's played Glenbeigh on Wednesday night in the last of their Go Games series

### U14 BOYS

On Wednesday, the U14 boys played Laune Rangers B in the Mid Kerry competition in Beaufort. Final score: Beaufort 5-9 to Laune Rangers B 1-3.

### U12 BOYS

On Thursday evening our u12 boys travelled to Listry for our final game of the season. The boys competed very well in tough conditions. They have improved a lot throughout the year, more often than not playing teams that were a lot stronger than them. A big thank you to the coaches Eugene, Micheal, Vincent and Jason for their hard work all the year. Also a big thank you to the parents for bringing the boys to training and games.

### SENIOR LADIES

Beaufort Senior Ladies welcomed Firies to Beaufort on Sunday at noon in the Quarter-final of Intermediate Championship. Conditions were dry but windy. Firies played with the wind in the first half and led at half-time Beaufort 3-3 Firies 0-13. Keeva Riordan opened the scoring with a point from play, Firies responded well with 2 frees and 2 points from play.

The first of the Beaufort goals came from Grainne Kennedy which levelled scores. Firies had 2 points from play but Sarah Houlihan pulled back one

but Firies answered with a point from a free. Beaufort had their second goal from the energetic Kevva Riordan after a great run by the impressive Tara Breen. Firies had a point but Beaufort replied well with a goal from Sarah Houlihan who was set up by Lori O'Connor. Firies replied with 2 points from play and 2 frees. Beaufort had the final score of the half from a Sarah Houlihan point.

Beaufort began the 2nd half well with Cliona Coffey winning the throw-in and this led to a Sarah Houlihan point. From the kick-out Fiadhna Tangney had a point from play. Sarah Houlihan scored again after being set up by Kevva Riordan. A free that was dropped short by Firies was cleared by Caoimhe Foley. More great defending by Eabha McEvoy for the home-side led to another Sarah Houlihan point. This was followed by 3 quick points from Lori O'Connor, Grainne Kennedy and Sarah Houlihan that had Beaufort leading 3-9 to 0-13 with 15 minutes remaining. A great goal by Beaufort from the boot of Sarah Houlihan after great work by Cliona Coffey and Grainne Kennedy. A quick free by Firies was cleared again by the vigilant Beaufort defence but on 19 minutes Firies had a free and a point from play. A long clearance from Cliona Coffey led to another Sarah Houlihan point. Beaufort introduced Holly Clifford, Adele O'Brien and Ciara Cronin who replaced the brilliant but injured Fay O'Donoghue and Niamh O'Sullivan.

Firies finished their scoring with a point from play while Beaufort had late points from Sarah Houlihan(2) and Kevva Riordan finished the scoring like she started with a point from play. Beaufort played very well as a unit and most of their scores came from great defence. Young Ruby Breen had a fine game in goals. Tara Clifford was outstanding in the half-back line as was Katie O'Donoghue. Tara Breen worked very hard around the middle of the field while the forwards worked well together which led to great scores from play.

Their next game is against MKL Gaels in the semi-final in 2 weeks time. Venue and time to be decided.

## SPA PARISH

By Leanne Cronin

### KERRY PPN COMMUNITY AWARDS 2025 FINALIST – SPA GAA CLUB

The Kerry Community Awards committee recognise and reward the work of the community and voluntary groups that work tirelessly to improve the social, economic, cultural and environmental quality of life in our local communities.

Among the short listed groups for 2025 Spa GAA Club will be represented at The Rose Hotel on Thursday 18th September for the Awards Night event.

### THE SPIRIT OF SPA

#### WRITTEN BY JAMES CAHILL SPA GAA

It is with surprise, delight and great humility that Spa GAA club have been nominated as a finalist in the Kerry PPN Community Awards 2025. Spa GAA is a community based organization that has never lacked determination or vision. From its humble origins in 1948, that community spirit has prevailed over the decades resulting in a strong, vibrant and expanding club. In the early 50's players togged out amidst the ferns and under the bushes, around the field perimeter. By 1969 we had dressing rooms of sort, a structure made from plywood shipping cases, re-cycled from the Ford Motor factory in Cork. In 1975 the football field was purchased from Denis O Keefe, following a door to door community funding drive. The first club house and dressing rooms were opened in May 1979 following a huge

community effort in the provision of voluntary labour and services. In the early noughties, in response to growing numbers and increased female participation, the need for new facilities became evident. A multi purpose sports hall was developed in 2003. The original clubhouse was demolished in 2004 and replaced with a new sports complex incorporating 4 dressing rooms, reception, meeting rooms, kitchen and dancehall. The facilities were officially opened by then Minister John O Donoghue and Sean Kelly, then President of Cumann Luthchleas Gael on 26th March 2006. Further playing ground was purchased in 2008 and this resulted in the development of Senior and Juvenile playing pitches in 2010. In 2016 a new first floor gymnasium was constructed and commissioned and in 2017 a new handball wall was installed in the main Sports hall. In November 2018 a state of the art floodlighting system was provided for the upper playing field. 2021 saw the development of a fully illuminated 1 km walking track along the perimeter of club grounds. Early 2025 saw the installation of a state of the art Solar Energy micro generation system. These developments are the product of club investment of €1.5 million over a 10 year period, and a proud symbol of the sense of spirit and pride that exists within our community.

## LISTRY PARISH

Written by: Colette Leslie

### LOTTO

Jackpot €11,950. Numbers Drawn: 6, 9, 23, 25. Not Won. €100 Jerome Kennedy (Annual). €50 Paudie Horgan, Lisheen. €50 Ciara Power (Online). €25 Suzanne Scannell (Online). €25 Cathriona Doody O Connor. Jackpot next week Sunday 21/09/2025 €12,100

### U8s

Our U8s are in action on Friday night the 19th when they take on Kilcummin in Listry.

### U10s

U10 girls host a home blitz on Sunday 21st at 2pm, with Rathmore, Legion, and Fossa joining us for what promises to be a great afternoon of football.

### U11s

Our U11s will take part in the Tommy Kelliher Memorial Tournament on Saturday 20th in Rathmore.

### U14s

This Sunday 21st September they welcome Legion to Listry in the East Kerry Championship, with throw-in at 11am.



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## RATHMORE | GNEEVEGUILLA PARISH

By Michael O'Mahony

### CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Kelly's Londis on winning the Kerry Stores Retailing Excellence Awards 2025 for both the Rathmore and Milltown stores. The awards ceremony was held in the Seafield Hotel & Spa Resort, Gorey, Co. Wexford.

Managing Director Seamus Kelly, his son Harry Kelly, along with John Cronin, manager of Rathmore Store, and Denis Heffernan, manager of Milltown Store, were on hand to accept the awards. Great credit is due to the staff in both stores and the management team for achieving such recognition.

### SHARE THE BUCKET

Gneeveguilla Community Facility Group reminds you that Share the Bucket takes place weekly. The draw is held every Friday evening in Teach Fáilte at 8.30 pm and can be viewed live on the Gneeveguilla Community Facility Group Facebook Page. This week's jackpot winner was Neilie O'Connell (€205). Tickets cost €2 each or 3 for €5. They are available at Teach Fáilte, online at <https://tinyurl.com/y2ade5om>, or in local businesses where you see the green Share the Bucket sign.

Your support is greatly appreciated, with all proceeds going towards the proposed new community facility. We sincerely thank our local businesses, shops, and pubs for their continued support, and everyone who buys tickets each week.

### 301 CLUB

Rathmore Community Council thanks the community for their ongoing support of the 301 Club, which funds local projects including Tidy Towns, the St. Patrick's Day Parade, and our Santa Visit, to name just a few.

For further details, please contact committee members:

Antoinette O'Leary – 086 3135117, Colm Kelly – 087 2288342, Eveleen Murphy – 087 9864608, Brian Miley – 085 1633053, Jacenta Murphy – 087 7044176

The new draw starts on Thursday, 25th September. Cash, Revolut, or

online payments are accepted.

**KNOCKNAGREE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GROUP CLG** is delighted to announce the official launch of the refurbished Community Hall on Saturday, 20th September 2025, at 8 pm. We are honoured to welcome Minister of State Jerry Buttimer, with responsibility for Charities, Community Development and Rural Transport, who will officially open the hall. All are welcome to attend this special occasion.

### CULTURE NIGHT

Tureencahill Community Centre will be hosting Culture Night on Friday, 19th September, from 8 pm – 10.30 pm. The evening will feature music, dancing, singing, storytelling, and much more. Everyone is very welcome.

### SUNDAY AFTERNOON DANCING

Community Hall, Milltown, Killarney (V93 ET62). Sunday 21st Sept: Peter Burke Band. Sunday 28th Sept: Glen Flynn Band. Dancing from 3.00 pm – 5.00 pm. Admission €10. Free draw with door ticket. Contact: John Joe Herlihy – 087 9735113.

**RATHMORE RAVENS BASKETBALL CLUB** has announced its officers for the coming year:

Chairperson: Una Moynihan. Vice Chairperson: Muireann Hughes. Secretary: Norma Jene O'Leary. Registrar: Arthur Moynihan. PRO: Eabha Murphy. Treasurer: Kay O'Keeffe. Club Protection Officer: Carmel Healy. Fixtures Officer: Sheila Rahilly. Coaching Officer: Jim Hughes

The club will hold its registration night on Friday, 19th September at 7.00 pm in the SPSL Gym.

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### NOTES

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



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# LEGACY ELITE CELEBRATE GREAT SUCCESS

It's been a busy few months at Legacy cheerleading & gymnastics.

Gymnast & cheerleader Rachel Horgan (Kenmare) won Cheersport Irelands Irish junior athlete of the year award which took place at the award ceremony in June at the Connacht hotel Galway. Rachel was presented with the award by the Galway Mayor.

Legacy athletes Emily O Connor (Killarney ) and Finn Hurley (Tralee) who represented Ireland at cheerleading world championships were honoured at the award ceremony for their achievements of bringing home Irelands first ever bronze medal at the ICU cheerleading championships 2025. They also took the silver at the ICC country cheerleading cup in America making history for their country and county.

Joan Heapes (Killarney ) the clubs welfare officer received the special recognition award for her years of dedication to the sport and volunteer work she has done. It was a proud evening for Legacy Elite.

Last weekend in Dublin, club coach Hayley Murphy (Killarney) attended the golden dance awards in Dublin as Legacy Elite was one of five finalists with clubs all over the country. Legacy elite went on to win the cheerleading excellence award. We were over the moon This is a fantastic achievement for our club



Coach Hayley Murphy



Rachel Horgan



Emily O'Connor



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## Relove Fashion 2025 Competition Officially Launched

Ireland's nationwide sustainable fashion competition, Relove Fashion, has been launched for a second year. The event, fronted by TV presenter Lorraine Keane, invites young people aged 12–19 to transform preloved textiles into creative, wearable designs.

The competition encourages participants to repair, sew, and upcycle materials from homes, charity shops, or swap events, tackling the problem of fast fashion and textile waste while promoting the circular economy. Lesson plans, activities, and resources will be provided to support creativity and skill-building.

Breda Moriarty of Kerry County Council expressed pride in Kerry's national win last year and encouraged local youth to enter again. Lorraine Keane praised the initiative as a fun way to rethink fashion and show how sustainable style can be both innovative and impactful.

Registration is open to schools, youth groups, and individuals across participating local authorities. Those who sign up before September 30th will be entered into a draw to win a sewing machine. The competition is supported by the Government of Ireland, local authorities, and the Rediscovery Centre.

For more information: [www.relovetofashion.ie](http://www.relovetofashion.ie) | [www.rediscoverycentre.ie](http://www.rediscoverycentre.ie)





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# Good planning and a good work ethic are vital for exam success

## KEY

September heralds a return to school or college for young people throughout the country. It's also the beginning of an important year for those facing into state or college exams. So, whether you have a public or an in-house exam at the end of the academic year, the key to success is good planning and a consistent approach to study. Set realistic target grades in each subject or module. A clear aim will focus and motivate you. Achieve your goals by efficiently managing your time, your study and your personal fitness.

## TIME

Time management means establishing a regular and disciplined study routine. Commit to a number of hours study each night. At the end of a short period, such as a week, review the quality of your work. Medium term planning involves the completion of a certain amount of work over a longer period, such as a school term. The long-term plan is to be totally prepared for the end of year exam.

## REVIEW

Review your progress regularly. The first term is primarily devoted to completing course work. Your immediate objective is doing nightly homework of a high standard. Develop the habit of revision as early in the year as possible. Start organising your copies of past exam papers. Begin to consider how the exam is structured. Become familiar with the format and layout of each paper, the style of question asked and the topics examined. Know how the marks are allocated and how much time should be spent on each question.

## DIARY

Use a conventional or electronic homework diary to record assignments. Develop your own study plan but prioritise with deadlines in mind. An efficient system is to follow the subject timetable for the following day's classes, which will give you variety each night, keep you working to deadlines, will provide a safeguard against beginning with your favourite subject each night and relegating a less favoured subject until last. Commit yourself to about four hours work each night, to include homework and a little revision, if time permits. Work in two-hour sessions and take a half hour break between the two sittings. In an exam year, Friday night must be included in the study schedule. Do six or seven hours study

over Saturday and Sunday, mainly consisting of review and revision.

## REVISION

Revise only when you have completed your homework assignments. Try to include all your subjects in your weekly revision plan. Revise in small manageable self-contained units. Revision is effective only if you understand and can write down what you have revised.

## REWARD

Study and revision can become tedious. So, stay focussed by establishing a reward system to reinforce your progress and to maintain your momentum. Exam success is your greatest motivator, but short-term rewards give you an immediate sense of purpose. Identify the 'time thieves' - that is, where time is being wasted - early in the year and eliminate them by efficient time management.

## ENVIRONMENT

Good working conditions are vital aids to effective study. A comfortable private study environment at home is essential. Study on your own, if possible, in a room which is peaceful and quiet. A table and a hardback chair are basic requirements. Make sure the heating and the lighting in the room is satisfactory. Don't distract yourself by playing music in the background or by wearing earphones. Organise your books and materials before you begin each study session to avoid having to leave the room.

## PARTICIPATE

At school, listen actively in class. Participate in class by asking questions, by showing enthusiasm and by helping to create a studious class atmosphere. It goes without saying that the best information is available at school. So, attend all your classes punctually and be determined to learn.

## MATERIALS

Organise your practical materials, such as calculator, books, writing pads, etc. Clear, comprehensible and well-documented notes are an invaluable organisational aid. Ensure that your handwriting is legible, that your diagrams are detailed and intelligible and that your presentation is neat. If you are filing material on your desktop or laptop computer organise it carefully for easy access.

## CONCENTRATION

Concentration is a by-product of routine and organisation. By arranging it for a set time each day you reinforce your commitment to your study. The more focussed you are on your study and the more determined you are to do well, the more your concentration will improve. To aid your concentration during study, develop the habit of doing mild forms of exercise - perhaps a short breathing exercise, or simply close your eyes to allow your mind and body to relax for a few moments.

## POSITIVE

Concentration is considerably aided by a positive attitude, so have confidence in your ability to perform well in your exam. Always keep a good thought about yourself and be success orientated. Self-confidence and positive thinking lead to success. Be single minded about your objectives. Keep an eye on your personal targets and avoid mental fatigue by sensible use of recreation and leisure. With an organised and disciplined approach to your study you will do very well in your exam. Have a good and successful year.

## CHECKLIST

- Tues., 23rd Sept: CAO Round Four offers online at 10am
- Thurs., 25th Sept: Accept Round Four offers by 3pm
- Fri., 26th Sept.: Results of Leaving Cert appeals released at 11am
- Tues., 30th Sept.: CAO Round Five offers online at 10am
- Thurs., 2nd Oct.: Accept Round Five offers by 3pm
- Thurs., 2nd Oct.: CAO offer season ends
- Many Post-Leaving Cert (PLC) courses still have vacancies
- Tertiary Degree course applications accepted to late September
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As autumn approaches, nature gently reminds us of the beauty in release. Trees shed their leaves without resistance, creating space for renewal. In the same way, this season invites us to pause, reflect, and let go of what no longer serves us — outdated habits, draining relationships, or beliefs that keep us stuck.

Taking time to take stock of where you are now isn't indulgent; it's essential. Autumn, with its cooling air and quieter pace, encourages introspection. What have you outgrown? What are you holding onto out of fear, familiarity, or comfort?

So as the leaves begin to fall, consider what you're ready to release. Let autumn be your invitation to breathe deeply, reflect honestly, and move forward lighter, more grounded, and more aligned with who you truly are now.

**Coaching Tip:**  
Create a "Let Go & Keep" List.  
Draw two columns on a piece of paper: one titled "Let Go" and the other "Keep." In the Let Go column, write down habits, thoughts, commitments, or relationships that feel heavy, draining, or misaligned with who you are now. In the Keep column, list what feels energising, supportive, and aligned with your current values and goals. This simple practice helps bring clarity to what's worth your energy, time and actions.

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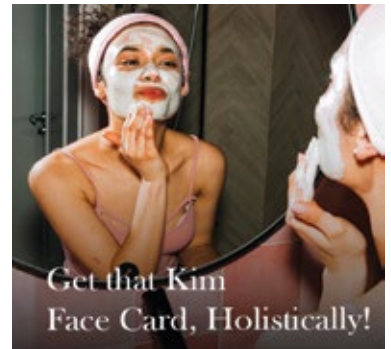
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  - **Strength training / muscle gain:** **1.6–2.2 g per kg** (≈0.7–1.0 g per pound).
  - **Fat loss (while maintaining muscle):**  
Often **2.0–2.5 g per kg** (≈0.9–1.1 g per pound).
- For example:
- If you weigh **70 kg (154 lbs)** and are moderately active, you'd aim for **~100–140 g protein per day**.
  - If you're trying to **build muscle or lose fat**, you'd push closer to **130–160 g/day**.

Not sure what food are good sources of protein? Then here a list of **high-protein foods per 100g**, with protein content and calorie context. I'll split into **animal-based, plant-based, and convenient options**:

### Animal-Based (highest protein per 100 g)

- **Chicken breast (cooked, skinless):** ~31 g protein | ~165 kcal
- **Turkey breast:** ~29 g protein | ~135 kcal
- **Tuna (canned in water):** ~26 g protein | ~120 kcal
- **Cod:** ~24 g protein | ~105 kcal
- **Salmon:** ~20 g protein | ~208 kcal (higher fat but healthy omega-3s)
- **Lean beef (5% fat mince):** ~26 g protein | ~170 kcal
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## WHAT IS MEIBOMIAN GLAND DYSFUNCTION (MGD)?

The normal tears of the eye are made up of three layers – an oily (lipid) layer, a watery (aqueous) layer, and a sticky (mucous) layer. MGD is when the glands that make the oily layer of the tears are not working properly and this allows the watery layer of the tears to dry out.

The Meibomian glands are inside the eyelids, and the openings are on the edge of the eyelids. The outer oily layer stops the watery layer of the tears from drying out. When the glands become blocked, the oily part of the tears cannot be released. This causes the watery tears to dry up more quickly which results in the eye becoming dry and can make it feel sore. It is not usually a serious condition, but can cause discomfort and sometimes blurry vision. If it is not treated, the glands may stop working permanently.

MGD can cause dry eye. It is common to have a combination of MGD, dry eye and blepharitis.

### Risk factors

MGD is a common condition and can affect anyone. However, it is more likely to happen after the age of 50, if you have diabetes or oily skin conditions and it is also more common in women.

### Symptoms

The eyelids can become sore

and swollen as the glands become blocked. As the eyes become dry, they can feel itchy or gritty, as if there's something in the eye. The eyes may be red, and if they're sore, may be watery, which can cause vision to become blurry.

### TREATMENT

Treatment involves releasing the oily tears from the glands using hot compresses. You need to get a face cloth, or cotton pads, soak them in hot (not boiling) water, close your eyes, and hold the hot cloth onto your eyelids. Wet the cloth again with hot water and keep applying the compress for at least five minutes. Repeat every day until the condition gets better. You can also use products known as 'heat bags' that are specifically designed for this condition. These bags make it easier to direct the heat and are much more effective than a hot cloth. To help stop the glands from blocking up again continue the treatment every day for a few minutes. Massaging your eyelids can also help to release tears.

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## Funding announced for flood works

Deputy Danny Healy Rae was delighted to welcome Minister Kevin Boxer Moran yesterday when he visited several areas with flooding issues around the County including Killarney, Rathmore, Cromane, Rossbeigh, Ballyduff, Ballyheigue and Listowel. We appreciate his time and will continue to work with him and Kerry County Council to get these issues addressed.

"I welcome the funding announced today by Minister of State for the OPW Kevin Boxer Moran for Listowel and Kilocrim area which was badly flooded when the river burst its banks last year", the Deputy told Killarney Outlook.

The Minister has given a commitment to fund applications for the clearing of vegetation along the River Flesk at the back of the houses on Woodlawn Road Killarney as some houses are under threat of being flooded.

He has given the same commitment for the Cullowa River, Rathmore to clear vegetation along that river to prevent houses in Rathmore being flooded and prevent flooding on the Gneeveguilla road and Station Road Rathmore.

We appreciate his time and will continue to work with him and Kerry County Council on behalf of the people of Kerry.



Photo Kevin Boxer Moran photo with Danny, Maura and Michael Healy Rae residents of Riverside Drive in Woodlawn in Killarney.

## Gareth Sheridan Thanks Kerry County Council for Nomination

Presidential hopeful Gareth Sheridan has thanked Kerry County Council for the nomination.

"I am so grateful to Kerry County Council to receive the honour and responsibility of their nomination to contest the Presidential election", said Independent Presidential hopeful, Gareth Sheridan, 36. "I am now focussed on winning nominations from three other Councils. However, the Fianna Fáil and Fine Gael block makes it very difficult but I am not deterred and our plan is working. We have worked for months on a strategy with Independent Councillors as to where we could engineer a result even if there was a block in place."

Sheridan is the first candidate to be endorsed by a local authority under Article 12.2.2 of Bunreacht Na hÉireann with a nomination to be on the Ballot Paper for the Presidential election on October 24th.

Fine Gael under instructions from leader, Tánaiste Simon Harris, were blocking any nomination and were joined in that block in Kerry by their Government colleagues, Fianna Fáil. Therefore, the first vote held was a proposal that Kerry should not nominate any candidate. However, that vote was resoundingly defeated, 18 against and 14, for by a rainbow of opposition and independent councillors. As Gareth Sheridan was the only proposed and seconded Candidate he secured the Kerry County Council the Nomination.



## Healy-Raes Welcome Over €215,000 in CLÁR Funding for Kerry Community Transport Services

Minister Michael Healy-Rae and Deputy Danny Healy-Rae have welcomed the announcement by Minister for Rural and Community Development, Dara Calleary TD, of over €215,000 in CLÁR Measure 2 funding for community transport services in Kerry.

The funding is being provided under Measure 2 of the CLÁR Programme 2025, which supports the purchase of vehicles for mobility transport, cancer care transport, community first responders, and meals on wheels services. This scheme ensures that vital voluntary and community groups have the resources they need to continue delivering essential services to some of the most vulnerable in society.

The Kerry allocations are:

- Caherciveen Social Services – €50,000 for mobility transport/cancer care
- Killarney Community Services – €93,236 for mobility transport/cancer care
- Meals on Wheels Tralee – €29,516 for meals on wheels transport
- Ard Chúram, Listowel – €42,212 for mobility transport/cancer care

Minister Michael Healy-Rae said this is funding that goes right to the heart of our communities. The organisations supported today carry out invaluable work every single day, whether that's bringing patients to cancer treatment, transporting people with mobility challenges, or delivering meals to those who are housebound. They make an enormous difference to people's lives, and he is delighted to see them receive this support.

Deputy Danny Healy-Rae said we want to pay tribute to the volunteers and staff in Cahirciveen, Killarney, Tralee and Listowel who give their time to help others. They are the backbone of rural life and this funding is recognition of their efforts. With these new vehicles, they will be able to continue their services in safety and comfort for years to come.

The Healy-Raes also acknowledged Minister Calleary for delivering this round of funding, which they said demonstrates the importance of the CLÁR programme in tackling isolation, supporting health needs, and strengthening rural communities.

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# Fianna Fáil TD for Kerry, Michael Cahill, Calls for Increased Investment in Primary and Special Education Ahead of Budget 2026

Fianna Fáil TD for Kerry, Michael Cahill, has pledged his strong support for calls to make primary and special education a priority in Budget 2026. Responding to recent appeals from concerned parents, Deputy Cahill has committed to advocating for significant reforms that will ensure all children, regardless of location or background, receive the quality education they deserve.

Deputy Cahill was contacted by parents urging the government to address the urgent challenges facing schools, with particular emphasis on the four key proposals put forward by the Irish National Teachers' Organisation (INTO) in its pre-budget submission. These proposals are:

**Smaller Class Sizes:** Ireland's primary schools have the largest class sizes in the EU, with an average of 22.5 pupils per class. Reducing this by just two pupils would enhance learning outcomes and allow teachers to provide more individualised support for each child.

**Fairer School Funding:** The current allocation

of €224 per pupil is inadequate for schools to meet rising operational costs. INTO has called for a €75 increase per pupil, which would help reduce the reliance on constant fundraising and enable schools to provide a higher standard of education.

**Support for Special Education:** The INTO is advocating for the introduction of Special Educational Needs Coordinators (SENCOs) to ensure children with additional needs receive the necessary support and resources to thrive.

**Stronger Rural Schools:** Rural schools are the heart of many communities, but they often face unique challenges. The successful Small Schools Pilot Project should be rolled out nationwide to reduce the administrative burden on principals and ensure these schools receive the resources they need to flourish.

Deputy Cahill stated, "Our schools are the foundation of our society, and it is vital that we provide our teachers and students with the resources they need to succeed. These proposals from the INTO are practical, costed,

and achievable. I believe that investing in education is an investment in the future of our children, and I will work tirelessly to ensure that Budget 2026 addresses these crucial issues."

Cahill continued, "I strongly support the call for smaller class sizes, fairer school funding, greater support for special education, and the expansion of the Small Schools Pilot Project. Our rural schools, in particular, need more support to remain viable and provide an equal standard of education to children across the country. I will be lobbying my colleagues in government to ensure that these proposals are prioritised in the upcoming budget."

The Fianna Fáil TD has also called on fellow parliamentarians to listen to the concerns of parents, teachers, and students, and to support the INTO's campaign to ensure that Budget 2026 provides the necessary funding to build a better, fairer education system for all.

## Minister Foley receives confirmation of €7 million grant for the redevelopment of Ashe Memorial Hall Tralee

Minister for Children, Disability, Equality and Kerry TD Norma Foley has today received confirmation of €7 million grant for major upgrade of the Ashe Memorial Hall Tralee.

The funding will provide a community rooftop garden, an expanded museum space, solar PV panels, a 'changing places' toilet with shower facilities for disabled people and other amenities. Opened in 1928, the Ashe Memorial Hall is an iconic building on Denny Street in Tralee that is much loved and treasured. It is named after the Kerry-born Irish patriot Thomas Ashe.

Minister Foley said: "I am pleased to confirm €7 million in funding for the preservation and enhancement of the Ashe Memorial Hall, Tralee. This is an iconic, much treasured building in my home town of Tralee. The funding will provide for new innovations like a community rooftop garden, an expansion of Kerry county museum and accessibility measures such as a 'changing places' toilet with shower facilities for disabled people. This is a transformative project for Tralee and will secure the future



of this historic building for generations to come. I wish to express my gratitude to my cabinet colleague, Minister for Housing James Browne, for engaging with me and getting this project over the line, and Kerry County Council for their pivotal work in shaping the plans." The funding is coming from the Department of Housing's Town Centre First Heritage Revival scheme. It is co-funded by the government and the European Union.


Minister for Children, Disability and Equality Norma Foley unveiling a wall plaque outside the Chapel at University Hospital Kerry celebrating 100 years of Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE) and 'It's Continuing Journey' at University Hospital Kerry last week. Included with guests at the historic occasion are Mayor of Killarney Martin Grady, Dr Margaret Naughton, Fr. Teddy Lenihan, Chaplain, Fr Arlappa, Mary Fitzgerald, CEO, UHK, Mary Mannix, UHK and Rev Bruce Pierce, special guest speaker.  
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# Awards Time at Killarney Golf & Fishing Club



Annette McNeice Vice Captain (fourth from left) presenting first prize in the Aherns.ie sponsored Strokeplay competition to winners Julie Kelly with (from left) Maureen Creedon 3rd, Carol Shanahan 2nd, Ann Moynihan best gross and Sharon Ormonde 4th at Killarney Golf and Fishing Club on Sunday.

*Photos: Michelle Cooper Galvin*



Michael McAuliffe Captain and Annette McNeice Vice Captain with the 2025 Golf Ireland Golf Sixes Killarney juvenile players with their Manager's Eileen Whelan, Marguerita Mulcahy and Noel O'Sullivan at Killarney Golf and Fishing Club on Sunday.



Annette McNeice Vice Captain (right) presenting first prize in the MacBees sponsored Dooks Golf Club Exchange Day to winners (from left) Mary Geaney, Kathleen O'Keefe, Sheila Crowley and Annette Sheehan with Carol Shanahan 2nd at Killarney Golf and Fishing Club on Sunday.



Michael McAuliffe Captain (third from left) presenting (left) Cormac and Fionan O'Sullivan with first prize in the Ballybunion Exchange Day sponsored by Moriarty's the Gap and (right) Tom O'Sullivan with first prize in the Dooks Exchange Day sponsored by Green C Marine at Killarney Golf and Fishing Club on Sunday.



Annette McNeice Vice Captain (right) presenting first prize in the Pat and Claire Courtney Memorial competition sponsored by The Brehon Hotel and Spa to prizewinners Kay and Matthew O'Connor at Killarney Golf and Fishing Club on Sunday.



Annette McNeice Vice Captain (right) making special presentations on behalf of the club to (left) Ellen Barry winner of the Eileen Rohan Trophy with a score of 47 points in Lahinch and Aoife O'Sullivan who had a Hole in One in Dooks in the Kerry Girls competition at Killarney Golf and Fishing Club.



Michael McAuliffe Captain (fourth from left) making special presentations on behalf of the club to Luke McCan Munster U18 interprovincial team member, winner of the Killarney Scratch Cup and Kerry Boys Matchplay Champion to (left) Ronan Twiss U12 Champion and Munster Interprovincial 14 team member and (right) James O'Meara Munster U16 Interprovincial team with Annette McNeice Vice Captain at Killarney Golf and Fishing Club.





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Annette McNeice Vice Captain (right) presenting first prize in the Castlerosse Resort Hotel sponsored Ballybunion Exchange Day to winners (from left) Maureen Creedon and Marie Leahy (back left) Christine Carroll 3rd and Mary Doherty 2nd at Killarney Golf and Fishing Club on Sunday. Photo by Michelle Cooper Galvin



Michael McAuliffe Captain and Annette McNeice Vice Captain accepting the Golf Ireland Golf Sixes Munster and All Ireland Qualifier 2024 pendant from the Killarney Golf Club successful juvenile players with their Manager's Marguerita Mulcahy and George Lenihan at Killarney Golf and Fishing Club on Sunday. Photo by Michelle Cooper Galvin

## ROSS LADIES GOLF CLUB

**LADIES 10 HOLE SCRAMBLE - 13TH SEPTEMBER VERY KINDLY SPONSORED BY MARGARET O'DONOGHUE GLENEAGLE HOTEL**

A huge thank you to Margaret O'Donoghue Gleneagle Hotel for her very generous sponsorship of the Scramble. Congratulations to the winners and thanks to all who took part. The winning team were Margaret Hickey, Mary Moynihan and Susie Conway.

### COMPETITIONS

Saturday 20th September 2025, 9 & 18 hole single Stableford qualifying competition. Booking through the BRS.

### WEDNESDAY MORNINGS MEET & PLAY

Meet and play every Wednesday morning. Meet in the Club House 10.00am tee off 10.30am. Enter via the BRS App. All Members welcome.

## DEERPARK PITCH & PUTT CLUB

### COUNTY U16 MATCHPLAY

Well done to Fionn McMonagle and Aodhan O'Halloran on winning the Boys U16 and U13 County Matchplay Cup events last Saturday as we thank our Grounds Committee for their work last week that allowed us to host it the events at short notice after Listowel unfortunately became unplayable last week. Well done to Fionn O'Callaghan meanwhile on his massive comeback to win the U16 Plate Final at the first playoff hole. We look forward to welcoming everyone again on Saturday September 27th for our U16 Scratch Cup event.

### NATIONAL INTER-COUNTY

Commiserations to Damien Fleming, John McGrath and James Fleming at the Kerry Mens team having to settle for fifth place in Lakeside last Sunday. Eileen McCarthy meanwhile had the best individual score for the Kerry Ladies team.

### COURSE UPDATE

advancement has been made recently regarding the laying of spare greens and reshaping of bunkers and the possibility of introducing a couple of more bunkers into our Championship course. This work is due for commencement so

please be advised that over the next few weeks there will be holes taken out of play from time to time. Apologies for the inconvenience caused but please understand that it's all towards the improvement of our course and preparation for future Championships.

### PLAYER OF THE YEAR

Please note that new Doubles Matchplay event will replace the scrapped Multicard event in our Player of the Year events.

### CLUB STROKEPLAY

Sponsored by Charlie Foleys Bar. Play over 36 holes next weekend- Sunday September 28th. Full details next week with entry €10 per player.

**BEST WISHES** To our three teams taking part in the National Inter-Club qualifying event in Majestic in Mallow this Saturday.

## KILLARNEY GOLF & FISHING CLUB - LADIES

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4th: Anne Duggan (12) 31pts

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The winners of the Ross Ladies Golf Club Scramble on Saturday 13th very kindly sponsored by Margaret O'Donoghue Gleneagle Hotel were Margaret Hickey, Mary Moynihan and Susie Conway pictured with Captain Elaine Casey middle

V-Par 13 Hole Single Stableford on Mahony's Point Course. Many thanks to everybody that donated to UNICEF's Gaza Emergency Appeal last weekend.



Deerpark Pitch & Putt Club Members Aodhan O'Halloran (right) and Fionn McMonagle (left) who won the Boys U13 and U16 Matchplay Cups respective at last Saturday's County U16 Matchplay Championships. Also pictured is Fionn O'Callaghan who won the Boys U16 Plate even





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Castleisland Community College 2-1 Coláiste Ailigh, Leitir Ceanainn (AET)

Donal O'Sullivan (18), Adam Walsh (67) | Ethan O'Brollachain (60+2)



All Ireland Soccer Back Row (L-R) Aidan Joy (coach), Cillian Horan, Frank Salmon, Darren McAuliffe, Mathew O'Sullivan, Olly O'Shea, David Fealey, Tom O'Neill, Darragh O'Sullivan, Jack Harpur, Luke Murphy, Cillian Murphy. Middle Row (L-R) Sean O'Connor, Cian Bolger, Adam Walsh, Charlie Tarrant, Ryan O'Connor, Billy Moriarty, Leo Flynn, Darragh McGillicuddy, Brian McShane, James O'Donoghue. Front Row ((L-R) Ryan Clifford, Donal O'Sullivan, Mairead Corridan (Principal) David Scollard (coach) Connie O'Connor (Joint Captain), Sean Kerin (Joint Captain), Donncha Hickie (coach), Paudie Fleming (Deputy Principal), Conor O'Donoghue, Emmett O'Grady. Missing from photo Keelan Burke, Aidan O'Connor, Issak Delee, Rahan Nainan



The victorious Castleisland Community College Team.

CASTLEISLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE survived a dramatic comeback from Donegal outfit Coláiste Ailigh to clinch the FAI Schools First Year 'B' Boys National title in a damp and windswept Athlone Town AFC yesterday afternoon (September 10).

The Munster starlets had to work hard defensively throughout the Cup tie as

Letterkenny trio O'Baail, MacCatháin and O'Murchú looked lively in front of goal.

The Ulster crew enjoyed much of the possession in the opening thirty minutes but the breakthrough came midway through the half when Dónal O'Sullivan slotted home from a well worked corner.

Castleisland shot stopper Connie O'Connor

kept his side ahead at the interval when he got down well to deny Davyn MacFhionn in the closing stages as Castleisland led 1-0 at the break.

The rain and wind dissipated in the second period and served up some wonderful football from both sides, technically the Donegal lads were superior but the physicality of the Kerry side shone through.

The best chance of an equaliser came ten minutes from time when Conn O'Baail was denied brilliantly by Connie O'Connor.

Castleisland taught they had the contest wrapped up as the game drew to a close but Ethan O'Brollachain produced a wonderful strike in injury time to take the game to extra time

With six minutes played, Castleisland's Olly O'Shea sprayed a long ball forward to Adam Walsh who netted a screamer from 20 yards out.

Again, it was Castleisland who went into the interval with that valuable one goal cushion.

Iarlaith Ó Caomhánaigh had a fabulous chance in the dying minutes to draw level only for O'Connor to pull off another exceptional stop and ensure Castleisland the Cup.

This was the Kerry sides second National title at this age grade in three years having defeated Larcy College, Clones in the 2023 National Cup Final in the same venue.

**CASTLEISLAND COMMUNITY COLLEGE** | *Connie O'Connor ©, Darragh McGillicuddy, James O'Donoghue, Conor O'Donoghue, Keelan Burke, Dónal O'Sullivan, Adam Walsh, Brian McShane, Olly O'Shea, Seán Kerin ©, Ryan O'Connor*

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## Killarney Order of Malta to Host All-Ireland First Aid Competitions This Saturday

The Gleneagle Hotel, Killarney, will be the stage this Saturday, September 20th, for the All-Ireland First Aid Competitions, an event showcasing the remarkable skill, dedication, and teamwork of Order of Malta volunteers from across the country.

In a strong display of international solidarity, teams from Poland and Ukraine will also take part, underlining the Order of Malta's global commitment to serving communities in need. Throughout the day, teams will be tested in real-life emergency scenarios, designed

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to replicate the challenges faced daily by volunteers working in pre-hospital emergency care. The competition not only highlights technical ability but also the teamwork and

calm professionalism that are vital in crisis situations.

The event, hosted by the Killarney Branch of the Order of Malta begins at 10 a.m. and will continue into the afternoon. Organisers are encouraging the public to attend and lend their support to the volunteers who dedicate their time and expertise to keeping communities across Ireland, and the wider world, safer and stronger.



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## KILLARNEY VALLEY ATHLETIC CLUB

Congratulations to Conor Kissane who won the an Riocht 5Km Road Series in Castleisland. Conor ran a fantastic series with a PB of 15mins 15secs for the first week, followed it with another PB of 15mins 10secs the second week and finally 15mins 7secs for the final race.

Congrats also to Natalie Breen who was second lady home with a time of 44min12sec in the Jerry Kiernan 10K road race in Tralee.

Best of luck to all competing in the Juvenile Even Age, Seniors/U20 Cross Country competition on Sunday.

Please email the club on killarneyvalleyac@gmail.com if you would like to join the club.

All relevant information on our club is on our website [www.killarneyvalleyac.ie](http://www.killarneyvalleyac.ie).

## KILLARNEY SWIMMING CLUB

Killarney Swimming Club have been back in the water since 1st September, with all squads training for upcoming galas. The club welcomed 11 new members this season to the development and junior squads. The senior squads kickstarted the season with strength and conditioning sessions at BWell Fitness. Congratulations to Evan O'Donoghue who has been selected for the Munster Squad for a second year running, he will begin his training in UL this weekend.

## KILLARNEY RFC CLUB SENIOR MEN

The senior men recorded a fine 29-6 win away to Killorglin in the Kerry - McElligott Cup on Sunday. Tries came from Mikey Moriarty (2), Adam Walsh (2) and Alex O'Leary, with Harry Kelly adding two conversions. Debuts were handed to Gearóid Sugrue, Mikey Moriarty and Jake Leahy.

### U18.5 BOYS

Our U18.5 Boys got their West Munster League campaign off to the best possible start with a strong opening win, while the U16 Boys put in a battling performance but were narrowly defeated in their first outing.

**MINI RUGBY** returned on Saturday morning in Aghadoe with significant numbers back on the pitch. New players are always welcome - training every Saturday at 9:45am.

**THE CLUB'S CLOTHING COLLECTION** concludes this week, with drop-offs available at the clubhouse on Tuesday to Thursday (7-8 pm) and Saturday morning (9:30-11 am). Thanks to all who have donated so far.

## FOSSA BRIDGE CLUB

### RESULTS FOR THE 11TH SEPTEMBER

1st: Tim & Mai Corcoran

2nd: Marie Moloney & Joan Lenihan

3rd: Anne Looney & Michael McHugh

Congratulations, well done.

Bridge continues every Thursday morning at 10am at The Castlerosse Hotel.

## FOSSA ROWING CLUB

### KILLARNEY REGATTA THIS WEEKEND:

Best of luck to our crews who are looking forward to the Killarney Regatta this Sunday at O'Mahonys point. The weather out paid to the regatta last weekend so our crews are all prepped and ready to go this weekend, weather willing.

### HOLLYWOOD MEETS FOSSA ROWERS

Last weekend some of our underage crew were eating at the Nugget and bumped into the one and only Bill Murray of Ghostbuster fame and IT guy and Roscommon native Chris O'Dowd. The lads were delighted to chew the cud with the Hollywood stars and chat about rowing!



Killarney Swimming Club Members with Coach Neilus Hayes at BWell Fitness Club.



Gerry McGuinness (President Cairn Community Games) presenting 4th place medals for the U11 Project Competition to the Fossa Community Games Team of Cian O'Cleirigh, Keelan Swarbrick and Kayden O'Neill at the National Finals in Carlow.



Fossa Rowing Underage group together for a photo ahead of the weekend



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## EINO CARROLL APPOINTED UTILITY TRUST ST PAULS LAKERS CAPTAIN

Eoin Carroll has been appointed as captain of the St Paul's National League team for the upcoming season. The team will compete in the National League under the banner of Utility Trust St Pauls Lakers and new head coach has earmarked Eoin as the ideal man to lead his team. Eoin was of course an integral part of the U 20 league success last season, winning the MVP Award for a power packed display in the final win over Templeogue and has been a lynchpin in the National League effort since coming into the squad in his late teens and will once again be looking forward to the season ahead. Mark Sheehan has also been appointed Vice Captain and this really highlights the Clubs philosophy in recent years of investing in the youth to bear fruit at senior level . Rui Saraiva has always been a very positive influence on the younger cohort in the squad and he has also been appointed Vice Captain.

The team has been busy in recent weeks playing challenge games and integrating new signings Steve Kelly, Sam Grant and Pablo Murcia. All guns are now pointing towards the league tip off , which is on Saturday October 4th, with a home game against Galway side the Titans.



Hollywood actor Bill Murray with some of the Fossa Rowing Club underage crew at the Nugget recently

## KILLARNEY BADMINTON CLUB

The badminton season is off to a flying start for Killarney club with representatives in both men's and ladies munster masters in Waterford SETU.

Our club is back Mon, Wed and Fri in Presentation school hall Killarney. Please see our facebook for more information. All levels welcome, social and competitive catered for.



Sinead Galvin won gold in munster singles masters in SETU Waterford at the weekend.

Last Friday, the transition year class from the Killarney Community College took a trip to Teenzone Festival in Cromane which showcased all the modern survival skills a teen needs in today's ever changing world. There were inspiring speakers, tasty chef demos, and loads of chill engaging activities — from yoga and breath work to journaling, drumming, and more. The food vans and amusements were an added bonus





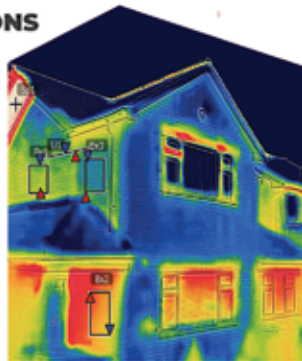


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# Kerry FC Celebrate historic comeback victory

**Kerry FC 4-3 Sligo Rovers (After Extra Time)**

By David Moriarty and

photographs by Luke O'Mahony

On Friday evening, Kerry FC played in what was surely their biggest game in their short three-year history at senior level when they hosted SSE Airtricity Premier Division side Sligo Rovers at Mounthawk Park in the Quarter Final of the Sports Direct Men's FAI Cup.

There was a huge build-up to the game the entire week leading up to the occasion, with flags and bunting visible all across Kerry and even beyond. It was the first time Mounthawk Park saw a sell-out crowd since last season's cup game against Bohemian FC, which saw the Dublin side narrowly go through on penalties.

Kerry FC have seen themselves play with a different freedom in the cup this season, as midfielder Oran Crowe pointed out during the week, "The Cup brings a clean slate. League form and position, no matter the league you're in, goes out the window; it's all about who wants it more on the night."

Kerry FC manager Colin Healy was under no illusions of the test his side would face, but he said it was a game his players were looking forward to and would be excited for. Kerry FC had always given a good account of themselves in the cup since year one, so the Mounthawk faithful hoped nothing would change in that regard.

The contest kicked off in front of a raucous crowd at Mounthawk Park, with chants of "Kerry FC!" ringing out across the ground. The early stages of the match were tentative, with Sligo Rovers enjoying the majority of possession but Kerry showing flashes of confidence on the ball. Both sides probed cautiously, neither willing to overcommit, as the supporters settled in for what would be a tense cup tie.

The game shifted decisively in Sligo's favour after just fourteen minutes. James McManus whipped in a precise cross from deep, and striker Owen Elding rose at the back post to power home a header past Matthew Connor. The finish was clinical, and the travelling fans erupted in celebration as Rovers seized control.

Barely two minutes later, Elding struck again in devastating fashion. A loose, bobbling ball fell to him inside the penalty area, and though the position of the ball was awkward, he improvised brilliantly, volleying into the top-right corner. In the blink of an eye, Kerry found themselves two goals down, and the atmosphere in Tralee turned anxious. Manager Colin Healy responded swiftly to the setback, introducing Cian Brosnan for Daniel O'Connor after twenty-six minutes. Brosnan's energy was immediately evident as he drove down the left flank and won a throw-in deep in Sligo territory. Despite his best efforts, Kerry continued to struggle in the final third.

Their frustrations grew when Sean O'Connell received a yellow card in the 37th minute, a reflection of the team's growing desperation. Sligo, meanwhile, kept possession comfortably and dictated the tempo, starving Kerry of chances and quietening the home crowd.

Just before half-time, Kerry carved out their first genuine opportunity when Brosnan worked space on the right and swung in a cross. However, the ball was cleared by the Sligo defence, and the referee's whistle soon confirmed that Kerry trailed 2-0 at the break.

The Kingdom emerged from the interval with renewed intent. A dangerous free kick from Joe Adams in the fifty-first minute looked promising, but his delivery from the right side floated harmlessly into the arms of Sligo goalkeeper Sam Sargeant.

Moments later came Kerry's best chance up to that point. Kevin Williams unleashed a shot from distance that deflected just over the bar. The resulting corner came to nothing, but the attempt signalled Kerry's determination to fight their way back into the match.

Any momentum Kerry had built seemed to vanish in the sixty-first minute when Elding completed his hat-trick. A cross from the left deflected slightly and wrong-footed the defence, allowing Elding to bundle the ball home for his third of the night. At 3-0, the tie looked dead and buried.

Yet Kerry refused to surrender. Substitute Daniel Okwute immediately made his presence felt, latching onto a ball inside the box and fired a shot from a tight angle. Sargeant stood tall to block, but Kerry's persistence hinted that the night was far from over.

In the sixty-fifth minute, Mounthawk Park erupted. Brosnan, who had been lively since his introduction, picked up possession just inside the box. From a difficult angle, he opened up his body and curled a superb finish into the far corner. Kerry had a lifeline, and the belief rippled back through the stands.

The atmosphere grew increasingly heated, with Sean Stewart booked three minutes later and Matthew Connor pulling off a crucial save to deny Elding his fourth. Kerry, emboldened by Brosnan's strike, pressed forward with renewed aggression.

The turning point arrived in the seventy-fifth minute. Kerry were awarded a penalty after sustained pressure from Daniel Okwute, and the home crowd collectively held its breath. Joe Adams stepped up with ice-cold composure and thumped his spot-kick into the top-right corner. At 3-2, the game was suddenly alive.

Okwute, relentless in his energy, nearly levelled the tie just minutes later, forcing a superb save from Sargeant at a tight angle. The momentum was all Kerry's, and the crowd sensed that history was in the making.

As the clock ticked towards full-time, Kerry threw everything forward. Okwute drove at the Sligo defence in the 89th minute but dragged his shot narrowly wide. With four minutes of stoppage time announced, the home supporters urged their side on with every ounce of energy.

Then, in the ninetieth minute, came the moment of pure magic. A low cross fizzed across the penalty area and found Brosnan arriving at the far post. His shot wasn't the cleanest, but it trickled agonisingly over the line. The eruption inside Mounthawk Park was deafening. Kerry had clawed back from the brink to level the tie at 3-3.

As the whistle confirmed extra time, the ground shook under the roar of the supporters. Kerry carried their momentum into the additional period, with Adams firing a free kick just over the bar in the ninety-second minute. Both sides probed cautiously thereafter, the physical toll of the evening beginning to show.

Half-time in extra time arrived with the scores still locked, but the energy in the stands remained electric. Kerry fans sensed the impossible might yet be achieved.

The decisive moment came in the one hundred and sixteenth minute. A flowing move involving Adams, Sean McGrath, and Okwute created chaos in the Sligo penalty area. The ball ricocheted between players before falling to Okwute, who adjusted superbly to lash a half-volley into the net.



Cian Brosnan and coach Chris Collopy embrace at Full Time

The celebrations were euphoric. Players sprinted towards the stands, fans spilt forward in jubilation, which echoed long into the night. After trailing 3-0, Kerry had completed an astonishing turnaround to lead 4-3.

The remaining minutes were played amid feverish anticipation, with Kerry throwing bodies behind the ball to preserve their slender lead. When the referee finally blew for full-time, the stadium exploded once again. Players collapsed to the turf, drained but ecstatic, as supporters hailed a night that would be remembered forever in Kerry FC footballing folklore. The players remained on the pitch long after the full-time whistle and were serenaded by the Kerry support from all 4 corners of Mounthawk Park.

Kerry FC showed on the night that anything can happen on a football pitch. We have seen some remarkable comebacks in years gone by in football, but for Kerry FC and the Mounthawk faithful, it will be hard to see how this night could ever be topped. It was a night for everyone involved in the club, players, staff, and supporters, all with one common goal, putting Kerry FC on the map. Well, on Friday night, Mounthawk Park did just that. A semi-final berth secured and we await to find out our opponents on Sunday evening

**Kerry FC Team:** 16. Matthew Connor, 3. Sean O'Connell, 4. Oran Crowe, 5. Christopher McQueen, 6. Carl Mujaguzi, 8. Ronan Teahan, 10. Joe Adams (GOAL PEN '77), 14. Robert Cleary, 15. Kevin Williams, 19. Daniel O'Connor, 28. Niall Brookwell.

**Subs:** Darragh Foley, Arran Healy, Cian Brosnan (GOAL '65, '90), Luke Doolan, Finn Barrett, Sean McGrath, Luke Palmer, Daniel Okwute (GOAL '117), Ryan Perez.



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### LOTTO

No.s 5, 16, 18, 23. No winner of the jackpot. 5 x €25: Theresa O'Brien, Fíries. Liz Coffey, Fossa. Mike O'Sullivan, Ballyhar. Cyril Morris, Fíries & Sarah Kenny, Ballyhar. Next draw for a jackpot of €2500 will take place on Sunday next 21st at Henderson's Bar, Fíries. Thanks to all who support & help out with the club lotto. Tickets available from committee members, Sheehans Filling Station, Farranfore, Spar & Hendersons Shops, Fíries & Butlers Bar, Fíries.

### TEAMS

The senior squad are after two games in Division 2 of the KDL with a 4-2 home win against Lenamore Rovers with Mike Daly, Patrick O'Connor, Niall Donohoe & Colin O'Callaghan on the scoresheet.

Classic B were visited in the KDL grounds on Saturday last where a deserved 3-3 draw was the outcome, thanks to two goals from Pádraig O'Connor & one from last seasons youth player Gerard Long.

The U14 girls in Division 1 had a fine 4-1 win over LB Rovers at Murt Scott Park with a hat-trick from Niamh O'Sullivan & one from Mollie O'Connor with Emma O'Callaghan, Maisy O'Sullivan, Faye O'Brien & Erica McCarthy also playing well in a good squad performance.

### SYMPATHY

The club offers its condolences to the O'Connor Families, Fíries on the passing of brothers Jimmy & Owen. Condolences also to the Culloty family, Fíries on the passing of Carmel. May Jimmy, Owen & Carmel rest in peace.

## KILLARNEY CELTIC

### CELTIC LOTTO

Numbers drawn 3,8,15,27. No Jackpot winner. Match 3 winners received €150. Next jackpot €2,800 on Monday September 22nd. Tickets available from The Dungeon Bookshop, Amber Shop (Top of Ross Road), club members and online through clubzap.

### PREMIER DIV

#### Listowel Celtic 0-0 Killarney Celtic

The A squad opened their defence of the league title with a draw away to Listowel last Sunday. In very windy conditions Killarney had the lion's share of possession but were unable to make the breakthrough so the honours were shared.

### U16 DIV 2

#### Killarney Celtic B 6-0 Tralee Dynamos

Celtic B had an impressive win last week at home. After a tight opening period Celtic improved and struck the front. Celtic were able to take their chances and run out comfortable winners.

### U14 DIV 1

#### Killarney Celtic B 1-1 Camp

Eoin Murphy

Celtic B put on a battling performance and came away with a draw against Camp A.

#### Killarney Athletic B 1-2 Killarney Celtic C

Dylan McCarthy

Celtic C gained an away win in Woodlawn last week. Athletic hit the front before Dylan McCarthy equalised from the spot. Celtic were ahead before half time when good build up play left Dylan McCarthy in place to score. Athletic came more into the game in the 2nd half but

U14 Boys Division 1

Killarney Athletic B 1 Killarney Celtic C 2



Celtic held firm to take the points.

### U12

#### Listowel Celtic 1-2 Killarney Celtic

Cian O'Connell, Eryk McGrath

Killarney A came away with the spoils from a very windy Listowel last week. Despite playing against the wind Killarney hit the front through Cian O'Connell. Listowel drew level in the 2nd half but it was Killarney who found the winner. Adam O'Sullivan and Fionn Murphy paved the way for Eryk McGrath to finish to the net and take the points.

#### Killorglin B 1-2 Killarney Celtic B

Cian Mulvihill, John Tkachenko

A good 2nd half performance saw Celtic B take the points. 0-0 at half time Celtic hit the front through Cian Mulvihill. John Tkachenko doubled the lead before Killorglin pulled 1 back. Celtic held their lead to take the points.

#### St Brendan's Park D 1-2 Killarney Celtic C

Fionn O'Sullivan, Cillian Murphy

Celtic C had a good win in Tralee last weekend as they got their campaign off the ground.

#### Inter Kenmare 2-2 Killarney Celtic D

Liam Myres, Alex Hayes

In a tight encounter in Kenmare honours were shared. Both sides had chances to gain the win but in the end a draw was a fair result.

**CONGRATS** to Rory Murphy U14 who made the KSBGL Team of the Week.

## KERRY SCHOOLBOY/GIRL SOCCER

### GIRLS:

#### PARK AND MASTERGEEHA CONTINUE UNBEATEN START TO 13'S PREMIER

It was another busy weekend of action in the Amber Killarney U13 Girls Premier, with St Brendan's Park and Mastergeeha continuing their positive start to the season.

MEK and Killarney Athletic played out an entertaining 3-3 draw, with Abbie Coffey Straka, Emma O'Connor, and Eve Brady on target for MEK. Killarney Athletic responded through a brace from Caithlin Hickey and a strike from Abbey O'Leary to ensure the points were shared.

St Brendan's Park were in fine form as they ran

out 4-0 winners over MEK, with Hayley Powell scoring twice alongside goals from Caoimhe Field and Natalia McDermott.

Mastergeeha made it two wins from two with a 3-1 victory over Killorglin. Gracie Maher netted a brace, with Sophie Moynihan also on the scoresheet, while Chloe O'Sullivan grabbed a consolation for Killorglin.

#### DYNAMOS ONLY UNBEATEN SIDE IN DIVISION 1

With just two games of the season elapsed, Tralee Dynamos are the only side to remain unbeaten in the Amber Killarney U13 Girls Division 1, on a weekend that delivered plenty of goals.

There was no shortage of goals in Killarney Athletic B's clash with Tralee Dynamos, as the visitors recorded an emphatic 6-0 victory. Rosa Gordillo struck twice, while Aoibhinn Begley, Harriet Ryan and Siba Mhadjwa also found the net in a strong Dynamos performance.

The same can be said for the meeting of Fenit and Inter Kenmare A, with the visitors coming out 4-2 winners. Lilly Noonan Murphy was in unstoppable form with a hat-trick, and Ally Cremin added the fourth for Inter. Fenit battled well and replied through Eimear O'Sullivan and Fiadh McElligott, but it wasn't enough to deny Inter the win.

#### MASTERGEEHA AND CASTLEISLAND HIT SIX TO RECORD OPENING 15'S DIVISION 1 WINS

High scoring wins for Mastergeeha and Castleisland, saw the first three points of the season go their way in the early weeks of the new season in the Muckross Park Hotel U15 Girls Division 1.

In their second clash of the season, Castleisland came out 6-0 winners against Killarney Athletic B. The goals were well spread, with Mia Smyth netting twice and further strikes coming from Danielle Sheehan, Roisin O'Donoghue, Nessa McCaulife and Maeve O'Connell.

The clash between Dingle and Fenit proved to be a goalfest, finishing 4-4 after an end-to-end battle. Dingle's goals came through Niamh Ní Sé (2), Lucy Kennedy and Lucy Keane, while Erin Harty starred for Fenit with a superb hat-trick, joined on the scoresheet by Emma Dennehy. Perhaps the most dramatic tie of the round





Ballyhar Dynamos FC Seniors 4-2 home Victor's over Lenamore Rovers FC.



Ballyhar Dynamos FC U14s who defeated Mastergeeha FC away in Division 1 of the Kerry schoolboy league

came in Mastergeeha's 6-5 win over Iveragh, a pulsating opening contest of the season for the hosts, where the goals flowed from start to finish. Mastergeeha's scorers were Shauna Riordan and Eabha Moynihan with two each, while Ava Brosnan and Anna Linehan added the others in a dramatic opening win.

#### **BOYS: PRE SEASON KICKS OFF IN STRONG FASHION IN 12'S PREMIER**

The opening round of games in the U12 Boys Premier Pre Season served up a feast of goals and close contests this weekend.

St Brendan's Park A were in top form against Mastergeeha A, running out 7-2 winners. Igor Jasiński and Iarlaith Clifford both struck twice, with further goals from Rian Hogan, Kyle O'Sullivan and Conor Roche. Thomas O'Sullivan replied with a brace for Mastergeeha.

In a tight clash, Killarney Celtic A edged past Listowel Celtic A 2-1. Eryk McGrath and Cian O'Connell got the goals for Killarney, while Shane Hegarty found the net for Listowel.

Castleisland A also claimed a narrow victory over Camp Juniors A, winning 3-2. Elliot Walsh hit a brace and Cillian Cronin added another to seal the points.

Meanwhile, Killarney Athletic A earned a hard-fought 2-1 win away to Killorglin A. Aaron Eaton scored for the home side, but Athletic's goals from Joe O'Shea and Finn McDonald proved enough to take the win.

#### **SIX STAR PARK RECORD OPENING WIN IN 14'S PREMIER**

St Brendan's Park recorded their first weekend in what proved a lively weekend in The Golden Nugget U14 Boys Premier with plenty of goals on show in just two games, Listowel Celtic and Killorglin sit deadlocked at the summit after a dramatic draw.

Park A proved too strong for Inter Kenmare A, running out 6-2 winners. Tadhg Gilligan led the way with a brace, while Ben O'Leary, Kyle Flaherty, Cameron Patterson and James Tansley also got on the scoresheet.

In Listowel, Celtic A and Killorglin A could not be separated in a 2-2 draw. Aidan Lynch and Michael D Mahony struck for Celtic, with Freddie Glinwood and Cormac Mangan replying for Killorglin in a tight contest.

#### **NELLIGAN HAT TRICK KEEPS BALLYHAR UNBEATEN IN DIVISION 1**

A hat trick from Josh Nelligan served as a catalyst as Ballyhar Dynamos remained unbeaten to kick off the Division 1 season, in a weekend of close battles across the fixtures.

In a seven-goal thriller, Ballyhar A came out on top with a 4-3 victory over Mastergeeha A. Nelligan's hat-trick proved decisive, with Elliot Lyne also scoring. Karl Thompson (2) and Michael O'Donoghue replied for Mastergeeha. Killarney Celtic C narrowly won a local derby against Killarney Athletic B, running out 2-1 winners thanks to a Dylan McCarthy brace.

Sean O'Connor found the net for Athletic. Park B and Tralee Dynamos A also shared the spoils in a 2-2 draw. Ostep Dudnik and Shouvik Reza scored for Park in an even contest. Elsewhere, Killarney Celtic B and Camp A couldn't be separated, finishing 1-1, with Eoin Murphy on target for Celtic.

#### **DYNAMOS MOVE TOP OF 16'S PREMIER AFTER NINE GOAL HAUL**

With just two games played in the season, Tralee Dynamos recorded their first win of the Power Travel U16 Boys Premier season, moving to the summit in the process as they look to build on that in the coming weeks.

Tralee Dynamos A delivered an impressive attacking display, hitting Inter Kenmare A for nine in a 9-3 win. Danny Lane and Jaden Kareem both bagged doubles, with further goals from Adrian O'Connor, Cillian O'Brien, Mark Riordan, Eoin Tansley, and Ahmed Adbulla ensuring a comprehensive victory.

Elsewhere, Mastergeeha A proved solid at both ends of the pitch as they defeated Ballyhar A 2-0, thanks to a well-taken brace from Oran Lynch.

#### **CASTLEISLAND AND MEK CONTINUE PERFECT START TO DIVISION 1 CAMPAIGN**

Two wins from two for both Castleisland MEK Galaxy has the pair setting the tempo at the summit of the Power Travel U16 Boys Division 1 after impressive results.

MEK A impressed on home soil against Inter



Killarney Celtic U12 Boys Div 1



Killarney Celtic U14B squad vs Camp





MEK Galaxy U13 Girls Premier



Killarney Celtic C U14 Boys Division 1

Kenmare B, recording a 4-1 win. Dara Tangney hit a brace, with Lucas McCarthy and Harry O'Mahony also on target. For Castleisland they had a battle at the weekend, coming out on top in a five-goal thriller against Killorglin A, running out 3-2 winners. Harvey Leen, Liam O'Connor and Adam Griffin grabbed the goals for Castleisland, while Killorglin replied through Kieran Patten and an own goal.

### CAMP SERVE UP GOAL SCORING THRILLER TO GO TWO FROM TWO IN DIVISION 2

Camp Juniors had just the 15 goals in their clash with LB Rovers at the weekend in the Power Travel U16 Boys Division 2, but they came out on top in the end to record back to back wins. Certainly a game of the season contender already, Camp A and LB Rovers A in a 15-goal thriller that ended 9-6 in Camp's favour. Padraig O'Connor was the star of the show with five goals, backed up by Conor Kiely, Cole Shanahan, TJ Flahive and Ethan Harrington. For LB Rovers, Adrian Manso hit a hat-trick, Evan Murphy bagged a brace, and Sergio Ballesta also found the net.

In Castleisland, the hosts fell to Killarney Athletic B, who came away 4-2 winners thanks to goals from Rob Murphy, Malachy Audley, Adam Doyle and Constantin Preda. Castleisland had struck through Alex Guerin Ryan and Ibai Jimenez.

Elsewhere Killarney Celtic B overcame Tralee

Dynamos B with a 6-0 win, while Iveragh A got past Fenit A in a tight contest, a single goal proving the difference in a 1-0 victory.

### BOYS TEAM OF THE WEEK

1. Connie O'Connor (Castleisland U16)
2. Rory Murphy (Killarney Celtic U14)
4. Mark Van Der Merwe (Ballyhar Dynamos U14)
5. Darragh Doherty (Killorglin U14)
3. Karl Thompson (Mastergeeha U14)
6. Aidan Lynch (Listowel Celtic U14)
7. Padraig O'Connor (Camp Juniors U16)
8. Charlie Enright (Killorglin U13)
9. Muiris Quirke (Milltown U14)
10. Tadhg Gilligan (St Brendan's Park U13)
11. Noah Dineen (LB Rovers U12)

### GIRLS ROLL OF HONOUR:

1. Blaithnad O'Sullivan (MEK Galaxy)
2. Alannah McGlynn (Killarney Athletic)
4. Emma Barrett Naziri (Fenit Samphires)
5. Faye O'Brien (Ballyhar Dynamos)
3. Sinead O'Connor (Inter Kenmare)
6. Lauren Fleming (MEK Galaxy)
8. Niamh Ní Sé (Dingle Bay Rovers)
7. Erin Harty (Fenit Samphires)
10. Rose Ahern (St Brendan's Park)
9. Rosa Gordillo (Tralee Dynamos)
11. Lily Noonan Murphy (Inter Kenmare)



Castleisland Community College Soccer Captains Seán Kerin & Connie O Cono who brought their team to All Ireland victory in the FAI Schools First Year U14 (small schools) Boys National title.



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takes a look at all things sport...

## SENIOR CLUB FINAL: Dr. Crokes 0-20 Na Gaeil 1-12

Na Gaeil were playing in their debut Senior Club Final and brought noise, colour, and enthusiasm. Dr. Crokes were treading a well-worn path. They brought guile, experience both on the pitch and the sideline, and, most importantly, just as much hunger. Winning previously doesn't satiate the appetite; it only whets it. The idea that winners have less hunger than aspirants in games of this magnitude...I never wanted to be the one to say it out loud, but when you read that sort of thing by pundits in pre-match previews, it's an excuse for heightening tension by falsely balancing the scales.

Everybody knew who were favourites here. Crokes must have known it too, but they are much too experienced to say it out loud or let complacency seep in. With the bench that they have, any player who gets complacent on the field wouldn't be on it too long!

Diarmuid O'Connor opened the scoring, but after that it was pretty much all Crokes. Tom Doyle fisted over an equaliser before Tony Brosnan had three points on the trot. Na Gaeil were struggling against the wind and getting swarmed by alert Crokes defenders, Evan Looney doing particularly well, but Andrew Barry did muster a point.

Gavin White had brought his All Ireland winning form and Na Gaeil had nothing to hold him. He quickly raised a white flag and followed up with an orange one. Conor Bohane had to make a good save to deny Cian McMahon. Niall O'Mahony notched a Na Gaeil point, but Tony Brosnan and Gavin White (tp) quickly and clinically replied.



Gavin White in action for Dr. Crokes V Na Gaeil.

One area where Na Gaeil had hoped to prosper was the middle third. Diarmuid O'Connor had to go off early on for treatment but returned to the fray (he will be missing the County championship with a long delayed shoulder operation) but even there Crokes had the dominant figure in Mark O'Shea.

Diarmuid O'Connor forced a fingertip save out of Shane Murphy at the expense of a point. Would a goal at that point have turned the tide? Arrah, will you stop.

Tony Brosnan and James O'Connor exchanged points. Brosnan struck again to close out the first half with Dr. Crokes holding a 0-12 to 0-5 lead.

Tony Brosnan stretched the gap to eight on the restart. Both sides had let-offs, Jack Barry blazing wide of goal after a good run but McMahon's rocket saved by Bohane.

Gavin White and Micheál Burns notched points. Stefan Okunbor and Jack Sheehan kicked important scores for Na Gaeil but they just weren't making enough inroads. Every time they kicked a point, Crokes came back with two,



Dr. Crokes Captain David Shaw celebrates the team's win in the County Championship.

McMahon and Brosnan pushing the Killarney side into a 0-18 to 0-9 lead. Jack Sheehan pointed again but Brian Looney replied in kind. In the 57th minute things got interesting when the one-armed bandit (okay, an exaggeration on all counts, but allow me artistic license) Diarmuid O'Connor swooped in to fist to the net after a ball hit the woodwork. Jack Sheehan followed up with a two pointer. Just four points in it now, two scores. 0-19 to 1-12.



Dr. Crokes and Na Gaeil in action at the Senior Football County Championship.



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*An Gaeltacht and Fossa in action at the Intermediate Club final*

Again, though, Crokes were perfectly composed. They have been here before, and worked the ball smoothly for Alex Hennigan to kick the final point.

In 1903 Orville and Wilbur Wright fulfilled an ages-old dream of mankind by making the first powered airline flight. Na Gaeil, one of the youngest clubs in Kerry, reaching their first ever Senior Club Final must have an inkling of how that felt. Just 66 years later a man named Neil Armstrong set foot on the moon – Kerry was mostly paying attention to the Munster Final that day. Where will Na Gaeil be in 66 years time? Because they are on the right road.

Dr. Crokes know how to win with class. The first thing they did after the game is pay tribute to the late Jamie Doolan. There's a way to do things right, and they know it.

Dr. Crokes: Shane Murphy, Michael Potts, Fionn Fitzgerald, Neil O'Shea, Cillian Fitzgerald, Gavin White (0-6, 2 tp), Evan Looney, Mark O'Shea, Billy Courtney, Micheál Burns (0-2), Gavin O'Shea, Brian Looney (0-1), Tony Brosnan (0-8), Tom Doyle (0-1), Cian McMahon (0-1). Subs: Kieran O'Leary (for Tom Doyle, 40 mins), Mark Cooper (for Cillian Fitzgerald, 45 mins), Alex Hennigan 0-1 (for Cian McMahon, 55 mins), David Shaw (for Micheál Burns, 60 mins).

Na Gaeil: Conor Bohane, Niall O'Mahony (0-1), Stefan Okunbor, Enda O'Connor, Jack Doyle, Andrew Barry (0-1), Fergal Barry, Jack Barry, Diarmuid O'Connor (1-2), James O'Connor (0-1), Oisín Maunsell (0-1), Tomás O hAiniféin, Peter Doyle, Dara Devine, Jack Sheehan (0-5, 1 tp). Subs: Kieran O'Connor (for Dara Devine, 40 mins), Darragh Reen (for Peter Doyle, 40 mins), Eoin Doody (for Niall O'Mahony, 43 mins), Seán O'Connor 0-1 (for Tomás O hAiniféin (49).

Referee: Brendan Griffin

## INTERMEDIATE CLUB FINAL

### An Gaeltacht 0-19 Fossa 1-11

Fossa have been giant-killers all year – in fact, for several years now – but they finally ran into giants that they couldn't see off. An Gaeltacht could match them, not just for physicality, but for sheer raw intensity.

I expected Brian Ó Beaglaíoch to pick up Paudie, being one of the few players in the country to keep pace with him. Brian used his

speed alright, but to inflict damage rather than curb it, and it proved to be An Gaeltacht's key weapon. Instead it was young Aodhna Ó Beaglaíoch who followed Paudie (Fossa, and Kerry's, main pivot was clearly hampered by injury) and wasn't far off a man of the match performance in his own right. In fact, there have been numerous calls since for him to be called into the Kerry senior panel next year.

Look, nobody wants to be that guy, but I'd need to see this very talented young player do it a few more times. If Jack O'Connor selected his panel based on popular opinion, he'd be dealing with a panel of 300, and at that point your attention is divided. Ask any teacher what it's like to teach a crowded classroom. Aodhna has put himself on the radar, no more than that just yet.

Conor Ó Corrdúibh and Ruaidhrí Ó Beaglaíoch (f) had Gaeltacht two points to the good early on. Emmett O'Shea and David Clifford replied with frees but Brian Ó Beaglaíoch drove forward for two pointers and it was suddenly 0-6 to 0-2. David Clifford responded with a point from play but Éanna Ó Conchúir responded with another two pointer. Fossa were struggling to get any flow into their play, with Gaeltacht tackling and harrying relentlessly and their big trio in the middle of Ó Conchúir, Aodán Breathnach (plain Aidan Walsh back when I first saw him, winning man of the match from midfield in a Duhallow U21 Tournament Final back in 2007 while a first year minor) and Cathal Ó Beaglaíoch meant

that they always had the upper hand there. Brian Ó Beaglaíoch was always their biggest threat two, as he proved with another two pointer before contenting himself with just one point on his next raid forward. 0-11 to 0-3.

To say that Fossa badly needed a spark – in fact, so did the game itself – is an understatement. Thankfully on all accounts it arrived, Emmett O'Shea blasting home a brilliant free kick, giving Diarmuid Ó Séaghda no chance.

It was cancelled out quickly by Éanna Ó Conchúir with a point and yet another two pointer from Brian Ó Beaglaíoch, but Fossa had fire in their bellies now and Matt Rennie pointed to make it 0-14 to 1-4 at the break.

Emmett O'Shea pointed a free on the restart but Conor Ó Corrdúibh replied from play. David Clifford, despite being constantly surrounded, landed three points in a row (1 tp). Four points in it now, 0-15 to 1-8.

Cathal Ó Beaglaíoch, Aodhna Ó Beaglaíoch, and Tomás Ó Sé landed three points on the trot. Fossa weren't giving up the ghost, Emmett O'Shea pointing another free and David Clifford booming over another two pointer, but Ruaidhrí Ó Beaglaíoch had the final score to seal An Gaeltacht's victory.

An Gaeltacht: Diarmuid Ó Séaghda, JJ Mac Liam, Peter Paul Sauerland, Aodhna Ó Beaglaíoch (0-1), Brian Ó Beaglaíoch (0-9, 4 tp), Pádraig Ó Sé, Franz Sauerland, Aodán Breathnach, Cathal Ó Beaglaíoch (0-1), Seán Ó Cuinn, Éanna Ó Conchúir (0-3, 1 tp), PJ Mac



*Action from the Fossa V An Gaeltacht game.*



Láimh, Conor Ó Corrdubh (0-2), Ruaidhrí Ó Beaglaioich (0-2f), Conn Ó Riagáin. Subs: Adam Mac Amhlaoibh (for PJ Mac Láimh, 43 mins), Tomás Ó Sé 0-1 (for Conn Ó Riagáin, 43 mins), Gavin Ó Cinnéide (for Seán Ó Cuinn, 54 mins) Fossa: Shane O'Sullivan, Dan O'Connell, Brian Myers, Sam Buckley, Kieran O'Sullivan, Eoin Talbot, Paddy Sheehan, Cian O'Shea, Matt Rennie (0-1), Fintan Coffey, Paudie Clifford, Ted O'Gorman, David Clifford (0-7, 1f, 2 tp), Emmett O'Shea (1-3f), Killian Buckley. Subs: Harry Buckley (for Fintan Coffey, 37 mins), Rian Collieran (for Killian Buckley, 41 mins), Darren Ryan (for Matt Rennie, 50 mins), Michael O'Dwyer (for Paudie Clifford, 50 mins) Referee: Paul Hayes (Kerins O'Rahillys)

## PREMIER JUNIOR CLUB FINAL

### Ballymac 2-17 St. Senans 3-14 (Ballymac win 4-1 on penalties)

No competition that I can think of – any sport, any grade – has been tighter or more balanced than the Kerry Premier Junior in recent years. Both Ballymac and Senans have seen their holy grail snatched away from their grasp in recent years. Ballymac especially, who have been so close for the last three years and perennial favourites. Believe it or not, eight of the last nine Premier Junior Finals have been level at the end of normal time.

St. Senans had a sensational start, Kerry hurler Seánie McGrath with a goal. Donal Daly pointed to open Ballymac's account. Cillian Trant added a Senans point, and Sean O'Connell added a free. It was all Ballymac now, Ballymac captain Daire Keane sent over a two pointer and Donal Daly added a free.

Cathal Kennelly sliced through for a St. Senans' goal. 2-2 to 0-4, but not for long, as Niall Collins blasted a goal for Ballymac. The talismanic Aidan Breen squared things up. However, Sean O'Connell with a brace (1f), and Ruairi O'Connell put Senans three points up again. The pendulum was swinging wildly between two evenly matched teams. Niall Collins pointed from lay and Aidan Breen's two pointer free levelled matters yet again. 2-5 to 1-8 at half-time.

Donal Daly and Jack Joy pointed for Ballymac on the resumption but Seán O'Connell's two pointer free cancelled those out and he added a two pointer from play. Rory Mahony added a point o put St. Senans three up again. Yet again that pendulum swung once more, Donal Daly (2, 1f) and Daire Keane bringing Ballymac level. Conor Kennelly nudged St. Senans back in front but Niall Collins replied. Neither side could break the deadlock at 2-11 to 1-14 and extra-time duly beckoned.

Ruairi O'Connell put Senans ahead with a free but Mairtin McKivergen replied from play. Conor and Darragh Kennelly put Senans up two, 2-14 to 1-15 at the break.

Aidan Breen pulled one back from a free. Darragh Broderick goaled and it was Ballymac who were two points up in the dying minutes. St. Senans responded brilliantly, Darragh Kennelly setting up his brother for a goal

in return. Ballymac, with one chance left, converted a free through Darragh Broderick. Penalties. I refuse to give any blow by blow account. I hate the bloody things, to be honest, but I don't have a better solution to breaking any deadlock. Now that we have a two point arc, would a two point contest be a better test of skill?

I will say that I did like to see that long-serving warrior Aidan Breen, who laid his father to rest last year, score the crucial penalty to end Ballymac's long quest for this trophy. There was something fitting about that.

Ballymacelligott: Christy Leen, Eoin Creedon, Daniel O'Shea, Eoin Moriarty, Dylan Dunne, Tadhg Brick, Cathal Dunne, Aidan Breen (0-4, 1tpf, 1f), Darragh Broderick (1-1, 1f), Adam Sheehy, Daire Keane (0-3, 1tp), Micheál Reidy, Jack Joy (0-1), Donal Daly (0-5, 3f), Niall Collins (1-2). Subs: Mairtin McKivergen 0-1 (for Adam Sheehy, half-time), Darragh Regan (for Dylan Dunne, 41 mins), Sean Rice (for Darragh Broderick, 56), James Kenny (for Daire Keane, 70 mins), Darragh Broderick (for Donal Daly, 79 mins).

St. Senans: Ronan Kerins, Mike Keane, Darragh Behan, Alan Kennelly, Conor Kennelly (1-2), Bill Keane, Sean T Dillon, Cillian Trant (0-1), Padraig Quille, Cathal Kennelly (1-0), Seanie McGrath (1-0), David Foran, Sean O'Connell (0-7, 2f, 1tpf, 1tp), Tomás Dillon, Ruairi O'Connell (0-2, 1f). Subs: Rory Mahony 0-1 (for Mike Keane, 41 mins), Seanie McElligott (for Cathal Kennelly, 50 mins), Darragh Kennelly 0-1 (for Sean O'Connell, 57 mins), Cathal Kennelly (for Pádraig Quille, 66 mins), Sean O'Connell (for Cathal Kennelly, 71 mins), Tadhg McKenna (for Sean O'Connell, 74 mins).

Referee: Evan Horan (Glenflesk)

## JUNIOR CLUB SEMI-FINALS

### Tarbert 3-15 Moyvane 1-15

Third time could be the charm for Tarbert as they head into yet another County Junior Final, having held off a strong challenge by Moyvane. They completely dominated the first half with John Coolahan effectively directing the play and Shaun Wren scoring 1-8 on their way to a 2-11 to 1-3 half-time. Moyvane rallied, with the Stack and O'Keeffe brothers to the fore. Darragh O'Keeffe opened the second half with 0-3 (1 tp) but David Mulvihill's goal had Tarbert back in charge. While Moyvane did outscore Tarbert from there on, the main damage was already done.

### Beale 1-22 Cordal 1-12

Killian Dennehy excelled early on but Cordal began to struggle and it took a slightly fortuitous goal by Brian Reidy and a brilliant penalty save, as well as one from play, by Seán Óg Ó Ciardubháin to keep them in touch. 0-10 to 1-7 at the break but Beale had been the better side overall and pulled away comfortably in the second half even before Daire Keane Tyrell's goal wrapped up a convincing victory. Rob Stack had 0-9 in another great midfield display, while Barry O'Neill's incisive runs cut wreck all

day long for Beale.

## NEW YORK GAA FINAL

Plenty of local interest in the New York GAA Final, where Kerry had a convincing victory over Cavan to claim a second New York title in a row.

Kerry New York: Ryan Scullion (Ballinascreen, Derry), Mike McCarthy (Spa, Kerry), Donal Hunt (St. Senans, Kerry), David Naughton (Dr. Crokes, Kerry), Shane Cronin (Spa, Kerry), James Kelly (St. Josephs, Laois), James Walsh (Knocknagoshel, Kerry), Liam Kearney (Spa, Kerry), Eoghan McEllihot (Ardfert, Kerry), Tom Hoare (Kerins O'Rahillys, Kerry), Cillian Langan (Tarbert, Kerry), Peter Fox (Greencastle, Tyrone), Conor Hayes (Kerins O'Rahillys, Kerry), Bobby O'Regan (Ardfert, Kerry), Niall Madine (Saval, Down), James Kilgariff (Dunmore MacHales, Galway), Seán Horan (Scartaglen, Kerry), Tommy Shalvey (New York), Conor O'Keeffe (Finuge, Kerry), Shane Doherty (New York), Shane Bolger (Killeslin, Laois), Ollie McClean (Kilcoo, Down), Ed Myers (New York), David Langan (Tarbert, Kerry), Keith Quinn (Mayobridge, Down), Conor Lyman (Offaly)

Manager: Tommy Quaid (Beale), Trainer: Eamon Fitzgerald (Causeway), Selectors: Brendan Henchy (Ballydonoghue), Mike Cronin (Gneeveguilla), Mike Doherty (Longford), John R Stack (Beale).

## BOXING

### Ricky Hatton RIP



He was the most beloved British boxer of his generation, so much so that the nickname 'The People's Champion' accrued to him naturally, rather than being imposed by any marketing guru. Ricky Hatton was English to the core and, to his credit, never even tried to shed his past or change his accent. Yes, he played to the gallery. I suspect – and I suppose I am drawing conclusions from the known public information about a man I never met – but he I think perhaps he loved that lifestyle, not wisely, but too well. Mind you, from working class Britain to world boxing icon and multi-millionaire in his twenties.....would I handle such temptation better? Quite possibly not.

Read about him now and it's all about the power i his punch. That's true, but what most people forget is that he was a really good technical boxer and really aggressive in the



ring. In 2005 he was practically unbeatable. After a short but successful underage career he turned pro as an 18 year old and was soon boxing on the undercard of fighters like Naseem Hamed (incredible talent, incredible showman, but concentrated too much on the spectacular rather than the bread and butter stuff) and Chris Eubank (he played to the gallery too, but for their wallets rather than their applause; I admire it. He may have occasionally looked the fool, but don't judge him by his PR appearances).

Hatton was good. Very good. In 1999 he was Britain's Young Boxer of the Year. Few opponents were lasting beyond the early rounds. He won the WBA belt, then the WSO belt. In March 2001 he won the WBU title.

On June 5th, 2005, The 'Hitman' beat Australian Kostya Tszyu to win the IBF and Ring titles. That was worth more than all the rest put together. Hatton, a massive underdog, had just been one of the best pound for pounders in the world and done it cleanly. That year he won almost everything that there was to win and ended up as Ring Magazine Boxer of the Year (that's a much bigger thing than it sounds).

In 2007, Hatton faced Floyd Mayweather Jr. Mayweather had finally beaten Oscar de la Hoya (I'll just say it, I firmly believe Mayweather ducked de la Hoya at his peak – and that's the nature of the boxing game. The Age of Chivalry is not merely dead – it was always entirely mythological).

Hatton started very well, but in fairness, Mayweather grew into the fight. There was some talk after about the referee unfairly docking Hatton a point....look, Mayweather was just better.

Hatton came back to win several more titles. In 2009, he fought Manny Pacquiao, but Pacquiao was much superior and a third knockdown by the second round was enough for the referee to wave it off.

In 2012 Hatton had one last fight at welterweight, but, despite having put in a huge effort in training (Hatton's diet outside of fights famously included pints of Guinness and English fry-ups – and, most unfortunately, a number of more illicit substances), just didn't have the power of old and was stopped in the ninth.

There was some talk about making a comeback in Dubai this year. I'm sorry now, but there is too many tik tok heroes and former greats making a bit of a farce of boxing (leaving the door open to MMA). I'm thinking of Jake Paul versus Mike Tyson or that embarrassing nonsense between Mayweather and Conor McGregor. For a lot of former heroes, I suspect that it's the loss of fame and celebrity status over time rather than the actual money that is the lure, but I'm only guessing.

When I remember Ricky Hatton, I remember the bright-eyed redhead with the infectious grin and the fast hands who had the world at his feet in the early 2000s. There are worse legacies. May he rest in peace.

## O'ROURKE



Players shake hands ahead of kick off Photo: Luke O'Mahony

## WINS WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP



Three years ago Roscommon native Lisa O'Rourke won the Light Middleweight World Championship in Istanbul. Last weekend younger sister Aoife joined her as a World Champion, winning the 75kg category. O'Rourke was completely dominant against a very good boxer in Busra Isildir of Turkey

## SOCER FAI CUP QUARTER-FINAL Kerry FC 4 Sligo Rovers 3

I've always had a bit of a soft spot for the Bit o'Red. Dublin was the capital of Irish soccer even before the split with Belfast. Cork always had a couple of teams, especially with the Ford Factory. Galway and Limerick....arrah look, they jump at any sporting opportunity. Dundalk fitted the template. Longford Town was a stretch but they made it work. But Sligo? Sligo has been a strong soccer town down the decades as much by force of will as anything else. There was almost a stubbornness about it at first. But somewhere along the way, The Showgrounds became a part of their cultural identity. Ballina and the McHale brothers did something

similar for basketball in Mayo in the nineties; I can see a lot of similarities.

It didn't hurt Sligo Rovers that one of Ireland's better sportswriters in recent years is a lifelong supporter. I certainly don't always agree with Eamonn Sweeney on everything – some of the digs at losing teams, for example, are clearly showboating to evoke attention rather than consideration – but he can write. The first book of his that I ever read I picked up second hand in The Dungeon. "There's Only One Red Army". I did and do read about politics and I knew the slogan, but applying it to Sligo Rovers? Bit of a reach, no?

No. Not for a genuinely passionate supporter. "There's Only One Red Army" was by my generation, referencing songs and nightclubs and sporting grounds that I knew. It's no morality tale, very raw and honest. My favourite story is about Sligo winning the FAI Cup in the 1993/94 season. Eamonn and his brother were celebrating the win in Dublin when the brother (all good Irish stories involve 'the brother' as a main character) decided they were going to Sligo to celebrate. This is maybe 3.00am on a Saturday night, for context.

Eamonn sat them into the first cab in the queue on O'Connell street, quietly told the taxi driver just to drive to the back of the queue and wait until they got back to the front. The brother slept through the 'drive back to Sligo'. He even slept through the drive back to Dublin. In fact, he didn't wake up until Eamonn nudged him to tell him that they were back after a fine celebration in Sligo town, at which point the brother was content for the pair of them to make their way home to their sleeping quarters. I think that a lot of Irish people, from all generations bar the youngest (Gen Z is the term, I believe, though I am open to correction by anyone who differs from me by actually caring about such terminology) can identify with the characters in that story. Kerry FC playing Sligo Rovers in an FAI Cup semi-final. In business terms it requires pragmatism. In sporting terms it's practically a foregone conclusion (the 'practically' in that sentence is the essence of sport). But for the little bit of



Dreamers that actually founded soccer clubs in places like Sligo or Kerry, there was definitely magic in the air.

1-0 to Sligo. That first goal was just awful. Lads, how can ye have so many players back defending, but nobody is able to put pressure on the ball in or pick up Elding at the back post? Look, it's obviously not the day to be churlish, but ye just can't give away goals like that. 15 minutes in and ye have to score two against a Premiership side to go through.

It didn't take long for Sligo to double their advantage. In fairness, the second goal was a lot better. You can argue that Kerry should have done better with the defensive header, but there's a reason why Sligo were sending in that kind of ball. And once it fell loose....a left leg volley by Owen Elding to give the keeper no chance. You won't see many finishes like that in the League of Ireland. 18 minutes gone, 2-0 down. Sin sin, gan amhras.

Kerry were a little more adventurous early in the second half, but to very little effect. In fact, after some nice tiki taka football by Sligo by the corner flag, a backheel turn opened a bit of space for Elding. There wasn't a lot of danger until a defensive deflection carried it past the hapless goalkeeper. 3-0 and a hat-trick for Elding.

Kerry pulled one back in the 66th minute. Look, I was critical of the defending for the first goal for Sligo. The defending for the first goal for Kerry was as bad. Nicely measured ball in by McQueen, but how the defender let it flow past him to Cian Brosnan's feet....that defender will not have enjoyed the post mortem. Mind you, Cian Brosnan had plenty left to do and did it perfectly. 3-1. 24 minutes of normal time left; almost certainly a consolation prize.

That was the bit I really liked. Kerry have folded in a few games like tis in the past when they cough up bad goals – and the hard truth is that they do cough up too many bad goals, goals

Ronan Teahan chases down possession. Photo: Luke O'Mahony



that are more about bad defending than good offensive play. But they have character and a bit of steel and they started to show it. It's a cliché to say that most causes only become truly hopeless only when you give up hope, that clichés are born out of kernels of truth.

Elding had a chance to wrap it up, but Matthew O'Connor dived to make a great save.

If I was Sligo, I wouldn't be happy with Sligo's second concession either. Yes, Daniel Okwute was in their square with the ball at his feet, but his angle was too narrow. Where could he really go? But with a tackle that was....how will I put it? More reminiscent of an elephant in heat than a ballerina....he was always going to ground. Clear and obvious penalty, and an unnecessary one from a defensive point of view. We'll take it, and gladly, as Joe Adams fired home with precision. 3-2 and 15 minutes remaining.

Lovely flick on by Brosnan and a good effort by Okwute, but the keeper saved. Brosnan on again for Okwute and a good run, but the final

shot was wide. Time was running out now.

Okwute with a good ball into the box. Joe Adams controlled it but played it back out (a great bit of composure – another player might have tried a hit and hope that just wasn't on). Ball came to Okwute again, good control, cut in towards the byline to send a low ball across into the area of maximum danger....and there was Cian Brosnan to slide it home from close range. Third minute of injury time.

Kerry rampant now. In the 118th minute, a good ball from Joe Adams to Seán McGrath. Shot half blocked, but only as far as Okwute. Maybe it wasn't as spectacular looking a left leg volley as Elding's second goal....but it was far more significant.

Kerry into the last four of the FAI Cup. The last time there was a comeback like this in a soccer match, Pele, Bobby Moore, Ossie Ardiles, Michael Caine, and Sylvester Stallone (he saved a late penalty to salvage a 4-4 draw) were playing.

When Del Boy was the master, of smart TV one-liners,  
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## KEANO THE CURMUDGEON

BY NICKY BARRY





## FOSSA

### LOTTO

The numbers drawn on 14/09/2025 for a jackpot of €3,150 were 3, 5, 16, 21. There was no jackpot winner. The €40 consolation prize winners were; Tadhg Kelly, Susan Hayes, Ide Lynch Clarke, Patie Kelliher, Mary Ferris and Cliona O'Sullivan.

Tickets are available from our sellers and can also be bought online with the following link <https://fossagaa.clubforce.com/products/lotto/fossa-gaa-club-lotto>

### INTERMEDIATE CHAMPIONSHIP FINAL

Unfortunately, it wasn't to be against a very strong, balanced An Ghaeltacht side on Sunday in Austin Stacks Park. Fossa played against a very strong wind in the first half and it was a slow burn for the first 15 minutes, An Ghaeltacht had the first two scores of the game before frees from Emmett O'Shea and David Clifford had the sides level after 13 minutes of play. An Ghaeltacht were in control around the middle of the field, picking up a lot of breaks and this allowed Brian O'Beaglaioich to attack at will and he landed three super two pointers to leave them eight points clear after 25 minutes. Fossa then got a free which was superbly despatched to the net by Emmett O'Shea to give his team a huge lift, however An Ghaeltacht replied with another three points to leave the half time score 1-04 to 0-14.

Fossa had the aid of the wind in the second half and needed a good start, Emmett O'Shea kicked a free and David Clifford landed a two pointer in the 11th minute to cut the deficit to four points. However, Fossa were struggling to get good primary possession and An Ghaeltacht extended their lead out to seven again by the 22nd minute. Kieran O'Sullivan tried his best to drive his team forward and again, an Emmett O'Shea free and a David Clifford two pointer reduced the lead to four with time running out, a technical infraction gave An Ghaeltacht a tap over free and from then on there was only going to be one winner as they ran down the clock. It finished An Ghaeltacht 0-19, Fossa 1-11, it was a roller coaster of a campaign where we got out the right side of some very tight games but on this occasion we met a well balanced side who used the elements to their advantage.

### U15 CHAMPIONSHIP

#### Fossa V Moyvane

A fantastic game in the U15 Championship was played by this great team of girls against Moyvane in Gortroe on Tuesday evening. The game took off with speed and determination with both sides looking to progress to a cup semi-final. The first half was a tight affair with Moyvane shading it to go into the half time break 1 point ahead. There were great scores taken by each team leading to a score line of Moyvane 5-06 to Fossa 4-08 at half time. Ayla Keogh in goals, backed up by Zara McCarthy, Doireann O'Connor, Ada O'Leary and Beibhinn Kiely impressed throughout the game.

The formidable half back line of Fleur O'Neill, Kate Kissane and Callie Cummins made runs to support attacks and helped Fossa advance the play. Impressive driving runs by our midfielders Emma O'Connor and Isabelle O'Connor gave us plenty of opportunity and the girls in the forward lines reaped the rewards Milly

Spillane, Isabelle Lyons, Ava Harty, Elise Brunner and Aoibh Ni Gearailt along with both our midfielders contributing to scores. Grace Collins and Lily Fogarty created space with good link up play which helped us keep in touch with a very good Moyvane side. The girls truly kept the spectators on the edge till the final whistle while we went score for score with Moyvane, clock ticking down, teams tied at Fossa 6-13 to Moyvane 7-10 the deadlock was broke when a last minute goal was scored by Fossa to take the win in a hugely entertaining game of football. A credit to both teams and referee Sean Courtney who ensured the game flowed smoothly. Our scorers numbered 8 across our panel, a real show of strength and ability. The game finished Fossa 7-13 to Moyvane 7-10. Huge thanks to the parents for support and our Arcon Contracting Ltd girls now await the winners of Kilcummin v Furies U15 game.

## LEGION GAA

### MINOR COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP

There was no joy for our minors last Thursday night in the Keanes SuperValu Minor County Championship semi final played in Austin Stack Park in Tralee. Captain Brian ÓShea won the toss and elected to play with the strong wind but a slow start saw St Kierans take an early 1-1 advantage. Settling down the lads took a grip on the game and on balance should have gone into the break ahead but the opposition keeper pulled off a great stop to deny Jack Culloty a certain goal. Some wides too that would have been big scores given the wind advantage would be another factor. In the second period St Kierans pulled away building up a six point lead but credit to the lads narrowed the gap to a score again following a great goal from Brian O'Shea.

Despite dogged performances at the back from the likes of Bryan O'Connor and Ronan O'Brien as the game entered the closing stages the subs from the Castleisland District started to gain the upperhand and scored eights points in the closing stages to run out winners. But the scoreline was not a true reflection of the contest, a lot closer than the score suggests.

Thanks to St Kierans and the officials for a sporting game. Thanks also to our supporters from across the club. All in all a great summer for the lads with the Division 1 Shield win and competing magnificently in the County Championship. Next up will be an East Kerry Championship to finish the year off.

### SENIOR LADIES RECAP

Our Senior Ladies season came to a close last week when they exited the Junior A championship away to ISG in Kenmare when we came up just short on a scoreline of 3-10 to 1-12 to eventually lose out on qualification by scoring difference. This year saw our ladies step up divisions in all competitions due to last years successful campaigns. The Donal Curtin Division 2 leaguw was a daunting prospect but theu stepped up well to win 5 of the 7 group games and narrowly lost out to the eventual winner Castleisland Desmond's in the semi final by three points. Next up was the Senior Club League where wins over Castlegregory/

Annascaul and ISG qualified the team for the second consecutive final in the competition. Kerins O Rahillys were the opposition where a magnificent second half display helped to win the title for the second year in a row on a scoreline of 3-18 to 1-11.

The Junior A championship saw a win against Fossa in the opening round before a heavy loss away to Cromane. Unfortunately they came up just short on Sunday away to ISG to exit the competition.

All in all, a disappointing end to the season but a season that brought further progress and saw them compete well in all competitions while securing further silverware in the senior club league.

Ladies chairperson Ted Healy would like to thank the panel of players and his fellow management of John McCarthy and Orla Culloty for their commitment and dedication again this season. They have won 5 competitions in the past 15 months, a record they, and indeed the club, can be proud of. We look forward to supporting our ladies again next year.

### U15 LADIES

The Legion U15s ladies made a strong return to action, opening their U15 club championship campaign with a dominant win away over Cromane. From the throw-in, Legion set the tone with intensity and determination across every line of the pitch. The backs were fearless, holding Cromane scoreless for the first quarter, while the midfield controlled the game with relentless work and sharp distribution, which laid the foundation for a number of attacking plays. The link-up play was sharp, ensuring the forwards were well supported and constantly on the front foot. Despite some wides, the forwards made a big impact on the scoreboard. Throughout the game, our subs added energy and kept the momentum going, rounding off a strong team performance and a great start to the championship. Thank you to the ref on the night and to Cromane for a very sporting contest. Final score..Killarney Legion 3-22 Cromane 2-4.

### U12 BOYS

The last East Kerry League Go Game for our U12 boys took place on Wednesday evening under lights in Direen. Rathmore were the visitors for the return fixture from a few weeks ago. Two superb games of football ensued with great score taking and excellent skills on display. Both games were played under lights and was a fitting end to both clubs' participation in the Go Games series. Thanks to Rathmore for visiting and playing excellent football in a real sporting and competitive manner which resulted in 2 excellent games. Thanks to our referees John Keane and James Murphy who again this evening were superb as they have been all year. Football and sportsmanship were the winners on the night and a fitting end to the Go Games series.

### BARBECUE / FAMILY DAY

Hats off to Brita Hegarty and her Social Committee, they put in a great shift to ensure our Family Fun Day was a rip roaring success. They even arranged a dry afternoon, not the easiest ask in the current climatic conditions.

### LOTTO

Monday September 8th. Numbers were 5, 24,



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Monday September 15th. Numbers were 11,14,18,20. Bonus No 10. No Jackpot Winner. Lucky Dips / Match 3s: 1. Anthony O Sullivan 2. Riley & Tom Lawlor 3. Kieran Herlihy

## EAST KERRY NEWS

### O DONOGHUE CUP DRAW

Draw for 2025 O Donoghue Cup, sponsored by Gleneagle Hotel, Gleneagle Leisure and Dr O Donoghue Family, and O Sullivan Cup, sponsored by Killarney Carpet and Furniture, and 2025 All Star Launch, sponsored by the Kerryman and Gleneagle Leisure, takes place on Thursday 25th September in Green Room, Gleneagle Hotel @ 8pm

### COLM COOPER U13 TOURNAMENT

Colm Cooper U13 Tournament took place last Saturday in Lewis Road. Eight teams took part in the competition with two groups of four. Format was thirteen aside matches with tap and go in operation. Players were limited to one hop, one solo and games were thirteen minutes aside. The standard of football was excellent with all teams showing fantastic skill levels on the day. Teams were well supported on the day everyone enjoying the tight nature of all matches. Eire OG produced a superb team display to defeat a well drilled Salthill Knocknacara outfit in the Cup decider. St Kevins representing Kildare showed great courage in winning the shield final overcoming a gallant An Ceathru Rua team after extra time. Thanks to James Fleming Utility

Trust for his support together with the Coffey family for their generous sponsorship of medals and trophies. The Jamie Doolan player of the tournament award honoured the memory of a great club person. Dr Crokes club volunteers worked hard all day to provide food and refreshments to all players and management teams. Well done to everyone involved. Roll on 2026.

### EAST KERRY U16 CHAMPIONSHIP.

Division 1: Rathmore Bye, Kilcummin V Spa, Furies V Scartaglen

Division 2: Kilgarvan Bye, Gneeveguilla V Dr Crokes, Listry V Legion, Kenmare V Fossa

All Sunday September 21st @ 11am

### CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP

Congratulations to Dr Crokes on winning the County Club Championship on Sunday.

## DR. CROKES

### SENIOR CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP FINAL

Dr. Crokes 0:20 Na Gaeil 1:12

We regained the Senior Club title after a hard-fought 5-point victory over Na Gaeil on Sunday. We settle quickly after Na Gaeil's early score with Tom Doyle and Tony Brosnan proving accurate in front of the posts. Tony finished on 8 points from play, while Gavin White contributed 5 points, which included two 2-pointers in the first half. Down at the other end, Shane Murphy pulled off a fantastic save to deny a Na Gaeil goal just before half time. We led 0:12 to 0:05 at the break. Tony Brosnan wasted no time in extending our lead, pointing within 25 seconds of the play. Strong performances from Mark O'Shea, Brian

Looney, Gavin White and Billy Courtney drove us to a ten-point lead in the 50th minute. Na Gaeil continued to claw back and fired home a goal and a 2-pointer in quick succession to narrow the gap to just 4 with 4 minutes remaining. Alex Hennigan's late point helped to secure the silverware. Our focus now turns to the County Championship.

**LOTTO** took place September 15th. Numbers drawn were 5, 6, 10, 23. Jackpot of €11,900 was NOT WON. 13 patrons matched 3 numbers and receive €35 each. Jackpot for draw on September 22nd will be €12,200. Play online by following the link below and follow instructions attached [https://play.clubforce.com/play\\_newa.asp?ll\\_id=734#Anchor\(https://play.clubforce.com/play\\_newa.asp?ll\\_id=734#Anchor\)](https://play.clubforce.com/play_newa.asp?ll_id=734#Anchor(https://play.clubforce.com/play_newa.asp?ll_id=734#Anchor))

**FR. PADDY'S CARDS NIGHT** will return on Wednesday the 8th of October at 8pm in the clubhouse. All are welcome.

**KERRY CAPTAIN'S HOMECOMING** will take place in the Clubhouse on Friday 19th of September. Gates open at 6:15pm.

### BINGO

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

**CONGRATULATIONS** to David Naughten on winning the New York Championship with Kerry NY.

### NOTES

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



Ballymac Vintage Club members presenting the proceeds from their recent Car & Honda 50 run, held on Aug 3rd, to staff and pupils of Nohoval National School.





# KERRY COUNTY COUNCIL STOPPING HOUSE BUILDING IN KERRY

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

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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.*



## KILLARNEY VALLEY AC RECEIVES KERRY COUNTY AWARD UNDER TEXACO SUPPORT FOR SPORT INITIATIVE

Killarney Valley Athletics Club (KVAC) has been chosen winners of the Kerry County award in this year's Texaco Support for Sport initiative. EUR5,000 has been presented to the Club to enhance its facilities, expand training programmes and invest in vital sports equipment.

Regarded as more than just an athletics club, KVAC is a vibrant, inclusive, multicultural community dedicated to supporting the physical, mental and social well-being of individuals of all ages and abilities. Honoured as Athletics Ireland Development Club of the Year in 2022, KVAC takes pride in its commitment to excellence, diversity, and fostering a lifelong love of sport by engaging with local schools, hosting community games, providing opportunities for individuals with disabilities and promoting mental health through physical activity.

Now in its fifth year, the Texaco Support for Sport initiative – organised by Valero Energy (Ireland) Limited, the company that markets fuel in Ireland under the Texaco brand – sees a fund of EUR130,000 set aside annually for allocation in equal amounts of

EUR5,000 to successful applicants chosen on a county-by-county basis. Previous Kerry winners were Inter Kenmare FC (2021), Castlegregory Golf & Fishing Club (2022), St. Brendan's Park Football Club, Tralee (2023) and Mastergeeha Football Club (2024). Congratulating the county winners on the immense contribution that they make to the heart of community life in Ireland, James Twohig, Director of Ireland Operations, Valero Energy (Ireland) Limited was particularly praiseworthy of the unstinting work of club officials and volunteers, and noted that "since its inception, we are proud to have distributed almost €650,000 to a variety of more than 125 sports clubs under the Texaco Support for Sport initiative."

Overseeing the judging process was Texaco Support for Sport ambassador, former Irish rugby international and well-known broadcaster, Donncha O'Callaghan. Commenting, he said: "As adjudicator – and from my knowledge of sport gained at junior, senior and international level – the most reassuring aspect of the Texaco Support for Sport



The presentation to Killarney Valley Athletics Club chairman Jeremiah Griffin (back, centre) and fellow club members, was made at the Texaco Service Station, Killarney. Pictured with them representing Daly's of Killarney was Kieran Dwyer (back, centre left) and Valero Area Sales Manager, D.J. Fleming (back, centre right).

initiative is that it gives clubs rare access to funds which are not linked to popularity, membership size or success."

Describing the Kerry club as 'a very worthy winner', he went on to add: "Congratulations to everyone at Killarney Valley Athletics Club. This Texaco funding will provide equipment and enhance facilities for the benefit of all in its community. The Club sets a great

example with inclusivity at its core and I wish it continued success."

Entries for the 2026 Texaco Support for Sport initiative will open again in the New Year for all clubs, including those whose application may have been unsuccessful previously.

Further information may be viewed at [www.TexacoSupportforSport.com](http://www.TexacoSupportforSport.com)



## Beyond the Rim: Ireland's First Basketball-Only Podcast Tips Off

A brand-new chapter for Irish basketball media is set to begin this autumn with the launch of Beyond the Rim, the country's first podcast dedicated exclusively to the sport. The fortnightly series, created and hosted by Kerry basketball stalwart Enda Walshe, will shine a spotlight on the county's four National League representatives, namely St Paul's, Garvey's Tralee Warriors, KCYMS Killorglin and Killarney Cougars. Each episode, running approximately 25 minutes, will feature game reviews, previews, and unique behind-the-scenes insights from players, coaches and club officials.


"I wanted to give Kerry's basketball clubs a proper platform at National League and Superleague level," Walshe explained. "It's fantastic to have all four clubs on board and contributing."

Episodes will be recorded via Zoom, with Walshe leading the conversations and Kieran Healy handling production to ensure a polished final cut. The first episode is scheduled to air during the week commencing Monday, September 29.

The initiative is a landmark for Irish basketball coverage. While other podcasts have touched on the sport, Beyond the Rim will be the first to focus solely on basketball, giving equal attention to each of the county's elite teams.

Support for the project has already come from local businesses, with Andre Menswear lending its backing. Walshe has also encouraged fans to follow the official Beyond the Rim pages on Facebook and Instagram for updates, extras and links to new episodes. With basketball's popularity on the rise in Kerry and beyond, the podcast promises to be a fresh and timely addition to the sporting landscape.





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## A Word of Victory

*"Praise the Lord. Praise God our Saviour! For each day He carries us (our burdens). He daily bears us up. Our God is the God Who saves....our Rescuer from death" (Psalm 68:19).*

Welcome back dear student, what a tragedy last week to witness a young vibrant man sharing the Truth of the Love of God, be shot down in cold blood in the US. Charlie Kirk was an upright godly man, not a hate filled bigot as some media have portrayed him. It's sad that some quote stuff they've read online without ever checking the truth for themselves. Ungodly people take things out of context in order to further their agenda, their hate, and to incite violence and disorder. The enemy targets those who stand up for what is right, those promoting God's Truth, using dirty tactics to discredit them. Jesus revealed that the devil is a liar, a murderer, a thief, and robber who comes to steal, to kill and to destroy. Charlie is gone home to glory – prematurely taken out - but his family is consoled knowing that he is with Jesus. God promises that the followers of Jesus open their eyes in the Presence of God instantly upon death (2 Corinthians 5:8). What a precious comfort to know that our eternal future is guaranteed. How? By believing in the Lord Jesus - that He is the Son of God, that He lived a sinless life, and took our sins upon Himself; that He paid the penalty due for our sins, bringing us freedom from curse, death, and hell (Romans 10:9-13). Then God raised Him from the dead as the grave could not hold Him (Acts 2:24). Jesus is alive and is calling people to Himself (John 15:1-16). When one confesses aloud that Jesus is Lord and lives for Him – inviting Him to come into their life: yielding everything to Him, that one's life is never the same. Living in relationship with God through Jesus is a precious, secure, and transformed life.

God used Charlie to minister to young men and women in college campuses preaching the Gospel, explaining spiritual things in a simple manner, and showing them a different way. The pressure on kids today is tremendous. There are all kinds of traps set up by Satan to destroy them. Charlie established meeting places out in the open where they could discuss, debate, and ask him anything. He was a courageous role model and leader among these generations who can be struggling with the transition from childhood to adulthood. We need more like him, and the devil has overplayed his hand on this one, for now we are seeing multitudes of young and old stirred up to stand up for the Truth, to expose the lies and propaganda of wokeness and globalism, and the destruction it has wrought. Folks of all ages have been affected by the craziness, and people are waking up to its nonsense and are fighting back, by sharing their faith in Christ, and reclaiming their communities. What a wonderful thing to see the march in London this past weekend – tens of thousands of regular people who came out to put their feet on the ground in a calm and respectful way. It's time for Ireland to do the same. Next Saturday September 27th, the March for Jesus Dublin takes place at 2pm from the Garden of Remembrance to Stephen's Green. We are hoping 50,000 people will travel to lift up the Name of Jesus. Our heritage as a Christian nation is being undermined by an ungodly, compromised government, and it's time we stood peacefully together with courage and dignity. It will be an awesome family day out - well worth your time friend. Please spread the word to others

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

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Podcasts on Spotify: A WORD OF VICTORY

### EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:

Church of the Resurrection 5pm - 9pm Tuesdays  
St Mary's Cathedral Wed 2.00pm– 5pm Wednesdays  
Church of the Holy Spirit Muckross 4pm–6pm  
Thursdays Franciscan Friary 2pm –7pm Fridays  
Holy Hour Sundays @ 6pm

### SILVER CIRCLE DRAW

It is that time of year again when we are asking for help in promoting the Silver Circle draw. This is our only fundraiser during the year and will be launched in Park Road Presbytery. Those willing to sell tickets are asked to attend and collect them on the night. First draw will take place on Thursday October 9th. Tickets must be returned before the Monday 6th of October

### PARISH MISSION ANNOUNCEMENT -

#### DAILY SCHEDULE

St Mary's Cathedral Monday 22nd - 26th with Daily Mass - 7am, 10am and Evening Session - 7pm  
During Mission Week, Mon 22nd to Fri 26th of September No 6.15pm Mass and the 10.30am Mass will be at 10.00am

Church of the Resurrection Daily Mass 9.30am

#### SPECIAL EVENTS

Sunday 21st Opening Celebration & Baptism 7pm  
(Child will be baptised during this ceremony)

Monday 22nd 7pm St. Mary's Cathedral—Healing of Hurts Tuesday 23rd 7pm St. Mary's Cathedral—Service of Reconciliation

(Drama of Prodigal Son with Lissivigeen N.S.)

Wednesday 24th 7pm St. Mary's Cathedral—Remembering our Faithful Departed

Thursday 25th 7pm St. Mary's Cathedral—Justice and Values (Including 4 mini dramas with Killarney parishioners)

Friday 26th 7pm St. Mary's Cathedral -Celebration of our Community

### MISSION PRAYER

Loving Father,

We ask your Blessing on us during our upcoming Parish Mission. Slow us down and make us thoughtful.

Open our hearts through the Holy Spirit in your word and grace. May Our Mission give us: a new vision of your love, a new hope in your strength, a new faith in your mercy, and a new commitment to serve you.

May we take the time to contemplate the values and treasures of our faith, to remember our loved ones that are gone, to heal our hurts, and give us a renewed strength to carry on.

May the Killarney Mission be for us, a time of blessing and thanksgiving, reconciliation and renewal, healing and peace. May your love grow among us to love as your witnesses with love and hope. Amen

**AL-ANON:** Help and hope for the families and friends of alcoholics. MEETINGS- Every Tuesday at 8.30pm St. Claire's House, Beech Road, Killarney (Enter via small gate on the left of Islamic centre)  
Website- [al-anonuk.org.uk](http://al-anonuk.org.uk) Helpline- 01-873-2699

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



## BIRTHDAY REMEMBRANCE

IN LOVING MEMORY OF

**SHEILA  
FLEMING**



CLYDINE, KILCUMMIN,  
KILLARNEY

ON HER BIRTHDAY.

*If we could have a lifetime wish  
And one dream that could come through  
We would pray to God with all our hearts  
Just to See and speak to you  
A thousand words won't bring you back  
We know because we've tried  
And neither will a million tears  
We know because we've cried  
You've left behind our broken hearts  
And precious memories too  
But we've never wanted memories  
We only wanted you*

Sadly missed by your loving husband Pat,  
daughter Marcella, Sons David and John,  
son-in-law David, daughter-in-law Katrin  
and grandchildren.



## 5TH AND 23RD ANNIVERSARY

IN LOVING MEMORY  
OF

**BRIDIE &  
DENIS HORAN**



SHINNAGH, RATHMORE,  
CO. KERRY.  
WHO PASSED AWAY  
SEPTEMBER 16TH 2020 AND  
SEPTEMBER 27TH 2002.

*A special day, another year,  
A lovely thought, a silent tear,  
A little prayer to keep in touch,  
To the ones we miss and love so much.*

Sadly missed and lovingly remembered by  
Sheila, Donie, grandchildren and  
great-grand children.

**Anniversary Mass in  
St. Joseph's Church, Rathmore on  
Sunday 21st September at 11.30am.**



## 5TH ANNIVERSARY

IN LOVING MEMORY OF  
**ELIZABETH (LIL)  
O'KEEFFE**



BOUNARD, GNEEVEGUILLA  
WHO PASSED AWAY  
SEPTEMBER 12TH 2020

*So many things have happened  
Since you were called away  
So many things to share with you  
Had you been left to stay.*

*Every day in some small way  
Memories of you come our way  
Though absent, you are ever near,  
Still missed, loved and always dear.*

Loved and missed every day  
by your loving family

*Anniversary Mass will take place on Sunday  
21st September at 9.30am in the Church of  
the Holy Rosary, Gneeveguilla.*

## 3RD ANNIVERSARY

IN LOVING MEMORY OF A  
WONDERFUL WIFE & MOTHER

**GERALDINE  
MC CARTHY**



GLENVIEW DRIVE, WOODLAWN,  
KILLARNEY FORMERLY OF  
KNOCKATAGGLEMORE,  
KILCUMMIN

WHO PASSED AWAY ON  
23RD SEPTEMBER 2022.

*It's especially difficult today  
Not to have you here.  
To celebrate the times we've shared  
Over another year.  
We wish we had just one more chance  
To see your happy smile.  
To laugh and celebrate with you  
Just for a little while.  
We'll hold onto you forever  
Deep within our hearts.  
And though you are not here with us  
Know that we will never part.  
This day was always special  
So, we just wanted to say  
That we are thinking of you with love,  
On this, your first anniversary.*

Always loved and forever in our hearts,  
your loving husband Joe and twins  
Jordan and Dylan. xxx



Fr Teddy Lenihan, Dr Margaret Naughton, and Minister Michael Healy-Rae with participants pictured at a special Mass and the unveiling of a plaque outside the Chapel at University Hospital Kerry celebrating 100 years of Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE) and 'It's Continuing Journey' at University Hospital Kerry last week.

Photo: Don MacMonagle



## GLENEAGLE

### ABBA Christmas Party Night

29th November 2025 | €65 per person  
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Welcome Drink | 3 Course Festive Dinner  
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**AFTER SEAI GRANT: €6,400**

### OFFER 2:

14 Panels + 5kW X1 Inverter +  
6kWh Triple Power Battery  
**AFTER SEAI GRANT: €8,200**

### OFFER 3 – PREMIUM

22 Panels + SolaX IES 5kW  
Inverter + 10kWh Battery  
**AFTER SEAI GRANT: €12,200**

### SPECIAL EV CHARGER LAUNCH OFFER

As part of the launch of the SolaX X1-HAC Car Charger:

- Install alongside your solar PV for just €1,000
- Plus claim €300 back from the SEAI EV Charger Grant



### SEPTEMBER BONUS

Everyone who pays their solar PV deposit in September will be in with a chance to win our newly launched SolaX EV Charger worth €1,000!



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