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In this, the season of reflection, we at Killarney Outlook have much to be thankful for.

The production of our weekly magazine is only made possible by the people of Killarney, who through their loyalty ensure that we have a quality publication available free of charge to each and everyone.

We are extremely grateful to the correspondents who, week after week get their area and club notes to us ensuring that everyone in their community has a voice and a forum to be heard and that every AGM, underage sporting event or social occasion is covered.

To our advertisers we extend our thanks for allowing us to be your forum to the public. With over 22,000 magazines produced in Killarney, Tralee and Sliabh Luachra, Outlook Magazines reaches an amazing 88,000 people each week - a testament to those who chose to advertise with us to get their message across.

And finally we are grateful to our readers - who are the heart and soul of our publication. We cherish the loyalty shown to us by the people of Killarney who know that Killarney Outlook is part of their week and enjoy it so much.

This year marked a momentous year for Killarney Outlook when we went online - and are now read in every corner of the world by all of those with Killarney connections.

The digital copy of our weekly magazine is free for everyone to read and allows people who have emigrated from Killarney and its environs to keep in touch with home, something that we know is very important.

As we proceed into 2015 it is with great hope that we can continue to grow and serve the community of Killarney.

We wish you peace, goodwill and happiness and give our commitment to provide you with an even better publication in 2015.

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A Christmas Message

O come, Desire of nations, bind In one the hearts of all mankind; Bid now our sad divisions cease, And be yourself our King of Peace.

Will we put Jesus at the heart of Christmas this year? He is God come to be with us. He has shown us how to live a good human life. He has revealed God's love for our world and each of us. He has won for us eternal life.

Pray. Spend time each day with Christ, listening and talking. Ponder the mystery of God, Creator and Saviour. How will you put Christ at the heart of your Christmas: Mass in your local church, reading the Gospels, carol services, visiting the church crib, EWTN, the Rosary, etc.? He asks us to love, cherish and care for each other. He especially entrusts to us those who are hurt or sad, poor or ill, lonely or deprived. Who has God sent my way that I might be a support and help to today?

God bless all the people of the diocese of Kerry: young and old; healthy and sick; those for whom it is the best of times, those for whom it is the worst of times. God bless all who cannot journey home for Christmas. God bless all homes especially where there are young children. Jesus, whose first home was the stable in Bethlehem, dwells in every home. Christmas challenges us to respond to the plight of the many people in our country who find themselves without a home.

Thanks to everyone for your contribution to the life of your parish and of the diocese in the past year. All around us there is so much that is good, thanks be to God. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us...

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ADAMS JEWELLERS WIN WITH THE KILLARNEY OUTLOOK

Adams Jewellers on College Street have won the Killarney Outlook Christmas In Killarney Best Christmas Window Display for 2014. The beautifully decorated window was judged the best in town by Norma O'Donoghue.

"Adams is very tastefully decorated and they made a huge effort outside" said Norma, who is responsible for decorating some of the amazing Christmas window displays in town. "It is very impressive visually at night also", she added.

Commenting on the win, Mary Counihan of Adams Jewellers said "we are thrilled with the win and delighted to be picked as the inaugural winner of the Killarney Outlook, Christmas In Killarney Best Shop Window Display 2014.

"We tasked Norma with an extremely hard job" said Aisling Crosbie, Editor of the Killarney Outlook. "Killarney is looking amazing this year and every shop has made such an effort to look festive", it all goes a long way towards the economy of the town and bringing people to Killarney to shop, eat and stay locally", she added.



Adams Jewellers, winners of the Killarney Outlook, Christmas in Killarney Best Christmas Window Display, 2014. Pictured are from left: Jospehine O'Sullivan, Aisling Crosbie, Killarney Outlook, Mary Counihan, Proprietor, Adams Jewellers and Gillian Casey. Picture: Marie Carroll O'Sullivan.



Santa takes a break from his busy schedule to catch up on all the local news and photographs in his favourite free magazine, The Killarney Outlook. You can still visit Santa's Grotto in Deenagh Lodge this weekend.

WEDDING AWARD AND CONSULTATION DAY

Muckross Park Hotel & Spa has been awarded Exclusive Wedding Venue of the Year, Kerry, 2014 by Southern Brides. Located in the heart of Killarney National Park, Muckross Park Hotel offers privacy and tranquillity surrounded by natural beauty and lakes. Enjoy old world charm with every modern luxury, the hotel exudes elegance and romance.

Sean O'Driscoll, General Manager was delighted to have won this award "We are very proud of this achievement. This award is a true reflection of the team's dedication to delivering quality and excellent service. It's a great privilege to be involved in so many happy occasions and we look forward to many more."

The Muckross Park Hotel & Spa is hosting a Wedding Food Event Saturday 3rd January 2015 from 1pm. Potential brides and grooms will have the opportunity to imagine what it would be like to have a fairytale wedding at Muckross while enjoying some bubbly and cocktails. On the day couples can taste delicious menu options, view stunning wedding suites and meet the team of experienced wedding managers.

For more information or to request a private Wedding Consultation please contact Daniel on 064 6623400 or email

daniel@muckrosspark.com

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Lee Strand would like to wish everyone a Happy Christmas and Best Wishes for 2015



Welcome home to everyone this Christmas ...

We know how great it is to be back with family and friends and of course having a pint of chilled Lee Strand milk with your Christmas dinner. It is the little traditions that make Christmas great. Enjoy!

 Straceberries & Chocolate Flate

 This recipe is simple to make yet delicious

 to enjoy at Christmas.

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Chocolate Chip Cookies

These cookies are so much fun to make with kids and are a perfect treat for Santa on Christmas Eve.



INGREDIENTS (makes 18 openies) 225g Lee Strand Butter 1 top va 1 egg 225g ch 170g soft brown sugar A pinch 280g self-calsing Bour

1 tsp vanilla extract 225g chocolate chips A pinch of salt

Heat the oven to 180C and line two baking sheets with parchevent. In a large basel mix all the ingentients together, to creats a dough mixture. With a spoon, place nine blobs of the mixture us each tray, leaving planty of space between to allow the cookies.

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goiden brown. Let the cookies cool, then enjoy with a glata of chilled Lee Strand mill.



Lee Strand Bailys Coffee

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First, heat the glass with hot water. Pour in Silvel of Balleys and then stir in the coffee. Top with heahly whipped Leo Strand Cream, Sprinkle with chocolate sherings.

Enjoy Lee Strand Fresh Cream this Christmas!

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KERRY DRIVERS GOT IN GEAR TO RAISE €3,000 FOR THE MARIE KEATING FOUNDATION

Car enthusiasts from Kerry, and from as far afield as Cork, Meath, and Wexford converged on Killarney last month to take part in the annual charity car run held by Kevin O'Donoghue. This year the event was held in aid of the Marie Keating Foundation, the cancer charity that seeks to raise awareness of common cancers affecting both men and women in Ireland and also provide cancer services such as the Comfort Fund to affect families who are struggling financially as a result of their cancer diagnosis. Nearly 80 cars participated in the event and raised an impressive figure of €3,000. The cheque was presented by Kevin O'Donoghue recently to Marie Keating representative Joanne Pierce.

Speaking about the event, Linda Keating, Director of Fundraising at the Marie Keating Foundation said, "We are very grateful to everyone who took part in the charity car drive and to all the businesses who got behind it by donating spot prizes. The Foundation does not receive any government funding and we provide all of our services free of charge so if it were not for events like this, we simply could not continue. Our huge thanks also goes to Kevin O'Donoghue and Tony Murphy for organising this. They are a great asset to their community."

Kerry business who kindly supported the



Kevin O'Donoghue presents a cheque for €3,000 euro to Joanne Pierce, representing the Marie Keating Foundation following a fundraising charity outing involving nearly 80 car enthusiasts who went on a road trip from Killarney to West Cork. Also included from left are Sheila and Aoife O'Donoghue, Barry Kelleher, Tony Murphy and Colin O'Donoghue. Picture: Eamonn Keogh (MacMonagle, Killarney).

event included Mark Doe Cookery School, the Dromhall Hotel, Ross Hotel, and the Physique Fitness Studio. The Gardaí and Traffic Corp also played an integral role in ensuring that the day was a success.

Kevin O'Donoghue said "Each year we do this event for a different charity and this year we were thrilled to do the car run for the Marie Keating Foundation since cancer touches so many people. We were really delighted with the support we got from local business and from the Guards and we are looking forward to doing the whole thing again next year."

HATS OFF TO KILCUMMIN FUNDRAISERS



KILCUMMIN LADIES PLAN MAJOR FUNDRAISER FOR ONCOLOGY UNIT AT KERRY GENERAL HOSPITAL.

Kilcummin Ladies GAA committee are getting their hats out in aid of the Oncology Day Unit at Kerry General Hospital.

A fun night will be held at the Klub bar in Kilcummin GAA pitch on Saturday January 3rd 2015 at 9pm.

With lots of prizes, raffles, music and light refreshments there will also be prizes for the best ladies hat and best gents hat and all kinds will be welcome on the night.

Admission is free and there will be a collection on the night for the Oncology Unit where cancer patients attend to have their treatment on a daily basis.

It is hoped that all donations will make life more comfortable for those attending the unit.

INTERNATIONAL SOCCER BACK IN KILLARNEY

Once again Kerry will be at the centre of the underage soccer when the county hosts 2 U15 Internationals in January.

The Irish u15 team will take on Scotland in two games with the first under lights in Killarney Celtic on Friday, 23rd at 7.15pm. The two sides will meet again in Listowel

Celtic on Sunday 25th at 12 noon. Killarney Celtic Chairman Mikey Lyne was delighted with the news.

"It is great for both clubs to be chosen again. A Friday night game under lights against Scotland will draw a huge crowd to Celtic Park but we have the experience to deal with International matches and are really looking forward to hosing the game".

Listowel Celtic's Aidan O'Connor welcomed another International game for Pat Kennedy Park. It is obvious that our pitch and organisational abilities have us on the FAS's radar and once again it will be great to welcome two young international sides to North Kerry.

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WINTER SOLSTICE CELEBRATION FROM DAWN TO DUSK.

Killarney Walking Festival celebrates the ancient rites of the Winter Solstice on Sunday morning next, December 21st 2014, the shortest day of the year.

A series of walks will begin with a winter sunrise on the Paps of Danú, 694m (2,277ft) Anú or Danú is the oldest celtic goddess and is associated with abundance, growth and fertility. The walk commences by bus transfer from The Brehon Hotel, departing at 5.50am, to the entrance of the Claddagh Valley. The sunrise from the east is due at 8.40am, and like all great Irish traditions, being in the heart of Sliabh Luachra, a few tunes and even a set dance will be part of the celebration on the summit. Bus transfer back to the headquarters, at 10.00am, an optional hearty Winter Solstice breakfast would be a great welcome. The walk will be led by Valerie O'Sullivan.

The second walk is the Summit of Carrauntoohil, guided by John O'Sullivan, 'Lodge and Reeks Guiding'. Ireland's highest mountain, 'Bus Transfer from the Brehon Hotel to Cronin's Yard at 9.00am, Summiting and taking in the wonderful views of the MacGillycuddy's Reeks and Kerry, before descending, back to Cronin's Tea Rooms, a staple stop off for all hikers. Then back to the Head Quarters at about 4.30pm

The third walk is the Old Kenmare Road, guided by Ray and Mary Walsh, 'Walk with Me',



Right of Passage... Celtic Goddess's Noretta and Emma Brosnan preparing for the Winter Solstice walk on the Paps of Danú, which takes place on Sunday 21st December at 6.00am, to celebrate the Winter Solstice in honour of the Goddess Danú, as part of The Killarney Walking Festival. Photo: Valerie O'Sullivan.

departing from the Brehon Hotel, at 10.00am, with bus transfer from trailheads and return. The Old Kenmare walk, is one of Ireland's popular routes, with spectacular views of Killarney National Park, MacGillycuddy's Reeks, Lakes of Killarney, passing along Torc and Mangerton Mountains, with steady inclines, and ancient paths of oak forests.

To add to the Winter Solstice series of walks, The Brehon Hotel, is spreading their traditional cheer and offering all the Winter Walkers, a wonderful winter christmassy evening of mulled wine, minced pies, open fires...when they return after their days trekking.

ITS TIME TO GET YOUR CHRISTMAS TREE...



RYAN, BROOKE, MEG AND FAYE LYNCH WITH THEIR GRANDAD NICK FOLEY CHECK TO SEE IF THE 'STAR' FITS AS THEY SELECT THEIR CHRISTMAS TREE FROM THE KILLARNEY CHRISTMAS TREE COMPANY ON SATURDAY. PICTURE BY DON MACMONAGLE.

If you are in the market for a Christmas tree then look no further than Killarney Christmas Tree Company.

Located in Madams Hill on the Ballyhar Road, Killarney Christmas Tree Company have a large range of trees including Nordman Fir, Londgepole Pine and non shedding trees. Families are invited to go in and choose their own tree, something that is going down very well with the children.

And even better news is that if you find the Killarney Christmas Tree Company advert in this issue of Killarney Outlook you will get €5 off your tree upon presentation of the voucher.

For more information contact Nick on 087-2621530 or John on 087-7623433.

LEARN TO COOK IN THE NEW YEAR

If you or that special person in your life would like to learn how to cook, then look no further than Luachra Lodge Good Food Cooking Classes.

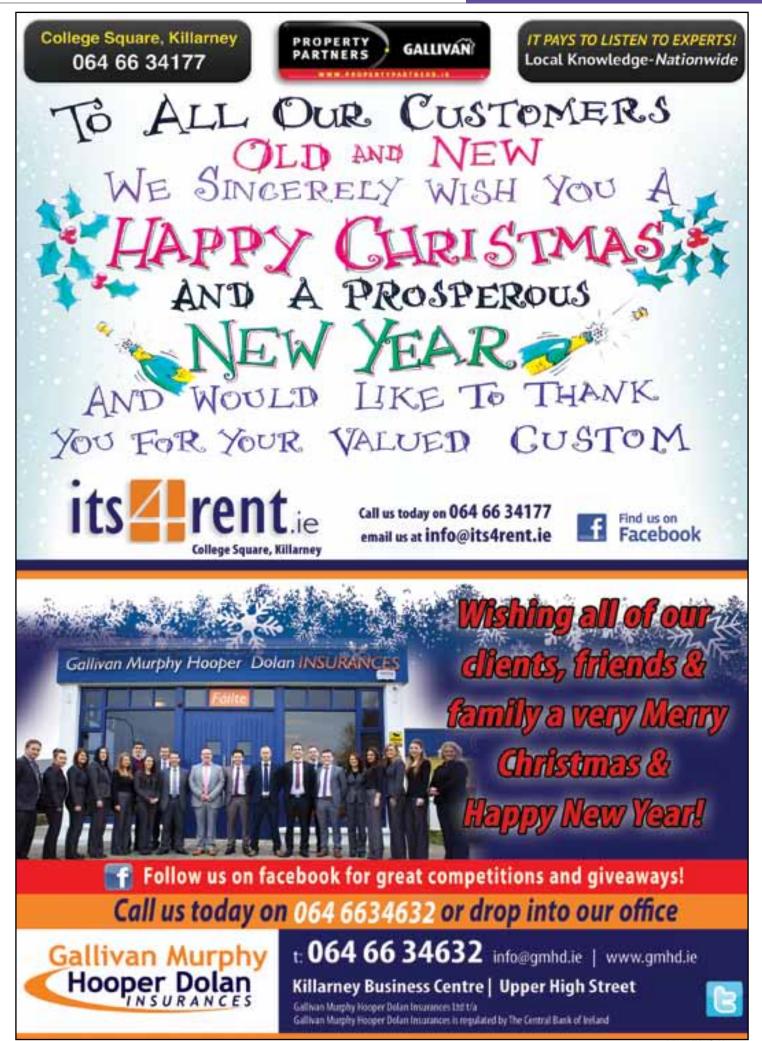
Owned and run by certified Ballymaloe trained Chef, Patricia Lydon, classes are available from Wednesday 14th January for a six week period and will be held at Luachra Lodge, Mausrour, Gneeveguilla.

Learn how to cook a variety of fish, meat and vegetarian dishes, some sweet treats, breads, pastries and cakes (gluten free as requested) and Patricia will demonstrate lots of tasty treats for you to sample and you will receive the recipes each night.

The cost of the cookery course is €130 and if you would like more information just contact Patricia on **086 8326896** or email **patricialydon@eircom.net** Book by 6th January 2015.



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EXPERIENCE OF A LIFETIME DOWN UNDER FOR KERRY CHILDREN

The 48th annual International Children's Games, held in Australia for the first time at Lake Macquarie near Sydney this past week, proved to be a huge success among the athletes competing from 82 towns and cities across the globe. Certainly it was the experience of a lifetime for 18 young Kerry athletes who were representing Tralee ICG in Australia and competing against teams from Europe, Asia, Canada and the USA, and this experience of International competition among their peers will stand all in good stead in their future careers.

On Monday competitions got underway from 8:30am, with the boys proving too strong for Vevey of Switzerland, winning 5-0. They played again at 11:30am, defeating Hadera of Israel 6-1. The girl's team opened against defending champions Alkmaar-a team that would challenge many of the boy's teams- and were comprehensively beaten by the team which would claim gold yet again. Their second game against local side Lake Macquarie ended in a 2-2 draw.

Tuesday- saw the girls play Hamilton, Canadabronze medal winners- at 9:30 and lost 3-0. Later that day they played Marion, Indiana and came away with a 3-1 victory.

The boys faced Plock of Poland in their opening game and suffered their first defeat 3-0. Tralee were then defeated by Lanarkshire, Scotland at the quarter final stage.

On Wednesday both the boys and girls played in playoff games for the minor placings.



MEMBERS OF THE KERRY TEAM THAT TRAVELLED TO AUSTRALIA.

In the swimming pool both Megan O Donnell and Caomhan Daly were in action every day from Monday to Wednesday and the highlights of their performances were Megan's 4th place finish in the 50m Backstroke B Final, and Caomhan's PB in the 200m Individual Medley. Overall Tralee can be very proud of their participation and performance in Lake Macquarie, according to ICG Secretary Mike Culloty.

BOYS' SOCCER: Brian O'Regan, (Fenit Samphires), Sean Collins, (The Park), Rian O

Sullivan, (Kingdom Boys), Gary Matthews, (Killorglin), Sean O'Leary, (Mastergeeha), Michael Potts 4, (Killarney Celtic), Conor Standen, (Killorglin), Dylan O'Sullivan, (Killorglin); Coaches: David Magee, John Byrne **GIRLS' SOCCER:** Elizabeth Mohan, Killarney Athletic, Saoirse Kennedy, Listowel Celtic, Leah Henry, Listowel Celtic, Mary Barry, Listowel Celtic, Keelie O'Conor, Killarney Celtic, Katie Gunn, Tralee Dynamos, Rachel Mulvihill, Listowel Celtic, Elaina Galvin, Killarney Athletic; Coaches: Paula Henry, Aoife Gallagher.

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CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION 9.30AM 11.00AM

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MONEY MATTERS...

By Dermot Cronin, Financial Advisor



WHERE TO INVEST YOUR MONEY?

Interest rates for deposits in banks are the lowest they have been in years. Another problem for people looking for good interest rates is that as well as interest rates being low is that DIRT tax is very high at 41% and since the 1st January this year a PRSI levy of 4% can also be applied. The effective tax rate on interest earned on savings can be as high as 45% as both the new higher rate of Deposit Interest Retention Tax (DIRT) tax and the PRSI levy on unearned income have both come into force. If you invested €20000 over 12 months at 2.50%, taking into account DIRT tax and the levy you may only get €275 after DIRT tax and the PRSI levy. Because these returns are so poor people are looking for alternative investments. Thankfully there are other investment options available to you.

Investment providers have introduced many different types of products because of the very low returns on deposit accounts and it is very important that people know about all these products before deciding on what products suit them best. A mixture of different type of investments may be the best way to spread your investments rather than having all your eggs in one basket.

For more information or to make an appointment to discuss the above contact **Dermot Cronin APA**, at **064 66 22775** or **087 2893649.**

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ENJOYING CHRISTMAS PARTY NIGHT AT THE AGHADOE HEIGHTS HOTEL WERE THE LADIES LOCAL TO Aghadoe. Back Row L-R Áine Myers, Marie Buckely, Ann O'Connor, Eileen Lucey, & Katie Moroney. Front Row L-R Jenny Sheehan, Lucy O'Mahony, Lisa O'Leary & Breda Cronin. Picture Marie Carroll-O'Sullivan 087 391 4808



Pictured at the Aghadoe Heights Christmas Party Night, the staff of Cahernane Medical Centre. back L-R Fiona Gallagher and Breeda Neeson and in front L-R John Geaney, Doreen O'Shea, Ann Marie O'Connor & Adrienne McLoughlin. Picture Marie Carroll-O'Sullivan 087 391 4808



Pictured at the Aghadoe Heights Christmas Party Night were L-R Rita McKenna, Fiona O'Shea, Eileen Magee & Peggy O'Donoghue. Picture Marie Carroll-O'Sullivan 087 391 4808



Pictured at the Aghadoe Heights Christmas Party Night were friends (front row L-r) Denise Whelan, Karen Cooper, Catriona Hickey & Amy Murray. Back row L-r Elaine O'Connor, Elaine Murphy & Carmel Nash. Picture Marie Carroll-O'Sullivan 087 391 4808



Pictured at the Muckross Park Hotel for the Irish Health Food Christmas Party were L-R Erin Keogh, Ava Wilkins, Jill Murphy, Richard Wilkins, Sara Wilkins, Suzan Turan. Picture Marie Carroll-O'Sullivan 087 391 4808



Pictured at the Dromall Hotel enjoying the festivities were the Cherryfield House & Group Home Residents with their assistants Mary Myers (back left) and Betty Kissane (back right). Picture Marie Carroll-O'Sullivan 087 391 4808



PICTURED AT THE MUCKROSS PARK HOTEL FOR THE IRISH HEALTH FOOD CHRISTMAS PARTY WERE PAULA & HENRY BARTLETT. PICTURE MARIE CARROLL-O'SULLIVAN 087 391 4808



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KERRY COMPANIES LAUNCH COLLABORATIVE RECRUITMENT CAMPAIGN

The county's leading companies and biggest employers have joined forces in a new collaborative recruitment campaign to run over the Christmas season entitled "Talk to Us'. The campaign aims to target Kerry people working in other parts of the country or abroad to create awareness of the high quality employment options that now exist in Kerry, for those who are interested in considering returning to the county. Multinationals like JRI America Inc, Tralee and Liebherr in Killarney were early supporters of the campaign. Both companies continue to expand and are looking to fill new positions with ambitious, bright and committed people. Other companies signed up for the 'Talk to Us' campaign include the Institute of Technology, Tralee, the Tom

Crean Business Centre, FEXCO, RVR Energy Technology Limited and Enercon.

Commenting on the campaign Shane Walsh, Ireland Division Head of JRI America Inc, based at Kerry Technology Park said, "A number of organisations in Kerry, including JRI America, currently have employment opportunities. The upcoming holiday season is an ideal opportunity to connect with those people who currently work and live outside of Kerry either nationally or abroad - and who may be considering relocation to the County. The high value jobs available here combined with the quality of life in the county creates an attractive package to entice people to return to Kerry".

According to Brid McElligott, Vice President - Research, Development and External Engagement at the Institute of Technology, Tralee in some cases people are not currently considering a relocation but may be open to persuasion after their visit home for Christmas. "For various reasons some of these people may not be aware of the employment opportunities in Kerry, however this is an ideal opportunity to showcase our employment requirement, confirm the fact that 'Kerry Inc.' is open for business and there are levels of economic activity happening in the county".

The county-wide promotional campaign will run from Wednesday December 17th 2014 to Friday January 2nd 2015. Anyone interested in submitting CVs to the companies should visit The Job Suite at www.thejobsuite.com.

€154,500 FOR KERRY GAA CLUBS

Christmas has come early for Kerry GAA clubs with an announcement from the Munster GAA Council of details of the 2014 Development Grant Scheme, funding club and school capital development projects of over \in 1m across the province. Kerry Clubs beneifited to the tune of \in 154,500 and these grants were presented to the various recipients at the Cordal GAA Club last evening by the Cathoirleach Comhairle na

Mumhan, Robert Frost. In all fifteen clubs and one school received funding as follows;

Austin Stacks €29,700, Ballymacelligott €6,233, Brosna €6,236, Churchill €6,986, Cordal €13,481, Duagh €3,215, Firies €12,500, Glenbeigh/Glencar €14,505, Glenflesk €4,140, John Mitchels €17,205, Kilcummin €12,500, Rathmore €7,065, Spa €5,912, St Pats Blennerville €4,338, Waterville €5,434, and Spa National School, Churchill €5,000.

Kerry Clubs spent over €1m in the purchase, development and upgrading of their facilities in the period August 2013/August 2014. Based on the number of Clubs within the County, Kerry is again to the forefront within the province of Munster in the Development of Club Facilities.

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7 IN A ROW FOR JERRY

NRF Best in Practice Hotel, Catering and Events for 2014 Award goes to Jerry O'Sullivan. Business Manager Ireland from Noel Recruitment.

Killarney man Jerry, synonymous with the Hospitality Industry, heads up the business on a 32 county basis. Noel Recruitment has won the Best in Practice Hotel, Catering and Events for the 7th year running at the National Recruitment Federation (NRF) 2014 Awards as well as scooping the Large Recruitment Agency of the year award. Operating an 11 branch network nationally, Noel Recruitment is one of Ireland's longest established and largest recruitment brands and delivers quality resources and solutions to Ireland's leading Hospitality and events employers.



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This Wedding Open Day will showcase the hotel and will give prospective couples the opportunity to view the wonderful wedding facilities we have on offer and to discuss our packages on a one to one basis with our Wedding Coordinators and experienced Management Team who will be on hand throughout the day.

The Open day is free of charge and will run on the Sunday 28th December from 2PM – 6PM. Appointments are advisable and bookings are now being taken.

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MEMORY TREE REMEMBERS LOVED ONES



Hundreds gathered on Monday night last for the turning on of the Memory Tree in the grounds of the Holy Cross Mercy School.

Teachers at the school came up with the idea of the tree as a way for people to remember deceased relatives and friends at Christmas time.

With 5000 bulbs lighting up the tree, donations at €5 each will go to the Holy Cross Mercy School.

The lights will shine from December 24th to January 6th from 6pm to 10pm with Mass being offered over the Christmas period in memory of all those remembered.



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KEEL UPHILL DOWNHILL LOOP WALK LAUNCHED

A new walkway in mid Kerry has been officially launched.

KERRY Fine Gael TD, Brendan Griffin, says that the official launch of the Keel Uphill Downhill Loop Walk marks an important step in developing Kerry's walking network.

A number of years ago, Deputy Griffin devised the route that has now become the Keel Uphill Downhill Loop Walk and brought the idea to South Kerry Development Partnership in Killorglin. The walkway was subsequently pursued by SKDP staff, including Keel woman Trish Deane, who co-ordinated the project and oversaw its completion with the help of local participants on the Rural Social Scheme.

The Loop Walk is a huge success and has become a very popular walking route for locals and visitors alike. It was officially launched last Sunday by Kerry footballer, Donnchadh Walsh.



MICHEAL Ó GRIFÍN, BRENDAN GRIFFIN TD AND DONNCHADH WALSH AT THE LAUNCH OF THE KEEL UPHILL DOWNHILL LOOP WALK ON SUNDAY MORNING.

THERE'S A REVOLUTION COMING TO TOWN

There's a diet revolution coming to Kerry Kick Start Fat Loss is a new generation slimming club – never been seen before.

They are leading the revolution against processed foods and diet foods and aim to get everyone cooking from scratch using locally sourced produce.

KSFL Club is launching in January 2015 and offers members a clean eating programme based on the latest tried and tested formulas with no diet food in sight, a great cutting edge half hour workout for busy women, and a real sense of community spirit and support which is so important to its success.

We are pleased to announce the coach for Kerry is Áine Fitzgerald of Afitbody who has experience in getting people the results they want need and deserve. Aine says: "It's time for a change, a new generation of classes suitable for all levels that encourage a great community feel." "Gone are the days where you have to work out for an hour every time; times have moved on and it's all about high intensity, interval training now and kick starting your metabolism. "We use the latest cutting edge workouts that change every week." Fit Body fitness & sports therapy centre get fit for life

you have to combine healthy eating with exercise; one without the other is a waste of time so we get all our members clean eating from the start with no diet food in sight."

Kick Start Fat Loss consists of weekly weigh in and measure , 15 minute educational and motivational group talk, coaching keeping you on track and motivated.

30minute Fat Burning Workout will burn more body fat than hours of cardio or endless hours at the gym. The KSFL workout is simple and effective. It is an all ability interval workout with rest and recovery periods, perfect for beginners and regulars. We also provide access to Online workouts, meal planners and recipes.ou are fully supported. "At Kick Start Fat Loss we are starting a revolution and you can all be part of it," she adds. If you would like to find out more you can contact Áine on 0861052427

START THE NEW YEAR WITH A YOGATHON

A novel fundraising event to help Animal Help Net Kerry is set to take place on January 4th in the Killarney Sports and Leisure Centre. A yogathon, hosted by Hot Yoga will begin at the centre at 11am.

Comprising of 108 Sun Saltuations, the event will last approximately two hours.

Individuals, or groups are welcome and no yoga experience is necessary.

For more information contact 086-3427957.

KATE TO TAKE THE REINS AT THE CHAMBER



Kate O'Learv has been annoucned as the new President of the Killarney Chamber of Tourism and Commerce. The business

KATE O'LEARY.

woman, who runs The Laurels Pub, is set to take over in January following Johnny Maguires very successful two year rein.

Kate is no stranger to Chamber business, having successfully been involved in a number of projects and spear heading many like the 4th July Celebrations.

Kate's vice chair will be Paul O'Neill, who is also a very active chamber member.

"Plus we all know to have success losing weight

MISSING FAMILY PET

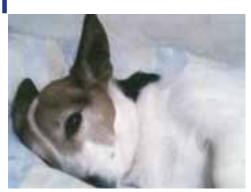
Tootsie has been missing from her family home on High Street in Killarney since November 25th.

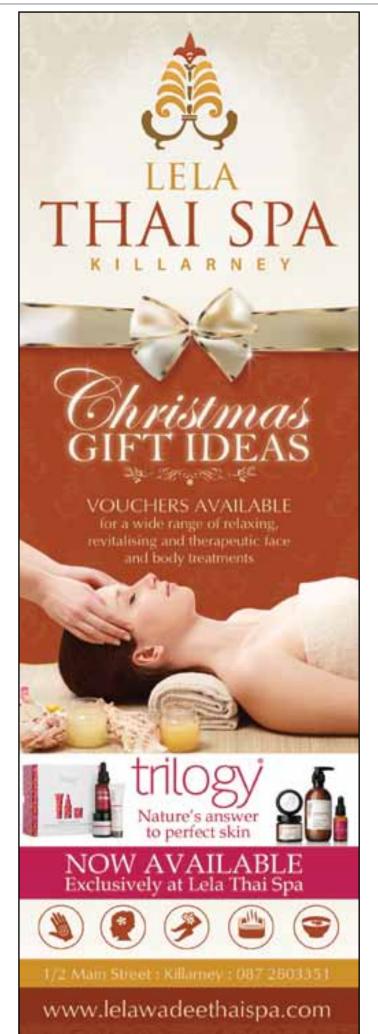
The eight year old Jack Russell has a black spot on her short tail and is missing her collar.

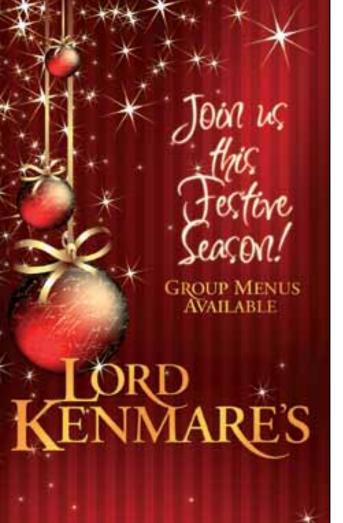
There were possible sightings at the Dromhall Hotel and the Grotto Area.

There is a reward for Tootsie's return as her family miss her desperately.

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ON YOUR BIKE FOR A WILD ATLANTIC CYCLE ALONG THE RING OF BEARA

Thousands of cyclists from Ireland and around the globe are excited about the news of the new Ring of Beara Cycle Kenmare which will take place on Saturday 23rd of May 2015. Participants will cycle Ireland's most spectacular peninsula and embrace the unspoiled beauty of the Wild Atlantic Way.

The event is an initiative undertaken by the Kenmare Marketing and Events Group. Committee member Mickey Ned O'Sullivan said 'The event is an exciting edition to the cycling calendar. We have so much to offer in Kenmare and the Ring of Beara, and the best way to see the Wild Atlantic Way is on your bike'. At the official launch TD Michael Healy Rae commented that 'Large scale sporting events in the shoulder tourist season are vital to the tourism industry. There is no better way to showcase Kenmare and the Ring of Beara than staging a huge event like this. The traditional media coverage and social media exposure will be invaluable to the area. This event will contribute economically to local businesses, maintaining jobs in the sector and promoting Kenmare in a way like never before'

There is a route to suit all levels of fitness from the seasoned cyclist to the casual pedaler. Choose from the 140km route or the shorter 100km route. Cyclist can experience the magnificent scenery of the mountains, valleys and the rugged coastline of the Beara peninsula.



PICTURED AT THE LAUNCH OF THE RING OF BEARA CYCLE IN THE BROOK LANE HOTEL, KENMARE ON MONDAY NIGHT WERE MEMBERS OF THE ORGANISING COMMITTEE INCLUDING BACK FROM LEFT, TARA HANLEY, UNA BRENNAN, SARAH DONAVAN, MICKEY NED O'SULLIVAN, DERMOT BRENNAN, SIOBHAN JONES AND BRIAN FINNEGAN. IN FRONT ARE, TADGH O'SULLIVAN, XENIA O'SULLIVAN AND ROBERT WHYTE. PHOTO: DON MACMONAGLE

Both routes start in the idyllic Kenmare town heading, out the Beara peninsula towards Lauragh, passing some picturesque and quant towns including Ardgroom, Eyeries, Allihies, Castletownbere, Adrigole, Glengarriff and back to Kenmare town. Participants can enjoy some food and chat at the fully stocked food stations dotted along the routes.

The event will finish in Kenmare town which

will guarantee a great atmosphere and superb facilities including hot food, hot tubs, massage, entertainment and finishers' medal for all cyclists.

Make this your goal in 2015 and experience this unique event for the first time. More information can be found at

www.ringofbearacyclekenmare.com

CHRISTMAS CHEER AS KIDS VISIT CRAG

Christmas cheer filled the air at Crag Caves on Wednesday when children from all over Kerry were invited for a fun evening at the popular play area.

125 children and their families were invited by the Make it Happen Foundation, whose aim is to bring children with terminal illness and special needs on a magical and fun filled day trip. Children from Kerry General Hospital, Adapt Ireland, Nano Nagle and the Johnson Marina were thrilled to meet Santa and his helpers along with characters from Frozen.

Since its inception, The Make it Happen Foundation, with the help of hospitals nationwide and various other children's charities and organisations has taken over 1000 Children on special day trips around Ireland. Make it happen endeavors to make all their events as memorable and exciting as possible for these little ones by cramming each day out with plenty of surprises and fun activities. "Days out like this are very important for all



CHILDREN FROM THE MAKE IT HAPPEN FOUNDATION ENJOY MEETING SANTA AT CRAG CAVES.

members of the family", said Nora McCarthy, an aunt of one of the children who enjoyed the day. "It was a lovely experience for children with special needs to have a fun day out and meet Santa. Without the help of Make It Happen Foundation we would not of been able to come here today"

All the children that came got a present of a cuddly toy and to meet Santa.

GOAL MILE RUN

The annual goal mile run will be held at Deenagh Lodge, Knockreer, Killarney on Christmas Day from 10.00 am to 12.30pm and at the Dragon's Den, ISK (Iveragh Road), Killorglin from 10.30 to 12 noon.

Everyone is welcome to run, jog or walk or even just give a donation to Goal.

For more details contact: **087 6891218** or Goal website.

OUTLOOK WINNER

Aspiring artist Ryan Fealey from Ahane, in Brosna is the winner of the Outlook Publications CH Chemist, Tralee colouring competition.

Ryan received a family pass to Santa Land in CH Chemist in Tralee.

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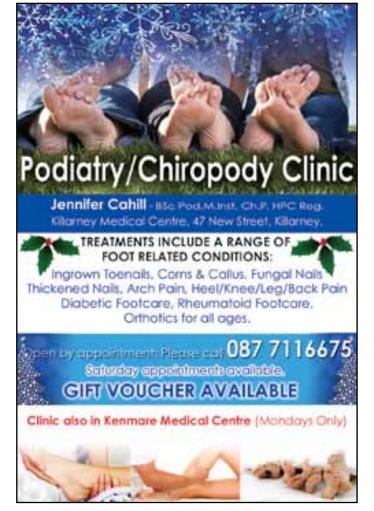


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PRESENTATION TIME FOR TIDY TOWNS



MINISTER FOR THE DIASPORA, JIMMY DEENIHAN, PRESENTING THE SUPERVALU FAILTE IRELAND, SOUTH WEST & MID-WEST REGION TIDY TOWNS AWARDS AT THE GLENEAGLE HOTEL, WITH GRACE O'DWYER, SUPERVALU, BRAND MANAGER, IN ASSOCIATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT, COMMUNITY AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT, KILLARNEY TIDYTOWNS MEMBERS, CLLR JOHN JOE CULLOTY, MAYOR OF KILLARNEY, CORMAC FOLEY, KATHLEEN FOLEY, JOHN DOYLE, DAVID DOYLE, YVONNE QUIL, BILLY DALY, SUPERVALU, KILLARNEY. PHOTO: VALERIE O'SULLIVAN.



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IRISH CANCER SOCIETY NIGHT NURSES WORK EVERY NIGHT OF THE YEAR

Irish Cancer Society night nurses will be caring for patients all around the country every night of the year – including Christmas Eve, Christmas day and New Year's Eve. The Society is Ireland's national cancer charity, providing information, support and care to those with, and affected by, cancer all over Ireland and the Society's services do not stop during the holiday season.

Irish Cancer Society Night Nurses will leave their homes and their families at night in all weather conditions over Christmas to ensure that those at the end of their cancer journey received expert palliative care, and that their families can get some rest knowing their loved one is in safe hands. Last year over 20 patients were being cared for during the holiday season, with thousands of families using the service in 2013. The nurses on the Society's National Cancer Helpline Freefone 1800 200 700 will also be there for patients, returning to the phones on the December 29th and working through to New Year's Eve taking calls and messages from those concerned about cancer. During 2013 the cancer information service received over 17,000

calls and over 30,000 messages from those who need support. Over 170,000 pieces of cancer information literature were sent out – ensuring that those in need are informed about any aspect of cancer. Here's how you can support the Society, and its services, this Christmas: Why not buy your Christmas Cards from the Society, visit cancer.ie/christmas

Get your company to send Irish Cancer Society electronic Christmas cards, in return for a donation to the Society, visit cancer.ie/ christmas. Become a regular giver and commit to a monthly donation cancer.ie/monthly

Clear out your unwanted presents, clothes or bric-a-brac and donate them to your nearest Irish Cancer Society charity shop

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Dedicate a candle to someone you care about in our first Christmas Garden of Hope, taking place this December, visit cancer.ie/christmas You can make a difference to those affected by cancer this Christmas.

AN EVENING WITH MARY BYRNE & DES WILLOUGHBY

Two of Ireland's finest voices join forces for an intimate concert in the INEC Acoustic Club, Killarney on Saturday 3rd January 2015 at 8.30pm.

Mary Byrne's story is the stuff of fairytales and movies. She's the Tesco supermarket checkout lady who took a chance in life at the age of fifty by auditioning for Britain and Ireland's biggest TV talent show, the X Factor. Mary performed for Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II on her historic State visit to Ireland in 2011, and shared the stage with Neil Diamond to perform for over 55,000 fans at Dublin's Aviva Stadium. She has just scored a top ten hit with her new album 'Magic of the Musicals.

Des Willoughby is regarded as having one of the most natural tenor voices in the country and is making a big impression on the national and international music scene.

In 2007 he released his debut album 'To Where You Are' which features a blend of Irish classics, musical favourites and contemporary hits. He has since recorded two more albums with The Willoughby Brothers titled 'The Promise' and 'Irish Heart'

WILD ATLANTIC WAY RECEIVES 'BEST TOURIST ATTRACTION' AWARD

The new Fáilte Ireland initiative, the Wild Atlantic Way, Ireland's first long-distance touring route, has been awarded the 'Best Tourist Attraction' at the third In Business Editor's Choice Awards at a ceremony in Stephen's Green Hibernian Club, Dublin. Irish companies and individuals were recognised at the awards that honour outstanding achievement in the Irish business community and the winners were selected based on the broad criteria of growth, profile of business, range of services and customer care.

Fáilte Ireland has invested €10 million during 2014 in the route which stretches from the Inishowen Peninsula in Donegal to Kinsale in County Cork and already the new attraction is garnering significant interest overseas.

ANT AND DEC HEAD FOR SNEEM

TV presenters Ant and Dec are set to spend the new year in Sneem when they attend the wedding of their close friend Sean Maguire. The former Eastenders star is set to marry

Tanya Flynn in St. Michael's Church in the picturesque village.

The couple wed in 2012 in Los Angeles where they are based but want to make it official with an Irish wedding.

It is expected that the couple will be joined by a star studded guest list for the nuptials and the reception afterwards which will take place in Sneem Hotel.

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KERRY ASSOCIATION PRESENT FUNDS TO PIETA HOUSE

The Darkness into Light walk was brought to London thanks to the support and coordination of the Kerry Association London and its dedicated members. The walk took place on the 10th May 2014 with an estimated 500 participants taking part in the charity event.

On Wednesday, 10th of December, the Darkness into Light committee members were joined by CEO of Pieta House Joan Freeman to present a cheque to Icap, the Immigrant Counselling and Psychotherapy charity. The presentation took place in the Crown Moran hotel in Cricklewood which hosted the walk back on the 10th of May 2014.

The next Darkness into Light walk will take place in London on Friday night 8th of May into Saturday morning 9th of May. It is a unique, early morning experience which



TARA CRONIN (DIL LONDON), DANNY SULLIVAN (KERRY ASSOC CHAIRMAN), JOAN FREEMAN (CEO PIETA HOUSE), KIERAN O'NEILL (ESB PRO), CATHERINE HENNESSY (CEO ICAP), TOMMY MORAN (MORAN HOTELS) & SINÉAD O'SULLIVAN (DIL LONDON PRO) PICTURED AT THE CHEQUE PRESENTATION AT THE CROWN MORAN HOTEL IN CRICKLEWOOD.



L:R: Noel O'Sullivan (KAL), Vincent Harty (KAL), Tara Cronin (DIL London), Danny Sullivan (Kerry Assoc Chairman), Joan Freeman (CEO Pieta House), Kieran O'Neill (ESB PRO), Catherine Hennessy (CEO Icap), Tommy Moran (Moran Hotels), Sinéad O'Sullivan (DIL London PRO) & Sean Faughnan, pictured at the cheque presentation at the Crown Moran hotel in Cricklewood.

people walk or run a 5km route while dawn is breaking. The early dawn represents hope and is symbolic of the work of Pieta House; bringing people from darkness back into the light.

Joan Freeman, CEO of Pieta House, said: "We are delighted to give half of the proceeds to Icap. I'd like to thank Tara Cronin, Catherine Hennessy and Tommy Moran who have worked tirelessly to bring Darkness into Light walk to London. Thank you to the Kerry Association London for their continued support. We also looked to the future and hope to open and operate Pieta rooms here in London in the next 6-8 months. We are ready to get the ball rolling and develop a stronger relationship and collaboration with Icap. I am very much looking forward to working with Catherine Hennessy and the rest of her team."

Catherine Hennessy, CEO of Icap, said: "I'd like to say thank you to Joan and the Pieta

team. I believe we share a common interest and concern for the mental health of the Irish community at both at home and abroad. In our conversations, Joan and I both agree that there is great importance in highlighting the issue of individuals within our communities suffering from mental illness or experiencing a personal crisis. We look forward to an ongoing working relationship."

Darkness into Light is the most vital component of Pieta House's fundraising calendar. As demand for the service continues to grow and with more than 80% of Pieta House's income depending on public donations, funds raised during Darkness into Light are essential for Pieta House to continue to provide a free service for the increasing numbers seeking help.

For further information regarding Pieta House, visit www.pieta.ie.

begins in darkness at 4.15am as thousands of

MUSICAL SOCIETY NOTES

Killarney Musical Society are taking a well deserved break for the Holiday Season following our recent successful Christmas Party, Christmas Caroling Service and Lighting of the Killarney Memory Tree. To all those who took part and attended any of these gatherings, Thank You. We would like to extend our sincere sympathy to our Director Oliver Hurley and our Lighting and Technical Designer, John Hurley and to all the Hurley family on the death of their father, Christy. May He Rest In Peace.

The New Year will be a busy time for the society as we prepare for our 30th. Production.... and the Irish Premiere..... Ghost The Musical, which will be staged on March 11th, 12th, and 13th, 2015. Following on from our successful inaugural School Choirs Showcase which was held in the Malton in February 2014, we are planning to host the showcase once again on February 11th. 2015, in the Malton Hotel. We are very grateful for the sponsorship and help of Educate.ie, Kerry County Council Arts Department, the Malton Hotel and other sponsors once again this year. The showcase sees participating National Schools in the Kerry area receiving choral tuition in their school from the renowned Gemma Sugrue of Voiceworks Studio, Cork. Gemma is a past member of Killarney Musical Society and we are delighted that she is bringing her expertise in vocal and performance technique back to Killarney. The Choirs will be singing two performances of their own choice and a group performance at the end of the show with a communal number being performed by all participants. This is a wonderful experience for all involved, especially the children as they have the opportunity of receiving expert choral tuition and also get the joy of being on stage, performing in a non-competitive manner. Rehearsals for the society will be busy as we approach our 30th production, committee will be busy calling on all our patrons who kindly offer us patronage year in year out for which we will be ever grateful. And so to sign off we wish you all a Very Merry Christmas and every Blessing and Good Wish for 2015.

SCHOOLS OPEN ON JANUARY 6TH

Primary schools in Kerry will open on January 6th despite suggestions from the Catholic Schools Management Association that all schools would remain closed until 7th January.

As it stands all primary schools will return for the new term on January 5th and attend school on the Feast of the Ephiphany, which is a holy day of obligation.

LIR CHOCOLATE WINNERS

Congratulations to the the following who won hampers in the Lir Chocolates - Killarney Outlook colouring competition.

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KERRY FOOTBALL MANAGER OFFICIALLY OPENS URGENT CARE CENTRE AT BON SECOURS HOSPITAL TRALEE

PEOPLE have travelled from Tipperary, Limerick, Cork and Kerry to receive treatment in the new Urgent Care Centre at the Bon Secours Hospital Tralee since it opened in November.

The centre, which was officially opened by the Kerry Senior Football Manager, Eamonn Fitzmaurice, currently operates four days a week, Tuesday to Friday from 9.30am to 5.30pm.

The Manager at the Bon Secours Hospital, Tralee, Donna Roche, said: "The Urgent Care Centre was established with a view to creating choices for patients who wish to be assessed by an Emergency Consultant without delay. We offer a range of diagnostics to patients while they are at the hospital and swift access to a bed should they need to be admitted for further treatment. The emphasis is on time and choice and already we have seen a steady flow of patients in need of urgent care."

The Urgent Care Centre at the Bon Secours Hospital Tralee, Ireland's Private Hospital of the Year in 2014, offers patients over four years of age an additional choice for the treatment for non-life and non-limb threatening illnesses/ accidents.

The Medical Team will treat patients suffering from breaks, sprains, minor facial injuries, scalds, burns, cuts, grazes and various sports injuries.

Patients with serious head injuries, pregnancy related conditions, pelvis or hip fractures, psychiatric emergencies, extensive burns, acute stroke or who have been injured following road collisions or falls from a height must go directly, or will be transferred, to A&E at Kerry General



BON SECOURS HOSPITAL URGENT CARE CENTRE WHICH HAS BEEN OFFICIALLY OPENED IN TRALEE. PICTURED AT THE OPENING JOHN MULHERN (URGENT CARE CENTRE MANAGER), MICK MOLLOY (CONSULTANT IN EMERGENCY MEDICINE), EAMONN FITZMAURICE (KERRY FOOTBALL MANAGER), LAURA MCCARTHY (URGENT CARE CENTRE), CLIR JIM FINUCANE (MAVOR OF TRALEE), DONNA ROCHE (HOSPITAL MANAGER), BARRY LANE (CONSULTANT GENERAL SURGEON), DR HELENA MOORE (CLINICAL DIRECTOR & CONSULTANT NEUROLOGIST). PHOTO BY: DOMNICK WALSH / EVE FOCUS LITD © PHONE MOBILE 087 / 2672033 L/LINE 066 71 22 981

Hospital.

The Urgent Care Centre has initially opened from 9.30am to 5.30pm, Tuesday to Friday while the hospital plans to extend the opening hours to five days a week from the end of January 2015.

The General Manager of Kerry General Hospital, TJ O'Connor, a number of GPs from the Kerry area and the Mayor of Tralee, Cllr Jim Finucane, attended the official opening of the Urgent Care Centre.

"Many other private hospitals around the country have moved into the area of emergency care through the provision of a Medical Assessment Unit or Urgent Care Centre," said

Donna Roche.

The initial fee for a consultation is \in 120 up to a maximum of \in 480 excluding CT Scans and Insurance Excess charges as per various policies.

The Urgent Care Centre is located on the main hospital corridor, close to reception and the contact number for patients or GPs is 066 7145999. The Bon Secours Hospital Tralee has been serving County Kerry for over 90 years and during that time it has commanded a well-earned and enviable reputation for offering the highest standards in patient care, delivered with the utmost compassion.

GMHD CONTINUE SPONSORSHIP AT GREYHOUND STADIUM

The Kingdom Greyhound Stadium have announced that Gallivan Murphy Hooper Dolan Insurances Killarney will again sponsor the Juvenile Classic event in 2015.

The event starts earlier next year beginning on Friday February 6th for 48 open unraced greyhounds March 2013 or younger with a winners prize of \in 15000. This very successful company covers all types of insurance from household to major commercial enterprises and trades nationally.

This is the fifth year of sponsorship by the Killarney insurance group.

STATUE OF PAIDI TO BE ERECTED

A statue is to be erected in Ventry in memory of the late Paidi O'Se who died suddenly two years ago.

A group of Paidi's friends have got together to fundraise for the project which is in the early stages of development.

KERRY CONVENTION BUREAU LAUNCH MOBILE CONFERENCE AMBASSADOR CLINIC

Loyalty, pride and love for your county form the basis of a new marketing initiative that will be launched by the Kerry Convention Bureau (KCB), supported by Fáilte Ireland, on 20th December. The objective is to motivate people to become a Conference Ambassador for Kerry. Kerry people from all walks of life, be it industry research and development, tourism, agriculture, finance, medicine, politics, fashion, sport and academia are encouraged to get involved by asking themselves if they could play an influential role in bringing a conference or event to Kerry.

The Kerry Ambassador Coach will be parked on Main Street from 12.00 pm-5.00 pm on Saturday 20th and Sunday 21st December . They are calling on the Kerry Business Community to support the event by coming along to talk to the KCB members on the day; bring along any family and friends that are home for Christmas and could potentially bring an event to their home turf.





FIONA PLANS TO "RUN FOR OUR ANGELS"

A Kilgarvan mother, who lost her little boy, Aodhán, last February is inviting other parents to come join her and her husband in a very special run 'Run for Our Angels' on February 8th next.

Fiona and Jeremiah Kelleher from Kilgarvan are organising the fun run in memory of their little boy but also to raise funds for Féileacáin – the Stillbirth and Neonatal Death Association of Ireland who have been instrumental in helping them cope with their loss.

For Fiona running has been hugely important. She joined Kilgarvan Ag Rith shortly after the death of Aodhán and it helped her in many ways. This is why she chose to organise a run in memory of her son. The club, including founders Joann Murphy and Elaine Kelleher, are helping organise the run which they are calling 'Run for Our Angels' in memory of Aodhán and others angels in heaven. The run is also in support of Mags Healy, another mother who is a member of Kilgarvan Ag Rith and who lost her twins, Emily and Oisin, in January 2000.

There are two routes – a 5k and 10k both starting at the Top of Coom Bar and going from Kerry into Cork. Precision timing is in place and walkers are also welcome to join the event. Registration is online at Precision Timing,

through the Kilgarvan Ag Rith Facebook page and also on the day.



FIONA KELLEHER PICTURED WITH THE ORGANISERS OF "RUN FOR OUR ANGELS".

Kilgarvan Ag Rith are staring a new training group on January 6th, 2015 for anybody who wants to take part.

Fiona says thanks is due to everyone who is

supporting the event including Eileen Creedon of Top of Coom, O'Reilly's Bar Kilgarvan, Brook Lane Hotel Kenmare, Centra Kenmare, Lee Strand, Con's Restaurant Dawros, Healy Rae's Bar and The Kitchen Studio, Kilgarvan.

ON YOUR BIKE.... KERRY YOUTH CYCLING GATHERING

Kingdom Cycling Club will host the first gathering of cyclists from all over the county for the Kerry Youth Cycling Initiative, which starts in earnest on Sunday, 28th December at the Aqua Dome in Tralee with a start time of 10a.m. Riders are advised to arrive before 9:45a.m. as everyone taking part will be required to sign on, and all riders must have a suitable cycling helmet. Racing bikes are not essential but all bikes, whatever the kind, must be in good working order. A bike check will be carried out prior to the riders being allowed on to the public road.

Only youth riders who are 10 years of age or older will be catered for and all riders will have to be accompanied by either one of their own club mentors or if un-attached, a parent or guardian. The event will consist of a leisure cycle for different age groups, i.e. Under, 12, Under 14 and Under 16 with the route including circuits close to the town and incorporating flat road, a short climb, a technical descent and a few obstacles where bike handling skills can be practiced; all on quiet roads. Full back-up service will be provided but roads will NOT be closed, so Rules of the Road must be observed. After the session is complete, about 12 noon, all will retire to a nearby hotel for a meet & greet, and some refreshments.

The website for all information on cycling matters including the Kerry Youth Cycling Initiative is www.kerryce.ie with a designated email address of contact@kerryce.ie.

A meeting of all club personnel involved in youth cycling within the county is to be held on Monday, 19th January at 8pm at Ulick's Bar, Farranfore where plans for the coming year will be discussed and developed further. This will be a public meeting and all interested parties are welcome to attend. For details please email contact@kerryce.ie or phone 087 637 0738.

TRALEEACTORLANDS TV ROLE

Tralee actor, Timothy Murphy has landed a part in US HBO drama True Detective, which also stars Colin Farrell.



A veteran of stage, film and

television, Murphy, who is from Oakpark in Tralee is one of the most recognized and sought after villans working in television today.

He trained at the Focus Theatre in Dublin which has produced talent such as Liam Neeson and Gabriel Byrne. He currently lives in California.



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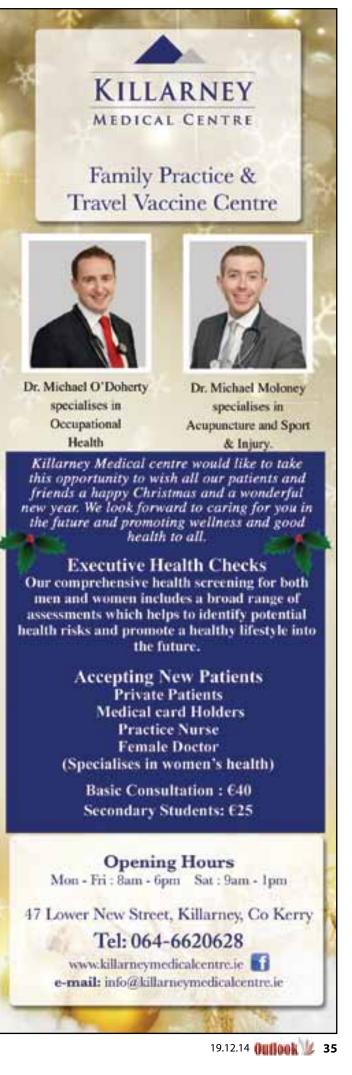


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YOUTH ZONE CHRISTMAS TIME AT THE KDYS

Thirty young people celebrated Christmas early at the KDYS Youth Centre in Killarney on Friday with a combination movie night and open mic night.

Home Alone 1 was shown, and refreshments provided. Later, a full drum kit was brought into the youth cafe, along with a full PA, guitars, and keyboard. Young people and adult volunteers performed covers, original songs, and experimental versions of Christmas songs. The jamming continued until the last song was sung, the last chord strummed, and the last beat drummed.

KDYS Band Project, now renamed KDYS AMP, is open to all young people from 13 to 19 years, who have an interest in music. Every Tuesday at 7pm, until 8.30, KDYS welcomes the musical youth of Killarney and beyond to come and hang out in an informal, fully supervised environment. Whether you are a solo player, or interested in sound engineering, or if you would like to be in a band but find it hard to meet like-minded musicians, this is



KILLARNEY BAND 95 SUBSTANCE PLAY IN THE KDYS YOUTH CENTRE AS PART OF THE KDYS OPEN MIC NIGHT

the place for you. KDYS has a rehearsal room fully equipped with amps, PA system, guitars, basses, keyboard and microphones. There are also acoustic instruments including a violin, a trumpet, and a cajon.

The volunteers at KDYS AMP music project include professional musicians, singers, and sound engineers who encourage and mentor young people in their musical lives. Come and join us any Tuesday, or for more information contact Geraldine O'Halloran at KDYS Killarney on 064 6631748.

The KDYS would also like to wish all volunteers, young people and supporters of the charity a very special Christmas. Looking forward to seeing you in the new year.

CAROLS FILL THE AIR AT ST. BRENDAN'S

On Thursday last, 11th December, twohundred-and-fifty students, parents and staff packed into the College chapel for the annual Carol Service.

With fifty-four boys in our choir, supported by eight musicians on the night, the reflection Service truly captured a sense of the true meaning of Christmas.

With a liturgy challenging us to peel away the commercial layers increasingly associated with Christmas, wrapped in eight beautifully performed Christmas carols, the students certainly drew forth a simple but wonderful sense of the season. The choir led by teachers, Mrs. Mish O'Donoghue and Ms. Emer Devane, having prepared diligently for the event, did not disappoint. With solo pieces by Seán Cronin, Jonathan O'Keeffe, David Payne, Oissine Moore, Jonathan Green, Armandas Bendaravicius and Oisin Treacy and a virtuouso violin performance by Cian B. O'Sullivan and Noise Gloser on saxophone, an astounding cacophany of talent was to the fore!!

As always at this time of year, following the performance, all in attendance were invited to the refectory for mince pies! Next up for the talented group is the concert with Liam O'Connor on March 4th.



KIANAN O'DOHERTY TEACHER EMER DEVANE AND CHRISTIAN MARCETTI



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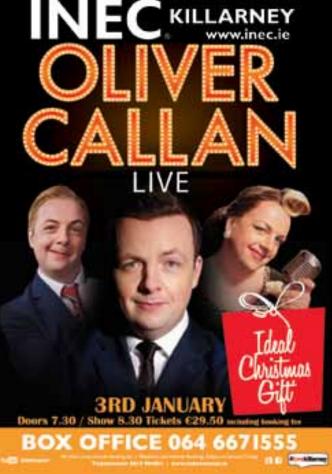
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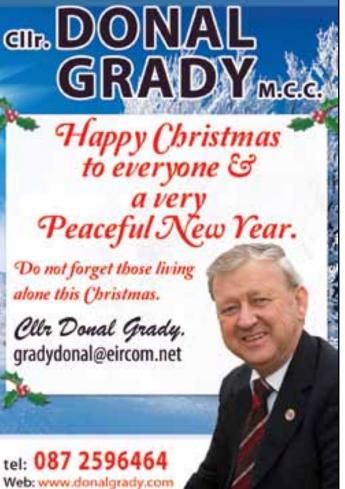


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Christmas Greetings

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A MESSAGE OF SINCERE THANKS FROM THE HEALY-RAE FAMILY

On behalf of the Healy-Rac family, I want to thank the thousands of people who travelled to Kilgarvan to say a final farewell to our father and grandfather and the people who worked so hard in organising and conducting the funeral. A special word of thanks to the management, nurses and doctors of Killarney District Hospital and Kerry General Hospital, and all medical personnel who were always so kind and caring. It was the most difficult week of our lives but it was made bearable by the tremendous support that we received and that we will be forever grateful for. We want to take this opportunity to wish you all a happy and Holy Christmas and we look forward to continuing to work for you now and in the years ahead.

Signed: Danny, Johnny and Michael Healy-Rae on behalf of all of the Healy-Rae family





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A slim-style **Christmas Dinner** with All the Trimmings

Edele Daly of Fitness with Edele provides the guilt-free Christmas Dinner this week courtesy of Breda O'Shea of Weightwatchers, Killarney.

Ingredients

- 400 g Turkey, Roasted, Meat Only, (based on

- 400 g Turkey, Roasted, Meat Only, (based on 100 g per serving, cut from a 6.5% oven-ready bird) 2 tablespoons Oil. Vegetable, Any Type 500 g Potatoes, Old. Raw, scrubbed 4 medium Parsnip, halved lengthways 100 g Pork Sausagement 1 medium Shallots, finely chopped 25 g Breadcrumbs, Fresh 2 teaspoons Mixed Herbs, Dried (as purchased) 4 individual Prunes, Dried, (12 prunes) 3 rasher(s) Bacon, Streaky, Raw, stretched with knife and cut into 4 (medium) 450 g Brussels Sprouts, Boiled in Unsalted Water 3 medium Carrots, Old, Raw, uliced 350 g Cabbage, shredded 4 teaspoons Gravy Powder / Granules, dry 4 tablespoons Cramberry Sauce 1 teaspoons Salt 1/2 teaspoons Pepper, Black (Whole, Cracked or Ground) (ground)

Method

- 1. Preheat oven to Gas Mark 7/220 C/425 F. Remove giblets from turkey.
- Position whole turkey in large roasting pan. Cover loosely with foil. Roast for 40 minutes.
 Reduce oven to Gas Mark 4/180°C/350°F. Roast turkey, covered with foil, for 2 1/2 3 more
- hours, basting occasionally.
- Put oil into separate roasting tin. Add potatoes and parsnips. Toss to coat. Season. One hour before turkey is done, put into oven.
 Mix sausagement, shallots, breadcrumbs and dried herbs. Season and shape into 8 balls.
- Put in baking dish, cover and roast for 30 minutes. 6. Wrap prunes in bacon. Put in baking dish; roast for 20 minutes.
- 7. Check that turkey is thoroughly cooked by piercing thickest part of its thigh with a skewer. If juices run clear, it is cooked, but if there is still a trace of pink, it needs extra time. Before carving, allow the bird to rest for 15 minutes, covered with foil to keep it warm.
- 8. Whilst turkey is standing, put sprouts and carrots on to cook. Cook the cabbage lightly, then make the gravy.
- 9. Carve turkey, serve with roast potatoes, vegetables, stuffing balls, bacon-wrapped prunes, gravy and cranberry sauce.

CULINARY CORNER











Preparation Time: 45 min Cooking Time: 240 min Level of Difficulty: Moderate

Servings: 4

HEALTHY OUTLOOK



Christmas can be a difficult time for even the most robust. At Christmas time there can be high expectations to have a good time which can make it a difficult time for many. People can feel under extreme pressure as they struggle to live up to Christmas expectations. Christmas can cause emotional turmoil among families. Many people are exhausted by the time Christmas arrives. This combined with a busy family time, perhaps too much alcohol and over spending can leave people feeling at a deficit financially, emotionally and spiritually.

For many men, being separated from their families at Christmas can be a particularly isolating and lonely time. At Christmas time, there's a lot of media hype about family and Christmas time by definition is a time for family, for celebration and for happiness. This can all add to the stress one feels around Christmas. The expense of buying gifts coupled with heightened expectations, financial pressures, isolation, and family tensions, can undermine our Christmas Spirit. We have put together some practical suggestions to help make your Christmas relatively stress free.

1. Reach Out If you are feeling lonely or isolated; seek out someone to talk to. This may be a family member, a friend, your GP or a counsellor.

2. Be Realistic Whilst we may have images of the perfect Christmas from movies and songs – this is rarely the case in reality. Cut yourself some slack this Christmas and remember it doesn't have to be perfect (and rarely will be).

3. Stick to a budget Decide how much money you can afford to spend and then stick to this. Planning ahead can also take much of the stress out of Christmas.

4. Take time for yourself Be sure to factor in some time for you – take a walk, relax whilst listening to music, go for a swim. Spending just 15 minutes alone, without distractions can refresh you and help clear your mind.

5. Stay healthy Christmas can be a time when we overindulge on sweets, cake and alcohol. Try not to abandon your healthy habits and be sure to get plenty of sleep and physical exercise.

At **SouthWest Counselling Centre** we recognise the challenges people may face at this time. To support people who are feeling in distress or needing someone to talk to, **Kerry LifeLine** at **SouthWest Counselling Centre Killarney** will provide support for people at this time. You can talk with a counsellor over the phone or drop into our Centre between 10am and 5pm over the Christmas break. Tel **064 6636416**. If you need to talk to someone immediately/ or outside of these hours please **The Samaritans** on **1850 609090**. SouthWest Counselling Centre is located on Lewis Road (next to Aras Phadraig), Killarney.

SouthWest Counselling Centre Killarney provides affordable professional counselling to children, adolescents adults and couples – both at its **Killarney Centre (Lewis Road)** and at **Kenmare Family Centre**. info@southwestcounselling. ie. Kerry LifeLine provides **FREE** counselling and support to anyone feeling suicidal or bereaved through suicide. **info@ kerrylifeline.com** To make an appointment call 064 6636416. SouthWest Counselling Centre is a not-for-profit organization. All funds raised through fundraising go directly to service provision.

Health Matters.... With Dr. Michael O'Doherty

WHOOPING COUGH

Continued

Spread

Whooping cough very infectious in the early stage of the illness. You will normally pass on the infection to most household members who are not immunised (or who have not previously had whooping cough). Symptoms develop 7-14 days after being infected.

Antibiotics are still usually given to decrease the length of time which you are infectious. After a 5 day course you are no longer infectious however you can remain infectious for about 3 weeks after the bouts of coughing occur, without treatment.

A course of antibiotics may be given to non-immunised people who have come into contact with a person with whooping cough. This may prevent the illness from developing.

Possible complications

Most people fully recover but some develop complications. Complications most commonly develop in babies under the age of six months. Possible complications include:

Pneumonia.

• Pressure effects of the severe coughing can, rarely, cause blood vessels to burst and cause nosebleeds, coughing up blood, or skin bruises.

Rarely, brain damage occurs.

Complications such as severe pneumonia or brain damage can sometimes cause death.

Diagnosis and Treatment

It is mainly diagnosed by the typical symptoms. Swabs and bloods may be required to confirm the diagnosis.

Antibiotics can be used to kill the bacteria which causes the cough. However once the bouts of coughing have started antibiotics make little impact on the illness.

Immunisation

Immunisation against whooping cough is part of the routine childhood vaccines. Since its introduction there has been a dramatic decline in the rate of the illness. However it is not 100% as the effect of the vaccination may wear off over time. There has been an increase in the number of cases of whooping cough in recent months. In 2012 more than 400 cases have been reported (more than double 2011). Most cases have been in babies less than 6 months of age who are too young to be vaccinated and sadly two babies died as a result of whooping cough in 2012.

In order to help protect young babies from becoming infected with whooping cough it is suggested that pregnant women should be vaccinated against whooping cough. Whooping cough vaccination has been shown to be safe for pregnant women and effective in helping to reduce the risk of the baby becoming infected with whooping cough.

Dr. Michael O'Doherty, General Practitioner and Occupational Health Specilaist The Killarney Medical Centre,

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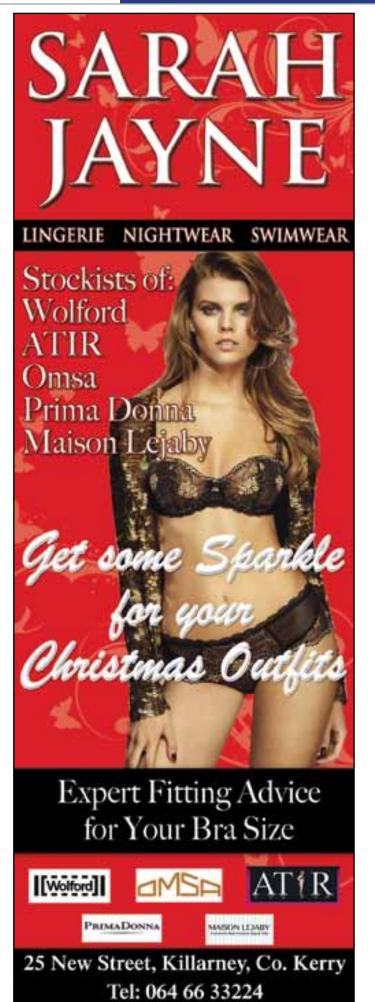
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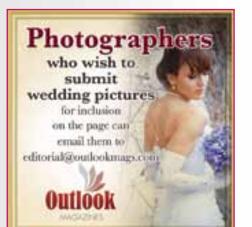
A look at the Wedding's taking place in Killarney.



LISA MARIE O'MAHONY AND PAUL O'CALLAGHAN WHO WERE MARRIED RECENTLY AT ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL KILLARNEY AND HELD THEIR RECEPTION AT THE HEIGHTS HOTEL KILLARNEY. PICTURED BY: TARA DONOGHUE.



The team at The Brehon in Killarney hosted a particularly special wedding last Friday, when they rolled out the red carpet for their 700th bridal party. Niamh Cronin and Brian Ahern from Cloughduv in Cork were the 700th couple to have their wedding reception at the award winning hotel and were given a special gift from The Brehon to mark the occasion. Brian Bowler, Manager, Brehon Hotel, was on hand to welcome the Bridal party. Photo: Valerie O'Sullivan.







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COMMUNITY FOCUS

RATHMORE / GNEEVEGUILLA NEWS By Michael O'Mahony

ANNUAL CHARITY WALK: Saturday 3rd January 2015 from Clonkeen Church to the Bridge Bar, in aid of Kerry Mountain Rescue and Pieta House Registration 12;30 to 1.00pm.

Bus leaves at 1.00pm sharp. Registration fee \in 10. All Donations Greatly Appreciated.

Light Refreshments in the Bridge Bar after contact Denis Desmond on, 087-6245071.

SLIABH LUACHRA MACRA: The group are holding there annual walk of 4k to the source of the Blackwater this St. Stephen's Day, meeting up at the Old School Foyle Ballydesmond at 11am sharp. All donations to Autism Ireland, sponsorship cards available from any club member and also on the day, please give what you can. Foyle School is signposted 3 miles outside Ballydesmond on the Ballydesmond Newmarket road.

IMPORTANT DATE! CHRISTMAS CONFESSIONS: On this Sunday 21st December come to Rathmore Church and be involved in an afternoon of prayer and forgiveness commencing at 3pm with an opening prayer and a brief introduction, the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed and from that time until 7pm many priests will be available in the Church to hear confessions, One can come for a few minutes or longer and engage as one wishes in making God'S forgiveness a reality.

CHRISTMAS IN RATHMORE: Rathmore Community Council working together as a community. Mr. Liam Flynn from Millstreet outlined a proposal which would very much enhance our village over the Christmas period. Unfortunately the proposal would involve significant expenditure in year one but not quite as costly in year two and subsequent years. Year one brackets would cost €50, trees are €15 and lights €22, putting up and taking down €40. Initial cost of €120. For those who already have brackets, trees and lights can be supplied for €70. He has agreed to leave prices as last year. While we feel that it is not easy for people to find money for everything in these times we feel that this is a project worth recommending but it is up to people themselves. If you are interested please contact any member of Rathmore Community Council or ring Liam on (087) 6380053 or (029) 70397.

Rathmore Social Action Group marks its 40th Anniversary in 2015 with a year long celebration. A special commemorative book is planned highlighting the Group's history and activities. They are keen to include a broad range of photographs and memorabilia. Anyone with items of interest or for more information, please contact Teach losagáin (064)7761000. All items will be copied and returned. We would love to hear from past SAG members whether at home or abroad.

Rathmore Social Action Group are holding a Concert for Christmas in Teach losagain on Saturday December 20th from 7-9pm (after Mass). Come and join us for an evening of song, music and Christmas cheer! Light refreshments will be provided. Cost is only €5 and we look forward to seeing you then !

SYMPATHY: To the family relatives and friends of Elsie Leader née O' Leary,of Ballydesmond, and Peggy Mackessy, Newmarket, who passed away recently. May they rest in peace.

2015 PARISH CALENDAR: A very special parish calendar will be available in all 4 parish churches this weekend. They will also be delivered to every home with the parish envelopes, It promises to be a nice surprise!!! **OWNEYCREE ANGLING CLUB:**

CHRISTMAS DANCE AND FUNDRAISING DRAW: East Avenue Hotel Killarney Friday 19th December, 2014. Music by P.J. Murrihy Band. 5 Superb Xmas Hampers and Door Prizes to be won on the night. Adm. €10.

BEST OF LUCK: To Austin Murphy and Bernie Cahill, who have taken over the management of Cahill bar Rathmore, we wish Austin and Bernie best of luck in they new business.

SLIABH LUACHRA CYCLING CLUB: We are open for membership, new and existing for 2015. We are also starting a juvenile club in February for U12, U14, U16 and Juniors (U18) A six week beginners program for adults will start the beginning of February.

More details will be available on our website sliabhluachracyclingclub.com and our Facebook page early in the New Year.

Enquiries – telephone 0877023562 or email sliabhluachracyclingclub@gmail.com

RATHMORE/GNEEVEGUILLA COMMUNITY

GAMES: Please visit our new Facebook page. To view our Fixtures list for 2015. For more enquiries please contact one of our officers. Draughts training (team event) U10, U12 and U14 every Monday night at Teach losagain,

Rathmore at 7.30pm. Come along and learn to play this great board game, an age old tradition.

U15 Badminton (team event) training to commence shortly. If you are interested in assisting with this event, please contact one of our Officers.

PLEASE NOTE: FOR 2015 SEASON: If your child tries out and qualifies for any team/relay event at local level, then he/she is committed to this team. Should the team/relay be successful in winning a County GOLD medal, the child (GOLD medallist only) is committed to this team and is not eligible to participate in any other team/relay event at local level for the

remainder of the 2015 season.

TUREENCAHILL COMMUNITY GROUP: Sliabh Luachra Active Retirement Group will meet again in Tureencahill school Building on Friday January 16th 2015.

GNEEVEGUILLA GAA CLUB: Congratulations to Stephen O'Sullivan who was appointed assistant secretary of the Kerry Co, Board at its convention renelity.

GNEEVEGUILLA BASKETBALL CLUB: Bingo night in Gneeveguilla Hall on Sunday 4th January 2015 at 6.30pm. Cash and spot prizes on the night. A fun night out for all the family. All welcome.

RATHMORE G. A. A CLUB. LOTTO results 08/12/2014 No's drawn: we're: 2.11. 15.25. No Winner Next week's jackpot is €5,600. RESULTS East Kerry Championship Div 2 (U18 Football) Rathmore 0-11 Fossa 1-12 East Kerry League Div 1 (U13 Football) Rathmore 1-14 Dr Crokes 2-05

RATHMORE LADIES FOOTBALL:

The Bridget Dineen Memorial final was played last week under lights between Rathmore and Legion. It was evenly contested in the first half but Rathmore pulled away in the end to win playing some excellent football. The cup was presented by Mike Dineen to the winning captain Chloe O'Connor. This was the final game for the U16 girls, who have won the county league, county A Div.1 and finishing the year with another win. Well done to all the team and their mentors,Nora O'Connor, Emma Cremin, Aine Carolan, and Tadgh Moynihan.

Last Saturday night our four under 14. girls, Brid Ryan, Aoife Callaghan, Rachel Fitzgerald and Sinead Warren were presented with their All Ireland and Munster medals at the Kerry awards night in the Killarney Heights. Congratulations girls and well done. The annual Denny Miah 7 aside soccer tournament will take place on the 28th and 29th December in the astro pitch Rathmore. Ladies teams welcome this year. To enter your team contact any of the following, Nora: 087 9173201, Sheila: 087 7703355 or Emma: 087 6130772.

Funds raised this year will go to Rathmore Ladies Football.

Rathmore ladies football would like to wish all its members and supporters a very Happy Christmas and look forward to a happy and a successful 2015.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS: I would like to wish every one of Our Readers & Club PRO'S and everyone that helped and send me items for the Rathmore Gneeveguila News over the past year, A very Happy & Holy Christmas & the best of luck & good Heath for the New Year.



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SYMPATHY Sympathy is extended to the Co

families of Bill Falvey, Knocklebede and Jackie Healy Rae, Knockeenlicka and Kilgarvan who died recently. May they rest in peace.

KILCUMMIN COMHALTAS: Kilcummin Comhaltas would like to thank all our members who provided great entertainment for our friends and neighbours at Kilcummin Nursing Home recently. This has become an annual event in the run up to Christmas each year and is an excellent opportunity for our young people to entertain and mix with our senior citizens and was thoroughly enjoyed by all. Well done everyone!

CHRISTMAS WREATHS (Grave & Door) for sale or pre-order and collect in Kilcummin Recreational Hall on the weekend of the 20th & 21st December after 7.30pm & 11.15am Mass. Grave Wreaths €10 & Door Wreaths €13. Contact Mary at 087-6447536.

KERRY SAMARITANS BRANCH: Kerry Samaritans Branch will be holding their Annual Church Gate Collection at Masses on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day in Kilcummin.

THANK YOU: Marie Lehane would like to thank all those who supported the Christmas Dance last Wednesday night in the GAA Clubhouse. A total of \in 1160 was presented on the night to Tony Heffernan in aid of Bumbleance.

KILCUMMIN GAA NOTES

UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS - RAMBLING HOUSE: Friday January 2nd all proceeds on the night go to Parkinsons Disease.

A.G.M: Sunday January 18th at 5p.m. MAJOR CHARITY FUND RAISER

GAA LADIES COMMITTEE Are organising a special fund raising night in the Klub on Saturday January 3rd to coincide with a Ladies Christmas night out. All proceeds go to the Oncology unit in Kerry General Hospital. This unit provides a powerful service in providing Kerry people with daily Cancer treatments. In much need of funds it is hoping to move to a larger facility which will be of great benefit to patients and staff alike. The night takes the format of A Funky Hat night and there will be spot-prizes and refreshments on the night as well as a prize for the best women's and men's hats. Come along wear any type of headgear and support a great cause. Commencing @ 9pm Admission free. Donations accepted.

WEDDING BELLS: Best wishes to our Kerry goalie Brendan Kealy and Catherine Moynihan who get married at the week-end.

BEAUFORT NEWS

BEAUFORT RAMBLING HOUSE: Next Session will take place on Saturday, February, 7th. More details later.

QUIZ 4 KIDZ: Christmas Quiz 4 kidz will take place on this Friday December 19th in Beaufort Community Hall at 7pm sharp. Come and celebrate the start of the school holidays with your friends. Tables of 4, only €2 per person. Parents may sit with and help out younger children. Novelty prizes. Tea/coffee and refreshments available.

SEASONS GREETINGS: Beaufort Pioneer

Council wish to express their most sincere thanks to everybody who very kindly supported events during the past year. A very special thanks to the people who subscribe to The Pioneer Magazine. A very Happy Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.

BEAUFORT TIDY TOWNS: Clean Up: Thank you to everyone who participated in our parish wide clean up last weekend. Around 30 bags of rubbish was collected, which is down from the 3 tonne that was first collected in November 2011. 70 miles of road was covered with over 200 volunteers and growing everyday, out helping. Thank you for keeping Beaufort litter free.

SANTA IN BEAUFORT: Great to see Santa back in Beaufort house again this year, for such a wonderful weekend. Thanks to everyone for their support over the weekend. A huge thank you to the Cameron family who were wonderful hosts and to all the voulenteers. Your support is invaluable.

SPANEWS with anne holland

COISTE NA NOG: Thanks to all who supported our annual raffle at the Card Drive held in the Torc Hotel. 1st prize Catriona Madden, 2nd Joe McAuliffe, 3rd Tim Regan, 4th Niall O'Mahony, 5th Aoife O'Sullivan 6th Mary Kavangh.

Sean Kelliher once again hosted a brilliant night of 31 Card Drive along with his committee and all the Card players. Winners of the card drive were Tom and Timmy Moriarty (Kathleen Ryan played for Timmy).

LADIES FOOTBALL: Congratulations to the U14 girls Marie O'Donoghue, Eimear Beazley, Megann Cronin and Mairead Bennett who were requested to return to join the Kerry Ladies U14 squad.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING Our Club AGM will be held on Friday January 9th and our Coiste na nOg AGM will be on Wednesday Jan 7th at the Clubhouse.

SCOR: Scór na bPaisti and Senior Scór Club members who may be interested in participating in forthcoming Senior Scór or Scór na bPaistí (Primary school children) competitions are invited to contact Spa Scór Officer Sheila McCarthy at 087-7614847.

Scor disciplines are Set and Figure Dancing, Recitation, Drama, Solo Singing, Instrumental Music, Ballad Group and quiz.

CLUB MERCHANDISE: Please contact Mathilda McCarthy (087) 648 7356 to purchase our new range of Club gear.

CLOTHES/BOOKS/OLD PHONES DRIVE COLLECTION: We collect all year round. All proceeds goes towards the underage section of this club. Time to clear those wardrobes and can be dropped off to Spa clubhouse during the day or in the evening. All clothes any condition (clean), belts, bags, shoes and books (no school text books) and any old phones can be collected. Contact Anne Holland 0857780883 or John O Donoghue 087 9403517

SPA COMMUNITY NOTES: Sympathy is extended to Christy Moynihan & family Upper Lissivigeen on the recent death of his sister Eileen O Shea, May she rest in peace.





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FOSSA NEWS

FOSSA GAA:

Fossa Lotto 14th December 2014 Numbers Drawn: 9,11,16,and 28 Jackpot: €7,200 No Jackpot Winner: New Jackpot: €7,350.

Tickets on sale at the Golden Nugget Bar, The Castlerosse Leisure Centre, The Travel Inn, The Old Killarney Inn, Foley's Spar shop Fossa, The Laurels Bar, Killarney and from committee members. Next draw takes place on Sunday night December 21st 2014 at the Golden Nugget Fossa at 11p.m. Thanks to everybody who supports our Lotto each week as well as all those who sell tickets.

A.G.M: The Annual General Meeting of Fossa GAA takes place on Sunday January 4th at 2:00pm. It is important that all members are present.

SENIORS: On June 14th we left Beaufort, defeated by three points having played well, the winning scores coming in the last three minutes.We had lost 4 of our 5 games in County League and exited Novice Championship to Reenard. Since then our senior team has played

22 games, won 19, drawn 1 and lost 2 while we were crowned Bill Tagney Cup Champions, Fr. Galvin Cup Champions and also finished joint 3rdin Division 4 of the county league. Our two epic games with Castlegregory which both went to extra time in November will live long in the memory. Unfortunately for our lads, on Sunday December 14th 2014 we lost out to Beaufort in the play off to get promoted to Division 3. Final score Beaufort 0-08 Fossa 0-07. Losing star forwards Tadgh O'Shea for a black card in the 8th minute, and Kenneth Clifford to injury 9 minutes later deprived us of much of the scoring power we had displayed in recent games. It was our defence who were heroic on Sunday. The three O'Sullivan brothers cleared their lines repeatedly, while Kevin McCarthy, Anthony Wharton, and Mark Dennehy blocked and turned over many a potent Beaufort attack. Dan Cronin's brilliant saves in the 15th minute of the first half, and from Francis Courtney on the 1st minute of the second half were inspiring, as was the sight of Colin Myers, on his crutches, cheering on his team mates from the stand. Fintan Coffey and Matthew Rennie more

than held their own at midfield. It has been the most encouraging period for a Fossa senior team for a few years, and credit must go to team mentors Denis Reen, John Brosnan, Mick Clifford and Kevin Myers, as well as our brave panel of players. Roll on 2015.

COISTE NA NOG MEDAL PRESENTATION. Underage medal presentation will take place in Old Killarney Inn, Sunday next Dec 21 from 5.30 to 7.30 for both boys and girls from under 11 to under 16. All parents invited, food and refreshments will be provided. A special guest will attend. Looking forward to seeing ye all. FOSSA ABU

SYMPATHY: We extend our sympathy to Dora and Mick Walsh of Fossa on the death of Dora's sister Mary Hickey of Knocknagoshel. Ar dheis De go raibh a hanam.

FOSSA/TWO MILE COMHALTAS: Fossa/Two Mile Comhaltas will hold their Rambling House on Sat 10th Jan 2015 In the Travel Inn, Fossa. A great night of music, song, dance & storytelling. Anyone interested in taking part contact Tim 087 2413116, Eileen 087 6284053.

GLENFLESK NEWS WITH DONAL KELLY

COUNTY LEAGUE DIV 3: Well done to the Glenflesk senior team, sponsored by the Jarvey's Rest, who secured promotion to Division 2 of the county league following a fantastic away victory over Annascaul on Sunday December 14th 2014, on a final score of 2-13 to 2-09. A strong first half performance saw Glenflesk lead by 1-7 to 0-2 at half-time, but a transformed Annascaul came back into the game strongly in the second-half scoring 2-7. Thankfully Glenflesk held out for a famous victory and a well-deserved return to Division 2. Well done to all the players for their dedication and hard work over a long year and to their management team of Paud O'Donoghue, Kieran O'Sullivan, Micheal O'Donoghue, and Kieran O'Callaghan. LEATHERING THE TAR: Glenflesk Coiste na nOg are hosting a special family fun event at the Kerry Way on St. Stephen's Day between 12noon and 4pm. Putting a football twist on road bowling, teams of two adults and two juveniles will aim to complete a 2km course on

the old road at the back of the Kerry Way in the fewest number of kicks possible. See you there and bring a ball! See FB for more details.

KILLARNEY HOSPITALS VISIT: Our annual visit to entertain in St. Columbanus' Home and Killarney Community Hospital will take place on Saturday 20th December from 1:00pm to 3:30pm. All singers dancers and musicians welcome. Please assemble outside the main door of Killarney Community Hospital at 1:00pm.

GLENFLESK COMHALTAS: The annual Christmas Concert was held in St. Agatha's Community Centre, Glenflesk on the 12th December. This was a tremendous success, with a packed hall. A presentation was made to Maureen McCarthy, who retired as Treasurer after 18 years. Maureen was a dedicated worker not only as Treasurer but helped out in all aspects of the Branch. Thanks to all the performers, and to their teachers and trainers and our Bean an Ti, Joanne Cashman.

Thanks to all the parents for their continued success. Thanks also to all who helped out at the concert selling tickets, serving tea and refreshments and to all who contributed to the raffle and bringing sandwiches and cakes for the tea. A special mention to Damien Switzer who designed our banner and our Christmas posters again this year.

RAHEEN NS: Congratulations to Joan O' Shea who had the winning lotto number 2 on Saturday the 6th of December and to Sheila Warren who had the winning lotto number 44 on Saturday the 13th.

HAPPY CHRISTMAS: Nollaig faoi shéan 's faoi mhaise daoibh go léir. On behalf of everyone in Glenflesk GAA, we wish you a safe, happy and peaceful Christmas.

CONTACT: We welcome items of local interest. Contact PRO Donal 087-6687926; email pro. glenflesk.kerry @gaa.ie deadline 8pm Sunday.



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Before setting off on a journey check to see if there are any problems on your intended route.

HERE ARE SOME USEFUL LINKS:

Visit the Department of Transport for updates on Public Transport

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Check the weather at Met Eireann

For updates on conditions on Motorways and National roads visit the NRA's - The Road Weather Information System

Check the Garda website for travel warnings For update on the latest traffic news visit the AA Roadwatch website

Check for live weather and Garda updates as you travel – but remember not to use your phone while driving

Check your Local Authority website for updates

IS YOUR JOURNEY ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY?

In extreme weather conditions you should ask yourself if making a journey by road is absolutely necessary? If it is not you might consider delaying your trip until the weather and road conditions improve. If using the roads in such conditions is unavoidable be prepared. The golden rule is to drive, cycle or walk with care and caution and expect the unexpected.

IS YOUR VEHICLE READY FOR WINTER?

As the saying goes 'Prevention is better than cure', so take some time to prepare both your vehicle and yourself for the challenges of winter driving. Don't get caught out when severe weather strikes.

Your first step should be to get your vehicle serviced to ensure it is fit and safe for winter driving. Secondly you should carry out regular checks on the vehicle.

You should:

check for wear and tear on wiper blades and replace them as soon as they start to smear rather than clean windows

keep tyre pressure at the manufacturer's recommended level and check you have at least 3 millimetres of tread depth

check that your spare wheel is in good condition and is fully inflated. Some cars may have an inflation repair kit instead of a spare wheel. Make sure that you know how to use it make sure all vehicle lights are working and clean and

top up with anti-freeze and screen wash

BE SEEN TO BE SAFE!

When out cycling or walking, especially in rural areas, high visibility reflective clothing and lights are the only way to stay safe when out on the roads.

A vehicle has a greater chance of seeing you during dark winter days and nights if you wear something reflective and carry a torch. In turn cyclists should make sure their bikes are fitted with front and rear lights.

As children make the journey to school often in the dark, parents really need to make sure their child can be seen. If walking or cycling to school, especially in rural areas they need to wear reflective clothing. If your child gets the bus to school, please make sure they wear reflective clothing so they can be seen at the bus stop. Don't leave them standing on the side of the road in the dark to wait for a bus!



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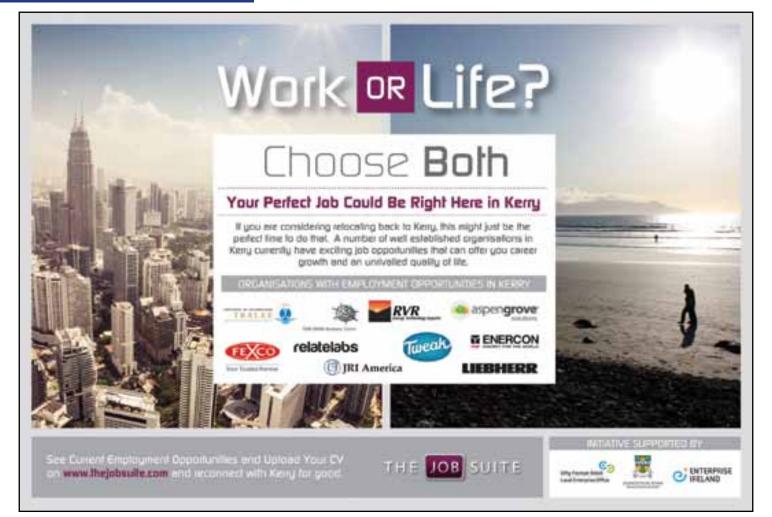
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EAST KERRY NOTES with Áine Ní Shúilleabháin PRO

St Brendans Collage Students Foundation Level Coaching Course

St Brendans College transition year students completed a Foundation Level coaching course last Friday. The course consisted of class and practical modules with all students showing great interest during the day. Twenty six students took part with all students receiving a Foundation coaching booklet on completion of the course. David O' Dea (South Kerry Hurling) and Vince Cooper (East Kerry/ Kenmare) GDA delivered the course. Thanks to Sean Coffey (Principal) for his assistance in organising the event. The feedback was positive from all students regarding supporting all East Kerry juvenile clubs at underage level in 2015. Vince Cooper and David O' Dea will work closely with all East Kerry clubs to deliver on the students work time in each club.

MILLTOWN/CASTLEMAINE NOTES

SENIORS Milltown/Castlemaine play Keel in the Mid-Kerry Championship Final next Saturday in Killorglin at 2 pm

LOTTO Our Lotto Jackpot has now reached €10,600. Don't miss out on the chance to win this massive Prize for just €2 entry. Get your tickets in local shops and bars.

There was no winner of last weeks lotto , the numbers drawn where 06,25,26,30.

The next draw will take place on the 22nd of December in Knightlys Bar

THE PAT LANGFORD MEMORIAL CUP

Our annual hurling game will be played next Sunday December 21st at 1.30 pm at Milltown/ Castlemaine GAA Grounds. Adults game will be followed by a children's game. Refreshments will be served for everyone after in the clubhouse. All welcome

RACENIGHT Thank you to everyone who attended last weekends race night, do to your contribution in buying horses etc it makes it our most successfull fundraiser of the year in particular thank you to Larkins Bar for hosting the event

DR. CROKES GAA CLUB NOTES

LOTTO: Draw took place in the Tatler Jack on Sunday last. Numbers drawn: 3, 4, 13, 17. The jackpot of $\leq 12,600$ was won. Congratulations to Norita Devane, Stonechat Café and Restaurant, Killarney. 3 by ≤ 50 vouchers were also drawn. Next week's jackpot is $\leq 3,000$. Draw will take place in the Tatler Jack.

JUVENILE CHRISTMAS PARTY: The juvenile boys and girls of Dr. Crokes GAA Club had a brilliant night on Friday last at the Annual Christmas Party. The huge numbers were well entertained by DJ Daire. Thanks to everyone who helped make a great night: Sarah, Amy, Leah, the two Annes, Pat, Frances, Deborah Ann and, of course, Santa Claus. For photos of the night, go to our Facebook page.

STRICTLY COME DANCING: First date to note on your 2015 calendar; Thursday, 5th March 2015 as Dr. Crokes go Strictly Come Dancing in the INEC, Killarney. The line-up of dancers - some of which you will definitely not want to miss - as well as other details to be released soon. Keep up-to-date with our club notes and social feeds as well as the Dr. Crokes website for the latest information.

KERRY COUNTY & DISTRICT PASS

2015: Entitles bearer to entry to all club championship and league games, hurling and football, under the auspices of the Kerry County Committee and Divisional Committees. Not valid for Provincial or National games. Now available to purchase from the Kerry County Board Office in Tralee & Kerry GAA Store in Killarney Outlet Centre. Cost: €125.

WEBSITE: The new Dr. Crokes website has been up and running for the past two months now. We are still compiling remaining information for the site. If you would like to help complete the remaining elements or have any views or suggestions, please get in touch with Michael O'Keeffe at pro.drcrokes.kerry@ gaa.ie.

SYMPATHIES: to the family and friends of the late Julia Leahy and to the Healy-Rae family on the passing of Jackie Healy-Rae.

LEGION GAA CLUB NOTES

CLUB AGM The club AGM was held last Thursday evening in Direen.In his report Chairman Jimmy Reen gave an appraisal of what was one of the most successful years in the club's history while at the same time emphasising the need to keep up the great work and maintain progress. The attendance joined Secretary Barry Slattery as he paid tribute to retiring officers Maria O Sullivan, Nora Kissane Linda O Donoghue and Paul Trant. Nora, in particular, has given an unstinting long service as club treasurer. Her last task, along with club accountant Ian Houlihan, was to present an insightful report into the club finances. The various team and committee reports were received with due optimism while some of the housekeeping was referred to the next executive meeting. Officers for 2015 are as follows.

Chairman.Jimmy Reen Vice Chairman Enda Walshe Secretary Barry Slattery Treasurers Marian Culloty +position to be filled Registrar..A 3 person committee to be finalised at next executive meeting. PRO..Kevin Griffin Juvenile Chairman Paddy Osborne Juvenile Secretary Tom Moriarty Many thanks to Maria O Sullivan, Nora Kissane, Linda O'Donoghue and Paul Trant for their superb service. Paul,however, is moving to a new and important position as Lotto coordinator.

JUVENILE BOYS Last week we gave a summary of how the juvenile girls fared throughout the year and so this week its the turn of the boys and it must be said that 2014 has been a very successful year for our juvenile boys with every single one of our young players from under 11 to under 16 winning at least one medal & in some cases 3 I'd like to thank all of our dedicated coaches who give up so much of their time to help these young players to develop, not only as footballers but also into fine young men. A big thank you also to the very patient parents who are on the road night & day making sure that the lads get to training & matches

Under 11 East Kerry Group 1 (joint) winners. Under 12 Division 1 County Champions. East Kerry Division 1 winners.

Under 13 East Kerry Division 1 winners. Austin Stacks tournament plate winners.

Rose Cup Division 1 finalists.

Under 14 East Kerry Division 1 League winners. John Egan Division 1 finalists.

Under 16 Division 2 County Champions

CAIRDE AN LEIGIUN Many thanks to everyone who attended our launch of "Cairde an Leigiun". Thank you to all our sponsors without whom the club would not be able to exist and progress. We were delighted they could all ioin us for the function in the Killarney Avenue Hotel. The centre piece of the night was the Questions and Answers session hosted by the legendary Weeshie Fogarty.Brian Kelly, Aidan O'Mahony, Maurice Fitzgerald and James O'Donoghue kept the audience hanging on their every word with an entertaining and enlightening evening. Thank you to Michael and Mary O'Donoghue and the management of the hotel who catered for everyone's needs with a fantastic meal. Many thanks once again to all our sponsors and here's to a fruitful 2015. KIDS CHRISTMAS PARTY Great night at the Saturday Morning Academy Christmas

party. Many thanks to our Footballer of the Year James O'Donoghue, Brian Kelly ,Conor and Shaun Keane, Podge O Connor, Bernie Breen and Weeshie Fogarty for their help with medal presentations.To Seanie and Connie for the raffle and to Anita, Dan and Illona for the efficient running of the shop. To Santa for his time and to his helpers The 2 Rebeccas. And also to DJ Tom Lucey who kept the kids bopping. And finally thanks to the Killarney Avenue Hotel for their help.

GAA PASSES The County board has issued the 2015 Kerry County and district pass and are now currently available at a cost of 125 euro. This pass entitles the holder to free entry to all championship and league games in both hurling and football within the county and divisional areas at club level. These passes can





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be purchased from either the County board office in Tralee and the Kerry GAA store in the Killarney Outlet Centre

LISTRY NOTES LISTRY WEEKLY LOTTO Results Sunday

14th December, 2014

Winning Numbers 8, 18, 22, 24 Jackpot €11,450 Winner Sinead Brennan, Ballymalis Hamper Dermot Griffin, Fossa HamperRobert Kerins, Mastergeeha Draw Entrant Gerard Conway, Faha Jackpot next week Sunday 21th December €2,000 **CHARITY 31 CARD DRIVE:** A charity 31 Card Drive 5 single hand will take place in Faha Court on Sunday December 21st at 5pm in aid of Cancer Support Services. Entry fee €10. Many prizes. Raffle on the day also. Refreshments served. Spot prizes would be appreciated.

ANOTHER WIN FOR CASTLEISLAND DESMONDS

Castleisland Desmonds Ladies added the Rhyno Quality Feeds Div 1 trophy to their impressive list of 2014 when they defeated Southern Gaels in County League Div 1 final played in Keel GAA on Sunday. Desmonds had all ready won the Senior Co Championship with Duagh & the Kerry, Munster & All Ireland Intermediate title. Southern Gaels had wind advantage in the first half but both teams had a number of wides before Linda Cronin bagged the first goal and score for Southern Gaels after 9 mins of play. Within 3 minutes Desmonds were level with a point each from Steffi Murphy, Leanne Mangan and Cait Lynch. Clodagh Quinlan put Southern Gaels in front two minutes later with a well earned point from 20 meters out. Back came Desmonds with an Andrea Murphy point .Good defending by both teams kept the scoring down. Desmonds Leanne Mangan was fortunate in the 29th minute after her initial shot at goal was saved by Saidbh Fitzgerald but she didn't miss on the rebound and crashed the ball to the net for Desmond's first goal of the game. This was the last score of the half as Desmonds went in at the break 1-4 to 1-1 ahead.

The second half started much brighter for Southern Gales as Leanne Curran made it 1-2 after 5 mins. Again scores were hard to come by as Desmonds were stubborn in defence. Cait Lynch and Leanne Mangan each pointed to

put Desmonds 4 in front after 16 mins of play. Desmonds 2nd goal came in the 20th minute when Rachel Cronin raced in and made no mistake from 15 meters .Leanne Mangan added a point as Linda Cronin goaled at the other end for Southern Gaels to keep in the game. Desmonds were beginning to gain control with captain Lorraine Scanlon dominating the mid field area. Desmonds pushed on as Tina Mangan made it 2-8 to 2-2 & Leanne Mangan was awarded a penalty in the 28th minute which she shot with power but ended up over the bar. She then added two more points as Desmonds ran out winners in the end by 2 -11 to 2-2. Captain Lorraine Scanlon was presented with the Rhyno Quality feeds Division 1 cup by newly elected Vice Chairperson of the Co Board Nora Fealey. It ended a fantastic year for Desmonds. Congratulations to the management Team of Billy Mangan, Steve Murphy, Dan Kearney, Pa White & Aileen Lynch. And to the players who kept going to very end despite the long season. Commiserations to Southern Gaels who helped serve up an entertaining clash despite the cold weather. With some players to return from injury in 2015 they will have a big say in the destination of next year's title. Many thanks to Keel GAA for the pitch, which was in excellent condition despite the poor weather of late.

Kerry Ladies held their AGM on Wednesday in the Killarney Heights Hotel. Outgoing Chairperson Pat Hartnett delivered a lengthy report with particular focus on development & issues affecting clubs on the ground. Karen McGlynn Treasurer reported on the accounts with a healthy balance going forward to 2015 which will be invested further in development of players & clubs & in the county teams. There were 2 candidates for the position of Chairperson with outgoing Chairperson Pat Hartnett not seeking election. Paddy White defeated Mary Courtney to be elected Chair. For the role of Vice Chairperson Nora Fealey Cromane in her first time running defeated outgoing Chairperson Jerry O'Mahoney. Angela Griffin defeated Robbie Griffin for the post of Cultural & Language Officer. Imelda Roche stepped down from role of PRO taking up Assistant PRO post with Pat Hartnett elected to the post. Noreen Power stepped down from the role as Children's Officer with Christena Curtin elected. Outgoing officers re elected were Mary Courtney Secretary, Susan Joy Sheehan Assistant Secretary, Karen McGlynn Treasurer, Noreen Power Assistant Treasurer. The posts of Development Officer & Registrar were not filled on the night & will be filled in January. Fixtures Committee will also be elected in January.



RHYNO QUALITY FEEDS DIVISIONS 1 CAPT LORRAINE SCANLON RECEIVES THE CUP FROM NORA FEELEY.



THE RHYNO QUALITY FEEDS DIVISION 1 WINNERS CASTLEISLAND DESMONDS LADIES TEAM.



Families of an An Gael Scoil Faithleann students who gave generously to St Vincent de Paul this Christmas. Each family received a childs name and age to purchase a gift. Pictured at An Gael Scoil Faithleann with the students were Back Row L-R Mary Carroll (Parents Committee), Mary Harty (SVP), Theresa Darcy (SVP), Prionsias MacCurtain & Aideen O'Donoghue (Parents Committee). Picture Marie Carroll-O'Sullivan 087 391 4808



Santa made a special stop at Clearway Montessori this week. Pictured at the KDYS were the students and their teachers (on left) Linda Martin & Veronica McCarthy and (on the right) Karen Graham & Veronica McCarthy. Picture Marie Carroll-O'Sullivan 087 391 4808



SANTA AT KILLARNEY OUTLET CENTRE.. VISITING SANTA CLAUS IN HIS CHRISTMAS CABIN AT KILLARNEY OUTLET CENTRE LAST WEEKEND WERE MICHAEL AND IWONA CIESLA PICTURE: EAMONN KEOGH



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PADDY TURNER ALL SET FOR SANTA.

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JOAN GOODWIN. ALL READY TO CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS.



Alice Sweetman from Kilalrney enjoys some hot chocolate at she collects her christmas tree the Killarney Christmas Tree Company in County Kerry on Saturday. Picture by Don MacMonagle



KERRY BASKETBALL

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U 18 BOYS CUP: St Pauls reverse league loss with Cup win ST PAULS 64 ST MARYS 62

(check for pics)

This U-18 Boys Cup meeting of St Pauls and St Mary's was eagerly anticipated at the Killarney Aura on Sunday morning as they had met in the league a few weeks previous with St Mary's coming out on top by just three points. So St Pauls did not want to lose to their deadly Castleisland rivals, a second time and in truth. despite the closeness of the final score, St Pauls were always in control, though St Mary's never gave up. In fact the foundations for this win were laid in the opening guarter, when St Pauls got off to a flyer and St Mary's never got to the pace of the game. The tall Paul Clarke was causing St Mary's trouble in the paint and Dylan O'Sullivan was cutting and driving the lanes, with the result that St Pauls jumped 17-6 clear by the end of the opening guarter. In fact it was the only guarter that St Pauls actually won on the scoreboard so St Marys, will be kicking themselves for their tardy start. However in the second quarter, St Mary's thanks to some strong rebounding at both ends began to close the gap and allied to the perimeter shooting of Shane O'Connell, they reduced the gap to six, as it was 30-24 to St Pauls at half time. St Pauls were playing good defence and Clarke and O' Sullivan were still hurting the Castleisland lads as they traded basket for basket in the third quarter, with St Paul's still maintaining the advantage 48-43. When Dylan O'Sullivan put St Pauls 8 clear with less than a minute to go, it looked game over but in basketball you just cannot relax as Shane O'Connell drained two massive threes, in the final thirty seconds to close the gap to 2, but it was too little to late as a disciplined Pauls side held on for the win and their meeting with St Brendan's, should be interesting. Top Scorers: St Pauls: Dylan O'Sullivan 24: Paul Clarke 20.

St Marys: Shane O'Connell 24: Darragh O'Connell 17

DIVISION ONE LADIES:

Adams and O'Sullivan have the Kestrels in flying form

Kenmare Kestrels 65

TK Killarney Cougars 51

A great second half performance saw the Kestrels win an exciting contest on Saturday evening in Kenmare, in this Div 1 Ladies clash. It was very much the Cougars who looked the most likely winners early on. In fact the home side, trailed at the end of the first quarter and at the half time, but then the Kestrels outscored the visiting Cougars 20 to 13 in the third quarter thanks some excellent shooting by Laura O'Sullivan (18 points game total).

In the fourth quarter the Cougars came back with Cassandra Buckley (12 points) and Amanda Brosnan (11 points) leading the way. In the end it was Kenmare, led by veterans Montse Salvado (13 points), Caroline Taylor (10 points), and Michelle O'Sullivan (4 points). As well as up and coming player Katie Cooper (6 points), that ensured Kenmare held on to win by 14 points. Kenmare have now won 4 of their 6 league contests in Division One and are going very nicely.

BOYS U14 DIV 1:

League leaders Gneeveguilla just keep on winning

ST. BRENDAN'S 36 GNEEVEGUILLA 37

Last week saw us play our final two league games before the Castleisland Blitz. The first came on Wednesday when we hosted league leaders Gneeveguilla. St. Brendan's came out of the blocks strongly with James Fernane and Rap Buivydas firing on all cylinders and led by 9 points after the first guarter. Gneeveguilla came back in the second quarter and were back on level terms by the half time break. St. Brendan's once again started brightly in the third quarter and held the lead all the way through thanks to baskets from George Reidy, Kevin O'Connor and Luke Chester. However Gneevequilla showed why they are leading the league and despite trailing by 6 points with just 2 minutes left they managed to win the game by a single point 37-36. Our team are learning all the time and once we sort out some poor decisions in the final minutes of games we will start winning.

BOYS U16 PLATE:

Rathmore just too strong for young neighbours

GNEEVEGUILLA B 34 RATHMORE RAVENS 44

Rathmore got off to a strong start winning the first quarter 13 - 3 with Sean Clifford showing well. Gneevequilla were under pressure but defended very well in this quarter and indeed for the entire game. Gneeveguilla had their best quarter of the game in the second quarter, going in at half time just down 5 points, 21 - 16, Denis O'Connor and Cathal McCarthy leading the way. A very good display from Rathmore in the third quarter was decisive and with Rathmore leading 35 - 20 going into the last quarter it was always going to be too much for the Gneevequilla boys. But this didn't stop a strong effort from them and they pulled the final score into 34-44. This was an excellent display from a young Gneeveguilla side.

JUVENILE WRAP:

UNDER 12 GIRLS DIV 1: Kenmare Kestrels 19 Cahersiveen 14. Best for Kestrels:, Laurie Adams, Amy Harrington, Sarah Taylor, Molly Bhmavra and Ava Wiley.

UNDER 14 BOYS DIV 2: Kenmare Kestrels 54 Ballybunnion Wildcats 25 - Best for Kenmare: Sean O'Shea, Sean Lucey, Colin Crowley and Tommy Cronin.

UNDER 12 BOYS DIV 2: Kenmare Kestrels

19 Cahersiveen 28. Best for Kenmare Hugh Granville, Jamie O'Regan and Kevin O'Shea. **UNDER 18 BOYS DIV 2:** Kenmare Kestrels 53 Tralee Tigers 65. Best for Kenmare Brian O'Sullivan (30 points), Eugene Sweeney (12 points). Best for Tralee Tigers: D Williams (21 points) and B Paterson (10 points).

BOYS U16 PLATE

Rathmore win local derby with rivals B team GNEEVEGUILLA B 34

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GIRLS U12 DIV 2: St Pauls holds all the aces GNEEVEGUILLA B 17 - ST PAULS B 28

St Pauls travelled to Rathmore last Tuesday and left victorious. St Paul's started the stronger with 2 quick baskets from Holly Power. Gneeveguilla settled and Tara O'Leary went on a scoring spree scoring all Gneeveguilla baskets in 1st quarter leaving the score 6-7. St Paul's finished the game off as a contest in the 2nd quarter out scoring this young Gneeveguilla team 0-10 leaving the half time score 6-17. Gneeveguilla never gave up with baskets from Ciara Hickey and Emma McGillycuddy in 3rd and 4th quarter. There was great defensive work from Delia Foley and Roisin Brosnan. Roisin Collins and Aislinn Adaire rebounded strong against a physically stronger team.

BOYS U18 PLATE SEMI FINAL Gneeveguilla reach Plate final

ST JOSEPHS 50 - GNEEVEGUILLA B 53

St. Joseph's got off to a very strong start leading 22 – 7 after the first quarter. Gneeveguilla battled hard. With a strong defence led by Jack Collins and Daniel O'Keeffe, they were able to prevent St. Joseph's scoring. Good shooting from Darragh O'Callaghan, Gavin Cronin and Conlon O'Leary left Gneeveguilla trailing by just a point at the end of the 3rd quarter and firmly back in the game. The final quarter was well contested with Gneeveguilla pulling away to win by 3 points and secure their place in the final.

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COUGARS KILLARNEY BASKETBALL CLUB JUVENILES AND SENIOR NEWS

U15 GIRLS CLUB DIV I. BRUNELL 44 **KILLARNEY COUGARS 53**

Cougars travelled to the Parochial Hall Cork on Sunday morning last and recorded a deserved victory over Brunell. The home side a strong start and raced into an early five point lead, Cougars responded in great style and edged ahead by the end of the quarter 11 9 thanks to great scores by Erica McGlynn, Kate Stack and Shelly Clifford. Cougars had a great second quarter with good baskets by Grace Cahillane and Kelly Ahern to lead 29 21 by half time. Cougars controlled the third guarter and despite a strong rally in the final quarter by the home side Cougars finished comfortable winners to pick up a very important three points. Best for Cougars were Ciara Griffin, Shelly Clifford, Kate Stack, Erica McGlynn and Shona O'Brien.

SENIOR MEN'S LEAGUE DIV II CAHERCIVEEN 47 KILLARNEY COUGARS 56

The top two in form teams in the league met in Colaiste na Sceilge on Saturday evening and the Cougars took the points in a closely contested game against Caherciveen. Cougars despite the absence of number of the starting five made a good start as the sides went basket for basket up to half time with the teams tied at 21 points each. Cougars moved ahead by the end of the third guarter 36 34 thanks to good three pointers by Dan Cronin and Alan Flynn. Cougars proved to be much the stronger in the final quarter with James Fleming hitting two huge three pointers to create a gap and with Caherciveen main threat John Teehan being well held by Fleming, Cougars started to control the closing stages to make the game safe and take the points to remain unbeaten at the top of the table. Best for Cougars were James Fleming, Eugene Bowler, Dan Cronin, Gabore Horvath and Niall O'Brien.

Full details of training times fixtures and results are available on the website www.killarneycougars.com

KILLARNEY DARTS TOWN LEAGUE

SPONSORED BY MUSTANG SALLYS

Not all results were in at time of going to press. There will be a break for Christmas and games will re-commence on January 8th 2015.

KNOCKOUT CUP: Sponsored by O'Neill's **Plunkett Street.**

The semi finals will take place on January 22nd 2015 and fixtures are as follows, first named teams have home advantage,

Tatler Jack v Murphys Bar.

Dan Linehans v Lals Bar.

Killarney Darts Committee would like to wish one and all a very Happy Christmas and Prosperous New Year.

WORKMEN'S ROWING CLUB NOTES

Wishing all our members and their families a wonderful Christmas this year. It's been a great year for all the Workmen's Rowing Club. The best news has to be our own Pat (Doc) Doherty, we wish Pat and all his family the very best at this time, and continued success on his road to recovery. Caitriona Heffernan, All the Heffernan family and Workmen's got together for the Spinathon in memory of our cherished Brendan, and raised a total of €8.800 for Kerry Hospice Foundation.

We won loads of medals along the way this year and competed in many Heads of Rivers, Regattas, Sprints, All Ireland's, had few singsongs, eat many BBQ's, drank tae, eat curny cake, lost runners, performance tops, ID badges, and we're only talking about the Moynihans there! Our Annual Calendar is available now from all members, and not to be used for bedding for the Cattle!!!!

The traditional Workmen's Christmas Coffee morning is Monday, 22nd December, 12 noon at Brown Sugar. See you then and Merry Christmas!

mens and boys working lunch during the Christmas holidays. There is a lot of stuff needed to be trashed out with the lads. Ye will be notified well in advance.

REGISTRATION: We are working hard to get all registration renewed before the New Year. It would be a great help to the club if everyone can ensure they renew their membership asap. Make contact and we can arrange to get forms emailed or posted.

FOSSA ROWNG CLUB NOTES

CHRISTMAS CYCLE: Fossa rowing club are hosting a cycle on Sunday 28th December at 10am meeting at the old church in Fossa. Everyone is welcome as it is free of charge. Anyone participating must have a helmet and high visibility jacket. It is guaranteed to be a great day out and a great way to burn off all that turkey that was eaten over the festive season! Route is to be decided so get training and more details will come soon.

CLUB CREST: Club crest are available to buy from Alison at €5 each. They are ideal for those of you who have an old red or black piece of clothing lying around that you can attach it to.

ATHLETIC GNEEVEGUILLA CIUB

LOTTO: No winner of our lotto draw 12/12/2014, numbers drawn were 4, 11, 14 and 26. Sellers prize winner: Andrew McCarthy, €50 Y/T winner Sinead Galvin Farranfore, €50 to P. J Murphy Gneeveguilla, €40 each to Pat, Mike & Michelle O' Donoghue Knocknageeha, Shane Guerin Lisheen, Ger Sheehan Gneevequilla. Bonus not won numbers drawn were 5, 8, 25 and 30. Next week's jackpot €5,600 plus €1,000 bonus plus Christmas Hamper. Winner of Christmas Hamper was Mary O'Donoghue Upper Coom.

EUROPEAN CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS: Congrats to Laura Crowe, Shona Heaslip and Brendan O'Connor all An Riocht AC who all ran in the European Cross country in Bulgaria on Sunday. Laura got a bronze medal as part of the Irish Team which was 3rd.

KERRY JUVENILE CROSS COUNTRY RELAYS:

At the Kerry relay Cross country Trials held in The Demense Killarney on Sunday last, Delia Foley & Jack O'Leary were 1st, Katie Buckley and Jack Greaney were 2nd and Donal Daly 4th in their respective age groups.

CORK SCHOOLS CROSS COUNTRY: Well done to Francis Cronin and Matthew Collins from our club who won in Cork Schools Cross Country during the week. Francis won the 1.000 m and Matthew won the 2000m. David O' Keeffe and John Paul Breen also did well.

MENS CHRISTMAS LUNCH: Watch out for

KILLARNEY BADMINTON CLUB

As we are winding down for the Christmas holidays a few matches were played this week. Division 1 and 2 played their game in Killarney and well done to all players. Also division 3 men's team Killarney 0 - 6 Moyvane.

Killarney badminton will return on Monday 5th January and we wish you and yours a great Christmas and a happy New Year. Badminton is great for all round fitness so anyone making new year resolutions think about it!!!, new members always welcome. See you all in 2015.

KILLARNEY RUGBY CLUB NEWS

CLUB FLAG DAY: Is on Saturday 27th December from 10:30am to 6pm. This is not a last man standing competition but Mike Fuller wishes it was. Our club President can be contacted on mobile on 087 6489628 for all who can give an hour or two please in the town centre. We have at least 9 stands to cover and it is a good shopping day weather permitting. We have always done well so please can you help Mike to go one better this year. Parents and Players very welcome please. Thank you.

Senior Club - Enjoying a well-deserved break until they take on Clanwilliam in Killarney on January 4th. Training still goes on. Good news is Alan Mulligan will be available for selection. We expect a full complement of players to work and do their but over the Christmas to avoid relegation this season.



Some player memberships are also due please. You can do so by cash to the Club Captain or by card via www.myclubfinances.ie

MINIS: Our last training session for 2014 will take place on Saturday next from 10.30am to 12 Noon. We will then be having our annual Christmas party at 2pm at the Avenue hotel, all players are welcome as are their brothers and sisters, Mums and Dads. We will resume training again on Saturday the 10th January. Happy Christmas to all our coaches players and

their parents and families.

U14S: KILLARNEY 19 TRALEE 26: Pipped by a try and conversion at the final whistle, Killarney

frightened the life out of Tralee who had gone into a 13-0 lead. It was a mighty sporting game at Dirreen and our lads should have gotten the share of the spoils but just ran out of time. They deserve a wee break for Christmas and we look forward to more great stuff in the new year.

U185: Posing as South Kerry the forces of Killorglin and Killarney were out-manoeuvred by a slick Skibbereen side whose No 8 was the difference between the two teams. Skib won 20 – 8. More Killarney players need to get a look-in on this side. It is the makings of a good team and with a bit more balance it can be successful. **SANTA CLAUSE:** At the Avenue tomorrow

at 2pm for the Minis and their folks. Please support. Thanks to all for their efforts thus far. **LAST OUTSTANDING FUNDS:** You will be meeting folks over the festive season. Please remember this is your chance to collect that sub, that membership and that promise or even those monies given for the Dogs night. Make an effort for the greater good.

6 NATIONS TICKETS: Tickets will not be released until 2 weeks prior to the games. France and England are the big home games. These will be raffled to paid up members and our main sponsors only.



ALAN SHEEHY PICTURED WITH HIS STUDENTS WHO PERFORMED A DEMO BEFORE ENJOYING A NIGHT OUT TO CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS.



MINISTER FOR THE DIASPORA, JIMMY DEENIHAN, TD., STARTING THE CHRISTMAS IN KILLARNEY, CHARITY 5KM SANTA RUN ON SUNDAY, IN AID OF, KERRY PARENTS AND FRIENDS ASSOCIATION AND KERRY DIOCESAN YOUTH SERVICE. PHOTO: VALERIE O'SULLIVAN.



PARTICIPATING IN THE CHRISTMAS IN KILLARNEY, CHARITY 5KM SANTA RUN ON SUNDAY, IN AID OF, KERRY PARENTS AND FRIENDS ASSOCIATION AND KERRY DIOCESAN YOUTH SERVICE. PHOTO: VALERIE O'SULLIVAN.



WARMING UP AT THE CHRISTMAS IN KILLARNEY, CHARITY 5KM SANTA RUN ON SUNDAY, IN AID OF, KERRY PARENTS AND FRIENDS ASSOCIATION AND KERRY DIOCESAN YOUTH SERVICE, ORLA KELLY, NIAMH COFFEY, EMMA COFFEY, AISLING COFFEY, ORLA COFFEY, MARGARET O'BRIEN. PHOTO: VALERIE O'SULLIVAN.



AT THE CHRISTMAS IN KILLARNEY, CHARITY 5KM SANTA RUN ON SUNDAY, IN AID OF, KERRY PARENTS AND FRIENDS ASSOCIATION AND KERRY DIOCESAN YOUTH SERVICE. PHOTO: VALERIE O'SULLIVAN.



CAROLINE SWEETMAN AND MARIE O'SHEA, PARTICIPATING IN THE CHRISTMAS IN KILLARNEY, CHARITY 5KM SANTA RUN ON SUNDAY, IN AID OF, KERRY PARENTS AND FRIENDS ASSOCIATION AND KERRY DIOCESAN YOUTH SERVICE. PHOTO: VALERIE O'SULLIVAN.

MASTERGEEHA FC U13: KILLARNEY ATHLETIC

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MASTERGEEHA 1: In this local derby the boys played top of the table Killarney Athletic. In an even opening half the home side lead 2-0 at the break. In the second half Mastergeeha tried had but the stronger Athletic side scored further goals with Shane Warren scoring for Mastergeeha.

U15: MASTERGEEHA 1 CAMP 2: In this close game the visitors just shaded it with the winning goal with 10 minutes remaining. In the opening minutes Camp went ahead with a scrappy goal. After this both sides created chances with Jamie O'Shea going close for Mastergeeha just before the break. In the second half Mastergeeha pushed on and got the equaliser when Dylan Murphy converted from the penalty spot after being taken down moments earlier. However the visitors went ahead again but even though the boys tired their hardest they could not get the equaliser they deserved.

U17: MASTERGEEHA 8 LISTOWEL 2 MASTERGEEHA: Continued their good form in the league winning at home on Saturday afternoon. Paul O'Connor (4), Ciaran Sheehan,

Gearoid Kerins (2) and Patrick Warren were the

scorers in a good team performance. **SENIORS: MASTERGEEHA 4 INTER KENMARE 1:** The seniors collected three points at home on Sunday with a deserved win. In an excellent opening half Mastergeeha lead 3-0 at the break thanks to goals from Tony Brosnan (2) and Damien Breen. In the second half Mastergeeha continued to be the better side with Derek Breen scoring.

SENIORS: MASTERGEEHA 4 CS ABBEYDORNEY 0: In a good performance the seniors won at home on Sunday afternoon. Eoin Horan (3) and Ricky Fleming were the scorers.

CHRISTMAS LOTTO DRAW: Extra prizes included in the draws on the 19th & 27th December.

CHRISTMAS WISHES: The club would like to thank all coaches, parents, guardians, players and sponsors for their support and help throughout the year. Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all from Mastergeeha FC.

MASTERGEEHA F.C. LOTTO: There was no winner on 12th December. Numbers drawn were 4, 11, 12, & 17. Consolation prizes were €100 Dan McGlynn, Glounanea, Kilcummin. €60 Marie O'Mahony, c/o John Kerins, Mastergeeha. €30 Shane Lenihan, c/o The Village Inn. €30 Shauna O'Donoghue, Lacca Kilcummin. €30 John Sheehan, Lyreatough, Kilcummin. Draw every Friday night in the Village Inn, Kilcummin. Jackpot now €2,700.

SCHOOLBOY/GIRL SOCCER NATIONAL CUP 9 LOOK FORWARD TO

2015: Nine Kerry Schoolboys Girls League teams are eagerly looking forward to 2015 when their National Cup journey continues. In the Boy's National 5 of the 8 teams have

home draws while the other 3 will be on the road. In the 12's Killorglin will be at home to River Valley Rangers. Our two teams in the 13's are both away in Cork. Killarney Celtic go the Ringmahon Rangers with St Brendan's Park heading to Midelton. Both teams in the 14's are at home with Killorglin welcoming Rock Celtic and Killarney Celtic taking on Cherry Orchard (P) at Celtic Park. Killarney Athletic will be at home to Bonagee United in the 15's competition. There are two local sides in the 16's with Killarney Celtic at home to Mungret Regional but Tralee Dynamos will be on the road as they go to take on Knocklyon United. The last weekend in January is set for the next round of the National Cup.

The other team through is the Killarney Celtic 16 Girls and they await the draw for their quarter –finals.

RESULTS: JK SPORTS 12 GIRLS:

Killarney Athletic 5 – 6 Inter Kenmare A. DALY'S SUPERVALU 13'S: PREMIER:

Listowel Celtic A 2-9 Park A. Tralee Dynamos 3-3 Killarney Athletic. Ballyhar 7-0 Camp Juniors A.

DIVISION 1:

Killarney Athletic 6-1 Mastergeeha. Killorglin 9-1 Killarney Celtic C. Park B 3-3 Killarney Celtic b.

DIVISION 2:

Dingle Bay 0-2 Ballyheigue Ath. Park C 1-6 Camp Juniors B. Listowel Celtic 2-4 St Bernards.

KILLARNEY PLAZA 15'S: PREMIER:

Camp Juniors 2-1 Mastergeeha. Killarney Celtic 1-2 Listowel Celtic.

Inter Kenmare 9-0 Killarney Celtic C. Killorglin 2-0 Iveragh United. Killarney Athletic 2-0 Iveragh United. Park B 3-4 Castleisland. **REPORTS:**

THE YOUNG STARS: The latest in a series of Blitz's took place at the IT Tralee, hosted by Tralee Dynamos. They welcomed The Park, Ballyhar and Listowel Celtic for a fun day's football. There was action in the 4 Groups of the Moriarty's Centra 11's. In a very tight series of games The Park and Dynamos drew in Group 1 with Killorglin defeating Killarney Celtic A. The result was reversed in Group B where Park B and C drew. Killarney Athletic just won the derby against Celtic in the only game in Group 3. Group 4 saw narrow wins for Castleisland and Camp over Ballyhar and Fenit.

JK SPORTS 12 GIRLS:

KILLARNEY ATHLETIC 5-6 INTER

KENMARE A: Inter Kenmare A will be delighted to get back to winning ways after their defeat to club-mates Inter B. Emma Foley hit a hat trick with Chloe Cremin netting 2 and Mary Ellen McCarthy getting the 6th.

DALY'S SUPERVALU 13 PREMIER: Tralee Dynamos continue to lead the Division despite dropping their first points of the season. They were held to a 3-3 draw in a cracker with Killarney Celtic in Tralee. Sean Kennedy got 2 and Adam Joy the third for the home side. Ruairi Doyle, Cian Dineen and Padraig Looney were on the mark for Celtic. Second placed Listowel Celtic were defeated at home by The Park, who move above the North Kerry side. Mervin Shambala, Sean McGrath and Colin Walsh all scored hat-tricks for the Park. Andrew Murphy and Michael Fogarty were on the mark for the Listowel Celtic. Ballyhar were too strong for Camp at Murt Scott Park. Conor Henderson, Gearoid Coffey, Adam Jensen, Josh McCarthy plus Dylan and Nathan Callaghan were all on the score-sheet.

DIVISION 1: Killarney Celtic B have slipped to second spot after their 3-3 draw away to The Park B. It could have been worse for Celtic are they were 3-0 down at half time. Nick Izahi, Robert Kierns and Elliot Lynch put the Tralee side in command. But Celtic staged a great comeback to level matters with goals from Christian Casey and 2 from Godwin Miguel.

Killarney Athletic have moved 2 points ahead of their neighbours following their 6-1 win at home to Mastergeeha. Owen Benson got three with Rossa Bellew, Jack Cooper and Dara Kelly scoring one each. Shane Warren got the consolation for Mastergeeha. Killorglin were as expected too strong for Killarney Celtic C. Gar Hassett was again the scorer-in-chief scoring a rare double hat trick. Jack O'Leary got 2 and Darragh Moriarty the other.

DIVISION 2: Ballyheigue won the battle of the new comers as they travelled west and defeated Dingle Bay 2-0 to move level with them at the top of the table. Jordan Goggin and Sean Sheahan were the scorers.

St Bernards made it a three way tie at the top, and they have a game in hand, as they won 4-2 away to Listowel Celtic. Mickey Clifford's hat trick and one from Michael O'Sullivan gave the Saints the three points with Listowel Celtic's goals coming from Ronnie Downey and Cillian Rodrigues. Camp B kept on the heels of the leaders and are only a point behind. Goals from Maurice O'Connell, Cian Cronin, Conor O'Leary, Aodhan O'Connor, Oisin Smailes and Cian Wright saw them defeat Park C.

Killarney Plaza 15 Premier:

With leaders Park A not in action teams were looking to close the gap on them. In a reversed fixture Camp Juniors travelled to Mastergeeha and came away with a 2-1 win. Seamus Boyle put Camp ahead but Dylan Murphy equalised. It looked like ending all square until Camp Junior's Killian Falvey popped up with the winner with seven minutes to go.

The other game in the division ended on the same score-line. In this case Listowel Celtic travelled to their Killarney namesakes and also won 2-1. Michael Devlin got the goal for the home side but goals from Cillian Spillane and Devon McKenna gave Listowel Celtic the points.

DIVISION 1: Park B and Killarney Celtic B were both beaten as this Division tightened up. Despite a John Ward hat trick, including 2 penalties, Park B were defeated 4-3 by Castleisland. Goals from Liam Butler and Mark O'Connor saw Killorglin defeated Killarney Celtic B 2-0. Inter Kenmare were too strong for Killarney Celtic C. Dylan O'Connor hit an unbelievable 7 goals. Dara O'Connor and Tadgh

KILLARNEY SOCCER

O'Siochru both scored one each. Killarney Athletic were 2-0 winners over Iveragh United.

KILLARNEY ATHLETIC A.F.C. FIXTURES:

KERRY SCHOOLBOYS/GIRLS LEAGUE: Saturday 20th December UNDER 10 GIRL'S MINI BLITZ

Venue Celtic Park 11.00am

JK SPORTS UNDER 12 DIVISION 1 Killarney Athletic v Killorglin B 10.30am. FOUNDATION SPORTS UNDER 14 GIRLS PREMIER

Park FC v Killarney Athletic 11.30am. **TROPHY WORLD UNDER 16 DIVISION 1** Killarney Athletic v Inter Kenmare 12.00 noon **RESULTS: SENIORS**

SENIOR A: Disappointing result in senior game on Sunday last losing 2 – 1 at home to Castleisland. Hard luck but 2015 will be better. **SENIOR B: KILLARNEY ATHLETIC B 1 CASTLEISLAND 1**

The B team played out an entertaining 1-1 draw with Castleisland B on Sunday last. With Athletic senior squads getting strength in depth in the last few months, this will help both teams in the quest for glory. In fact the B team have only lost 1 game in the last 6. An Alan Daly volley to the roof of the net assisted by Maison Ferris gave Athletic the lead until the final 10 minutes when the defence that didn't concede a goal in nearly 3 games when Pa Rourke converted a penalty when brought down in the box. Best for Athletic Alan Daly, Adyan Mulvaney and Shane Doona. The B team are away to Castlegregory Celtic next Sunday morning.

UNDER 13 TOP OF THE TABLE FOR CHRISTMAS: Our under 13 team go into 2015 on top of the table after a 6.1 win against

2015 on top of the table after a 6-1 win against Mastergeeha on Saturday, in what was a very good performance by all involved. We were in control in all areas of the pitch with defence

blocking out any attacks coming at them, the midfield were always available to take the game to Mastergeeha and pushed on to supply our attack. Scorers on the day were Rossa Bellew, Jack Cooper a home debut goal from Daragh Kelly and a brilliant hat-trick from Owen Benson whose third goal was out of the top drawer. Overall a good solid performance with some very good passages of play which ended up with some wonderful goals. Man of the Match Owen Benson. This team go into 2015 on top of their division and hopefully will keep up the level of performance that is required to keep at the summit of the league. Well done to all. From all at Killarney Athletic have a wonderful and enjoyable Christmas.

UNDER 11: Athletic under 11's went to Celtic Park on Saturday and came away with a great 2-0 victory. This was a game where the result was never in doubt with our Athletic boys playing some great football. 0-0 at halftime with Alex Hennigan and Sean Dineen very strong in the middle while Josh Coffey, Killian Courtney, Niall Coffey and Teddy Muldoon defending well. At half time a few changes where made with Eoin, Mark Long, Karl McCarty and Sam Bennson coming on to give the boys a new approach. It wasn't long when these changes paid off with Cian Lynch and Sam Bennson scoring. Conal Gallagher who was on fire almost scoring twice from corners. 10 minutes into the second half Steven Movnihan made his first save and Dara Looney cleared. A great victory for the Athletic boys.

UNDER 14: Killarney Athletic under 14's had a poor loss away to Listowel. Boys seemed sound asleep starting and were 2 goals down after 5 minutes. However pulled 2 back before half time through Liam Kelliher and Tadhg Doolan. Athletic were again very poor in 2nd half without the ball giving away very soft goals. 2 goals from corners scored by lan Prendergast and Eamon Long improved score but finished 6 - 4. Doolan, Prendergast and Suter worked hard in mid field but big improvements needed in

work rate and defending.

UNDER 15'S NATIONAL CUP: Killarney Athletic under 15's have been drawn at home to Bonagee United in the last 32 of the national cup. They are a team based in Letterkenny, Co Donegal and we wish Pa Howard and the blue army all the best.

INTERNATIONAL CHILDREN'S GAMES:

Well done to a very successful Tralee International Children's Games in Sydney which included Athletic's own Elizabeth Mohan and Elaina Galvin. Former player Michael Potts was also part of the party. Great achievement and life experience for the group. This is not the first time Athletic have had players at the children's games.

NEW 300 MEMBER CLUB DRAW: The new 300 Member Club draw will be held from January to December 2015. A special draw will take place on 27th December in Scotts Bar at 9.00pm for our fantastic supporters who continue to support us. Results will be posted in weekly notes and social media. There is still time to enter 2015's draw and we urge anyone to subscribe please. For €10.00 per month you could be in with a chance to win prize money each month. The money raised will be used to further develop the facilities at Killarney Athletic A.F.C.'s grounds. Please contact Lorraine Fleming on 087 9646484 for entry forms or any club officer.

HAPPY CHRISTMAS: We would like to wish our members, supporters and their families a very Happy Christmas and a Happy New Year.

KILLARNEY ATHLETIC WEBSITE: Please check the website on www.killarneyathletic. com or facebook for match reports, club information and contact details.

CONTACT: If you have anything to add to Killarney Athletic A.F.C. notes please contact Mary McCarrick on 087 7750773 or mccarrickmary@hotmail.com







KILLARNEY GOLF

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Pictured at Beaufort Golf Club were the End of Season Prize Winners. Back Row L-R Padraig Coffey, Melvin Carson, Peggy O'Riordan, John O'Callaghan & Gerry Collins. Middle Row L-R Michael John O'Connor, Dan Moynihan, President Johnny Doolan & Philip O'Neill. Front Row L-R Lady Captain Irene McCarthy, Rennee Clifford, Noleen Mackessy and Captain Gearoid Keating. Picture Marie Carroll-O'Sullivan 087 391 4808

DEERPARK PITCH & PUTT NOTES

By: John Kelly

Winners of Saturday's Juvenile competition were Michael Cronin and Adam Kelly. A special thank you to Damian Fleming who sponsored the competition.

PRIZE GIVING A MOST ENJOYABLE OCCASION: There was a full turnout of members for the annual prize giving in Murphy's Bar and Restaurant College Street which once again proved to be a most enjoyable social occasion. A special word of thanks to Sean Murphy and staff for the wonderful hospitality extended on the night.

COLM O'DOWD IS CLUBMAN OF THE YEAR:

A special word of congratulations to our ever effecient treasurer and tireless worker for the club Colm O'Dowd who was presented with the Clubman of The Year Award for 2014 at the recent prize giving night - an accolade richly deserved.

JOHNNY KELLY SCRAMBLE: The final competition for the current season will be the annual Johnny Kelly 36 Hole Scramble on Stephen's morning commencing at 10am. This competition is open to all over the age of 15 years and to our neighbours in GlenEagle Pitch and Putt club.

EABHA O'DONNELL MEMORIAL WALK:

Fiona O'Donnell is having a Memorial Walk in memory of their daughter Eabha on Sunday December 28th leaving the Cathedral at 2-30pm. All donations on the day will be presented to the Ronald McDonnell House in Crumlin Children's Hospital. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING ON JANUARY 12TH: The club AGM will be held in The Avenue Hotel on Monday January 12th 2014 commencing 7-30pm. Motions and nominations for vacant positions to be forwarded to club secretary Jason O'Connor at Dunrine Kilcummin by Monday January 5th.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS: Christmas Greetings are extended to our members, sponsors, supporters and to the various media outlets for the support and co-operation during 2014

CASTLEROSSE GOLF CLUB

RESULTS: Competition played on Sunday 14th December, 12 hole Stableford, Winner, Dan O' Connell (21) 28 pts. Runner-up Daniel Shine (07) 28 pts. Overall 3rd place Peter Trevor Shine (15) 27 pts.

Weekend competitions 21st December and 28th December, 12 hole Stableford, all holes played off white tees, play Friday, Saturday or Sunday.

MEMBERSHIP: Now available for 2015, easy pay instalments available contact 064 6631144 for details.

ROSS GOLF CLUB

FIXTURES: On Sunday December 21st we will hold a 10 hole scramble at 10.30am. The entry sheet is now available in the clubhouse so please add your name to it as soon as possible. Also on Sunday December 21st we will hold our Christmas Party in the Clubhouse at 7pm. This promises to be a good evening of festive

cheer and any outstanding prizes for recent competitions will be presented on the night. All members are welcome.

On Sunday December 14th we held a prize giving evening in the McSweeney Arms Hotel where the prizes for the competitions sponsored by Frank Doran's Safeguard Security and the McSweeney Arms were presented. This was a good social evening with a good turnout on the night.

We wish all our members, their families and all our sponsors a Happy Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.

KILLORGLIN GOLF CLUB

LADIES: GOLFER OF THE YEAR: EIBHLIN MCCARTHY. RING COMPETITION: Emma Daly with 59 pts.

BIRDIE TREE COMPETITION: Emma Daly with 4 Birdies. Chum competition: Phil Anne Foley played with 20 Chums. Congratulations to all the winners.

FIXTURE: 12 Hole Turkey re-entry Stableford sponsored by The Club has been extended until Sunday 21st December.

12 Hole re-entry Stableford sponsored by The Club starts Monday 22nd December and will continue until further notice.

JUNIORS: CHRISTMAS HAMPER: Advanced: 1. Tyler O'Sullivan, Junior Captain. 2. Niamh Dinham. 3. Jemma Key. 4. Caoimhe Brosnan. Beginners: 1. Alice Casey. 2. Emma Casey.

THE KILLORGLIN LADIES AGM: Was held recently and the following Officers and Committee were elected: Lady Captain: Phil Anne Foley. Vice Captain: Anne Kenny Foley. Lady President: Betty Foley. Hon. Secretary: Eileen Bell. Hon. Treasurer: Ann Walker. Hon Handicap Secretary: Coral Kiely. Ex Officio: Maura O'Boyle. Committee: Emma Daly, Junior Officer, Jenny Pigott and Mary Lawlor.

KILLARNEY GOLF CLUB

LADIES:

RESULTS OF MARY GEANEY SCRAMBLE SUNDAY 14TH DECEMBER, MAHONYS POINT:

1st Louise Langan, Jane Dwyer, Maureen Culloty 65.

2nd Anne Ladd, Anne O'Rourke, Mairead O'Sullivan 66.8.

3rd Mary Sheehy, Sheila Crowley, Mary B.O'Connor, 67.1.

4th Christine Carroll, Nuala Meade, Mary Kelly, 67.4.

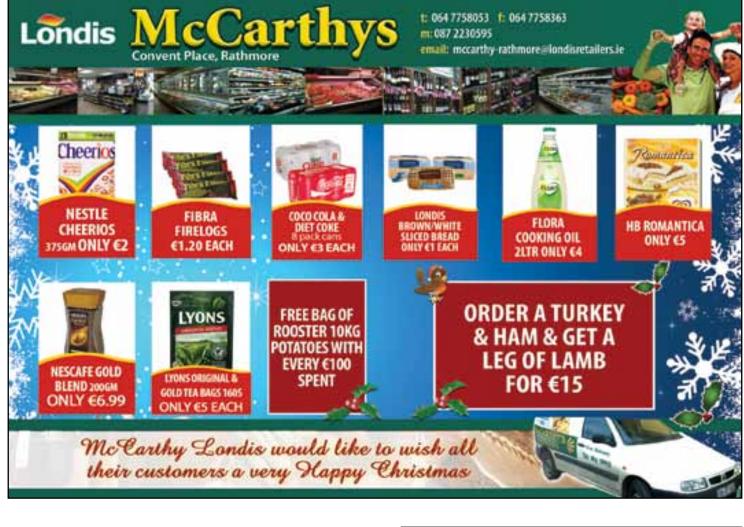
5th Betty O'Farrell, Tina O'Sullivan, Bridie Brosnan 67.6.

CAPTAINS DRIVE IN: Will take place on December 27th at 10.00 am followed by Mixed Foursome Competition at 10.30 am, Mahony's Course, sponsored by Joe Geaney. Prize giving will take place after competition.



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THREE CHRISTMAS WISHES FOR YOU!

I just wanted to start this piece by saying a huge **THANK YOU** to everyone for reading my columns in the Outlook! I appreciate all of your lovely and very kind comments! And also to the Outlook for providing such a wonderful magazine for the community that helps us all to connect a little more deeply!

And as Christmas is just around the corner here are the three most life enhancing wishes I would love to give you...

• WISH 1: Walk fearlessly through your life! We make up most of the fears we feel in our heads. They're not real! Banish fear and doubt and make a pledge to step forward with trust, hope, optimism, joy and love in your heart!

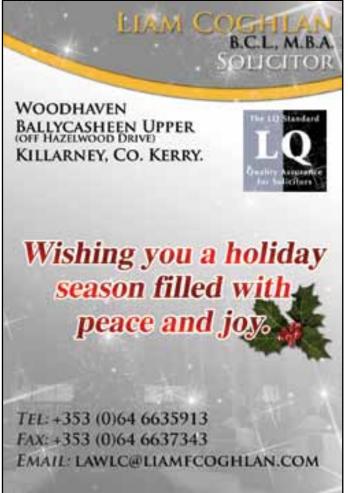
• WISH 2: Believe in YOU! Everything about you is exactly right! There is only one of you in the entire Universe – your only job is to be the greatest expression of all that you can be!

• WISH 3: Love it all! Yes, even the days that are challenging and tough to go through! They are still your days and they matter! Make a decision to be **HERE** for all of what life has to offer and love it – love it all!

I hope that this Christmas is a very happy one for you all and I look forward to seeing you in my life lounges, one to one coaching and Movement meditation classes in 2015!

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IFA MEETINGS WITH CO-OPS FOCUS ON HOW TO SUPPORT FARMERS THROUGH DIFFICULT MONTHS

IFA President Eddie Downey and National Dairy Committee Chairman Sean O'Leary have in recent weeks embarked in a series of meetings with all the main processing co-ops to examine with them in detail how they propose to support milk suppliers through likely difficult months in 2015, as poor market and milk prices coincide with the end of guotas.

Having already met with Glanbia PIc and GIL and the Kerry Group in recent weeks, the IFA delegation met this week with Aurivo Co-op and the Carbery Group (owned by the four West Cork Co-ops). Other co-ops will be met in January. Eddle Downey said: "I am very clear that the long term outlook for the dairy sector is very positive, with strong global demand growth expected to outpace growth in output for the foreseeable future. I am however equally clear that there will be times just like we are experiencing right now, where economic, weather or political factors can disrupt the supply/demand balance and create extreme negative price volatility. The only way the Irish dairy sector will succeed in capitalising on the global market opportunities is if all stakeholders - co-ops, banks, input suppliers, advisory services, Government, and especially the EU - play their part in providing support for farmers to transition out of quotas with an

improved ability to manage volatile incomes". Sean O'Leary added: "2015 will be tough on dairy farmers, with poor prices, superlevy fines and tax liabilities seriously disrupting normal cash flow. Investment plans may need to be reviewed, with elements potentially rescheduled".

"While IFA is engaging with banks, Teagasc, Government and especially the EU Commission to address respectively flexible finance, quality business and budgeting advice, taxation and market supports in crises, we are clear that co-ops are the most important stakeholder of all. They are the purchaser of the farmers' milk and therefore their primary source of income, they are often (rightly or wrongly) the first port. of call of farmers for merchant credit, and in many cases their preferred supplier of inputs," he said.

"We are exploring with each one of the coops we are meeting their plans to sustain the maximum possible milk price, to provide very keenly priced inputs and to deal with outstanding credit situations case by case. We are also mindful that they will need to provide a degree of advisory service to help farmers cope with low incomes in 2015. It is important that the industry would further help farmers manage risk by designing price hedging and/



AT THE IFA MEETING WITH AURIVO IN SENSITIVES WEEK WEHE IL-RI: IFA GENERAL SECRETARY PAT SMITH, AURIVO CEO AARON FORDE, IFA PRESIDENT EDDIE DOWNEY, AURIVO CHAIRMAN TOM CLINNIFFE, IFA NATIONAL DARRY CHRIEMAN SEAN D'LEARY

contract options on a voluntary basis. We are very clear that a cohesive strategy by co-ops will be crucial to keep dairy farmers affoat this. coming year, in the knowledge that markets will recover, most before likely end," year he concluded.

IFA WELCOMES SHEEP GRASSLAND PAYMENT

IFA National Sheep Committee Chairman John Lynskey has welcomed the announcement from Minster Coveney on the payout of the 2014 Sheep Grassland Scheme to sheep farmers. He said the 2014 Sheep Grassland Scheme will involve payment of €15m for up to 30,000 sheep farmers.

John Lynskey said the 2014 Sheep Grassland payment has increased from €13m in 2013 to €15m in 2014, involving an increase of €1m from unused funds and an additional payment of €1m through a saving on modulation.

John Lynskey said these area payment rates equate to a payment per ewe varying from about €7.00 to €7.85, depending upon the number of ewes and number of hectares. The IFA Sheep Chairman said as a result of the CAP Reform negotiations by Minster Coveney in 2015, the €15m Sheep Grassland payment will be incorporated in the Single Farm Payment of individual sheep famers.

John Lynskey said with sheep farm incomes and ewe numbers under pressure, there is a need for increased targeted direct supports for the sheep sector. He said IFA is determined that sheep farmers have access to the €5,000 GLAS scheme as well as increased availability of the €850 knowledge transfer payment. IFA is also looking for increased funding under TAMS If for sheep and a restoration in Disadvantaged Areas or ANC payments.

On commonages, John Lynskey said the GLA5 scheme must be opened as soon as possible so as contracts and payments begin early in 2015.

In addition, plans must be implemented in a flexible. way to maximise participation in line with the IFA 12point plan on commonages.



KELLY WARNS OF NEW ZEALAND AGRI TRADE THREAT TO IRELAND

Sean Kelly MEP has voiced concerns for the Irish dairy sector as New Zealand pushes for a Free Trade Agreement (FTA) with the EU.

MrKelly, who is Ireland's only member of the European Parliament's Trade Committee, has sounded the alarm over the implications any free trade agreement would have on Irish agrifood exports:

"New Zealand is one of the world's top agricultural exporters and mainly exports milk powder, butter and milk as well as meat, wood, fruit, and vegetables. Though it is currently focused on exporting to the Asian markets, New Zealand has been pushing for a FTA with the EU for many years now.

"Recent negotiations on an EU-New Zealand Partnership Agreement on Relations and Cooperation (PARC). have aimed to deepen the relationship between Europe and New Zealand. This development and progress made on the EU-Canada CETA agreement may have reignited hopes for a similar deal with New Zealand, but I would caution EU leaders against too liberal a deal particularly with regard to agri-food products," Mr Kelly said. While Canada is not a major dairy exporter, New Zealand may have its sights set on Europe's agricultural market. However, this would be to the detriment of Irish agri-food products

like cheeses and butter etc as New Zealand would be aiming to export very similar produce to Europe according to the Ireland South MEP. "We are facing a difficult year for the dairy sector with price volatility and predictions that the price of milk may fall to 27 cent per litre. From 2015, when milk quotas are abolished, we also need to support our dairy farmers as they expand production. Allowing a massive dairy exporter like New Zealand greater access to our market would negatively impact on Irish farmers."

Mr Kelly added that because ireland is particularly dependent on its agri-food exporters, as a largely agricultural country with a substantial dairy sector, it would be the most affected Member State by any such EU-New Zealand trade deal.



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Wishing all of our members a very Happy Christmas and Prosperous New Year

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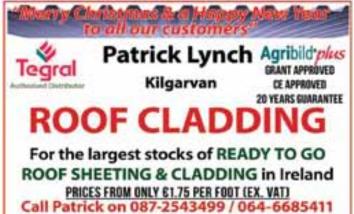
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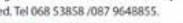
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DOG THEFT

An estimated 160 dogs are being stolen from Irish homes every week and Animal welfare experts have warned pet owners to be extra vigilant over the festive season, as thieves try to cash in on the lucrative Christmas market. Robert Kenny, Ireland's only fully-qualified pet detective, says leading pedigree breeds such as King Charles cavaliers, Jack Russells, Pomeranians, and Bischon Frise are a prized target for dognappers, as they can be sold on for up to €3,000. Mr Kenny, who owns the Dublin-based Happy Tails detective agency, says that thieves will target dogs at home when their owners are out at work and in some cases will even hold their pets to ransom. Dogs are being stolen all year round and more than 50% of the calls he gets now are for stolen pets rather than missing pets. "It's heartbreaking for people to lose a pet in this way and families can often be broken apart after having their pet stolen. I particularly feel for the elderly, as they are very vulnerable and not clued in to what's going on Mr. Kenny added. "My advice to owners would be always keep your dog indoors when you're out of the house or at work and never leave a dog unattended in the garden." Mr Kenny who has been in operation since 2007 and who is one of just 214 qualified pet detectives worldwide, is also a director of Leinster Animal Rescue and he warns that criminals are increasingly targeting other more exotic pets. "I have done cases for cats, dogs, horses, ponies, parrots,

alligators, snakes, and even once for a tortoise — which I successfully recovered."

THE HISTORY OF CHRISTMAS

Christmas has been celebrated on December 25 since 336 A.D. The tradition started as a Christian holiday honoring the birth of Jesus and has evolved into an international holiday that embodies family togetherness and good cheer.

Christmas gets it name from "Christ," meaning "Messiah" or "Anointed One," and "Mass," meaning "religious festival." Jesus, born in Bethlehem to the Virgin Mary, was given the title of "Christ" because he was regarded as a great king who would protect people from all wrong and evil. So great, in fact, that the Three Kings, or Three Wise Men, brought three gifts to honour him: gold, frankincense (a resin burned in the worship of God) and myrrh (a plant oil used to bury the dead and a symbol of mortality). These gifts symbolised Jesus' excellence, his close relationship with God (as His son) and his oneness with the human race. While some still regard Christmas solely as a religious holiday, Christmas has become, for many, a day to celebrate family and be merry (and to needlessly spend aplenty, as some cynics would note!). In the spirit of holiday cheer, many observe the traditions of Santa Claus, mistletoe, Christmas trees and Christmas cards. Kissing under the mistletoe, a sprig of green leaves and white berries, dates back to a 17th century English custom. At that time, a berry was removed every time a kiss was made. which meant there were no kisses when there no berries. The tradition of Christmas trees was started in 16th century Germany. Martin Luther, a German theologian, is thought to have popularised the concept. On a brisk, clear Christmas Eve, Luther was walking home under a bright, starry sky, which was so beautiful that he wanted to recreate its beauty for his children. His idea was to decorate a large evergreen with glowing candles, a custom we still honour today in more modern forms.

And last but not least: the Christmas card, probably the most popular way to express holiday sentiments, was started in England in 1843. The first Christmas card was printed in the United States in 1875 by Louis Prang, a Massachusetts printer. By running nationwide contests for the best Christmas designs, Prang helped launch Christmas cards into a multibillion dollar industry.

THIS WEEKS QUOTE

"And when we give each other Christmas gifts in His name, let us remember that He has given us the sun and the moon and the stars, and the earth with its forests and mountains and oceans - and all that lives and move upon them. He has given us all green things and everything that blossoms and bears fruit and all that we quarrel about and all that we have misused--and to save us from our foolishness, from all our sins, He came down to earth and gave us Himself." Sigrid Undset.

ON THIS DATE DECEMBER 19TH

1606 - The Susan Constant, the Godspeed, and the Discovery departed England carrying settlers who, at Jamestown, Virginia, founded the first of the thirteen colonies that became the United States.

1795 - First US state appropriation of money for road building, Kentucky.

1848 - Death of Emily Brontë, English author.

1854 - Allen Wilson of Connecticut patented sewing machine to sew curving seams.

1863 - Linoleum was patented in London by Frederick Walton.

1871 - Albert Jones, New York NY, patents corrugated paper.

1877 - Land League organiser, Michael Davitt, was released from Dartmoor Prison.

1967 - Limerick born Terry Wogan resigned from RTE to go to the BBC.

1973 - The Supreme Court in Dublin decided by a majority of four to one that a ban on contraceptives was unconstitutional.

2001 - Experts at the National Museum of Ireland confirmed that two pieces of gold jewellery discovered on a beach in Co. Mayo were priceless ribbon torcs which could be up to 3,200 years old.

A LEGO 'WHEELCHAIR' LETS A TINY TORTOISE WALK AGAIN

When the owner of Blade a 4.4-ounce tortoise saw that the tortoise wasn't moving as much as her other pets, she took him to her local animal hospital where the Vet discovered the reptile has a metabolic bone disease that makes him too weak to carry his shell.

Inspired by his sons toys the Vet and his team attached Lego wheels onto the tortoise whose bones were like rubber, the device has four wheels that allow Blade to use his legs while the Lego pieces bear the weight of his shell. When Blade gets stronger, he won't need the "wheelchair" anymore.

While Blade has been given the chance to recover, other tortoises aren't so lucky.

Tortoises and turtles in the wild face threats such as climate change, pollution, hunting, and fishing equipment (it's not uncommon for the reptiles to drown or lose body parts from getting trapped in fishing nets).

Conservationists have had great success recently. With help from "ecosystem engineers," the giant Galápagos tortoise made a big comeback this year after decades of over hunting and habitat loss. And one Israeli design student fashioned an innovative solution (inspired by fighter jet wings) to help out a tortoise that lost its flippers after getting tangled in a net.

COURT CASE OVER LEE HARVEY OSWALDS COFFIN

The coffin of Lee Harvey Oswald, the accused assassin of United States President John F. Kennedy, is at the centre of a lawsuit in a Dallas with Robert Oswald, the alleged assassin's older brother, suing the owner of a funeral home that recently sold the waterlogged coffin for almost \$87,000. President Kennedy was gunned down in Dallas on November 22, 1963, by sniper's bullets as he rode in an open-topped motorcade through the city. Oswald was arrested an hour later and charged with the assassination, two days later, a local nightclub owner with ties to organized crime, Jack Ruby, shot Oswald as police led him through a basement of Dallas Police headquarters. Doubts that Oswald was the true assassin quickly surfaced and rumours that Oswald was not the man in the coffin abounded, that plus many other rumours led to the exhumation of Oswald's coffin in 1981 proving that his remains were actually in the coffin. But Oswald had to be reburied in a different coffin because the original was crumbling from water damage. The funeral director who was part of the exhumation, kept the coffin and after failing to sell it on numerous occasions, finally found a buyer in 2010 at a price exceeding \$87,000.

The now 80 year old Robert Oswald has said that he believes his brother did assassinate President Kennedy had paid \$300 for his younger brother's coffin in 1963 — about \$2,300 in today's money — and says that the coffin rightfully belongs to him. In 2011, he sued the funeral director over ownership of the coffin. The funeral directors case is based on the assertion that Robert Oswald's purchase of the simple pine coffin 51 years ago was a "gift" to Lee Harvey Oswald, and as a result has no claim to own the coffin.

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN OLD CARS?

In the 1950s, at a time when a lot of prewar automobiles were still just used cars, an enthusiast by the name of Roger Baillon began accumulating automobiles old and new. Mr. Baillon was very successful in the lucrative transport business of post-World War II Europe, so he was able to gather guite a few. Although he wanted to preserve the cars and particularly the significant pre-war ones in a museum-type setting, his business took a nosedive in the 1970s and he subsequently sold about fifty of his cars. It was assumed that they had all been sold, and the rest of the cars have been forgotten ever since. The specialists at Artcurial, who are self-described treasure hunters, regularly traverse France finding cars for sales and this time they found sixty collector cars in one place and they say the quality of the machinery found there is the stuff dreams are made of. Included under the makeshift corrugated iron shelters and outbuildings are cars from Bugatti, Hispano-Suiza, Talbot-Lago (including one owned by King Farouk of Egypt), Maserati, Ferrari, Porsche, Delahaye, Delage and Facel Vega as well as coachwork by famous names like Chapron and Saoutchik. The one expected to make the highest price at the auction in Paris this coming February, is the Ferrari 250 SWB California Spider. Found under a pile of papers, it is one of just 37 built, and has the more desirable covered headlights. The last SWB California Spider to sell at auction went for \$15 million, and Artcurial estimates that their example will sell for between €9.5 million to €12 million (\$11.7 million to \$14.7 million).

CHRISTMAS IN AFRICA

• In the Congo Christmas day begins with groups of carollers walking to and fro through the villages, along the roadway, by the houses of the missionaries, singing the lovely carols known the world over. Often people may be awakened by a group of carollers beginning to converge on the house of worship.

The most important part of their Christmas worship service is the love offering, this is the gift in honour of Jesus. Then at about 8 or 9 o'clock everyone makes their way to the celebration of the birthday of Jesus. Everyone who attends the service goes forward to lay down their gift upon the raised platform near the Communion table. Not one person will attend the service without giving a gift. People have Christmas dinners after the service, preparing tables out in front of their home and inviting many of their intimate friends to share.

• Christmas in South Africa is a summer holiday. In December, the southern summer brings glorious days of sunshine that carry an irresistible invitation to the beaches, the rivers, and the shaded mountain slopes. Then the South African holiday season reaches its height. Schools are closed, and camping is the order of the day. In South Africa there is no snow, but it has many flowers, many beautiful varieties of cultivated and wild flowers being in their full pride.

In the cities and towns carollers make their rounds on Christmas Eve. Christmas Eve celebrations in larger centers include "Carols by Candlelight" and special screen and floor shows. Church services are held on Christmas morning. Homes are decorated with pine branches, and all have the decorated Christmas fir in a corner, with presents for the children around. At bedtime on Christmas Eve, children may also hang up their stockings for presents from Father Christmas. Many South Africans have a Christmas dinner in the open-air lunch. For many more, it is the traditional dinner of either turkey, roast beef, mince pies, or suckling pig, yellow rice with raisins, vegetables, and plum pudding, crackers, paper hats, and all. In the afternoon, families go out into the country and usually there are games or bathing in the warm sunshine, and then home in the cool of the evening.

• In Ghana, on Africa's west coast, most churches herald the coming of Christmas by decorating the church and homes beginning with the first week in Advent, four weeks before Christmas. This season happens to coincide with the cocoa harvest, so it is a time of wealth. Everyone returns home from wherever they

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might be such as farms or mines.

On the eve of Christmas, children march up and down the streets singing Christmas Carols and shouting "Christ is coming, Christ is coming! He is near!" in their language. In the evening, people flock to churches which have been decorated with Christmas evergreens or palm trees massed with candles. Hymns are sung and Nativity plays are presented.

On Christmas Day, children and older people, representing the angels in the fields outside Bethlehem, go from house to house singing. Another church service is held where they dress in their native attire or Western costumes. Later on there is a feast of rice and yam paste called fufu with stew or okra soup, porridge and meats. Families eat together or with close neighbours, and presents are given.

• On the west coast of Africa, in Liberia, most homes have an oil palm for a Christmas tree, which is decorated with bells. On Christmas morning, people are woken up by carols. Presents such as cotton cloth, soap, sweets, pencils, and books are exchanged. Also in the morning a church service is held in which the Christmas scene is enacted and hymns and carols are sung. Dinner is eaten outdoors with everyone sitting in a circle to share the meal of rice, beef and biscuits. Games are played in the afternoon, and at night fireworks light up the sky.

FINALLY THIS WEEK:

Please make the Christmas season an extra happy one for everybody by not drinking and driving, wearing your safety belt and slowing down, Christmas is supposed to be about sharing, though you might not be able to do so financially - please share a little of your time - with the old, the lonely and those who may be in need of your help or company - please make sure older people especially have heating and food, offer to bring in a bucket of turf etc from their shed - if you have transport you might be able to offer assistance in fetching their groceries etc and please if you know somebody is living alone in your area no matter their age, make sure they are ok. Please feed ALL Wildlife and make sure they have access to fresh unfrozen water and do NOT give pets as presents.

I would like to sincerely thank all who have contributed to my Ramblings during the year and also to thank readers that got in touch - believe me it is very much appreciated. I would also like to wish all readers, contributors, advertisers, everyone involved in the publication of Outlook Magazines, all at Walsh Colour Print and Educate.ie, our emigrants who are unable to get home for Christmas and our migrants who are unable to be reunited with their families in their native countries this festive season, all hospital patients, those in Nursing Homes and those who have to work over the Christmas season a very Happy Christmas. To you all and to anybody who suffered bereavement during the year I wish you peace of mind, health and happiness in 2014.



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with John O'Sullivan

HOW TO TAKE HARDWOOD CUTTINGS

A lot of hardwood cuttings are grown on, outside in prepared beds but if you are only taking a small amount of cuttings you can grow them in pots as well.

When taking a hardwood cutting pick a good healthy shoot that has grown in the current year. Next, remove any soft growth at the tip of the cutting. Then cut into sections of about 6-10 inches above a bud at the tip with the cut sloping so water can't rest on it. Then cut at the base below a bud or pair of buds and then dip the lower bud into some rooting powder.

Next prepare a trench that is well dug over and has good drainage or if you are growing them in pots – make sure there is plenty of drainage.

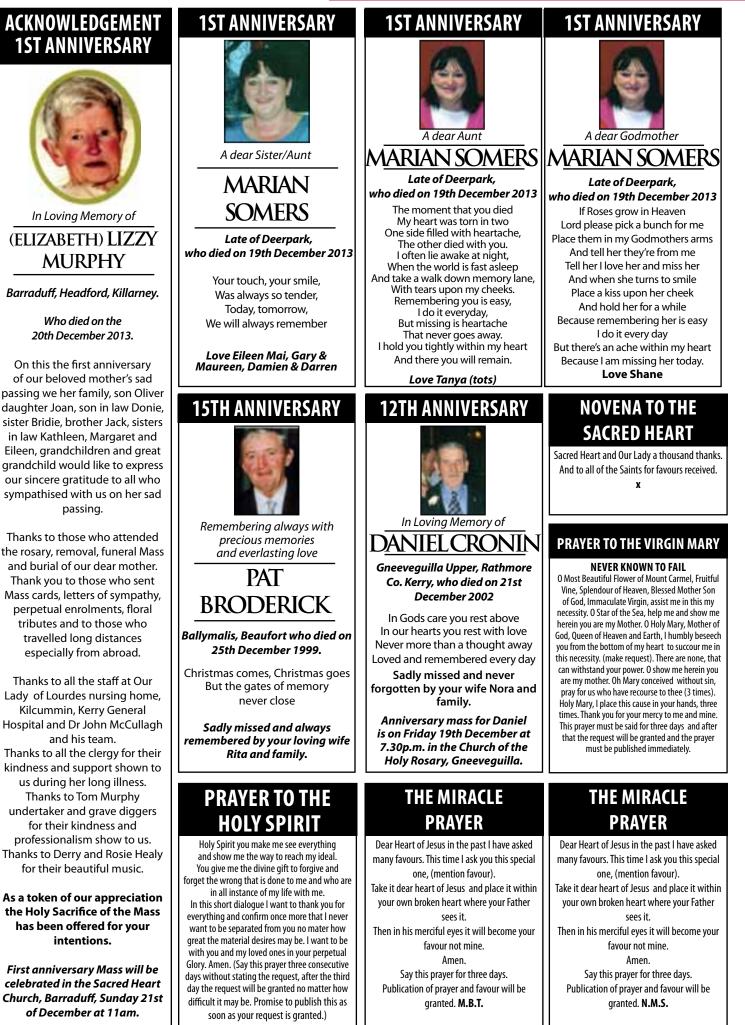
Insert the cuttings two thirds into your pots or ground and allow about 4-5 inches between cuttings. Cuttings should be left until the following autumn and remember to water in dry spells.

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