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The curious minds of students at Two Mile School have scooped a Platinum Science Award, an event filled programme has been launched for Killarney's celebration of Irish American friendship and Killarney Crafty Ladies have been busy rescuing Teddy's for the Hospice.

Tributes have been paid to the late Michael Doyle, a Solemn novena was held in the Friary in honour of St. Anthony and the Jimmy Doyle Concert has raised over \notin 7,000.

There were celebrations on the 60th Anniversary of the opening of Muckross House, a GAA tournament has remembered a fun loving sports mad young boy and its lotto on line time for the Muckross community.

Rowing clubs flocked to Killarney for the start of the coastal season, Kerry have won the Kennedy Shield and the Three Peaks Cycle was a huge success.

Jimmy takes a look at all things sport, the Kerry Ladies are into the All Ireland Quarter Finals and we have all the news from the pitches, fairways and courts.

Hope you all enjoy this week's Killarney Outlook!

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TWO MILE SCHOOL STUDENTS **GO PLATINUM**

Students at Two Mile Community National School have scooped the Platinum Award at the Science Foundation Ireland, Curious Minds Awards.

There was great excitement in the school when pupils and teachers tuned in to the Science Foundation Ireland, Curious Minds Awards ceremony.

"After six years of Gold Awards for Science, the pupils in Two Mile decided to aim higher for the Platinum Award", Catherine Barry, Principal at the school told Killarney Outlook.

"Imagine our surprise to find out that Two Mile was the only school in Kerry to achieve the Platinum Award this year and that we were one of only 30 schools in Ireland", she added.

The Platinum award is a school-wide development project focusing on raising awareness of STEM and how taking part has improved the school community. The children studied the theme of healthy eating and the Science behind it, including how food is grown and the effects of different foods on our bodies. The importance of STEM to children



Children in Two Mile Community National School, taking part in online awards ceremony, for Science Foundation Ireland, Curious Minds Awards.

cannot be overstated' Catherine added. 'Through Science we can teach critical thinking skills, build resiliance and encourage creativity and ingenuity. Most importantly, it is fun and children in all classes enjoy engaging in the learning activities'

The Parents of Two Mile are very supportive of Two Mile School Plan or Science. 'The earlier that kids engage with STEM subjects in a fun way the better' said Cliff Fee, parent's nominee on the Board of Management 'This will give them the founation that they need for choosing subjects at second level, creating a pathway to achieving their goals in the future'

KILLARNEY'S CELEBRATION OF IRISH AMERICAN FRIENDSHIP

History will tell you what happened but a song will tell you how it felt

n events-filled programme of quality entertainment has been lined up for the Celebration of Irish American Friendship in Killarney with great, must-see attractions planned from July 3rd to July 5th. The centuries-old bonds that exist between Ireland and America will be appropriately acknowledged through a variety of entertainment events with the undoubted highlight being a gala parade through the streets, on the evening of Thursday, July 4th.

It will feature spectacular custom-built floats, marching bands, colourful cheerleaders, the rumble of power-packed motorbikes and a whole host of fun-loving and much-loved Disney characters, fairytale princesses and so much more.

With the 100-year celebration of the opening of Killarney National Park scheduled for 2032, Killarney Chamber of Tourism and Commerce last year initiated a special lead-in programme



Disney Characters will pay a visit to Killarney.

to mark the occasion and to celebrate the generosity of the Bourne-Vincent and McShain families who gifted much of the park to the nation and the people.

That historic and valued relationship will be to the fore during the course of this year's festival with the captivating story of John McShain to be told, through poetry, music and song, in a special hour-long production at the Anam Arts and Cultural Centre prior to the big parade.

Co-produced by the multi-talented Noel Patrick O'Sullivan and Fiona Crowley, it will tell the McShain story through the thought-provoking poetry of Tim Buckley, the musical talents of Tony O'Flaherty and Miriam O'Sullivan and the voice of Mary Culloty O'Sullivan with the detailed research into the life of the McShain family conducted by Rachel Kelleher of the NPWS.

"History will tell you what happened but a song will tell you how it felt," Noel Patrick O'Sullivan remarked.

This year also there will be an opportunity to remember the estimated six million Irish people who emigrated to the US since 1820, whose descendants now proudly describe themselves as Irish-American, and their story will be told in an engaging public lecture in the appropriate setting of Killarney House – the former McShain residence – on the evening of Wednesday, July 3rd.

The topic will be Kerry Emigration to the US 1820-1920 and the special guest will be vastly experienced genealogist and author Kay Caball. The fun-filled festivities on July 4th will include



a fabulous kids zone on the grounds of St Mary's Church of Ireland with a whole variety of free activities, including face painting, balloon and art games and an energetic open air kiddies' disco.

The Celebration of Irish American Friendship schedule will also include a town centre familyfriendly, interactive drum experience, lively DJ sounds on Main Street, a sensational Great Gatsby routine with dazzling dancers and an open air live brass band performance on the streets to fill the mid-summer air with great sounds.

Following the big parade on Thursday, July 4th there will be a rousing street party with hugely popular local band Truly Diverse providing the music and everybody is being invited to join in what will be a beat on the street with a stamp of trademark Killarney quality.

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A palpable air of sadness was cast over the town of Killarney following the passing of Micheal Doyle of Fossa.

Tributes were led by Killarney Chamber of Tourism Commerce and have paid a warm tribute to the late Michael, a prominent community activist and the driving force behind many

important local initiatives, who has passed away. The business organisation said the Fossa man had a great vision of how Killarney and its environs should progress and he was always willing to lead from the front and provide the necessary guidance,

know-how and wisdom to see a project through. A statement of condolence issued by Chamber co-presidents, Johnny McGuire and Pádraig Treacy, acknowledged Michael's role as a founder member of the Fossa Historical Society and the local community action group and they said he had his finger on the pulse of parish life and key matters in the day to day affairs of Killarney.

The chamber said Michael was most familiar with the town and its needs through his dedicated career as a senior official in Killarney Post Office where he worked for 40 years before retiring in 1995. In that role he became an unofficial ambassador for the town given his daily interactions with so many people.

A lifelong horseracing enthusiast, Michael was a progressive and dynamic secretary/manager of Killarney Racecourse from 1992 to 2003 and he served as deputy senior steward of the Irish National Hunt Steeplechase Committee having been appointed by the National Hunt Steeplechase Committee in Dublin.

Chamber reflected that Michael became a director of the highly successful Killarney Race Company in the mid-1980s and his was the guiding hand in the push to create an even better facility than already existed.

A keen environmentalist, he fronted a campaign that lasted over 25 years to have Killarney National Park extended to the parish of Fossa and his dream was finally realised in that regard when the hugely popular Fossa Way walkway and cycle route was developed.

Chamber said Michael also served as secretary of the Kerry Way Committee and he was of the main promoters of the ambitious and exciting looped walk project which will entail the development of a trail circling the Lakes of Killarney and encompassing magnificent views of the national park.

"Michael's expertise and contacts proved invaluable when dealing with landowners and other key stakeholders.

"He opened many doors that led to very fruitful negotiations and his organisational skills and powers of persuasion were incredible," the Chamber statement said.

Michael's long-time involvement in the Fossa Tidy Towns group was also acknowledged. He had great pride in his home parish and he loved to participate in the weekly clean-up projects.

A pillar of strength and dedication

Sadness at the passing of MICHAEL DOYLE



The late Michael Doyle (fourth from the right) pictured in 2023 at a special presentation to the family of the Late Dermot Ivo O'Sullivan, Killarney Race Course Director Also included are Killarney Race Course Directors, Áine O'Donoghue, Kate O'leary, Gerard Coghlan, Michael Doyle, Terence Mulcahy and Jim Fleming. Photo: Valerie O'Sullivan (file photo)

"Michael Doyle worked tirelessly all his life to create a better community and he did everything on a voluntary basis and with a very generous hear and giving spirit. He will be a huge loss to Fossa and to Killarney," the Chamber added.

A message of sympathy has been extended from Chamber to Michael's wife Bridie, son Jim, daughters Nessa, Siobhán, Niamh, Sheena and Caoimhe, daughters-in-law, sons-in-law, grandchildren and his extended family.

The Kerry Committee have also expressed their sadness at the passing of their esteemed friend, Michael Doyle.

Michael was not just one of the founding members of the original Kerry Way Committee, but also a pillar of strength and dedication. His unwavering commitment to the Kerry Way, even amidst his recent illness, is a testament to his resilience and passion for his beloved community.

Norman Reidy, Chairman, Kerry Way Committee, said "We would like to express our heartfelt sympathy to his beloved Wife, Bridie, devoted Dad of Jim, Nessa, Siobhán, Niamh, Sheena and Caoimhe, his siblings, and dearly loved grandchildren.

To his family, friends, the local Fossa community, Killarney Race Course, where he worked so tirelessly and with such fervour. His loss is deeply felt by all who had the privilege of knowing this gentleman.

Michael's spirit and energy were infectious, and his contributions to our committee and the wider community were invaluable. His absence will be profoundly felt, but his legacy will continue to inspire us. In these sorrowful times, we stand together to celebrate Michael's life. He will be greatly missed, but his memory will live on now in the work he achieved with others, and the legacy of other trails near Fossa and along the remarkable Kerry Way."

Michael Doyle of Fossa, Killarney, Co Kerry died peacefully surrounded by his loving family on June 18th 2024.

Michael will be sadly missed by his loving wife Bridie and his dearly loved children, Jim, Nessa, Siobhán, Niamh, Sheena and Caoimhe. He will be missed by his daughter-in-law Deirdre, sons-in-law Justin Bennett, Bartley Burns, Tom McCarthy and Paul Kennedy and his greatly loved and cherished grandchildren Ruairi, Cian, Fionn, Meadhbh, Aisling, Laoise, John, Lelia, Bobby and Ellie, his dear siblings Sheila Nolan, Peggy Rintoul, Domino and Claire Houlihan, brothers-in-law, sisters-inlaw, nieces, nephews and his many dear, loyal friends.

Following Requiem Mass at The Prince of Peace Church, Fossa this morning, Friday, Michael will be laid to rest in Aghaode Cemetery, Killarney.

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Solemn Novena

In Honour of

St. Anthony



The Solemn Novena In Honour of St. Anthony took place at the Franciscan Friary Killarney from Tuesday 4th June to Thursday 13th June.

There were daily Novena Masses, a Student Mass, Reconciliation Services, Healing Service & Adoration and on the Feast of St. Anthony there was Mass with the Blessing of the Lillies.

The lily is a symbol of St. Anthony and a reminder of his purity. The blessing of the lilies on the feast of St. Anthony stems from various stories of miracles with lilies.

In the afternoon, there was the Blessing of Children & Families and the Blessing of Expecting Mothers.

The director of the Novena was Br Richard Hendrick OFM.

"Richard blessed the large congregations with his most inspirational homilies and we would like to thank him for spending the past ten days with us here in the Friary", Br Pat Lynch told Killarney Outlook.



The Blessing of Children & Families and the Blessing of Expecting Mothers.



The Blessing of the Lillies at the Franciscan Friary on the Feast of St. Anthony.



Franciscan novices OFM, Killarney, pictured with Br Richard Hendrick OFM director of the Novena to St Anthony of Padua.



Eileen Ann Nagle and Mary pictured with their Lillies at the Franciscan Friary.





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MUCKROSS LOTTERY GOES ONLINE

community fundraiser which has been in operation since 1995 is going online. This week Muckross Community Association announced the launch of its new online facility for playing the Muckross Lottery. The Muckross Lottery community fundraiser has operated since 1995, raising thousands of euro for the benefit of local community groups and bodies including Loughquittane National School, Muckross ICA and Muckross Rowing Club among others. Over the years, countless prize winners have also benefited in the share of jackpot and Match 3 prize wins.

The first Muckross Lottery draw was held in the summer of 1995, a year which also saw the opening of the Muckross Community Centre. At the time, the lottery draw was a first of its kind in Killarney and was to set a fine example for the many other sports club and community lotteries that were later established in the town. The community fundraiser has continued to be a vital support, initially securing the completion of the Muckross Community Centre and over time generating funds for the development of school, community and sporting facilities in the Muckross area.

Since 1995, the lottery has been sustained by the unwavering commitment of local sellers and a dedicated committee within the community association. A number of the lottery's founding members continue to sell weekly tickets to this day in support of local causes.

In a move with the times and ahead of the 30th anniversary of the Muckross Lottery, the association is now building for the future and launching its new online lottery facility. Ahead of the online launch this month, the Association has collaborated with Irish company ClubForce, a leading provider of online lottery systems, to develop the secure online system.

It is hoped the new online facility will generate new lottery sales, extend the lottery's reach to those living abroad and sustain the community fundraiser long into the future. Existing lottery



If you're not in... You can't win...

Muckross Lottery goes online...John Kelly, Chairman of Muckross Community Association and Sive Kenny, with members of the Muckross Assocation launching the new online facility for playing the Muckross Lottery. The Muckross Lottery community fundraiser has operated since 1995, raising thousands of euro for the benefit of local community groups and bodies including Loughquittane National School, Muckross ICA and Muckross Rowing Club among others. Over the years, countless prize winners have also benefited in the share of jackpot and Match 3 prize wins. Online tickets can now be purchased ahead of the weekly draws on Saturday 22nd June, 29th June and throughout July. The jackpot for Saturday 22nd June stands at €5,050 with a rollover each week if the jackpot is not won. Photo: Valerie O'Sullivan

supporters who avail of the online option can also enjoy the benefits of new features including a weekly results email, ticket auto renewal and access to ticket purchase history. The Association are also keen to highlight that existing hard copy tickets will continue to be available and sold as normal.

The Community Association is seeking the support of all residents of the Muckross area and all those with a connection to the community, to spread the word and get behind the new online lottery.

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29th June and throughout July. The jackpot for Saturday 22nd June stands at €5,050 with a rollover each week if the jackpot is not won. Online lottery tickets can be purchased each week (3 tickets for €5). A single €2 ticket can also be purchased for multiple draws. The lottery's annual 'green' ticket is also available online for €100 and continues to include two free draws.

Link to Muckross Lottery online.

https://muckrosscommunityassociation. clubforce.com/products/lotto/muckrosscommunity-assocation-lotto

Making History...

The first Guides at Muckross House on the 60th Anniversary of the opening of the house to visitors, re-enacting the original photograph in 1964 were from left, Mary O'Connor (Quille), Teresa Lyne (Wade) and Anne Keane (Maguire). To celebrate the 60th anniversary of the opening of Muckross House to visitors on June 14th 1964. A special weekend to mark the occasion was organised by the Board of Trustees of Muckross House, Killarney, and Staff at National Parks and Wildlife Service, Killarney National Park. Photo: Valerie O 'Sullivan



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It's the talk of the town...

With Anne Lucey

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

Muckross 60 - building on a good old idea

Annual scholarships have been announced by the National Parks and Wildlife Service to mark the 60th anniversary of the opening of Muckross House and Gardens to the public.

The Director General of the NPWS, East Kerry man Niall O' Donnchú, announced the inaugural "Muckross 60" nature scholarships during a weekend of celebrations which saw free admission to the house and the organic traditional farms.

Two annual scholarships are to be awarded, each worth Euro 5,000 with the successful candidates awarded the Muckross 60 Scholars Medal.

The scholarships will be funded and managed by the service.

These will be for post-graduate students pursuing ecology, ornithology, botany or heritage studies or studies in related areas of relevance to Muckross and Killarney National Park. Hopefully, heritage includes the language of Aogán O'Rathaille and Eoghan Rua.

One of the ideas put forward in the early 1960s for Muckross House - it had been mothballed for 30 years - was that it should act as a winter college.

A companion proposal for a hotel of the Great Southern group had mobilised the opposition of the town and this in turn led to the creation of the upstairs/downstairs folk facility enjoyed today.

Tourism and hotels were then summer activities so the creation of a winter adult learning centre could have worked. The hotel idea was building on the use of the house as a rental hunting lodge for rich shooting parties during the



Heads of Department and NPWS management, Anne Tangney, Head Guide, Muckross House, Niall O'Donnchú, Director General National Parks and Wildlife Service, Catriona Ryan, Principal Officer, NPWS, Danny O'Keeffe, Regional Manager NPWS, Killarney National Park, Alex Bowie, Assistant Principal Officer, Department of Housing, local Government and Heritage, Éamonn Meskell, Divisional Manager NPWS, Pat Dawson, Manager Killarney House and Gardens, at Muckross House to celebrate the 60th anniversary of the opening of Muckross House to visitors on June 14th 1964. Photo: Valerie O'Sullivan

Edwardian period when it was owned by the Guinnesses.

Rotha Mór and tSaoil: the new scholarships pick up on this educational plan. And as for the hotel idea - Muckross is a tourist facility, essentially, although no-one gets to overnight there anymore.

Meanwhile, an issue was raised with me in casual conversation with someone who saw and photographed the contents of the house in 1961 - much of the furnishings were taken up to the Aras and other public buildings and they

never came back, he believes. We are pursuing this.

Speaking of bottlenecks

One bottleneck that has to be addressed is the Killarney recycling banks. Why bottle banks, clothes banks and can thrash are all deep in the Beech Road or Rock Road car parks is beyond me.

The whole idea behind recycling is saving the planet. Except this is clearly not appreciated by the authorities in Killarney where because of the dire traffic situation, the combustion engine is emitting carbon for far longer than it should on the way to the hidden recycling banks!

So, you have motorists stuck in traffic or else deciding to give up entirely on the journey with the cans rattling behind them.

You couldn't make it up. I have heard plenty of noise about cctv cameras to record illegal dumping but little or nothing about the vital green aspect.

Most European countries have recycling facilities, placed well outside towns and village centres so stuff can be dropped off easily and without getting stuck in traffic.

However, there may be some light at the end of the tunnel. I put the query into the council and they tell me they are looking at new sites.

These are to be in addition to the congested car park sites.

"At present, the Council is examining a number of locations for additional bottle bank facilities in Killarney,"a spokesman said.

This is another job to pursue for our not so new Killarney council, perhaps. They are there long enough now to know their way around!

Killarney Jammed - time for politicians and council management to lobby for gardaí for point duty

A new \in 61 million bypass of the town of Listowel opened to traffic on Tuesday afternoon.

The 6 km roadway will ease traffic congestion in the heritage town and cut six minutes off the journey along the N69 via Tarbert and onto Limerick, it is expected.

I recall no big campaign for a bypass of Listowel. In fact when it was proposed there was much opposition.

We can only sigh with envy in Killarney where the jams reached new heights at the weekend and for much of last week. People I know in Fossa and in Muckross and even Park Road and Ballycasheen are timing their journeys now to town now to deal with traffic. New rat runs are emerging around Aghadoe to avoid the Fossa congestion.

The question of Gardai on point duty arises. On the Monday following the election Killarney even onto the Cork road ground to a halt.

The citizenship ceremonies brought most people by car. More people are day tripping to Killarney now because of the continuing shortage of mid-price accommodation in Killarney where so much key tourist accommodation is still taken up with refugees going onto a third year.

New Street and even Muckross Road now are cases in point, to put a different slant on the point! The stately New street is fairly sad looking these days. It has closed shops and on Monday I found many cafes and other operating premises had shut down by 4.30 - because it is not worth their while staying open. Were Dunnes to leave, we could bypass New Street altogether.

I digress - unlike the traffic.

On Tuesday, on the second day of the citizenship ceremonies which brought 5,000 candidates to the town, thanks to complaints to gardai, members were out on point duty at Woodlawn Cross and at Flesk. And the traffic flowed freely. We have seen this already on race days. Point duty led by Sergeant Dermot O'Connell is highly effective. Having Gardai on regular duty on the Hans Liebherr, Mission and Muckross Roads at peak times would surely work. If nothing else, it creates more visibility for Gardai. But there are not enough garda in Killarney to keep the traffic flowing.

If the suggestion came from the council as a whole, not from a single political entity, then the garda in Killarney would consider it. There is a second proviso - their numbers are stretched. Extra gardai are needed for Killarney point duty. So on your bikes now, councillors, council management and TDs. Secure the resources from within the Kerry Division. Forget the shouting about the road works as it is getting us nowhere.

A new €61 million bypass of the town of Listowel opened to traffic on Tuesday afternoon.





Jimmy Doyle Concert RAISES THOUSANDS FOR THE HOSPICE

embers of the Doyle family gathered at The Gleneagle Hotel this week to present members of the Kerry Hospice Foundation with a cheque for an amazing \in 7,065.

The family held The Jimmy Doyle Concert at The Gleneagle Hotel in a tribute to the renowned Sliabh Luachra Accordion player who passed away in January, 2023. The event was held as part of The Gathering Trad Music Festival at the INEC in February of this year.

Jimmy was a larger than life character who brought humour and enjoyment to his music sessions. The large number of musicians and patrons who turned up on the night to pay tribute to him was an acknowledgement of his popularity and recognition of his contribution to Irish trad music over many years. His legacy endures in the popularity of Sliabh Luachra music.

Kerry Hospice Foundation wish to thank his wife Joan and family for selecting them as beneficiaries of this generous donation. Thanks also to the musicians and patrons for supporting the event and to the organiser John O'Shea and team.



Members of the Doyle Family presenting a cheque for €7,065 to the Kerry Hospice Foundation. Included are Joan Doyle, Marguerite Doyle, Mary Doyle, Brendan Whelan Patricia Whelan, Owen Doyle, Grace Doyle, John Dineen, Pat O'Brien, Julie O'Donoghue, Margaret Healy, Michael Healy, Padraig Doyle, Sean Doyle, Jack Doyle, Kathleen O'Sullivan, Kerry Hospice Foundation, John O'Shea, Organiser of the event, Patrick O'Donoghue, Gleneagle Hotel and Pat Doolan, Kerry Hospice Foundation.

Stunning Concert Planned TO RAISE MONEY FOR THE BUS



Mary Culloty O'Sullivan and the Killarney Community Singers who will perform to raise money for Kerry Cancer Support Group.

The wonderful voices of the Killarney Community Singers will fill the Methodist Church on Wednesday next June 26th when they hold their annual charity concert.

Singer/Songwriter Mary Culloty O'Sullivan and her group have chosen as the benificiaries, the Kerry Cancer Support Group as it is a local, vital charity for people in Co Kerry who need transportation to their hospital appointments. group The have transported 75% of the Kerry cancer patients to their appointments since they started in 2010. They have 2 buses and a jeep and cover 8 locations. It is a free service and a travelling support group. People

who travel on the buses are seen together in a block booking for their appointments and avoid long waiting times.

Because the Charity is local the money raised stays in Co Kerry.

"As a local I am delighted to raise funds for such a worthy cause. Myself and my Killarney Community Singers have put together a fabulous repertoire of song and poetry", Mary told KillarneyOutlook. The concert will be in

The concert will be in The Methodist Church (Near the Avenue Hotel), Wednesday June 26th at 7.30pm. Free Entry. Donations gratefully accepted.



Tournament Remembers Fun Loving, Sports Mad Dylan

The Dylan Crowley Under 11 tournament took place on Saturday 15th June at Gneeveguilla GAA grounds. The annual tournament organised by Dylan's aunt Kit and Sean O Sullivan is held in honour of Dylan's memory. Dylan was sports mad so it was always felt that a football tournament was a fitting tribute to him.

The twelve teams that took part were Firies, Kilcummin, Rathmore, Killarney Legion, Listry, Kenmare, Glenflesk, Currow, Scartaglen, Cordal, Spa and Gneeveguilla. The Division 1 final saw Rathmore come up against Killarney Legion with Rathmore taking the win. Rathmore's Adam Cremin was awarded man of the match for Division 1. Division 2 saw Currow and Glenflesk in the final, Glenflesk were victorious here and man of the match went to JJ Landers of Glenflesk. The Division 3 final was between Spa and Scartaglin. Spa took the Division 3 title with Luke Jordan of Spa getting the man of the match. The presentations were made by Dylan's brother and sister Bryan and Emer.

Well Done and thanks to all the teams and their mentors who participated on the day in a very sporting manner, they are a credit to their families and clubs.

Dylan was a fun loving boy who loved sports having played football and basketball with Gneeveguilla and soccer with Mastergeeha. The tournament is a time when his family and friends can come together to remember a very special boy, this year being extra special as Dylan would have celebrated this 21st birthday in the coming weeks on the 24th July.

Even though the weather wasn't great on the day it didn't dampen the spirits of the boys and girls who played in difficult conditions at times.

As always a highlight of the day for the players is the parade where all the teams follow the piper Declan Buckley around the pitch, thanks to Declan for playing. Mark O' Leary a team mate of Dylan's opened the tournament with a beautiful rendition of Amhran Na bhfiann, again thanks to Mark.

Thanks to Joan Heapes and John Harrington who were on first aid duty. Thanks also to Sean O' Keeffe, Gneeveguilla GAA Club, the ladies committee, the Stewart's and referees who helped in making sure the day ran smoothly. As always a great day in memory of a great young man Dylan Crowley.



Rathmore team at The Dylan Crowley Memorial Tournament



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FLESK VALLEY 'HEAD OF THE LAKE' 2024

Kerry rowing clubs flock to Killarney for the start of the coastal season

here was a fantastic spectacle of colour and rowing on Lough Leane last Sunday (June 16th) with the coastal rowing clubs of Kerry participating in the first 'Head of the Lake' time-trial for coastal onedesign and FISA boats. The event, hosted by the local Flesk Valley Rowing Club, signalled the start of the summer season for clubs rowing the coastal 'onedesign' boats.

It was fitting that on the weekend that the Killarney National Park celebrated the 60th anniversary of the opening of Muckross House to the public, that hundreds of people also flocked to the Flesk Valley shore to appreciate and enjoy the splendour of the national park.

Speaking after the event, Flesk Valley chairman, John Fleming thanked all the Kerry clubs who supported this new event and congratulated all the first-time rowers taking to the water in a competitive event for the first time. "We were delighted to welcome our neighbouring clubs Workmens and Fossa, and look forward to renewing rivalries with them again at the Killarney Regatta at the end of this month".

John went on to thank the Flesk Valley members, parents and committee members for all their help in organising the event. "We would also like to thank Mary B Teahan, Andrew Wharton, Johanna King and the Kerry Coastal Rowing Association for all their support and encouragement, and Denis O'Leary for coordinating safety on the water".

Flesk Valley would also like to thank the Killarney National Park, Leanes Tool Hire, Hegartys shop and Muckross Rowing Club for their support.

This was a great start to the coastal rowing season, and augurs well for the months ahead as clubs build towards the All-Ireland Coastal Rowing Championships to be held in Dingle at the end of August.



Flesk Valley ladies enjoying the sunshine at the Head of the Lake in Killarney in Sunday June 16th. L-R Noreen Moynihan, Esther Brosnan, Aoife O'Shea and Eithne Maguire.



Flesk Valley U14 Girls at the Head of Head of the Lake in Killarney in Sunday June 16th.



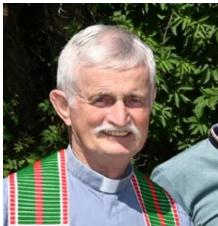
Flesk Valley U12 Boys at the Head of Head of the Lake in Killarney with their coach Alison O'Sullilvan.



Flesk Valley U16 Girls at the Head of the Lake in Killarney on Sunday June 16th. L-R Meabh Darcy, Cliona Moynihan, Bella Dennehy and Holly Heffernan.

The Parish of Fossa will celebrate their Parish Priest Fr Niall Geaney's Golden Jubilee after 7.30pm Mass on Friday 5th July in the Fossa Community Centre. Beidh cupán tae tar éis an Aifreann.





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Milltown FC were delighted to welcome Republic Of Ireland Women's U17 Head Coach James Scott to Milltown last Tuesday.

Having worked in both boys & girls football it was a great evening for our members to gain valuable knowledge from James experience given he has worked from grassroot level right up to International level.

James had a great chat with our youngest members born 2014-2018 & our little Academy members had some very interesting questions to ask him.

James implemented a fun, intense session with our members 2011-2013 followed by Q&A.

We were all grateful for the session & appreciated James travelling such a distance from North Tipperary for the session.

Tommy Griffin also attended the session.

Milltown FC are very grateful for the support Tommy Griffin has shown the club since being formed in 2022. We acknowledge the fantastic support & work he put in last year with our Sports Capital Equipment Grant Application & being recently successful with the application for the club.





Killarney Valley AC Fundraise to build Polevault Runway

This will significantly help the young boys & girls in the club to develop

Without his support we wouldn't have had such a strong application.

Thank you again Tommy from all at Milltown FC.

Professional coaching for boys & girls born 2011-2018

Progressive athletic club, Killarney Valley AC have launched a fundraiser to develop a pole vault runway at their track in Killarney.

The club are a not for profit athletics club with 360 members from age 7 to age 90. "We have financed and built our "Oasis of Athletics" with years of volunteer fundraising", Jer Griffin told Killarney Outlook. "We now have athletes in many Track and Field disciplines including 5 national level polevaulters who have to travel 100s of miles each week to train. So we are now hoping to finalise our own polevault and are on the final stages with the runway build next", he added.

If you would like to help Killarney Valley AC get their Pole Vault facility up and running you can do so by donating on: https://gofund. me/3f04a8ff

"We are asking everyone who can to help us get this done so that our flock of vaulters can grow and more can enjoy the many disciplines of Track and Field", Jer said.



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KERRY WIN THE KENNEDY SHIELD



Kerry bridged a seven year gap to record silverware at the prestigious Kennedy Cup competition, winning the Kennedy Shield n by a 2-1 margin over NDSL.

It was a fitting way to end the week which had plenty of drama, to lift a first piece of silverware since 2017 where they also lifted the Shield. Five games played over four days was an intense slog, the celebrations at the end of the Shield final will however last a lifetime.

The week began with Kerry's opening game producing a six goal thriller against Tipperary South, the spoils shared in the end with the final score reading 3-3. Darragh Keane, Ryan Vickers and an acrobatic effort from Jayden Hurley, the goals in one of the games of the tournament.

Kerry had to dust themselves off to play their second Group tie hours later, which ended in heartbreak for Kerry, as Waterford scored in the dying seconds of stoppage time to take a 1-0 win.

A late corner was adjudged to have crossed the Kerry goal line by the linesman, as the set piece deflected at the front post. The result put Kerry bottom of the table as they entered the Shield competition.

Less than 24 hours later the Kingdom booked safe passage to the semifinal, defeating Carlow 2-1. A first win for the Kingdom in the competition began in strong fashion as Thomas Keane and Donnacha Vaughan found the net.

Carlow pulled a goal back in the 25th minute of the half but had very few chances after. Kerry kept pressing for the elusive third goal, unable to find a way past Carlow net minder Jack Ivors.

Next on the agenda was a last four tie against Clare and after a nerve wracking penalty shootout, the Kingdom prevailed 6-5 on spot kicks after the tie ended 1-1 at full time. A game played in swirling wind and

driving rain, Kerry were behind early on, a cross from the left wing from Mark Regan was turned home from close range by Kaylum Mata.

Kerry pressed on and started to create chances at the other end, with 19 minutes elapsed they would find the equaliser. A free kick to the right of the area from Danny Lane struck the wall and a vital touch from Jimmy McGann played the ball back into the box, a bit of pinball saw the ball deflect off Ryan O'Flaherty, saw the ball elude the Clare defenders and find the feet of Jayden Hurley to tap home from close range.

It was end to end for the remainder of the game as both teams looked to find a second goal for the lead which failed to arrive. After a hard fought 60 plus minutes we headed to penalties.

Danny Lane, Darragh Keane, Ryan O'Flaherty, Adrian O'Connor, and Lachlann Scannell all scored their penalties. With the shootout in sudden death, Liam Moynihan made a powerful save to put the advantage into Kerry hands, Ryan Vickers stepped up and slotted to the bottom left corner to punch the final ticket.

It was an early start on Friday morning but one that was well worth it in the end.

Kerry took the lead in the third minute of play, Lachlan Scannell floated a corner from the right that spilled through the NDSL goalkeeper's hands at the front post and landed in the net for the opener.

The advantage was two minutes later, as Kerry doubled their lead. Scannell stood again over a corner on the right hand side, the delivery landed in the area but Kerry were unable to create the chance.

As the ball was recycled out of the area, Adam Moynihan attempted to float a cross back into the box, the effort was deflected by an NDSL defender on its way and into the path of Darragh Keane, who reacted quickly to pounce and fire low past the keeper in the 11th minute to double the lead.

Kerry pressed on but could not add further goals to lead by more than two at the break. Luc MacGearailt came close early in the second half but it was NDSL who would score the third goal.

A corner on the right was headed clear by MacGearailt, Rhys Hanley crossed the ball back in just outside the box right into the path of Oisin Hegarty who fired low to the bottom right corner past Moynihan

It was almost level minutes later when Hegarty forced Moynihan into a save from close range. Pressure was on Kerry and as a few tackles started to fly in, they remained composed going into the final ten minutes, holding that lead right to the sound of the long whistle.



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Julia Deady's sunrise photograph of the Dolomites, Italy earned her top spot.





Julia Deady (left), being presented with the Killarney Camera Club 'Photographer of the Year' award by Club Chairperson, Nikki Foley (right). Nikki Foley (right), Killarney Camera Club Chairperson, presenting Iryna Halaieva (left), with the 'Novice of the Year' award.

Julia Captures Top Prizes at Killarney Camera Club

KillarneyCameraClubmembersheldtheirfinalcompetition of the season last week. This was a print competition and there was a fabulous display of high-quality prints. In total 24 members entered the competition.

Congratulations to Julia Deady with this sunrise photograph of the Dolomites, Italy, earning her first place in the Unrestricted category. Julia told us that it shows the mountains of Compaccio, Saltria, Gioge and Piz with a series of mountain huts in the village of Alpe di Siussi. She said "This region is the highest alpine meadow in Europe, which is also a UNESCO World Heritage Site. The mist rolling down from the mountains added to the atmosphere of this incredible region."

The top three in the Unrestricted category:

1st Place: Julia Deady, Dolomites

2nd Place: Ade Desbrow, How now brown cow 3rd Place: Seamus Long, Kenmare Bay Sunrise

Julia was also the winner of the Photographer of the Year award, based on her placings across all seven Club competitions. Iryna Halaieva won the Novice of the Year award, while the Most Improved Photographer was Maryann Heidtke.

All the print competition photos are available on the Club's website www.killarneycameraclub.ie.

THREE PEAKS CYCLING SUCCESS

Despite the inclement weather, the Three Peaks Cycling Challenge was a fantastic event with all who participated really enjoying the camaraderie, food stops, and delicious burger at the finish. Everyone had plenty of laughs throughout the day.

Down Syndrome Kerry and Killarney Cycling Club would like to thank everyone who participated in and supported the Three Peaks Cycling Challenge.

Thanks also to all our wonderful sponsors who supported us for the Three Peaks Cycling Challenge and to everyone for their marvellous contribution to help make this fantastic day happen.

Special thanks to all the volunteers from both Down Syndrome Kerry and Killarney Cycling Club who gave up their time to ensure all cyclists were fed, watered and supported on the day.

We wish all who are participating in the Ring of Kerry Cycle the very best on Saturday, 6th July.



Cyclists taking part in the Three Peaks Challenge





A wave for the camera during the Three Peaks Challenge



All smiles for the camera during a break in the Three Peaks Challenge

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A change for our HeartBeat Strutters

For the Summer now our HeartBeat Strutters walk group will experience the benefits of Qi Gong, exercising along with Specialist Qi Gong Instructor **Noreen Tobin**.

This slow movement therapy session will be prior to the usual walk. We meet every Thursday at the Kingsbridge opposite St. Mary's Cathedral at 11am and costs €1.00.

ALL ARE WELCOME For queries on the walks call Mairead on 087 681 8473. Our walks are supported by AGE & OPPORTUNITY.

NEWS

rish Olympic and Paralympic Athlete Jordan Lee from Killarney features in the latest campaign from PTSB, title sponsor of both the Irish Olympic and Irish Paralympic teams. The video content series delves into what it means to support the human behind the athlete.

Following on from the launch of the Bank's Team Ireland TV Ad Campaign in February, the video content series features four of PTSB's Olympic and Paralympic Athlete Ambassadors, as they open up and let the viewer see the more human side of their journey towards competing on the world stage this summer in Paris. From incredible family support to overcoming outside adversity, the campaign offers an intimate look at what helps these athletes achieve extraordinary results.

The series kicks off with Kerry's High Jumper and Tokyo Paralympian, Jordan Lee. For Jordan, his sporting career did not begin with high jump. Inspired by his father, he was a successful basketball player, making history as the first onehanded player to represent his country globally.

Through his storytelling, he gives an insight into the judgement he faced from an early age, a memory that still fuels his determination. The early adversity he faced led to a disciplined routine, waking up at 6am to train, driven by the desire to prove sceptics wrong.

Additional content drops feature Cork's Olympic Champion Rower Fintan McCarthy, World Champion Swimmer Daniel Wiffen from County Down and Limerick Hurdler Sarah Lavin, who are among eleven PTSB ambassadors striving to represent Team Ireland at the Olympic Games and Paralympic Games.

The campaign is based on the insight that most of us look upon our athletes as if they were superhuman, with their only role to go out and represent Ireland. As title sponsor of both the

Irish Olympic and Irish Paralympic teams, PTSB's understanding of what these athletes go through

The Human Behind The Athlete JORDAN FEATURES ON **NEW VIDEO SERIES**



Athlete Jordan Lee features as PTSB unveils video series documenting 'The Human Behind the Athlete' with Irish Olympic and Paralympic Athlete Ambassadors

human who started it all, who gets up every morning and faces every challenge head on,

runs deeper. Behind every athlete, there's a $\frac{1}{2}$ even when it feels like the odds are against them.



Pictured at the presentation of a cheque to the Kerry Hospice from Killarney Crafty Ladies are front: Kathleen O'Sullivan, Kerry Hospice Foundation. and Margaret McCarthy. At back:Dermot O'Reilly, Kerry Hospice Foundation. Brid O'Donoghue, Eilish O'Sullivan, Betty Benson, Honor Doyle and Pat Doolan, Kerry Hospice Foundation.

Killarney Crafty Ladies **RESCUE TEDDYS FOR** THE HOSPICE

A group of Crafty ladies who came together 2013 to rescue teddies from charity shops and give them a makeover have donated a massive €3,375.20 to the Kerry Hospice Foundation.

The Killarney Crafty Ladies are made up of a group of eight friends, Betty Benson, Peig Coffey, Honor Doyle, Margaret McCarthy, Kate O'Connor, Brid O'Donoghue, Eilish O'Sullivan, and Colette Sorensen. The aim was to "rescue" Teddy Bears from charity shops in Kerry, also Cork, Limerick and as far away as Galway. The bears are then given a complete makeover. The Craft group meet once a month where they knit, sew and treat the preloved bears to stylish new outfits ready for sales at Halloween and Christmas. The amount raised last was €3,375.20 and, to date, over €25,000 has been raised for this worthy cause.



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NEWS

Director General of the National Parks and Wildlife Service, Niall O' Donnchú, has announced the inaugural 'Muckross 60' nature scholarships to commemorate the 60th anniversary of the opening of Muckross House and Gardens to the public. The scholarships will be funded and managed by the National Parks and Wildlife Service.

Speaking at the anniversary, Niall O Donnchú said: "Killarney and Muckross have a very special place in Ireland's heritage legacy, and that such beautiful gems need constant care, nurturing and indeed protecting by future generations."

In supporting these third level scholarships, the NPWS is building the knowledge base of the future to assist those generations in continuing to realise the full beauty and nature value of the very unique Muckross House and Gardens and Killarney National Park.

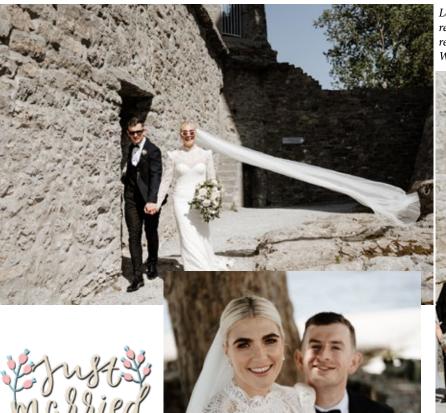
Mr O Donnchú added: "Killarney has a long history of scholarship, research and frontier work on nature and that continues to this day in the management of Killarney National Park and Muckross House and Gardens. The endowment of these annual scholarships is a very clear attestation that this crucial work continues to be undertaken across our national park system and especially here in Killarney and Muckross. This work has been pioneering in respect of wildlife and nature research and indeed the reintroduction of endangered species and the discovery, even this year, of more."

'MUCKROSS 60' marked with new Nature Scholarships



Niall O' Donnchú, Director General National Parks and Wildlife Service, addressing guests at Muckross House to celebrate the 60th anniversary of the opening of Muckross House to visitors on June 14th 1964. Photo: Valerie O'Sullivan

Sun Shines on Leanne & Anthony's Special Day



Leanne Cronin and Anthony Kennedy who were married recently in St. Mary's Cathedral and held their wedding reception in the Heights Hotel. Photos: Sebastian from Art Wedding Photography



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KERRY COUNTY COUNCIL STOPPING HOUSE BUILDING IN KERRY

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

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

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

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

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A builder built an extra thirteen houses in an existing housing estate. The builder rerouted heavy traffic away from the estate and used an existing farm road at the rear of the site to access the building site. The photo shows the relief road and this road was in existence long before his company built these houses. After the houses were built the Council instructed the builder to go onto private property and dig up the relief road and turn the area into a green field otherwise Kerry County Council will take $\leq 20,000$ via a bond from the builder.

Kerry County Council contacted this publication stating that the heading of this article is "grossly misleading and incorrect". Nobody wants badly built estates but this example does not entice builders to build houses.





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

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

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



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

The specifications on building a manhole has changed recently and Kerry County Council wants all the manholes in the estate dug up and rebuild under the updated specifications and this work will cost the builder \leq 45,000. Kerry Council does not accept that this decision is a gross abuse of power.

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Members of Dochas Drama Group, Killarne who performed "An Evening with Joyce" in Muckross House



ON THE 60TH ANNIVERSARY of the opening of Muckross House

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A special weekend to mark the occasion was organised by the Board of Trustees of Muckross House, Killarney, and Staff at National Parks and Wildlife Service, Killarney National Park. *PHOTOS: VALERIE O'SULLIVAN*



Members of the Board of Trustees of Muckross House, past and present management of Killarney National Park, and National Parks and Wildlife Services (NPWS); Dignitaries from Kerry County Council and members of the elergy gather to velebrate the 60th anniversary of the opening of Muckross House to visitors on June 14th 1964.

Tim Brosnan, NPWS, tending to the Kerry Cattle Rare Muckross rarebred, at the exhibition stands.





Life time service, past and present staff at Muckross House, gather for a photograph at Mackross House to celebrate the 60th anniversary of the opening of Muckross House to visitars on June 14th 1964, from left, Brigid Hartnett, Julia Lucey, Margaret McCarthy, Frances O'Sullivan, back row from left, Willie Barke, Dan Kelleher, Anne Tangney, Kathleen Hickey. A special weekend to mark the coersion was organized by the Board of Trustees of Muckross House, Killarney, staff at National Parks and Wildlife Service, and Killarney National Park.





Kathleen Murphy, who was at the opening of Muckross House in 1964, with her Grand Daughter Aine O'Sullivan.











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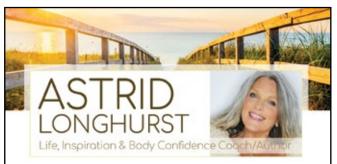


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Yes and your face is often the first place you lose weight from. Collagen levels in your skin start declining from age 30 onwards and drop faster during menopause from lack of oestrogen. Without collagen your skin cannot bounce back after fat cells disappear.

Skin becomes thinner losing its elasticity and bones start shrinking causing the soft tissue in your face to drape over your bones causing wrinkles and folds to appear. Gravity naturally pulls your skin down causing smile lines, jowls and and often a double chin. Some people develop a hollow area under the eyes and your skin can become dehydrated and wrinkly. Even if you gain weight again it



may not plump up your face.

Try taking collagen supplements with hyaluronic acid or vitamin A and C to promote collagen synthesis. Avoid sugar, alcohol, smoking and the sun as these can disrupt how fat is stored in your body and effect collagen production.

Noreen Mangan Tel: 0646630712 www.whatwomenwant.ie



Water – it's not just for when you are thirsty!

There is no great secret that water is essential to our overall health. Our body's systems rely on water to function correctly, thrive and survive.

As we as the benefits to our overall health water works to help things like;

Regulate body temperature | Flush out toxins from the kidneys and liver | Helps the body to dissolve nutrients so that they are more accessible to the body | aid bowel regularity | prevent kidney stones

So why is it so difficult for some of us to drink water when we consider the benefits it offers? Let's be honest – water on it's on can be boring for a lot of people and certainly it doesn't hit the taste buds as well as the sugary drinks that have the huge marketing budgets. But, if you are serious about changing habits, improving diet, improving hydration and improve your overall health from your body benefitting from the things that improved water intake will do for you, then you need to make the choice to bin the sugary drinks and get the water into you.

Some people can find water a bit bland on its own but what about adding some fruit to your water bottle to flavour your water for you?

For most of us drinking between 2 and 3 litres of water a day is what we need but there are factors where you may need a little more or a little less, such things as age, gender, and your level of physical activity.

Spread your water consumption out over the course of your day. Aim to drink between 500 and 750ml every 3 to 4 hours and this will make it a little easier to hit your daily target. While it may be difficult to do at the beginning it is about developing the habit, and it then becomes easier. And when you are struggling with it, just think of the good you are doing, which is for your own benefit and no one else's.

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BLURRED VISION

When you have blurred vision, your eyesight is less sharp and objects, images and words seem to be out of focus.

Who is affected by blurred vision? Anyone can be affected by blurred vision. It could be a sign of getting older and/or needing new glasses, tiredness, or too much sun. But there are many other causes, and it could be one of the symptoms of a range of conditions including:

- Short-sightedness (myopia), long-sightedness (hyperopia), astigmtism and presbyopia
- An eye injury which may have scratched the cornea
- Foreign object in the eye
- Eye drops
- Dry eye
- Cataracts
- Age-related macular
 degeneration
- A migraine

Blurred vision can also be a symptom of non-optical conditions such as a diabetes, a stroke and preeclampsia (a condition caused by high blood pressure in pregnancy).

What are the symptoms of blurred vision?

Blurred vision is hazy and unfocussed, as though you were looking through an oily film and you feel you need to rub your eyes to get things back into focus.

It can affect your entire field of vision or your peripheral vision (the edges of your vision), and can occur in one eye or both. You may not realise that you have blurred vision in one eye until you do something that requires shutting your other eye – for example, doing your make up. This is because your brain provides compensation.

How do you treat blurred vision? As blurred vision has many possible causes, the treatment will depend on the condition. If the blurring is recurring or ongoing, you should book an eye examination. This will investigate the cause and recommend suitable treatment or refer you to an appropriate specialist.

If you think it may be one of the symptoms of a serious medical condition such as stroke or preeclampsia, you should seek urgent medical help.

For more information and honest advice contact us for an appointment.



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A lifetime of service to Muckross House, from left, Paul Morgan, Frances O'Sullivan, Michelle Arthur, Patricia O'Hare, in Muckross House, to celebrate the 60th anniversary of the opening of Muckross House to visitors on June 14th 1964. Photo: Valerie O'Sullivan

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>NOIRON LYNCH TOURNAMENT

The Noirín Lynch Tournament for 1st, 2nd & 3rd class pupils from Barraduff, Glenflesk, Knockanes & Raheen National Schools was held on Friday 14th June. Congratulations to Glenflesk who beat Knockanes in the final. Huge credit to all the children, teachers, staff and referees for organising a great tournament. A great advertisement for Glenflesk football!

>DYLAN CROWLEY MEMORIAL TOURNAMENT

Huge congratulations to our U11 boys who won the Dylan Crowley Memorial Tournament Division 2. Fantastic performances by all our lads in tough conditions. Thank you to Gneeveguilla and the Crowley family for organising a great tournament.

≻UNDER 9s

Hosted Kilgarvan in Barraduff. Well done to all the boys and girls who are showing great improvement in every game.

►KERRY

Well done to Emma Dineen and Darragh Roche who were part of the Kerry teams that beat Waterford & Louth respectively.

>KERRY AAI PRIMARY SCHOOL SPORTS

Big congratulations to Michael O'Donoghue who won Bronze in the 600m race and to Ryan O'Donoghue who won gold in the 500m race, held at An Ríocht, Castleisland.

>LOTTO

There was no winner of Glenflesk Lotto which took place on 10/06/24 in Glenflesk Hall. Jackpot €3,200. The numbers drawn were 8, 11, 22, 23. Consolation Prizes of €50 - David Sheehy, Kilcornan, Co. Limerick, Dan Murphy, Lisbabe (Sellers Prize), Joan & Paudie O'Leary, Coracow, Margaret & Liam Scahill, Shronedraugh (Annual Ticket). Next draw will take place in Glenflesk Hall on Monday 24th June. Jackpot will be €3,400. Thank you to all who support our Lotto, our committee and sellers.

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>NOTES

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

KILCUMMIN

>KILCUMMIN GAA

There was no winner on Monday 17th June 2024 of the Jackpot for €11,750. Numbers drawn were 08, 12, 14, 18. Consolation prizes of €50 went to Denise Fleming, Knockancore, Ryan Walsh c/o John Dunlea, Muireann Sheehy c/o Kevin Gorman, Shane McSweeney. The next draw will be on Monday 01st July for Jackpot of €12,000.

COMPUTER COURSE

Database 3N0550 QQI Level 3 is being offered by Kerry ETB in conjunction with Kilcummin Rural Development Office, beginning on Monday 9th September 2024, from 7.00pm to 9.30pm. Places are limited. For further information, contact Mary from 11am to 2pm, Monday to Friday on 086 0749756.

>KILCUMMIN LOOKING GOOD COMMUNITY SUPPORT FUND

Kilcummin Looking Good were fortunate enough to receive an amount of €1200 from the Community Support Fund 2024 through Kerry County Council and we would like to thank Kerry County Council for their ongoing support for our Community Group and the work that we do throughout the year. These monies have been utilised to allow us to cut branches and some of the willows which were all mulched. This mulch was the used to

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layer over the adventure trail.We also brought in top soil for the raised planting beds which has benefited the growth in these beds substantially. We bought paint to enhance the seating in the park and also throughout the village and we also purchased additional shrubs for the village and indeed the park. We are most grateful for the funding that has allowed all this work and improvements to take place.

>WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

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

>MASTERGEEHA FC LOTTO

There was no winner on Friday 14th June 2024 of the Jackpot for $\leq 12,000$. Numbers drawn were 11,17, 23, 25. Consolation prizes of ≤ 50 went to Phil Ahern c/o Kathleen Devane; Mark Counihan, Lawlor's Cross; Samantha McGillcuddy, Tiernaboul; Joan Pittman, Toronto, Canada. The next draw will be on Friday 21st June for Jackpot of ≤ 12.200 .

KILCUMMIN MOTHERS & OTHERS ON A WINNING STREAK

Well done to Kilcummin Mothers & Others who had a great day's football in Mallow last Saturday at their first of many Munster Blitz, winning 4 out of their 5 games.

A big thank you to their bus driver Martin from Collins Buses, Currow and to Jacentha in Dennehy's Pub, Rathmore for the wonderful spread of food en route home also thank you to Michael from Pro Clean Kerry who supplied us with water and healthy treats for the day.. along with Julianne's gorgeous Flap jacks... Well done to Munster LGFA for a great event and to all at Mallow Complex on fantastic facilities & organisation. Thanks again our trainer Paudie Healy and to Derek & Seán O Leary for taking lots of great photos of a memorable fun day... In spite of the poor weather a fantastic day was had by all, looking forward to going back again next year.



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≻U14 BOYS

Well done to our U14 Boys team who played Kenmare in the East Kerry GAA League. Great competitive game with only a point separating the sides at half time. We held out though to win by a goal in the end 4-9 to 3-9. Great skill displayed by both teams giving the spectators a cracking game to watch.

>U11 BOYS

Well done to our U11 boys team who won the Division 3 cup at the Dylan Crowley Memorial Tournament. This was their second year in a row winning this tough competitive competition. Thanks to the Crowley family and Gneeveguilla GAA for their generosity on the day. Special thanks to the coaches and parents but especially the players. They were outstanding and a credit to their club and family. Spa Abú.

>U8 AND U10 GIRLS

Our girls displayed their skills at half time in the Kerry v Waterford senior ladies match in Fitzgerald Stadium on Saturday last June 11th. Well done



Our U11 boys after receiving the Division 3 trophy at the Dylan Crowley Memorial Tournament

girls. Well done also to Kerry ladies who defeated Waterford on a score line Kerry 4-13 Waterford 0-09

>MOTHERS & OTHERS

Our mothers and others attended Munster LGFA blitz in Mallow on Saturday, while challenged with the weather our ladies did us proud after only 10 weeks together. Thanks to coach Kieran McCarthy.

The girls deservingly enjoyed the celebrations after also, a big thank you Mallow GAA Complex for a great day out.

>CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Fr Michael O'Donoghue in Newark, UK, who celebrated his 54th anniversary of his ordination, from all your friends in Spa GAA > CREDIT UNION SFL DIVISION 1 RD 11

We are away to Dingle this Sunday 234rd of June at 2pm >NOTES

Any items for the Spa notes please contact Club PRO on 0857762411 or email pro.spa.kerry@gaa.ie before 7pm on Sundays



Our U14 Boys team who played Kenmare in the East Kerry GAA League

LISTRY

≻SENIORS

Well done to our senior team who secured division 3 status with a draw away to firies

>WEEKLY JUVENILE UPDATE U13

U13s are also back in action this week in phase 1 division 1 of the East Kerry League. Both teams play Dr Crokes on Sunday next, June 23rd, B game at 5 pm and A game 6pm. U11'S

On Saturday, the U11s travelled to Gneeveguilla to compete in the annual

Written by: Colette Leslie

Dylan Crowley memorial tournament. The lads played 4 games in total and played very well in tough weather conditions. , we lost out narrowly to a strong Glenflesk team in the division 2 semi-final. >LOTTO

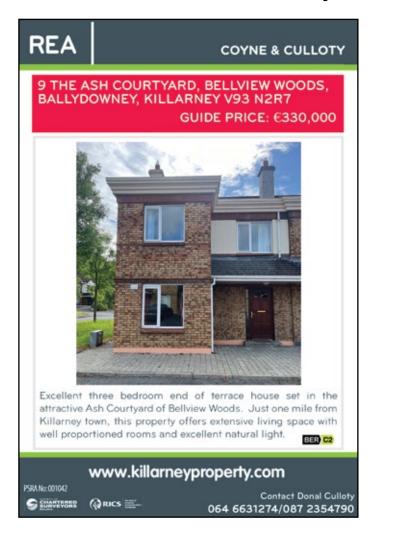
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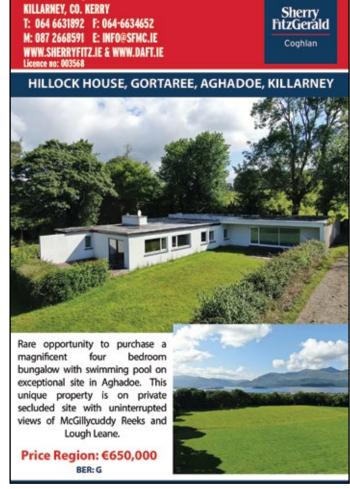


Sean Coffey and his Dad, Maurice Coffey a Life time President of Muckross Rowing Club, at Muckross House to celebrate the 60th anniversary of the opening of Muckross House to visitors on June 14th 1964. Photo: Valerie O'Sullivan



Staff of Killarney National Park, NPWS, From left, Sean O'Donoghue, (retired) Martina Murphy, Stephen Moore, Dan Browne, Gerry Murphy, Horticultural Supervisor, Michael Lynch, at Muckross House to celebrate the 60th anniversary of the opening of Muckross House to visitors on June 14th 1964. Photo: Valerie O'Sullivan





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COMMUNITY FOCUS

By Michael O' Mahony

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RATHMORE GNEEVEGUILLA

>CAKE SALE

The Social Action Group Youth members are organising a fundraising Cake Sale for Gaza after 11.30 a.m. Mass on Sunday 23rd June in Teach Íosagáin Rathmore. Donations can be made at the door on the day. Baking would also be greatly appreciated and can be dropped to Teach Íosagáin between 7-8pm on Saturday 22nd June and from 10am on Sunday 23rd June. For further information please contact 0870579933. We would be grateful for your support

>KERRY DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK will take place on Sat 24th August. Bus, breakfast and evening meal €55.00. Further information and bookings, please contact Nora at Castleisland Parish Office on 066 7141241

>SHARE THE BUCKET

Gneeveguilla Community Facility Group reminds you that Share the Bucket takes place weekly. The draw is every Friday evening in Teach Fáilte @8.30 pm and can be viewed live on our Gneeveguilla Community Facility Group Facebook Page. This week's jackpot was ≤ 202 and the winner was Joan Cronin. Tickets cost ≤ 2 each or 3 for ≤ 5 . They are available at Teach Fáilte and can be bought online at https://tinyurl.com/y2ade5om.or in

local businesses where you see the Green Share the bucket.

Your support is greatly supported and all funds will go towards our new proposed community facility. We would like to thank our local businesses, shops and pubs who continue to support our project.

>CONGRATULATIONS to Shane Ryan & Paul Murphy & Kerry team & management on their win over Louth on Sunday last

CEILI in The Old School House, Foilogohig, Ballydesmond on Fri 21st June @ 9.30pm. Music by Neily o Connor. All welcome.

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>NOTES

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

BEAUFORT

>FIXTURES

Senior men will be away to Listowel Emmett's, Sunday, 23rd at 2pm in round 11, Co League.

Senior men, Div, 6 team will be home to Killarney Legion in final round. Date to be decided.

>LOTTO

The next draw for a jackpot of \leq 4,200 will be on Sunday, 23rd June.Thank you to everybody who support the lotto. Tickets are available from usual sellers, shops, and public houses and online at www.beaufortgaa.com. Please note that online lotto closes at 7pm on draw night.

Any tickets purchased after 7pm are entered into the next draw. Thank you to everybody who support the lotto and our lotto sellers.

≻GOLF CLASSIC

Beaufort GAA Club Golf classic will be held on Friday, 29th June in Beaufort Golf Club. It is a 3 person team event, 2 best stable-ford scores

at each hole. GUI/ILGU handicaps.

Entry fee €200 per team. Tee Box €50. To book time or tee box, please contact Colm at 087 6737414 or colmkellymedia@gmail.com

>GAELIC4MOTHERS&OTHERS

Beaufort has joined the Gaeli4Mothers&Others initiative which see Ladies playing Ladies Gaelic Football in a fun, non-competitive and social environment.

It is confined to Ladies who do not play senior LGFA Club football and who are over 25 years of age. For more information, please contact Gillian on 087 9903552.

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

Men's Health on the Agenda at Milltown Mart



HSE Cork Kerry Community Healthcare kicked off International Men's Health Week with an informative Men's Health Awareness event at the Mid-Kerry Mart in Milltown. Health professionals, service providers, and community groups were on hand to share information with all who attended the event held in the Mid-Kerry Mart this week. Photo By : Domnick Walsh © Eye Focus LTD.



HSE Cork Kerry Community Healthcare kicked off International Men's Health Week with an informative Men's Health Awareness event at the Mid-Kerry Mart in Milltown. Health professionals, service providers, and community groups were on hand to share information with all who attended the event held in the Mid-Kerry Mart this week. Pictured Brendan McCarthy, Billy O'Sullivan and Donal Mccarthy from HeartBeat Killarney at the HSE Health Awareness day. Photo By : Domnick Walsh © Eye Focus LTD



MONEY MATTERS

By Dermot Cronin, Financial Advisor



WHEN CAN YOU ACCESS YOUR PENSION & WHAT **ARE YOUR OPTIONS WHEN YOU WANT TO RETIRE?**

You can normally get access to your pension from age 60, a lot of the rules depend on whether you are an employee or self employed. If you are coming close to retirement then you are probably wondering what options you have when you want to get access to your pension. It depends on what type of pension you have but generally there are four options:

Tax Free Cash: Most people will be entitled to a tax free lump sum, the amount varies however generally you will get at least 25% of the value of your pension in a tax free cash lump sum.

Taxable Cash: You may also be able to take sum of your pension in taxable cash.

Annual Pension: This is a guaranteed income usually paid monthly for the rest of your life that is purchased with the money left after your tax free lump sum, this is subject to taxation.

Approved Retirement Funds: You may be entitled to keep some of your money in an approved retirement fund, money can be taken from the fund to give you a regular income, usually monthly. This is subject to taxation also. Taxation at retirement is often much lower than when you are working.

It is extremely important that you take your time and have all the options explained to you in plain simple English and that you understand all your options clearly before you make your final decision. As well as the above there is much more to be discussed about your pension. You should discuss your retirement options with a financial advisor who has access to a number of different pension providers before making any decisions, he or she will help you with the above options and any other queries you may have.

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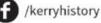


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THE HSA REMIND OUTDOOR WORKERS AND EMPLOYERS THAT SUN PROTECTION IS VITAL DURING SUMMER MONTHS

Even on cloudy days, the importance of sun protection for outdoor workers remains critical. The Health and Safety Authority (HSA) is urging employers and employees across the country to take proactive measures to protect themselves from the harmful effects of ultraviolet (UV) radiation.

Outdoor workers, including those in construction, agriculture, landscaping, and fisheries, are at an increased risk of exposure to harmful UV rays, which can lead to serious health issues, including skin cancer, cataracts, and heat-related illnesses. Recent studies have highlighted a troubling rise in skin cancer cases among outdoor workers, emphasizing the need for enhanced protective measures.

Employers have a legal and moral obligation to safeguard the health of their employees.

The HSA recommends the following steps for employers to mitigate the risks associated with UV exposure:

Risk Assessment: Conduct thorough risk assessments to identify potential UV hazards and implement appropriate control measures. Education and Training: Provide training programs to educate workers about the dangers of UV radiation and the importance of



sun protection.

Protective Clothing: Ensure that workers wear appropriate clothing, including wide-brimmed hats, long-sleeved shirts, and sunglasses that offer UV protection.

Sunscreen Provision: Supply broad-spectrum sunscreen with a high SPF and encourage regular application.

Scheduling Adjustments: Whenever possible, schedule outdoor work to avoid peak UV radiation times, typically between 11 am and 3 pm.

Shade and Breaks: Provide shaded areas and encourage regular breaks to reduce prolonged

sun exposure.

Employees are encouraged to take personal responsibility for their sun safety by:

Wearing Protective Gear: Always wear sunprotective clothing, hats, and sunglasses.

Using Sunscreen: Apply a generous amount of broad-spectrum sunscreen 20 minutes before going outside and reapply every two hours, or more frequently if sweating.

Seeking Shade: Take advantage of shaded areas during breaks and lunchtime.

Hydration: Stay hydrated to help the body cope with heat and sun exposure.



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CAO APPLICANTS HAVE A LAST CHANCE TO REGISTER A CHANGE OF COURSE CHOICES ONLINE BY 5PM ON MONDAY, 1ST JULY

By Billy Ryle

FINAL TASK

The state exams conclude next Tuesday, 25th June and the thoughts of exhausted candidates are no doubt turning to holidays, travel or summer jobs. But there is still one very important task to be done. Those who applied to the Central Applications Office (CAO) must now turn their attention to the CAO course change of mind facility. This provides each applicant a last chance, if s/he wishes, to register a change of course choices online by 5pm on Monday, 1st July.

OPTION

Not all applicants to CAO avail of the change of mind facility. Many applicants are happy with the course choices they submitted by 1st February. On the other hand, others will have changed their minds about the courses they would like to study. Whatever your reason for submitting a change of mind form, make sure you know exactly what you are applying for. Don't list any courses which you haven't researched. Don't apply for any course which you know that you won't accept if it's offered to you. Most important of all, never apply for a course in which you haven't the slightest interest just because your friends are applying for it.

CALMLY

If you decide to submit a change of mind form, work calmly on your choices before going online. Start from scratch and write out your new list of courses. Don't tinker with your original list while online as it's very easy to make a mistake. Check the minimum and special requirements for each course you are including on the change of mind form.

CHANGING

When you are happy with your revised choices, open up your CAO account via the "My Application" facility. To make changes to your existing course choices click on Change/Add Level 8 Course Choices or Change/Add Level 7/6 Course Choices. You can then use the New Courses list to enter new courses, disregarding existing course choices, or reorder your existing course selection. Enter all the courses that you wish to apply for in your order of preference on the new list/s. Every choice is important so fill up all ten choices in each category. Check that your course choices are listed in correct order and that the codes are correct.

SEPARATE

The two course categories – Level 8 and Level 7/6 - are totally separate from each other for the purpose of submitting a change of mind form. You may change one category and leave the second category unchanged or you may change both. On the other hand, you may decide to stick with the choices you submitted by 1st February last.

UPDATED

If you change courses online, CAO will send an acknowledgement to your email address. Check that your courses have been updated by using the "My Application" facility by 5pm on 1st July. You may change your course choices free of charge as often as you wish up to the closing date. The final change of mind form that you submit is the one that will count for your CAO offers. So, be sure to check online before 1st July to make sure that all is in order.

WINDOW

After the 1st July you can make no further changes to your CAO application form. So, the remaining days provide you with a valuable window of opportunity. Use the time to put some serious thought into your choice of college courses. With the state exams done and dusted, you can give your undivided attention to submitting a 'change of mind' form that truly contains your course interests. It will be time well spent if you achieve your course of choice when the college offers are issued on the 28th August.

CHECKLIST

- You have until 5pm on 1st July to avail of the CAO "Change of Mind" facility
- Not all applicants to CAO avail of the change of mind facility
- Don't list any courses which you haven't researched.
- Don't apply for any course which you know that you won't accept
- Never apply for a course in which you haven't the slightest interest
- Work on your new list of course choices before going online
- Check the requirements for the courses you are including on the change of mind form
- The two course categories are separate from each other on a change of mind form
- The remaining days provide you with a valuable window of opportunity
- After the 1st July you can make no further changes to your CAO application form
- The Leaving Cert (LC) exam concludes on Tuesday, 25th June
- CAO 'Change of Mind' Form closes at 5pm on Monday, 1st July
- Leaving Cert results will be published on Friday, 23rd August
- CAO Round One offers will be available at 2pm on Wed., 28th August
- Billy Ryle is a Career Guidance Counsellor and Educational Commentator Email: rylebilly@gmail.com Tel: 087 9808979



All smiles ahead of the 'Conscruction Paper' are students Ivana Ivancevic, Oisin Spring and Aideen O'Brien from Presentation School Milltown, Kerry on Friday. Photo: Don macMonagle



All smiles ahead of the 'Conscruction Paper' are students Arsenii Totskyi, Leanne O'Meara and Michael O'Sullivan from Presentation School Milltown, Kerry on Friday. Photo: Don macMonagle

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COMPETITION RESULTS THE LAURELS GOY PRIZE 18 HOLE SINGLE V-PAR PLAYED ON KILLEEN COURSE ON

15TH & 16TH JUNE 2024 Overall Winner: Sinead Galvin (20) 3 up 2nd: Kathleen Wall (28) 3 up Best Gross: Corinna Griffin 3 down 3rd: Jane Dwyer (19) 3 up 4th: Mary O'Neill (26) 3 up 5th: Sinead Lynch (22) 3 up

6th: Cora O'Sullivan (27) 3 up

NEXT FIXTURE will be 22nd & 23rd June 2024. Walsh Colour Print GOY 18 Hole Single Stroke competition on Mahony's Point Course and 28th June 2024. Tee Shop 18 Hole Mixed competition on Mahony's Point Course.

DEERPARK PITCH & PUTT

COUNTY STROKEPLAY

Our Congratulations to both John McGrath (Senior) and Mark O'Shea (Junior A) on their County Strokeplay title wins in Castleisland last Sunday. John retained the Senior Mens event after shooting a tremendous score of 31 under par for 54 holes as Damien Fleming finished third with Mark winning the Junior A after a nine-hole playoff by one shot.

COUNTY U16 MATCHPLAY

Best Wishes to club members taking part in this event which we host this Saturday morning, June 22 nd. Please note that this is a dress code event.

MUNSTER STROKEPLAY QUALIFIERS

Our best wishes to those heading to Castleisland (please note venue change) on Sunday morning for this event. Please note that this is a dress code event.

UPCOMING FIXTURES

Please note our Chairman Sean Kelly's prize will be held on Friday July 5 th next and the prizegiving for the recent Willie Parker and Club Strokeplay events will be held the same night.

BEAUFORT GOLF CLUB (LADIES)

18 HOLE STABLEFORD COMPETITION WEEKEND 15TH & 16TH JUNE, KINDLY AND GENEROUSLY SPONSORED BY PGA MR MARK HEINEMANN.

1st: Maeve Quirke (26) 42 points 2nd: Grainne McShortall (19) 40 points 3rd: Rita Kelleher (28) 36 points

ROSS GC, KILLARNEY (GENTS)

RESULTS

ON JUNE 15TH AND 16TH OUR LADY CAPTAIN, MARY MCCARRICK HELD HER PRIZE TO THE GENTS. THIS WAS A STROKEPLAY COMPETITION KINDLY SPONSORED BY DONIE BRODERICK HEATING & PLUMBING.

The winners were :-1st: Damian Greer, 67 (17) 2nd: Mark Griffin, 68 (18) Best Gross: David MacIndoe, 76 2) **Division 1** 1st: M.J O'Sullivan, 72 (11)



Neil Ashworth CEO Kerry Parents and Friends (second from right) presenting first prize to the winning Akzonobel team (centre) Delores McSweeney, Geraldine Tarrant, Winnie Ryan and Sheila Crowley with (left) Tommy Galvin Co-Organiser and Trevor O'Donoghue Marketing Manager Liebherr and Co-Organiser (back) Michael O'Sullivan of the Boyles and MD O'Shea's team 3rd, Laura Furlong Longest Ladies, Gallivan Murphy team members Annamarie Gallivan, Joanne Creedon, Mary Cronin and Ailish Mulcahy 5th, Frank Shaw and Ger Hegarty of the RBC Brewn Dolphin team 4th in the Annual Kerry Parents and Friends Golf Classic at Killarney Golf and Fishing Club on Friday. Photo by Michelle Cooper Galvin

2nd: Alan Flynn, 73 (6) **Division 2** 1st: Johnny Brosnan, 69 (13) 2nd: Cian O'Mahony, 71 (16) **Division 3** 1st: Alius Brazeitis, 76 (25) 2nd: Jim Delaney, 77 (26) **ON FRIDAY JUNE 14TH WE HELD OUR WEEKLY SUMMER MIXED 10 HOLE SCRAMBLE** The winning teams were:-1st: .Maurice Coffey, Margaret O'Donoghue, Ger Flynn, Mark Webb.. 2nd: Johnny Brosnan, Brenda Kelliher, Seamus Morrison...

3rd: Michael J O'Connor, Susan Goode, Sean Hickey.

ON THURSDAY 13TH OUR SENIORS HELD THEIR WEEKLY COMPETITION

The winners were :-1st: John Ivory, 22pts 2nd: Donal Doherty, 20pts 3rd: Mike Gorman, 18pts 4th: M J Casey, 18pts FIXTURES

On Friday June 21st we will hold our Summer Mixed Scrambleat 6.15pm. Please get your name on the entry sheet in the clubhouse, either in person or by phone before 5.45pm. The scramble will be followed by the prizegiving and some food in the Clubhouse.

On June 22nd and 23rd we will hold a stableford competition The usual process applies for tee time bookings for both Saturday and Sunday.

BEST OF LUCK to our Ross GC Dr Billy Team when they host the Ring of Kerry team in this competition on Thursday next at 4pm. Members are urged to come along and show support for the Ross team.

Congratulations to our Golf Professional Gordon Howard on his recent brilliant hole in one on the 10th hole.

COMING SOON TO ROSS GOLF COURSE

Our 9 hole Open Qualifying Competitions will be starting soon on Mondays. One re-entry allowed per person. Member \in 5. Guests/ Non members \in 15. All are welcome. More info to

follow on Facebook and X / Instagram and in the Clubhouse

CASTLEROSSE GOLF CLUB (LADIES)

WEEK: 10/06/24 - 16/06/24 RESULTS OF 9H STABLEFORD

1st: Finola Geary 2nd: Nuala Ward

RESULTS OF 18H STABLEFORD

1st: Barbara O Shea2nd: Erina MacSweeney

SOCIAL GOLF

Social golf every Wednesday. Book on BRS. **SPRING LEAGUE**

SPRING LEAGUE

Nuala Ward and Gina O'Shea through to the final – to be played by the 30th June. Good luck to both finalists

MIXED SCRAMBLES

Mixed scrambles every Tuesday at 6pm. Visitors welcome.

EXCHANGE DAY

Exchange Day with Maine Valley Golf Club on Saturday, 22nd June, 2024. GOLF LESSONS

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

BEAUFORT GOLF CLUB (MEN'S)

18 SINGLE STABLEFORD – 15TH & 16TH JUNE 2024 RESULTS

Yellow Tees

1st: Anthony McElligott (23) 39 pts 2nd: Vincent Hussey (17) 38 pts White Tees

1st: Tom McCarthy (20) 41 pts 2nd: Tim Cotter (13) 38 pts 3rd: Martin Hewitt (15) 37 pts (last 9 holes) Thanks kindly to Bernard Cronin Carpentry for sponsoring the competitions. UPCOMING FIXTURES

23rd June - Owen Nolan's Captains Prize (Strokeplay). Kindly sponsored by Kare Plus Kerry.

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FOCUS ON GOLF

FIRIES GAA REMEMBER DONIE IN GOLF CLASSIC

Family, friends and formr teammate will pay tribute to Firies man Donie McCarthy on the approach of the second anniversary of his passing.

Firies GAA Club will both acknowledge and pay tribute to the late Donie McCarthy by organising a golf classic in his name. Donie was a key figure; player, coach, mentor and officer in the club.

Michael Quirke, former team mate and part of this events' committee, outlined the significance of remembering and acknowledging the legacy that Donie left to his beloved club.

"Donie exemplified the concept of a club stalwart, his love of both the game and the development of the club was boundless. His energy towards the development of young players is truly visible today in Firies. Donie got great satisfaction from seeing young players improve, and as they got older and achieve success with Firies. During his successful playing days, he helped lead Firies to secure the O'Sullivan Cup title in 1979 and went onto manage and coach many Firies teams down through the years. Since his untimely passing in November 2022, the club has aspired to acknowledge his legacy."

Final preparations are being put in place for the classic which takes place on Saturday, 13th of July in Maine Valley Members Golf Club, Killorglin. The classic, which includes GUI handicap applied with a maximum adjusted handicap of 24 for men and 36 for ladies, promises to be a great day celebrating Donie, with top team, nearest the pin, and longest



The Donie McCarthy Golf Classic - family, friends and former team mates launching the golf classic recently

drive prizes.

Family, friends and former club mates of Donie gathered to officially launch the golf classic in Pairc Eamonn, along with Kerry Senior Footballer; Dara Moynihan to lend his support the event. Firies GAA would like to note a special word of appreciation to the primary event sponsor L. & M. Construction, of New York City for their generous contribution towards The Donie McCarthy Memorial Golf Classic. The American company, with strong club connections, supports many of the club

events and without this support, we would be unable to organise such events. The Club would also like to acknowledge the members who attended the launch today from young to old to recognise Donies' contribution.

If you or your club are interested in submitting a team of four at €200 per team, please contact Brendan Quirke 087-9172854, Dermot O'Connor 087-6958610, Michael Quirke 087-6683699 or Maine Valley Members Golf Club 066-9761979. Likewise, sponsored tee boxes are available for €50.

Time to Tee Off for the

PAT DELANEY MEMORIAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

St Pats East Kerry will hold our annual Pat Delaney Memorial Cup golf classic at the Ross Golf Club on Saturday July 6th. The format is a 3 person scramble over 10 holes and the entry fee is €120 per team. The entry fee will include a goody bag for each player and a cup of Tea/Coffee plus scone when the round is completed. Tee times are available from 8am.

Killarney Credit Union is the main sponsor of the day in recognition of Pat having been a highly respected and effective Chairman of the Credit Union.

Pat was a Chairman and Vice President of St Pats East Kerry and he started the annual golf classic over 10 years ago as a fundraiser for the Club. He was an excellent organiser and master salesman who enjoyed persuading the golfers of the Killarney area to take part in the event. He acted as master of ceremonies on the day meeting and greeting every team prior to their games and making sure that everyone had an enjoyable day.

On the morning of the golf classic, 2nd June 2018, Pat passed away. His contribution to hurling and to St Pats demanded that his legacy be commemorated. Pat had also made a major contribution to the Killarney Credit Union at a time of major change in their business. St Pats and Killarney Credit Union combined to rebrand the annual golf classic in Pat's name and so was born the Pat Delaney Memorial Cup Pictured at the launch are from left: Pat O'Brien, Tom Holohan, Patrick Delaney, Dan tournament sponsored by the Killarney Credit Union



Kelleher, Michael Leahy, Brigid Delaney, Mark Murphy, Killarney Credit Union



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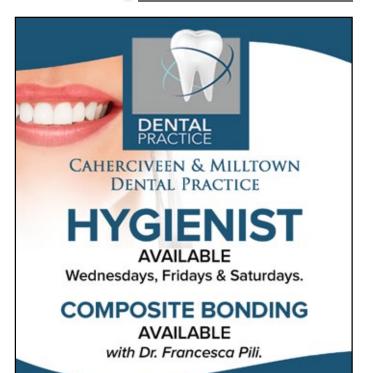
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NEWS

This year's Féile na mBláth at the Park Festival returns for its 19th year and a little later than usual due to the local area elections. The festival will run from Friday the 28th through to Sunday 30th of June in the Tralee Town Park. Thanks to Kerry County Council – Tralee Municipal District, entry to the festival and its events will once again be 100% Free.

The launch of the festival will take place on Friday following the election of the new Mayor of Tralee in the Chamber buildings. There will be an afternoon of music and food with a 'Matilda the Musical Sing-a-long' Cinema evening in the Kerry Group Marquee to celebrate the start of the School holidays.

The festival will be fighting fit this year with the welcome return of Déise Medieval with over thirty warriors and reenactors with their tented village which will be manned by experienced reenactors from around Ireland. All participants will dress, live and work in an authentic recreation of Viking life. Authentic cooking is done over the open fire and all the re-enactors are friendly (in the most part!) and very experienced in demonstrations and will present a number of Battles for Tralee during their stay in the Park.

Saturday is the United Nationals 'Tropics Day' and a host of activities are planned for all the family to get involved with including the weekly Park Runs, Flower Demonstrations by Tralee Flower & Garden Club, Emergency Services, Juggling workshops, Drum Circles, Pipe Band Performances and a 'Creatable Inflatable Parade' rounding off the evening with an evening of Set and Céilí Dancing until late.

Sunday morning will kick off with the traditional morning Mass followed by Music Generation Kerry & Sempre Strings. The Festival will celebrate International Parliamentarism Day with a chance for the public to meet and chat with your newly elected Councillors in the Tralee LEA. Beidh 'Pop Up Gaeltacht' mar chuid d'Fhéile na Bhláth

FÉILE NA MBLÁTH PARK FESTIVAL is fighting fit this June



Pictured at the Launch in Tralee's town park were Robby Rother, Sandara Leahy, Anne Sullivan, Helen O'Halloran, Bernie Nealon, Eamon Cunningham KCC and Ronan Deasy, Kerry Group and Claudia Kohler and at the back were puppeteers Poppy Smith 13 from Castleisland and Ella Gethin 16 from Tralee. Photo By : Domnick Walsh © Eve Focus LTD

í mbliana. Buail isteach I gcóir comhrá nó cúpla focal (Fáilte roimh gah leibhéal). Local Performing Arts Group will showcase their talents, the Traditional Dog Show later in the afternoon and of course the centrepiece of Féile na mBláth is the Tralee Flower & Garden Club Competitions in the Flower Marquee with the Prizegiving later Sunday evening. Daily visitors to the festival are being

encouraged to Cycle, Park 'N' Charge along with being conscious to re-cycling & reuse

when travelling to, from and while at the Festival. There will be the traditional Food and Craft Stalls as well as Art in the Park, Tralee Community Garden workshops & Meitheal, free entry to Kerry County Museum with a presentation of 'The Last Prince', Bouncy Castles, Small Kids Amusements and much more.

Further information on all events can be seen on www.festivaltralee.com or the Festivals Facebook Page @parkfestivaltralee

630,000 NORDIC HOLIDAYMAKERS TO READ ALL ABOUT KERRY



Nordic travel journalists at The Killarney Park Hotel, with Queenslyn Arubi, Tourism Ireland (left).

Travel journalists from Sweden, Denmark, Norway and Finland have been visiting County Kerry, as guests of Tourism Ireland and Fáilte Ireland.

The journalists – who have a combined audience of over 630,000 readers across the Nordic countries – are here to experience our spectacular scenery, rich culture and heritage, as well as our fantastic food offering. They're also finding out about environmentally friendly initiatives, including the introduction of the Killarney Coffee Cup Project last summer, which saw Killarney become the first town in Ireland to phase out single-use coffee cups. The articles and content the journalists produce will inspire their followers and readers to put Kerry and Ireland on their holiday 'wish-list'.

The group has been following an action-packed itinerary which included meeting with Ciara Treacy of the Killarney Park Hotel to discuss the Killarney Coffee Cup Project, a walking tour of Killarney, a guided tour of Killarney House, a kayaking lesson with Star Outdoors Kenmare and a seaweed walk with Atlantic Irish Seaweed on Derrynane Beach. They also visited Skellig Michael and enjoyed a guided e-bike tour of Valentia Island with South Kerry Cycles and a jaunting car experience in Killarney.

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CALL FOR PATHOLOGIST FOR KERRY

In the Dáil this week, Deputy Danny Healy Rae raised a Topical Issue regarding State Pathology services in Kerry and asked when the State would appoint a pathologist to serve County Kerry as many families in Kerry have had to wait up to 9 days for a post mortem to be carried out and this is very unfair on the grieving family members.

NEW FIANNA FAIL TEAM IN KERRY A MAJOR FORCE - Cllr. Cahill

Newly re-elected Councillor, Michael Cahill has vowed to work extremely hard with the new Fianna Fáil team on Kerry County Council.

"Michael Cahill & Norma Moriarty in Kenmare, Breandán Fitzgerald in Corca Dhuibhne, Fionnán Fitzgerald in Castleisland, Niall Kelliher in Killarney, Mikey Sheehy & Ann O'Sullivan in Tralee, Michael Leane & Jimmy Moloney in Listowel, will be a major force in the newly elected Kerry County Council and we will be making sure that the people of Kerry have the services and rights and entitlements they deserve. From North, South, East and West Kerry, we will be there for all the residents of Kerry and their families" stated Councillor Cahill.

"I have already served 34 years on

Kerry County Council, following 30

years by my late father, Councillor Tom Cahill. With all that experience, I know that I can deliver for our county and its people along with this enormously strong Fianna Fáil team of Councillors in Kerry" said the Rossbeigh based Councillor.

extend "I my genuine commiserations to our unsuccessful candidates in this election. Councillor Michael O'Shea in Corca Dhuibhne LEA and Ken O'Sullivan in Kenmare LEA. I would also like to wish all the best in the future to retiring Fianna Fáil Councillors, John Francis Flynn and Johnny Wall" stated Councillor Cahill

"This Kerry Fianna Fáil team is a winning team and we will strive long and hard on behalf of the people of Kerry" added Councillor Cahill.

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MAYOR TO UNVEIL PLAQUE HONOURING KERRY MEN HELD AT FRONGOCH

The outgoing Cathaoirleach of Kerry County Council, Jim Finucane, will unveil a plaque next week at the site of a prison camp in Wales where dozens of Kerry natives were detained following the Easter Rising.

In a joint initiative involving Kerry County Council, the Kerry GAA, and the Provincial Council of the GAA in Britain, the informal ceremony at Frongoch will honour the Kerry men who were held at Frongoch internment camp in 1916 and who played Gaelic football to pass the time.

A total of 37 Kerry prisoners spent several months in the north Wales detention camp following their court martial for involvement in the Easter rebellion, including well-known figures like Tom McEllistrim, Billy Mullins, Dick Fitzgerald, Paddy Cahill, Denis Daly, and Timothy Ring. Many of those who went on to play a leading role in the Irish revolution were also imprisoned at the camp, including Richard Mulcahy, Michael Collins, WT Cosgrave, and Seán T. Ó Ceallaigh.

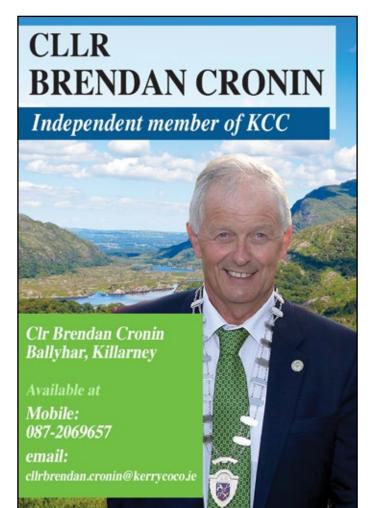
The field adjacent to the camp became known as 'Croke Park' as the prisoners played inter-county football matches regularly. Frongoch also became known as the 'University of Revolution' as the Irish Volunteers and the IRB prisoners plotted their next step in the campaign for Irish independence.

"I was invited by the GAA in Britain to unveil a plaque which lists the Kerry men who were detained at Frongoch and which refers to the intercounty match which involved the prisoners from Kerry and Louth on 27 June 1916. It is very important that this historic site bears a reference to the Kerry prisoners who played such a leading role in the Irish revolution," said Jim Finucane.

The plaque, made of Valentia slate, will be unveiled at the Frongoch museum on Thursday, 20 June at noon and the event will be attended by representatives of the GAA in Kerry and Britain.



Cllr. Jim Finucane will unveil a plaque at a prison camp in Wales next week where dozens of Kerry natives were detained.



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SOCCER FOCUS



Kerry bridged a seven year gap to record silverware at the prestigious Kennedy Cup competition, winning the Kennedy Shield by a 2-1 margin over NDSL.



Killarney Celtic players, Donnacha, Kiernan, Stephen and Lachlann pictured with the Kennedy Shield after their win over NDSL last week.

KILLARNEY CELTIC

CELTIC LOTTO

Numbers drawn 10,14,21,27. No jackpot winner. No Match 3 winner. Lucky Dip winners received €50. Next jackpot €9,200 on Monday June 24th. Tickets available from The Dungeon Bookshop, Amber Shop (Top of Ross Road), club members and online through clubzap.

KILLARNEY CELTIC SUMMER CAMPS are now open for booking through Clubzap on killarneyceltic.ie/products. The camps are fully inclusive for boys and girls aged 4-13 years. Week 1 runs from Monday July 1st - Friday July 5th and Week 2 is from Monday July 15th - Friday July 19th. The time for all days is 10am - 1pm. MANY THANKS to all those who supported our

street collection last Saturday and many thanks to all our volunteers who gave of their time to collect last Saturday.

CONGRATS to our U14 players Donnacha Vuaghan, Kiernan Kelly, Lachlann Scannell and Stephen Shine who were part of the Kerry squad that won the Kennedy Shield last week.

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KENNEDY CUP

Congratulations to clubman Ryan Vickers, the Kerry Kennedy cup squad and management on winning the shield final by defeating the North Dublin schoolboy league on a 2-1 scoreline.Ryan had an excellent tournament scoring in the 3-3 draw with Tipperary and scoring the winning penalty in sudden death penalties v Clare in the shield semi final. Ryan is a talented sportsman who would also have taken great pride from the Irish athletics medal haul in Rome in the European championships.

GOLDEN JUBILEE

The club congratulates Dublin based Parishioner Fr John Joe Spring on celebrating the Golden Jubilee of his ordination to the priesthood & also to Castleisland native and Fossa Parish Priest Fr Niall Geaney also celebrating his Golden Jubilee. Good health & active ministry to both going forward.

KILLARNEY ATHLETIC 7 A SIDE

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6.45: Senior - The Flesk Restaurant V Macca Group

7.10: Senior - The Flesk Restaurant v Spoons FC 7.35: Senior - Emerald Eagles V Failte Legends 8.00: Senior - FC Goa United V O Brien's Boys 8.25: Senior - FC Goa United V Fent Folders

8.50: Senior - Tim Jones & Son Itd V Corner Bar United

9.15: O35 - Mackeys Crew V Aghadoe Physio

Pitch 2

6.45: Senior - Emerald Eagles V Spoons FC

7.10: Senior - Failte Legends V Jack C's Ultras 7.35: Senior - Macca Groups V Jack C's Ultras 8.00: Senior - Tim Jones & Sons Ltd V Fent Folders 8.25: Senior - Cornor Bar United V Three Day

Hender 8.50: Senior - O Brien's Boys V Three Day Hender

TUESDAY 25TH JUNE

Pitch 1

- 6.45: Senior The Lake Hotel V Four Star Pizza
- 7.10: Senior The Lake Hotel V GM Motors

7.35: Senior - MD O Shea Park Road V Tricel FC 8.00: Senior - The Flesk Restaurant V Emerald Eagles

8.25: Senior - Spoons Fc V Jack C's Ultras 8.50: Senior - The Flesk Restaurant V Failte Legends

9.15: O35 - Red Chair Recruitment V I am not running for that

Pitch 2

- 6.45: Senior MD OShea V GM Motors
- 7.10: Senior Tricel FC V Failte Hotel
- 7.35: Senior Four Star Pizza V Failte Hotel
- 8.00: Senior Macca Group V Failte Legends
- 8.25: O35 Tim Jones Butchers V Mackeys Crew
- 8.50: Senior Macca Group V Emerald Eagles

WEDNESDAY 26TH JUNE Pitch 1

- 6.45: Senior The Lake Hotel V Md O Shea Park Road
- 7.10: Senior GM Tyres V Failte Hotel
- 7.35: Senior The Lake Hotel V Tricel FC 8.00: Senior - FC Goa United V Time Jones & Sons l imited
- 8.25: Senior Fent Folders V Three Day Hender 8.50: Senior - FC Goa United V Corner Bar United

Pitch 2

6.45: Senior - Four Star Pizza V Tricel FC

- 7.10: O35 Tim Jones Butchers V Aghadoe Physio 7.35: Senior - Four Star Pizza V MD O Sheas Park Road
- 8.00: Senior O Briens Boys V Corner Ber United 8.25: O35 - Mackeys Crew V Red Chair Recruitment

8.50: Senior - O Briens Boys V Tim Jones & Sons Limited

THURSDAY 27TH JUNE

Pitch 1

6.45: Senior - The Flesk Restaurant V Jack C's Ultras

- 7.10: Senior The Lake Hotel V Failte hotel
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- 8.50: Over 35 I am not running after that V Aghadoe Physio

9.15: Senior - Tim Jones & Sons Limited V Three Day Hender

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- 6.45: Senior Macca Group V Spoons FC
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THIRD HOME WIN IN A ROW FOR KERRY FC

KERRY FC 2-1 LONGFORD TOWN

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Kerry FC were back in action on the unusual Thursday evening as they faced Longford Town at home in Mounthawk Park. The last time the two faced each other was in Bishopsgate as Longford took the three points on the May Bank Holiday Monday. Ryan Kelliher's overhead goal of the month contender was only a consolation as the Town took a deserved victory on the day. Longford's last visit to Tralee ended in a 3-0 defeat which was a historic win for Kerry FC as they won their first ever League of Ireland game in their home ground. It was a wet and windy game at the start of April but that did not bother the Kerry FC fans as they were in full voice at the final whistle as a huge weight had been taken off of the team's shoulders.

Kerry FC were looking for their third home win in a row after wins against Finn Harps and Treaty United has made Mounthawk Park a difficult place to visit for visiting teams. The evening saw Aaron O'Sullivan start his first game of the season as he replaced Antonio Tuta in between the sticks. Nathan Gleeson replaced Daniel Okwute on the right wing as Okwute picked up a suspension due to an accumulation of yellow cards.

First Half

Kerry started on the front foot right from the off. Ryan Kelliher tested the waters in the first minute with a shot from distance, but it did not have much power or pace on it and rolled easily into the hands of Longford Town goalkeeper Jack Brady.

Kerry were on top for the majority of the opening twenty minutes with Longford only having possession in defensive areas to show for themselves. The increasing pressure on Longford Town eventually caved for the away side when Ryan Kelliher put Kerry ahead in the twenty-sixth minute. Kerry opened space for themselves on the left side of the pitch and a pass from Sean McGrath gave Cian Brosnan acres of space to brilliantly pick out Kelliher at the near post who gave the most delicate of flicks into the bottom right corner. A fantastic finish from Kerry's number 9 and much deserved Kerry FC goal to put the home side one nil up.

Ronan Teahan had the chance to double the Kerry FC lead moments later. A pass from Sean McGrath went behind the number 8 but he did very well to sort his feet out and get the shot off, although it was straight at Brady it was still a tough save to make, and he did so very well to put the ball over the bar and out for a corner which consequently led to nothing.

Even with all the Kerry FC pressure, they would concede their third goal from a corner in two games as Longford equalised through Karl Chambers two minutes before halftime. The



Ryan Kelliher in action for Kerry FC. Photograph by Adam Kowalczyk - File Photo.

corner was taken on the left side of the pitch and Chambers got in front at the near post and directed his header brilliantly into the far corner to give Longford Town a lifeline heading into the break.

Second Half

Nathan Gleeson nearly put Kerry FC back ahead six minutes after the restart after a lovely cross from Sean McGrath on the left wing found Gleeson. His first touch was excellent, and his shot unfortunately hit the post. He had another bite of the cherry but was blocked superbly by Dean O'Shea.

It was quite cagey from that point on with Longford starting to get a foothold on the game. They had a couple of near chances but nothing really to trouble Aaron O'Sullivan in the Kerry FC goal. Kerry seemed to have put all their energy into the first-half performance as chances in the second half were few and far between. It only needed one big chance from either side in the closing stages of the game to get the three points.

With seven minutes to play in the second half, Kerry FC got themselves back into the lead through yet another goal from Ryan Kelliher. Kevin Williams did great work on the right side to feed the ball through to Sean McGrath in a dangerous position. The chance looked like it had slipped away but McGrath picked out a great cross to an unmarked Ryan Kelliher in the six-yard box to fire home and regain the lead for the home side.

Kevin Williams was in action at both ends as he then headed the ball out for a corner in a dangerous time in the game with only a minute

of stoppage time to play. Longford were doing their best to spoil the party in Mounthawk Park before Sean McGrath broke away with the ball in a one-on-one with Jack Brady. Unfortunately for McGrath, Brady made a great save but it did not make a difference as the whistle blew for full-time moments after the chance was saved. Kerry FC made it back-to-back-to-back home wins at home building Mounthawk Park into a fortress that no team would like to visit. There is a week break across the League of Ireland next Friday night and the next action from Kerry FC will be in their historic first-ever final as they take on Waterford FC in the Munster Senior Cup Final in Turners Cross on Monday, June 24th.

Kerry FC Team: 30. Aaron O'Sullivan, 15. Kevin Williams, 6. Ethan Kos, 5. Andy Spain (C), 3. Sean O'Connell, 8. Ronan Teahan, 7. Sean McGrath, 21. Daire McCarthy, 17. Cian Brosnan, 9. Ryan Kelliher (Goal '26, '83), 13. Nathan Gleeson. Subs: Darragh Foley, Jack Kavanagh, Valerii Dolia, Samuel Aladesanusi, Graham O'Reilly, Finn Barrett, Togor Silong, Victor Udeze,

Longford Team: 1. Jack Brady, 3. Kyle O'Connor, 17. Jordan Tallon, 18. Karl Chambers (Goal '44), 19. Mohammed Boudiaf, 20. Conor Crowley, 21. Bastien Hery, 22. Francis Campbell, 25. Guilherme Rego Priosti, 27. Dean O'shea 32. Jordan Adeyemo.

Subs: Jack Harrington, Emmanuel James, Ryan Boyle, Vasyl Tropanets, Callum Bonner.



SPORTING FOCUS





Munster Branch Regatta 2024. Winners - Mens Junior 16 Double: Cian Scannell, Ronan Fahy, Muckross RC

Munster Branch Regatta 2024. Winners - Mens Junior 18B Double: Cillian Leslie, Sean O'Donovan, Muckross RC

MUCKROSS ROWING CLUB BANTRY REGATTA

The rescheduled Bantry Regatta took place on Saturday, June 1st. Congratulations go to our two winning crews. Orla Forde and Bebhinn O'Donohue were winners in the Womens J13 Double and teamed up with Olivia Murphy, Amelia Mackiewicz and cox Aaron Hegarty to take gold again in the Womens J13 Quad. There were also four 2nd place and 12 3rd place finishes for MRC. The results round up can be found on our Facebook page.

MUNSTER BRANCH REGATTA

On Saturday, June 8th, the club enjoyed a successful outing to the Munster Branch Regatta, held at the National Rowing Centre in Cork. Muckross crews won three golds, with four second place finishes and 11 further crews placing third in race finals. A special highlight was the Mens J18B Double category, with four Muckross crews qualifying from heats to make up most of the final line-up of six, with Muckross A first and Muckross B second. Congratulations to our three winning crews. Mens J18B Double: Sean O'Donovan, Cillian Leslie. Mens J16 Double: Ronan Fahy, Cian Scannell. Mens J14 Quad: Aaron O'Connor, Connor Duffin, Oscar O'Sullivan, Aaron Hegarty. Well done to all our crews! The full results round up can be found on our Facebook page. Thanks to all our coaches and parents who made the journey and to both Sean Daly and Niall O'Donoghue, who managed the logistics of two boat trailers to and from Cork.

UPCOMING

Cork Regatta, Sat-Sun Jun 22nd & 23rd, NRC Farran. Rowing Ireland 1k Classic, Sat Jun 29th, Lough Rynn, Leitrim. Killarney Regatta, O'Mahony's Point, Killarney Golf & Fishing Club, Sun Jun 30th. Irish Rowing Championships, Fri-Sun Jul 12-14th, NRC Farran.

KILLARNEY VALLEY ATHLETIC CLUB

The Munster Juvenile U14-U19 T&F Championships were held in Waterford last weekend. Huge congratulations to our Youth High Performance Squad of 26 athletes that competed. We had 5 Munster champions, 7 silver medalists, 6 bronze medalists and 9 personal best performances.

Cian O'Brien came 1st in the U19 100m and 2nd in the 200m. Tunde Smith came 2nd in the U15 80mH. Mollie O'Riordan came 2nd in the U18 400m. Sophie Duke, Megan O'Reilly, Naoise Cronin and Maddie O'Riordan came 3rd in the U16 4x100m. In the Jumps, Keelan Veerasoo came 1st in the U19 Triple Jump and Long Jump. Antonya Lejwoda came 2nd in the U16 Triple Jump. Dominik Wasila came 3rd in the U17 Long Jump. In the mid distance, Grace O'Meara came 1st in the U19 3K. Conor Duffin came 1st in the U15 1500m. Lily O'Shea came 2nd in the U15 2K Racewalk. Kevin Looney came 2nd in the U18 3K SteepleChase. In the Throws, Mia Garvanovic came 3rd in the U16 Discus and Kieran Moloney came 2nd in the U14 Shot put.

Our Summer Camps from July 8th – 2nd August are filling up fast so book early on our website to avoid disappointment. Our Multi activity camp is for kids aged 5-12 years.

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

WORKMEN'S ROWING CLUB NEWS

The beautiful weather on Sunday morning allowed our crews to enjoy the lake.

Our crews are preparing well for the Cork Regatta Grand League which will take place at the national rowing centre, farran on 22nd & 23rd June 2024.

The club is looking forward to this upcoming outing.

We are also preparing for the Killarney Regatta, at O 'Mahony's Point (Killarney Golf and Fishing Club) on Sunday the 30th of June.

FOSSA BRIDGE CLUB 13TH JUNE RESULTS N/S

1st. Marie O' Sullivan Kenmare & Horst Rosler 2nd. Hanneke Nieman & Don O' Sullivan 3rd. Ger M Sweeney & Conor Dwyer



Damon Murphy age 9 Killarney brought home a bronze medal from the community games gymnastics finals in Kilkenny in the boys under 11 category. Damon, a pupil at faha national school trains at Douglas gymnastics club Cork and Legacy Elite Gymnastics Killarney.

Pictured are Damon Murphy with his brother Tyler Murphy and Irish Olympian Rob Heffernan. Damon recently took part in his advanced club display In Douglas gymnastics club where some special guests attended on the night and the boys got to meet Irish Olympian Rob Heffernan

E/W

1st. Anne Looney & Maura G Moynihan 2nd. Mary Murray & Partner 3rd. Mary Gleeson & Evelyn O' Leary Congratulations to you all. Summer bridge continues every Thursday morning at The Castlerosse Hotel at 9.45am for 10am start. All bridge players are welcome

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POWER PACKED FOOTBALL SEES KERRY IN THE QUARTER FINAL

Kerry 4-13 Waterford 0-9

By Dan Kearney

Kerry secured their quarter final place in the race for the TG4 All-Ireland SFC as they eased to a 16-point victory over Waterford at Fitzgerald Stadium in a one-sided encounter.

Kerry, playing with a strong breeze in the first half blew the Waterford challenge away with some power-packed football and led by 2-10 to 0-3 at half time.

It took the home side a while to get going but when they did Waterford had no answer to their pace, movement and finishing power.

Central to Kerry's dominance was the dismantling of Waterford's kickouts with Evelyn O'Brien finding it extremely difficult to find a white jersey.

Kerry led by 1-2 to 0-1 after 10 minutes with Hannah O'Donoghue getting on the end of a brilliant combination with Emma Dineen to finish smartly to the back of the net.

Danielle O'Leary added a score from the kickout and with the brilliant O'Donoghue slotting a brace of points straight afterwards, Waterford were under all sorts of pressure.

O'Donoghue turned provider to feed Danielle O'Leary for Kerry's second goal in the 22nd minute and points followed from Niamh Ní Chonchúir, Aishling O'Connell, Louise Ní Mhuircheartaigh, and Hannah O'Donoghue with Waterford's reply coming from boot of Kelly Ann Hogan on the stroke of half time.

Waterford made a bright start to the second half with Eve Power and Mairead O'Brien claiming early points. Half time substitute Siofra O'Shea hit the Waterford net after being fed by Niamh Ní Chonchúir in the 36th minute to put Kerry 3-11 to 0-6 ahead and it was difficult to see Waterford coming back into the contest.

The marauding TG4 Player of the Match Aishling O'Connell struck her second point of the game a minute later but Waterford kept



Hannah O'Donoghue of Kerry celebrates after scoring her side's first goal during the TG4 All-Ireland Ladies Football Senior Championship Round 2 match between Kerry and Waterford at Fitzgerald Stadium in Killarney, Kerry. Photo by Michael P Ryan/Sportsfile

going and Ciara Butler was forced into a fine save from Emma Murray before Eve Power hit her second point of the game.

Both sides ran their bench as the game petered out in the final quarter but there was one final act when Siofra O'Shea fed Emma Dineen for an easy finish to the back of the net.

Waterford must now beat Donegal in next week's encounter if they are to advance from the group.

Scorers - Kerry: H O'Donoghue 1-3, D O'Leary 1-2 (1f), E Dineen 1-1, S O'Shea 1-0, L Ní Mhuircheartaigh 0-3 (2f), A O'Connell 0-2, N Carmody 0-1, N Ní Chonchúir 0-1. Waterford: K A Hogan 0-3, M O'Brien 0-2, E Power 0-2, E Fitzgerald 0-1f, K McGrath 0-1. KERRY: C Butler; E Lynch, K Cronin, C Murphy; A O'Connell, D Kearney, A Dillane; M O'Connell, A Galvin; N Carmody, L Ní Mhuircheartaigh, H O'Donoghue; N Ní Chonchúir, E Dineen, D O'Leary. Subs: S O'Shea for Ní Mhuircheartaigh (H/T), L Scanlon for Carmody (39), A Harrington for O'Connell (42), J Lucey for H O'Donoghue (47), F O'Donoghue for Dillane (50.

WATERFORD: E O'Brien; C Murray, H Power, K McGrath; E Fitzgerald, A Murray, A McNulty; K Hogan, E Murray; C Carroll, A Fitzgerald, M Comerford; K Murray, L McGregor, M O'Brien. Subs: E Power for O'Brien (15), C McCarthy for Carroll (23), M O'Brien for Comerford (H/T), N Power for McCarthy (47), A Waring for Murray (50).

Referee: Jonathan Murphy (Carlow).



Alannah McNulty of Waterford in action against Emma Dineen of Kerry during the TG4 All-Ireland Ladies Football Senior Championship Round 2 match between Kerry and Waterford at Fitzgerald Stadium in Killarney, Kerry. Photo by Michael P Ryan/Sportsfile



Katie Murray of Waterford in action against Ciara Murphy of Kerry during the TG4 All-Ireland Ladies Football Senior Championship Round 2 match between Kerry and Waterford at Fitzgerald Stadium in Killarney, Kerry. Photo by Michael P Ryan/Sportsfile

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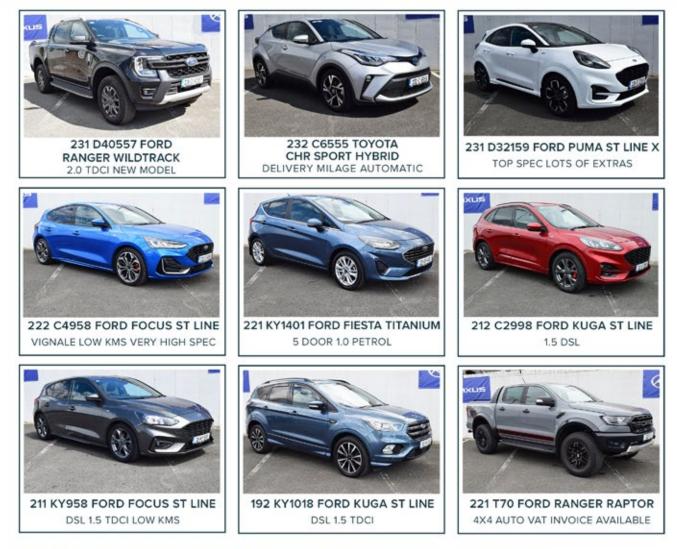
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PROPOSED RULES CHANGES TO GAELIC FOOTBALL

I don't think anyone out there really thinks that gaelic football has been any feast of excitement in recent years. Recent years? I would honestly say that the introduction of the blanket defence almost a quarter of a century ago has led to a severe decline in quality. The back door was introduced around the same time, and that was instantly going to reduce the drama. That's not to say that I would advocate for straight knock-out, the effort that goes in nowadays (which is a problem in itself; inter-county football is certainly not any kind of past-time anymore and I think the demands have become disproportionate to life values) deserves a second chance.

Mickey Harte revolutionised the game with the blanket defence. It wasn't necessarily a new tactic. Antrim certainly tried it in the forties and I think Kerry got away with beating that by fair means or slightly foul (check the records of the time before you come at me) because of how alien it was in those days. There is an argument that Down in the sixties became one of the greatest teams of all time by bypassing the traditional catch and kick dominant midfielder route. But there is no arguing that Tyrone swarmed teams like Kerry and chewed us up on the counter-attack, especially with clean tackling en masse. Not pretty - 'puke football' became a more iconic phrase than it's originator ever intended - but extremely effective.

There have been exceptions. Dublin, Mayo, and Kerry shared some absolutely enthralling battles over a decade. You'd always go a long way to watch Galway and Mayo in Connaught and never be disappointed.

Every team, including the above mentioned, adopted a certainly level of pragmatism. Every team has eight defenders minimum when they don't have possession nowadays, often more. Defenders are scoring more than they ever used to because they are often the 'overlap' player on the counter-attack.

Turnovers are key. So every team concentrates on avoiding turnovers. When the blanket defence first appeared, risk of turnover was more or less matched by potential scoring reward. But then risk, i.e. carrying the ball into a massed defence, started leading to concession on the counter. So teams have been taking less and less risks and there is less and less excitement in gaelic football. Goalkeepers aren't coming out because of any daring innovation; it's an attempt to stretch those remorseless lines. World War I, banks of foes facing each other scrabbling for inches at enormous cost. Athleticism trumps skill in the modern game and they are won or lost on mistakes, not magic. Like I say, there are exceptions, but in all honesty, how many inter-county football games this year between province and this group stage thingy (which would be predictably boring no matter what) have actually been worth it?

I know ye all know this. Everybody knows it now. There are games that used to pack Croke Park out, now they would hardly park a double decker bus. The last team to fill Croke Park was Leinster rugby.

The GAA have set up sub-committees before to look at the state of the game, as have Kerry County Board for that matter. But I don't believe there was ever a real willingness to actually grasp the nettle. I think there was a belief that we could tweak the game with relatively minor adjustments. And those were sincere people and genuine efforts. The black card has proven invaluable in cutting out the messing. In general, cynicism will now cost your team, which is how it should be. The mark....good idea, but I actually don't think it did all that much. There were still high-fielding midfielders in Kerry, Mayo, Dublin, Tyrone, Donegal.... It did cut out the swarm. The attacking mark was supposed to encouraging kicking the ball forward, but few enough teams use it as a regular weapon.

The game hasn't needed 'tweaking'. It has needed actual reformatting for a while and this is the chance to do it.

This time out it did feel like the GAA absolutely had to do something. The decline in attendances has been nothing short of dramatic, it was the same in the Kerry County Championship. Too long, too drawn out, too few genuine contenders.

The Committee consists of Chairman Jim Gavin, Michael Murphy, Seamus Kenny, Malachy O'Rourke, James Horan, Eamonn Fitzmaurice and Shane Flanagan. Serious people with proven understanding and genuine passion for the game. Whether their proposals – and the following are only mooted, not actually put up for ratification as yet – are accepted or successful remains to be seen, but I certainly think anyone who cares about the game should give them real consideration.

The Throw-In

One v one instead of two v two. The throw-in is virtually always a shoving contest and this is intended to stop that. It won't, but there's no harm trying. What will stop that pushing and shoving is referees awarding those early frees. I personally believe the GAA need to back their referees more, especially in terms of what is or isn't allowed. The idea that the referee awarded one team more frees than the other is not any kind of 'fairness' metric, it's a metric of which team fouled more than the other. And the idea that the referee should have 'common sense'.... the referee should apply the rules. End of story. Also, every single time that a pundit tries to start the second half of their sentence with the word 'but', their mike needs to be cut off. Instantly.

In short, there's a push at the throw-in, as usual? Blow the whistle.

Kickouts

The Committee have suggested that kick-outs could be taken before all players have stepped past the 20m line, i.e. a fast kick-out. Absolutely. Cluxton has been a master of the quick restart and it's a valuable weapon. Kick-outs from the small rectangle to encourage a team to press up (poor enough bait; I wouldn't be adjusting my team strategy on that basis). Kick-outs from the 20m having to go past the 40m (definitely worth a look. That makes it worth your while to go hunting opposition kick-outs and introduces an element of danger).

Four players in their own half at all times

The proposed rule is that both teams must keep at least four players (usually but not necessarily including the keeper) inside their own 65m line. It doesn't necessarily rule out a blanket defence, but it limits the mass counter-attack. Frankly, I like it. More space and more one-onone chances. In other words, opportunities for skill to become more important than sprinting. I'm talking defensive skill as well as attacking, by the way. How many modern defenders ever actually take on a forward one-on-one anymore? I want to see that. The penalty for a team breaking the rule will be a free to the opposition from the 20m line.

The advanced mark

The proposal is that if a player catches a ball from outside the 45m line cleanly inside the 20m line, he doesn't have to call a mark. He can play on and if no advantage accrues, he will be awarded a mark anyway. I'm not sure. The idea is that if the defence recovers, the ball doesn't get recycled out; instead the forward gets a scoring opportunity. I can't say that I'm in favour. Frankly, the forward mark isn't a big deal at the moment (as I feared it would be) and I don't want it to become a main feature.

Two Points for a Long Range Point

Oh, but I adore this. As far as I am concerned, the game has been screaming out for this. Reward shooters. Scoring has actually increased in the modern game, and increased quite a bit....but it's been about guaranteed scores rather than risk. I invite you again to watch Tony Brosnan's first point against Louth. He soloed up the wing unchallenged, because Louth were back in a defensive phalanx, and he stopped before he ran into that defensive rampart, measure it, and simply swung it over. That is what I want to see.



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Action from the Kerry V Laois game Photo: Orla Coyne Kerry GAA Fans



Paudie Clifford in action for Kerry V Laois. Photo: Orla Coyne Kerry GAA Fans

GAA Pitches will have an arc line from the edge of the 20m line curving out to just short of the '45m line. A point outside that would be worth double. I genuinely believe it would be transformative. Implement that rule, and I'll forgive you everything else (except that inexcusable mangle of a completely unnecessary group stage).

Four Points for a Goal

I understand the theory, but I actually don't think it will make much difference. Teams go for goals when they are on; I don't think this will particularly incentivise players any further in that regard. What it will do is mean that teams have a chance to close formidable scoring gaps by going for goals, which will keep one-sided games 'alive' that much longer. Other than that, meh.

The Tackle

This debate has been going on for a very, very long time. What exactly is a legal tackle in gaelic football? You are going back to at least the sixties and there have been multiple debates. The current proposal is that a tackler will be permitted to get 'hands on' with a ball carrier and make "one initial contact with the open hand to delay the ball carriers' momentum". I'd prefer if they made it clear about the part of the body that can be tackled with the open hand. A hand trip, obviously, is a foul....so where exactly is the line being drawn? Listen, it's defeated far more knowledgeable people than me. I ain't touching any part of that debate with a barge pole.

Format

I'm not actually sure where this comes from. It seems to be more of a talking point than an actual proposal. I don't even think the format of the All Ireland Championship falls within this committee's remit – though I believe it absolutely should. But it has been widely mooted that the GAA are considering scrapping this group stage thing and going to a kind of losers' round redemption instead of a back door split. It would be similar to the Kerry County Football Championship before they introduced the group stage themselves. Personally, I'm all for it, especially with a 16 team competition. I want that bit of bite in every game. Thankfully, from his clear acknowledgement of the problem this week, Jarlath Burns is hoping to change the format for next year in consultation with the provinces (good luck on that one; turkeys don't vote for Christmas) and Central Council.

Will all of any of this stuff actually happen? I do think you will see playing rule changes at next year's Congress. I certainly hope so. A format change would be even better.

KERRY COMFORTABLY INTO QUARTER-FINAL All Ireland Group Stage Round Three Kerry 2-21 Louth 1-10

This All Ireland campaign hasn't had the faintest whiff of sulphur so far, and I'm told that the small Kerry contingent that actually travelled to Portlaoise reflected the lack of tension or excitement. Fair play to the dedicated supporters; I require at least the reasonable possibility of drama and it never really existed here.

That is not knocking Louth. They gave us a very fair rattle and they will be no pushovers in the preliminary quarter-final. But I have to go back to the chronic fault with this year's All Ireland. A 'preliminary quarter-final' – in a 16 team competition with multiple games already played and only a bare handful of realistic contenders.

The writing was on the wall early on as Joe O'Connor, Seán O'Shea, and Tony Brosnan all split the posts. Tony's on the highlights reel was illustrative....he simply carried unchallenged close to a massed Louth defence, judged his angle....and simply shot over them.

Louth missed an early chance of a point and their second attempt from Conor Grimes seemed to be straying slightly left and low... until a lurking Donal McKenny burst past an unwary Ó Beaglaoich and bundled it in (it would have been a penalty if he had missed). Grimes' initial shot should have been a bread and butter point for an inter-county footballer; I think him missing that one actually caught the Kerry defence off guard.

Brian Ó Beaglaoich brought Kerry level, fisting over from a very tight angle. David Clifford

with a free, but Ciarán Byrne clipped over for Louth after a very thin claim for a penalty was correctly waved away. Craig Lennon slotted over. Louth were understandably defensive, backing off the Kerry kick-out completely, but they were putting up a real battle.

David Clifford with another free and Ó Beaglaoich again, this time a fine kick from distance. Conor Grimes with a good score, but David replied with a brace. This certainly wasn't any cruise control, but Kerry always had that extra gear if required. Sam Mulroy and David Clifford exchanged scores to keep three between them but Paudie Clifford, Paul Murphy, and Diarmuid O'Conor picked off points. Bevan Duffy did have the last point of the half, and it was a fine kick, but I suspect that Kerry would have been reasonably content as they went in at half-time leading by 0-13 to 1-5. Seán O'Shea opened the second half scoring but Kerry had a real let-off as good Louth inter-play at pace saw them slice Kerry open and leave Craig Lennon with a great chance.... but the crathur scuffed his shot. Desperately unlucky; that move deserved a goal. Whether it would have made for a tight contest after.... arrah, I honestly don't think so. Kerry were always going to be the better side here. David Clifford and Dara Moynihan clipped over, as did Conor Grimes.

Good work by Tony Brosnan – I've always preferred him as a scorer rather than a creator, but he was superb as a playmaker here – did well to get a ball to Paudie Clifford on the square, who used his strength to find space and pass to the corner. The keeper did well to parry Jason Foley's fisted effort but had no chance against Diarmuid O'Connor on the rebound.

Sin é an chluiche. The gulf was too big. I suspect that Louth concentrated on maintaining their second place on scoring difference in the group rather than throwing any caution to the winds in a futile attempt to overhaul that Kerry lead. Certainly, in Ger Brennans's shoes, I'd have battened down the hatches.

They could have pulled back a goal, Dan Corcoran neatly finding Ciarán Keenan but his shot was always rising over when he might have troubled Shane Ryan.

Kerry worked the ball neatly along the end-line to leave an in-rushing Tadhg Morley with the simplest of finishes. A second goal for Kerry, but

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Joe O'Connor jumps for the ball in the game v Laois. Photo: Orla Coyne Kerry GAA Fans



Eye on the Ball.... Jason Foley in action. Photo: Orla Coyne Kerry GAA Fans

it was pure icing. This particular cake was well and truly baked long before David Clifford and Tom O'Sullivan closed it out.

Fair play to Louth. A well-organised side, certainly vastly improved on last year, and they could have been closer on the scoreboard if they had taken those goal chances.

The truth is that we haven't really met any significant threat so far, but we have calmly and competently completed every task. It was an easy group, we all know it was, but you still need to get it done.

As far as I am concerned, the actual All Ireland starts now.

Kerry: Shane Ryan, Tadhg Morley (1-0), Jason Foley, Tom O'Sullivan (0-1), Paul Murphy (0-1), Gavin White, Brian Ó Beaglaoich (0-3), Diarmuid O'Connor (1-1), Joe O'Connor (0-2), Tony Brosnan (0-1), Paudie Clifford (0-2), Dara Moynihan (0-1), David Clifford (0-7, 5f), Seán O'Shea (0-2, 1f), Paul Geaney. Subs: Cillian Burke (for Tony Brosnan, 55 mins), Killian Spillane (for Paul Geaney, 55 mins), Barry Dan O'Sullivan (for Joe O'Connor, 67 mins), Mike Breen (for Tadhg Morley, 67 mins), Dylan Casey (for Jason Foley, 67 mins).

Louth: Niall McDonnell, Dan Corcoran, Dermot Campbell, Donal McKenny (1-0), Bevan Duffy (0-1), Conall McKeever, Anthony Williams, Tommy Durnin, Ciarán Byrne (0-1), Paul Mathews (0-1), Ciarán Keenan (0-1), Craig Lennon (0-1), Ryan Burns, Sam Mulroy (0-3, 2f), Conor Grimes (0-2). Subs: Leonard Grey for Craig Lennon, 50 mins), Conor Early (for Paul Mathews, 52 mins), Tom Jackson (for Ryan Burns, 60 mins), Liam Jackson (for Ciarán Byrne, 67 mins), Peter McStravick (for Bevan Duffy, 67 mins) Poferae: Conor Lang (Cork)

Referee: Conor Lane (Cork)

PRELIMINARY QUARTER-FINAL DRAWS

Galway v Monaghan

Galway have been quietly getting players back from injury and beginning to build. I don't think Monaghan threw any handle with the hatchet against us and Meath didn't ask many questions of them either. A bit of an unknown quantity, but I think the real Galway are about to show their hand and it'll be a winning one on this occasion. They could have beaten Armagh (a team I do fear if they can keep their composure) and maybe should have. I expect them to have enough for Monaghan and after that, who knows?

Mayo v Derry

Obviously the tie of the round, and I'm actually going to buck the common trend. I'm unimpressed by how many pundits are suddenly castigating Mickey Harte, when they were hailing him as a genius and Derry as prime contenders just three months ago. Yes, they have been caught for bad goals and some really bad disciplinary acts. I did think (and say) that bringing lads back after a club All Ireland to play an experimental Kerry in Round Two of the National League would be costly later on. I think fatigue is their biggest malaise right now. But they haven't suddenly become a bad team. I think they have one last big rattle in them and I think they might just about pip Mayo. Derry know how to make it a dogfight and that's their strength. But either way, the winner will be very drained.

Tyrone v Roscommon

No offence to Roscommon, but I can only see one winner here, especially on home ground. Tyrone have the ingredients, especially scoring forwards, but have they an AllI Ireland in them? I'm unconvinced, but I do expect them to leap this hurdle.

Louth v Cork

Very, very intriguing. Louth are better than they looked against Kerry, and it's not as if they looked bad anyway. I did think their score execution, not just the goal chances, was relatively poor overall. I fancy Cork to take this, I think they have a new-found and deserved confidence in them.

KERRY QUALIFY FOR HOME QUARTER-FINAL Group Stage Round Two

Kerry 4-13 Waterford 0-9 That draw in Ballybofey last week worried me, especially after that League Final trimming as well. Kerry are contenders; they have fully established those credentials. And I know it was miserable conditions and tight football and Donegal were dogged and determined and no bad side. But the Kerry forwards individually seemed to be very sharp but completely blunt as a unit. We weren't incisive. There seemed to be a real gap between midfield half forward possession and actual shooting chances.

In the circumstances, I really wanted to see a real performance against Waterford. A reaction. A statement win.

That's exactly what we got. In spades.

Kerry took Waterford, no bad team, apart in the first half. Essentially, Waterford couldn't get any grip on their own kick-outs and just never got off the back foot. Louise kicked over a quick free and Niamh Carmody added a point. Emma Fitzgerald did pull one back but Hannah O'Donoghue responded by combining brilliantly with Emma Dineen to find the net. Danielle O'Leary pointed straight from the kickout. 1-3 to 0-1 after the first quarter and it was already fairly obvious where this was going.

Kellyann Hogan has always been a superb player for Waterford and she pointed in an attempt to lift her side. Hannah replied with two points from play though and Louise added another free. Hannah teed up Danielle O'Leary fpor a goal – no RSVP necessary there! – and Kerry reeled off four more points before the break through Louise, Hannah, Niamh Ní Chonchúir, and the dynamic Aishling O'Connell. Kellyann Hogan had one final point of the half for Waterford, but it was already a futile gesture. Half-time Kerry 2-10 Waterford 0-3

Waterford, to their credit, came out battling in the second half and kicked two points from Eve Power and Mairead O'Brien. But Siofra O'Shea had come on at half-time and the player who had been on course for a Footballer of the Year title before succumbing to injury last year reminded everybody who she is by deftly gathering Niamh Ní Chonchúir's pass and drilling it to the net. Aishling O'Connell, a bit like her counterpart Brian Ó Beaglaoich on another Kerry team, was unstoppable on the burst and quickly notched her second point.

Emma Murray did draw a fine save out of an alert Ciara Butler and Eve Power did notch a Deise point, but the game was already beginning to fade out. Siofra O'Shea's pass to Emma Dineen for Kerry's fourth goal really closed it out.

Kerry are now guaranteed to top the group, in that if it comes down to head to head with

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Donegal, Kerry will still prevail on the amount of scores (Kerry scored nine points where Donegal scored 1-6, i.e. seven actual scores).

Kerry: Ciara Butler, Eilís Lynch, Kayleigh Cronin, Ciara Murphy, Aishling O'Connell (0-2), Deirdre Kearney, Aoife Dillane, Mary O'Connell, Anna Galvin, Niamh Carmody (0-1), Louise Ní Mhuircheartaigh (0-3, 2f), Hannah O'Donoghue (1-3), Niamh Ní Chonchúir (0-1), Emma Dineen, Danielle O'Leary (1-2, 1f). Subs: Siofra O'Shea (for Louise Ní Mhuircheartaigh, half-time), Lorraine Scanlon (for Niamh Carmody, 39 mins), Amy Harrington (for Aishling O'Connell, 42 mins), Jadyn Lucey (for Hannah O'Donoghue, 47 mins), Faye O'Donoghue (for Aoife Dillane, 50 mins).

Waterford: Evelyn O'Brien, Cora Murray, Hannah Power, Kate McGrath (0-1), Emma Fitzgerald (0-1, 1f), Aoife Murray, Alannah McNulty, Kellyann Hogan (0-3), Emma Murray, Clodagh Carroll, Annie Fitzgerald, Molly Comerford, Katie Murray, Lauren McGregor, Mairead O'Brien. Subs: Eve Power 0-2 (for Mairead O'Brien, 15 mins), Caragh McCarthy (for Carroll, 23 mins), Mairead O'Brien 0-2 (for Molly Comerford, half-time), Niamh Power (for Caragh McCarthy, 47 mins), Aoibhe Waring (for Aoife Murray, 50 mins).

Referee: Jonathan Murphy (Carlow).

CAMOGIE All Ireland Intermediate Round Four Kerry 0-12 Kilkenny 2-14

Kerry succumbed to their first defeat in the championship this year and it doesn't come as any surprise that it was at the hands of a formidable Kilkenny outfit. This isn't Kilkenny's top team, but no-one (and I respectfully include All Ireland champions Cork) has got the depth at club level of Kilkenny.

Kilkenny simply blitzed Kerry early on. It was 2-5 to 0-1 (a Jackie Horgan free), Kerry coughing up an unfortunate goal to Claire Doheny's long punt and then a good goal to Caroline Kennedy. It was 2-9 to 0-4 at half-time, Jackie Horgan scoring four Kerry frees and Danielle Morrissey notching seven for the Cats.

Kilkenny opened the second half scoring but three more frees by Jackie kept us hanging in there. Aoife Behan got a beauty for our first



score from play.

Kilkenny were never in any real danger of seeing it slip, but Kerry showed real heart in that second half and made a genuine battle of it. I do think it is still a worry that we seem to be so dependent on our primary free-taker (although Jackie is superb) for scores against top quality opposition. We did score the last four points of the game, three more frees from Jackie and a brilliant curler from a tight angle from Patrice Diggin.

Kilkenny play Dublin next week and look likely to top the group and claim the semi-final berth outright. But Kerry will face Lixnaw in Carlow next Saturday and a win there would have us in pole position for a quarter-final. This is going to get very interesting yet!

Kerry: Aoife Fitzgerald, Rachel McCarthy, Niamh Leen, Michelle Costello, Áine O'Connor, Sara Murphy, Aoife Behan (0-1), Caoimhe Spillane, Ruth O'Connor, Laura Collins, Kate Lynch, Ann-Marie Leen, Amy O'Sullivan, Jackie Horgan (0-10, 10f), Ellen O'Donoghue . Subs Roisín Quinn (for Áine O'Connor, 41 mins), Amy McCarthy (for Ann-Marie Leen, 48), Patrice Diggin 0-1 (for Kate Lynch, 46 mins), Clodagh O'Sullivan (for Ann-Marie Leen, 46 mins), Norette Casey (for Michelle Costello, 46 mins), Niamh Quinn (for Ellen O'Donoghue, 54 mins).

KERRY CLAIM KENNEDY SHIELD

Kerry recovered from a disappointing group stage to grow into the competition and in the end became the first Kerry team to bring home silverware from the tournament in a long time – albeit the third tier Kennedy Shield rather than the Cup so famously won by a Kerry team back in 2015.

Kerry actually opened their campaign with one of the best games in it. Kerry took the lead against South Tipp in the 20th minute when Darragh Keane slotted a Lachlan Scannell corner at the second attempt. Ryan Vickers made it 2-0 early in the second half, using his pace to punish Tipperary's very high defensive line and finishing very neatly. In fairness, Tipperary's Killian O'Dea capitalised on a spilled back and hit as sweet a shot as you could ever

imagine, giving the keeper absolutely no chance from long range. Five minutes later Leon Hewitt sent a free-kick curling straight into the top corner and South Tipp were level after two stunning goals. They had the momentum and in the 47th minute O'Dea struck for his second, the ball curling in from a corner kick.

Kerry had ten minutes left to save the game and in fairness, they rose to the challenge. Lachlan Scannell did well to get onto a South Tipp clearance and flick it at full stretch to Jayden Hurley. There still didn't seem to be too much on, as Jayden was at full stretch to reach it and lob it over himself and into the danger area. The goalkeeper had come out to trim the angles for a shot – nobody, including I strongly suspect Jayden, who hadn't had a chance to look around, realised that the ball would loop in a perfect arc over the keeper and into the net. In the end it was 3-3 after one of the best games, and definitely some of the best goals, all week.

Unfortunately, their second game against Waterford didn't go Kerry's way. They played fine, but just couldn't find that elusive foal and, heartbreakingly, Waterford came up with a very late winner. In a three team group, you get absolutely no chance to recover in the group stage and that was that – Kerry, despite doing very little wrong and showing some real quality, were suddenly in the third tier.

A bitter blow and a real test of character. It would have been easy, very easy, to throw in the towel, but these players are made of tougher steel and have already put too much into this.

Kerry faced Carlow in their first knock-out game, the Shield Quarter-Final. Kerry made a great start, Thomas Keane pouncing on a great through ball from Jayden Hurley to put Kerry in front early on. After ten minutes Kerry were 2-0 in front thanks to Donnacha Vaughn. Kerry dominated the rest of the half but Carlow managed to pull one back against the run of play. The second half was a cagey affair but neither side was to score again and it was Kerry who went through to the semi-final.

That was against a formidable Clare outfit who took the lead early on through Kaylum Mata. Kerry staye calm and played their way into the game getting their deserved reward in the 19th minute as a deflected Danny Lane free-kick was flicked on to Ryan O'Flaherty and the alwaysalert Jayden Hurley pounced to poke home. Neither side could muster another goal, so it was on to the dreaded penalties (no matter who wins or loses, it's an awful way for a game to end, but the schedule is punishingly tight).

Five players on each side stepped up and all ten slotted home. On to sudden death. Clare with a good strike – but Liam Moynihan with a fantastic save. It was all down to Ryan Vickers now. Anyone remember Dylan Murphy's onelegged penalty in a similar situation nine years ago? Vickers is made of the same mould, and he slotted it into the bottom corner. Kerry into the final.

Kerry made the perfect start to the Shield Final on Friday morning. Lachlan Scannell's corner was floated in and, as can happen, deceived everybody in a crowded NDSL box to slip into the net. Soon after, another Scannell corner was cleared, but only as far as Adam Moynihan, who found Darragh Keane to put Kerry two in front. That was how it stood at half-time.

Luc Mac Gearailt came close to adding a third early in the second half, but NDSL held out and it was the Dublin outfit who struck next, a good goal from Oisín Hegarty. It was a nail-biting battle from there on, with Hegarty denied another goal by a great Liam Moynihan save, but Kerry held their nerve and held their lead. It wasn't the prize they set out to attain, but it's still a prize and it would have looked very far away on the Tuesday morning!





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KILLARNEY LEGION

DYLAN CROWLEY TOURNAMENT

The Dylan Crowley tournament was held in Gneeveguilla on Saturday last. We played in Division one alongside Firies Rathmore and Kilcummin. Having beaten Rathmore and Firies in the group stage, we lost our last final game to Kilcummin . The draw for the semi-final saw us up against Firies once again. Having won this, we progressed to the final. Rathmore provided the opposition in the final and was victorious on the day. Unfortunately for some of our boys, this was their second year losing the Division 1 final to the same opposition, and Rathmore were worthy winners on the day . Great credit is due to the organisers who, again, this year pull out a great tournament despite the weather. The tournament is a great testament to the memory of Dylan Crowley, his family and the hard working personal who provide a super day for all the young footballers to show their skill on what is their annual football highlight.

SENIOR COUNTY LEAGUE

Our Senior Men face Glenflesk in the final round of the County League, knowing that a positive result, win or draw, is needed to preserve our Division 1 status. Throw in on Sunday June 23rd in Glenflesk is at 2pm.

SENIOR LADIES

Our Senior ladies have a home semi final in the Donal Curtin Cup coming up. Its on Monday June 24th at 7.30pm in Direen. All support is welcomed.

U7 BOYS

Cromane were the visitors on Saturday morning for our Under 7 boys. Despite the incement weather the kids had a great time. Thanks to our visitors and to all who helped, including our superb young referees!

U14 BOYS DEVELOPMENT SQUAD

Well done to our U14 players Cian Hegarty, Sean Lyne, Conor Moynihan, and Jamie Fleming on their selection on the Kerry South U14 Development Squad. A reward for their continued hard work.

FLAG DAY

The Club's Annual street collection is on Saturday June 29th. With the town likely to be busy heading towards the peak of the holiday season it is an ideal opportunity to gather some revenue. Treasurer John Foran would appreciate your support so drop him a line with any hour you have free.

MOTHERS AND OTHERS

Our ever busy crew took part in the well organised blitz in Mallow on Saturday last. Despite the foul weather they did what they usually do. They had a ball and represented the club in their own inimitable way. Training continues every Wednesday from 8-9pm in Direen. New members always welcome.

MEMBERS MEETING

There will be a members meeting on Thursday June 27th at 8.30pm in the Clubhouse. An opportunity for all and sundry to raise or discuss any relevant topic.

LOTTO

Results Monday June 17th.Numbers were 10,13,16,28 Bonus No 18. No jackpot winner.

Match 3s / Lucky Dips: 1. Trish O Connor online 2. Breda Kelleher online 3. Luke O Sullivan c/o Alan Lyne 4. Padraig Hegarty c/o DoDo 5. Tom Meehan 53 Innisfallen Rookery Road

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ALL IRELAND FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

Well done to the Kerry team on their win against Louth in the All Ireland Championship. ALL IRELAND MINOR QUARTER FINAL

Good luck to the Kerry Minor team in the All Ireland Semi Final against Derry next weekend.

ALL IRELAND LADIES CHAMPIONSHIP

Well done to the Kerry Ladies on their superb win over Waterford in Round 2 of the All Ireland Championship.

GARDA SIOCHANA PRIMARY SCHOOLS SEVEN ASIDE FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT took place in Fitzgerald Stadium. The standard of football on display was excellent with all players showing fantastic skill levels on the day. Games were seven aside with panels of eleven players representing each school on the day. It was great to see boys and girls competing on the day. The massive attendance on the day combined with vocal support for all teams added to the enjoyment. Teachers deserve great credit for the work put in during the school year preparing all teams to a high level. Seventy five games were played on the day. Eddie Walsh organised the well run event supported by Vince Cooper East Kerry GDC and St Brendans College TY students. Nagle Rice NS Milltown defeated a gallant St Olivers NS team in a tremendous final. **GLENFLESK NS BLITZ** took place in Barraduff Community Field. Noreen Lynch tournament was a tremendous success on the day. Four Glenflesk local schools battled it out in determined manner to secure victory. The format was seven aside games with all players taking part representing the junior rooms in all schools. It was great to see such talent on show in all games. The large attendance was treated to a feast of exciting football. Glenflesk NS were worthy winners on the day defeating a spirited Knockanes NS team. Mark Brosnan and Vince Cooper took control of the whistles on the day. St Brendans College TY students organised the well run event. Well done to all schools for displaying such great skill levels at all times during the games a credit to all teachers for the effort put in during the year.

FOSSA GAA

LOTTO

The numbers drawn on 16/06/2024 for a jackpot of €3,150 were 3, 16, 24, 28. There was no jackpot winner. The €40 consolation prize winners were; Barry Coffey, Online; Mary Frances

O'Shea, Online; The Cronin grandchildren; Joav Cronin, Curragh; Tom Doona, Faha. Tickets are available from our sellers and can also be bought online with the following link https:// fossagaa.clubforce.com/products/lotto/fossagaa-club-lotto

U-11 BOYS

Fossa U11 boys headed off to Moyvane on Thursday and they didn't disappoint any of their great fans. Huge skill and determination was on display against tough opposition.

The Fossa boys had a great evening playing fantastic football. Thanks to the players, coaches and parents for their ongoing commitment and thanks to Moyvane for the warm welcome.

U-14 GIRLS

Our U14 Girls have made it to the Div 4 Co. League Final after overcoming a very tenacious challenge from Beale in a very sporting semifinal played in perfect conditions in Fossa on Sunday evening. Well done, ladies.

RACE NIGHT

FOOTBALL

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

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KILLARNEY CAMOGIE

FÉILE FUNDRAISER

Thanks to everyone who donated to our Féile Fundraiser, your support is very much appreciated. Our Under 15 girls make the journey to Roscommon this Saturday 22nd June to participate in the Regional Finals. We wish them and their coaches & supporters the very best of luck. Good luck also to Tralee Parnells & Cillard taking part in National Finals in Wexford! **UNDER 8**

Our Under 8's took part in their first blitz last Monday evening in Crotta O'Neills in Kilflynn. The blitz was hosted by Abbeykillix and the girls showed some fabulous skills on the night UNDER 14

Our Under 14s lost to Abbeykillix last week. Thanks to John Ross for reffing and Lyrecrompane for the pitch

KERRY UNDER 14S

Well done to Bride Breen, Caoimhe Dineen and Sinead Murphy who played with Kerry Under 14s last weekend in the Munster Blitz in Cappamore, Co. Limerick

KERRY SENIORS

Commiserations to the Kerry senior team and management, especially Kate Lynch and Áine Devlin, who had a loss v Kilkenny in the Intermediate Championship last weekend on a



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Killarney Under 14 team who played Abbeykillix last week and the Under 8 team who played a blitz in Crotta O'Neills

scoreline of Kerry 0-12 Kilkenny 2-14. They will now play Carlow in the round 5 on Saturday 22nd June in Lixnaw at 2.00pm

DR. CROKES

ACADEMY

our Academy continues this Saturday morning with a Family Fun day from 10:30 to 11:30.

LOTTO took place June 17th Numbers drawn were 1, 9, 16, 28. Jackpot of €7,700 was NOT WON. 15 patrons matched 3 numbers and receive €30 each. Jackpot for draw on June 24th will be €8,000. Play online by following the link below and follow instructions attached https://play.clubforce.com/play_newa.asp?ll_ id=734#Anchor(https://play.clubforce.com/ play_newa.asp?ll_id=734#Anchor)

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BINGO

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

BEST WISHES to John Keogh as he recovers from a recent hospitalisation. NOTES

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

MILLTOWN/CASTLEMAINE

LOTTO

Sponsored by Almas Takeaway, Milltown The most recent fortnightly club lotto draw took place on Monday, June 10th at the club grounds. There was no jackpot or match 3 winner on this occasion. The numbers drawn were 6, 9, 22 and the bonus ball was 30. Lucky Dip Winners were as follows: €50 Jim Stephens, Milltown. €50 Finbar Casey, Cromane. €25 Sean and Christina Lally, Ballyfinnane. €25 Catherine Dennehy, Milltown. €25 Paudie Kenneally, Milltown. €25 Fiona Quinn, Milltown

Our next club lotto draw is scheduled to take place on Monday, June 24th at 19:30pm in the Clubhouse where the jackpot will be €13,000. Get your draw tickets or renew your yearly tickets online on Clubforce or get your tickets for the next draw from all the usual local outlets. **CREDIT UNION COUNTY SENIOR FOOTBALL LEAGUE: DIVISION 1, ROUND 9 BACKGAME:** RESULT

Milltown/Castlemaine's Senior 'A' team travelled to Pairc an Aghsaigh, Dingle on Saturday evening for a Round 9 backgame in the Credit Union County Senior Football League against Dingle and lost on a final score of 2-08 to 0-06. This result unfortunately confirms the senior side's relegation from Division 1. Hard luck to the players and management.

CREDIT UNION COUNTY SENIOR FOOTBALL LEAGUE: DIVISION 1, ROUND 11 FIXTURE

Milltown/Castlemaine will conclude their Credit Union County Senior Football League campaign in Division 1 on Sunday, June 23rd against An Ghaeltacht in Gallarus at 2:00pm. Best wishes to the players and management team involved.

CREDIT UNION COUNTY SENIOR FOOTBALL LEAGUE: DIVISION 6 CUP: FIXTURE

Milltown/Castlemaine's Senior 'B' team are scheduled currently to take on Fossa on Sunday, June 23rd at 2:00pm in the Paddy Burke Memorial Park, Milltown in a Credit Union County Senior Football League Division 6 Cup Fixture. Any changes to this fixture (if there are any) will be posted on our club social media pages in the coming days.

FOOTBALL **ALL-IRELAND** SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIP: GROUP 4, ROUND 3 **RESULT - CILLIAN BURKE REPRESENTS MILLTOWN/CASTLEMAINE GAA**

Congratulations to the Kerry Senior Football Team and Management, especially our own clubman, Cillian Burke who featured off the bench at the weekend as Kerry defeated Louth in Round 3 of the All-Ireland Senior Football Championship Group Stage on a fine score of 2-21 to 1-10.

The squad have now advanced to the All-Ireland Senior Football Championship Quarter-Final in two weeks time which will take place in Croke Park, Dublin on Saturday or Sunday, June 29th or 30th 2024.

Full fixture details will be confirmed following this weekend's games in the Preliminary Quarter-Finals.

ELECTRIC IRELAND ALL-IRELAND MINOR **FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP** SEMI-FINAL: FIXTURE DETAILS AND TICKET **INFORMATION**

Best wishes to the Kerry Minor Football Team and Management, especially Milltown/ Castlemaine's Michael Lynch (full-back) and David Heasman (selector) as they take on Derry on Saturday, June 22nd in the Electric Ireland All-Ireland Minor Football Championship Semi-Final at 1:30pm in TEG Cusack Park, Mullingar. The match will also be shown live on TG4 Sport. Match tickets are available to purchase at the following link: https://am.ticketmaster.com/ gaa/aimfc22

FÉILE LUGHNASADH: FUNDRAISER

The committee behind Féile Lughnasadh in Milltown are running a fundraiser to support all the free entertainment on the August weekend. They will be around the area in the next few days with tickets for Mystery Money Madness and would appreciate your support.

U7 BOYS

Milltown/Castlemaine's U7 Boys are training at the Paddy Burke Memorial Park, Milltown on a weekly basis. Training takes place at the moment on Saturday evening's at 5:00pm. For more information please contact Colin McKenna on 087-0687653.

Milltown/Castlemaine's U7s team enjoyed a challenge match last week against Churchill at the Paddy Burke Memorial Park, Milltown. Well done to all the boys who showed off all their skills which they are acquiring weekly at training. Keep up the great work and thanks to the management team for their tireless commitment to developing the next generation of stars! The future is bright

U15 BOYS: KELLIHERS TOYOTA CENTRAL REGION DIVISION 1, ROUND 1: FIXTURE

Milltown/Castlemaine will commence their Central Region, Division 1 campaign on Wednesday, June 26th when they take on John Mitchels at 7:00pm in John Mitchels GAA Sports Complex. All support would be most welcome for the lads.

ALL WELCOME TO JOIN IN

Milltown/Castlemaine GAA are continuously looking for help within our club and at this time of year we would like to invite more coaches to come on board for the 2024 season. Parents' involvement in their child's sport increases the likelihood that they play sport and enjoy involvement for life. Don't just drop and go, be a part of their journey. You may be able to help coach, hand out bibs or organise a social outing for the team. You may be able to keep track of any information that the coach needs. If you are interested in any voluntary role within the club just send us a message on our social media platforms (Facebook, Instagram or Twitter/X) or text Coaching Officer Ian Twiss on 0872521053.

ITEMS FOR THE CLUB NOTES

If you have any items for inclusion in the weekly notes, then please contact the club's PRO Dara O'Connor on 086 268 8674 before 20:00 on Sundays.



COMHAIRLE CONTAE CHIARRAÍ KERRY COUNTY COUNCIL

BÓITHRE A nDÚNADH GO SEALADACH TEMPORARY CLOSING OF ROADS

ALT 75 d'ACHT NA mBÓITHRE 1993 SECTION 75 OF ROADS ACT 1993

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to Section 75 of the Roads Act 1993 and the Temporary Closing of Roads Regulations 1994, Kerry County Council **has decided to close** to public traffic, the roads described hereunder, to facilitate the holding of the **Ring of Kerry Charity Cycle on** Saturday, 6th July 2024.

Mission Road, Killarney, Road Closed: N71

(Road Closing Times: from 5.00 a.m. to 9.00 a.m. and 11.30 a.m. to 8.00 p.m.)

Starting at Kenmare Place and finishing at the junction of the N71, Mission Road and the R877, New Street.

Beech Road, Killarney, Road Closed: L3909

(Road Closing Times: from 5.00 a.m. to 9.00 a.m. and 12.00 noon. to 8.00 p.m.)

Starting at the junction of the L3909, Beech Road and the R877, New Street and finishing at the junction of the L3909, Beech Road and the N71, Mission Road.

Fossa to Killorglin, Road Closed: N72

(Road Closing Times: from 6.00 a.m. to 9.00 a.m.)

Starting from the junction of the N72 and the R563, Milltown Road at Fossa via Ballymalis and Anglont and finishing at the junction of the N72 and N70 at Laune Bridge, Killorglin.

(Traffic diversions will be in place via the R563 through Faha and Listry and the N70 from Milltown to Killorglin.)

Killorglin to Caragh Bridge (Eastbound Lane), Road Closed N70 (Eastbound Lane)

(Road Closing Time: from 6.00 a.m. to 12 noon)

Starting at the Iveragh Road Roundabout via Iveragh Road, Tullig, Quaybaun and finishing at Caragh Bridge.

(A one-way traffic diversion will be in place for traffic travelling eastbound from Caherciveen and Glenbeigh on the L-4022/L-4033/L-4034 Local Primary routes via Dooks, Cromane, Garraun and Castleconway. Traffic travelling westbound from Killorglin to Glenbeigh will remain on the N70.)

Sneem to Molls Gap, Road Closed: R568

(Road Closing Times: from 11.00 a.m. to 8.00 p.m.)

Starting at the junction of the R568 and the L4074 at Derreendarragh Cross and finishing at the junction of the R568 and the N71 at Molls Gap.

Kenmare to Torc, Road Closed: N-71

(Road Closing Times: from 11.00 a.m. to 8.00 p.m.)

Starting at the junction of the N70 and N71 at Gortamullin via Molls Gap and Galway's Bridge and finishing at Torc Waterfall Car Park.

(Motorists travelling between Killarney and Kenmare at the above times are advised to use the alternative N22 / R569 route via Glenflesk and Kilgarvan.

Killarney Town

Lower New Street Car Park will be closed from 7.00 a.m. on Friday, 5th July to 12.00 midnight on Saturday, 6th July 2024.

Pádraig Corkery Senior Executive Officer, Corporate Affairs If you have a family occasion you would like to appear in the Killarney Outlook -

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Oisin Doherty pictured on the occasion of his First Holy Communion with his parents Caroline and Kevin, and sisters Holly and Rebecca. Photo: Klaudia Topor.



Pupils from St. Joseph's National School, Castlemaine who received their First Holy Communion on Saturday 1st June, from Fr. Kevin O' Sullivan. Included in picture are their teachers, Mairead Leen, Amanda O' Sullivan, Mairead Hayes and Greta Curtin.



Christening Day for Joachim Jaz with his godparents and parnts Daria and Sebastian. Photo: Klaudia Topor.

Tiernaboul National School Supporters Dance their Socks Off













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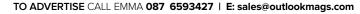
Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to Section 75 of the Roads Act 1993, and the Temporary Closing of Roads Regulations 1994, Kerry County Council **has decided** to close to public traffic the street as detailed below in order to facilitate the holding of the **Celebration of Irish American Friendship**.

Street Closed: from Kenmare Place at the junction of the Plaza Hotel to the junction of Main Street and New Street, Killarney.

Street Closing Times: from 3.00 p.m. to 10.00 p.m. on Thursday, 4th July 2024.

Pádraig Corkery Senior Executive Officer, Corporate Affairs









Something for Everyone at **CRUINNIÚ NA NÓG 2024**

Following on from last year's resounding success, Cruinniú na nÓg 2024 took place this Saturday 15 June. Creative Ireland along with Kerry County Council's Arts Office coordinated and programmed over 70 free creative workshops and events throughout Kerry for children and young people from ages one to 18.

With over 70 events there was something for all ages and creative interests including: STEAM, robotics, art and meditation, musical theatre, dance, print-making, and creative writing.

Kerry Libraries hosted many events including the very successful circus performance skills workshops with ISACS (Irish Street Arts, Circus and Spectacle Network) and a reading of 'Little Lion Girl' by Author Olivia Hope. Following the reading, parents and children were invited to create their very own sensory lion themed artwork.

Emma Carmody, Creative Ireland's Creative Communities Engagement Officer who coordinated the programme of events, summed up the experience:

"We couldn't be happier with the turnout for this year's Cruinniú na nÓg. Feedback from parents and children has been overwhelmingly positive with fun had by all who participated. The children's enjoyment and enthusiasm of the events and workshops shone through. We are already looking forward to next year's Cruinniú na nÓg and of course we would like to thank all the artists, facilitators and organisers who worked tirelessly to make this day happen."

There was a great turnout on the day with events booked out well in advance. Every effort was made to cover a wide range of creative activities and children were given the opportunity to unleash their creativity.

The Kerry programme was coordinated by the Arts Office and Creative



Comic Book Launch Killarney Library. Photo by Niall Foley

Ireland Kerry Office in Kerry County Council. It is funded with support from Creative Ireland through the Department of Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport, and Media.

Kate Kennelly, Creative Ireland Kerry Coordinator and Arts Officer at Kerry County Council, stated:

"There was something for everyone with families and young people delighted to access high quality free events in their area. The Kingdom of Kerry showed itself to be the Kingdom of Creativity this weekend."

Get Trained As A Barber at Julie's Barbershop Academy



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The island was a place of solitude for the monks to reflect and pray. The monks were great scholars, the High King of Ireland Brian Boru was said to have studied on Inisfallen island. Thanks to the organisers, the NPWS and the boat operators for their support.

MASS ON INISFALLEN ISLAND AND ABBEY: Friday 21st June at 6.30 p.m. Boats leave from Ross Castle from 4.30 p.m. onwards. It is open to all and is a

lovely opportunity to join our prayer now with the rich tradition of the monks of old. This enchanting island

was once home to a monastery dating back to 640

CORPUS CHRISTI PARISH & CHOIR PILGRIMAGE are visiting Killarney next week and are planning to sing at St Mary's Cathedral on Saturday the 22nd of June at the 6.15pm Vigil Mass. Everyone Welcome

KERRY DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK will take place on Saturday the 24h of August leaving St. Mary's Cathedral at 7.00am on Saturday the cost pp is €25 Please Contact Sheila at the Parish Office with names and Contact Details 064 6631014 or email: killarney@dioceseofkerry.ie Please spread the word to those living away who might like to attend.

LOURDES PILGRIMAGE: Golden Jubilee Kerry Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes on August 29th-September 3rd 2024 Led by Bishop Ray Browne & directed by Fr Nicholas Flynn, Direct flight from Kerry Airport, 5 nights full board €925, Assisted Pilgrim €740, Tranfers & Insurance included. Enquiries & Bookings to 086 9318976 or Email; pilgrimage@dioceseofkerry.ie

HOUSEBOUND: Reaching out to those who are Housebound: We always hold our concern and prayer for those who are housebound or sick, unable to gather now with the parish community for Mass each week. Please note that the priests of the parish visit with Holy Communion around the First Friday of the month to those unable to attend Mass, and if you wish to arrange a visit, please make contact with us in the Parish Office at any time and we would be delighted to call. You might wish to know that we have a parish radio system that broadcasts the Mass locally from St Mary's Cathedral. Because it's on an unusual frequency, it needs a special

radio to receive it, which can be purchased from the Parish Office. We also have the webcam streaming live in the Cathedral broadcasting the Mass over the internet on www.killarneyparish.com, and is great for people living away, as well as those unable to get to Mass. Once you have broadband and the internet, you can access the live streaming in the Cathedral.

KILLARNEY TIDY TOWNS COMMITTEE calls all business owners and households to play their part for Tidy Towns by cleaning, washing and removing weeds in front of their premises and homes, the Volunteers meet again on Monday Night 6pm. Judging will commence in the middle of June, can businesses and householders please make an extra effort

BINGO at St. Mary's Parish Hall, will be held every Thursday @ 8.30pm

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You can also give your hedges a final trim until next years, they will be very little growth from now on. Don't go too hard especially with coniferous hedges as that would leaving them with dead looking patches for the winter.

Also the time is right to dead head your roses as this will keep them flowering into early Autumn. Roses that aren't looking too good now and have lost some of their foliage can be cut back a bit further to encourage new growth.



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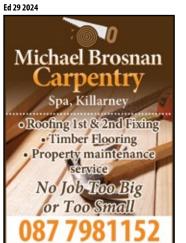
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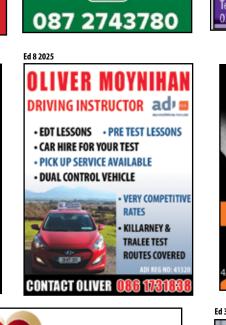
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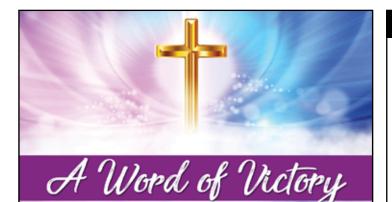
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8TH ANNIVERSARY

IN LOVING MEMORY OF MARY PIGOTT



Rockfield, Tralee Road, Killarney. Who died on the 19th June 2016

Forget me not today Nor tomorrow too Keep me in your memories And I will be with you So cherish everything we had And hold me in your heart And you know I will be with you as always

> l miss you as a sister Love Sheila Pigott

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8TH ANNIVERSARY

IN LOVING MEMORY OF MARY PIGOTT



Rockfield, Tralee Road, Killarney. Who died on the 19th June 2016

Rest in Eternal Peace

Do not stand at my grave and weep. I am not there. I do not sleep. I am a thousand winds that blow, I am the diamond glint on snow, I am the sunlight in ripened grain, I am the gentle Autumn rain

When you awaken in the morning hush, I am the quiet uplifting rush, Of quiet birds in circling flight. I am the soft star that shines at night. Do not stand at my grave and cry, I am not there, I did not die."

You always had a smile to share , A laugh, a joke, a time to care, Each of us, in our own way, Have special thoughts of you today.

From her Sister Peggy Brosnan and Family, Ballybrack, Ballyhar

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2 Park Road, Killarney Who died on 25th June 2014.

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Will those who think of Agnes today, A little prayer to Jesus say.

Loved and remembered always by Maureen, Sean & Jerry.

business, two impossible and say nine Hail Mary's for nine days with lighted candle. Pray whether you believe or not. Publish on ninth

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

promised.

have asked many favours. This time I ask you this special one, (mention favour). Take it dear heart of Jesus and place it within your heart where your Father sees it. Then in his merciful eyes it will become your favour not mine. Amen. Say this prayer three times for three days and your favour will be granted.

Thank you for favours received.

& 1ST ANNIVERSARY

IN LOVING MEMORY OF MARY MURPHY (NEE CREMIN)

LOWER SHINNAGH, 24TH JUNE 2023.

As we lovingly remember Mary on this, her first anniversary, we her Godson Donal, Relatives and Relatives in-law would like to thank everyone who sympathised with us

To the many people who attended the Rosary, Removal and Funeral Mass as well as those who travelled long distances to be with us, and to all who sent Mass Cards and posted Condolences online and made phone

A special word of thanks to Fr. Pat O'Donnell for the beautiful Homily and Funeral Mass, and to those who did readings and brought up the gifts. Thanks to Sheila and Eleanor McSweeney for the lovely music and singing. To John D. O'Keeffe Undertakers and staff for their guidance and professionalism we

A sincere thank you to the Doctors at Millstreet Medical Practice, the Doctors and Nurses at University Hospital Kerry and to David and Staff at Reen's Pharmacy Rathmore and also to Mary's Home Help team and all the relief staff we thank you.

Thanks to Kates Kitchen, Barraduff for the refreshments and to Teach losagain for the

Finally, to Mary's Neighbours and many friends we thank you for your kindness to

As we cannot thank everyone individually, please accept this acknowledgement as a token of our sincere appreciation. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass has been offered for your intentions.

Mary's First Anniversary Mass will be celebrated on: Monday 24th June @ 7 .00pm In St. Joseph's Church, Rathmore.





JM ENERGY SAVINGS POWERING LOCAL INDUSTRY

During a recent inverview John asked Dicky had he noticed an improvement on his bills?

"We don't really have any bills... We get paid for every kilowatt we supply to the grid plus I dont have any bills myself beacuse we use the solar and then the battery at night.... It all went very very well, the installation was perfect. - Dicky Williams Jnr, Coolea Cheese

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