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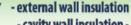
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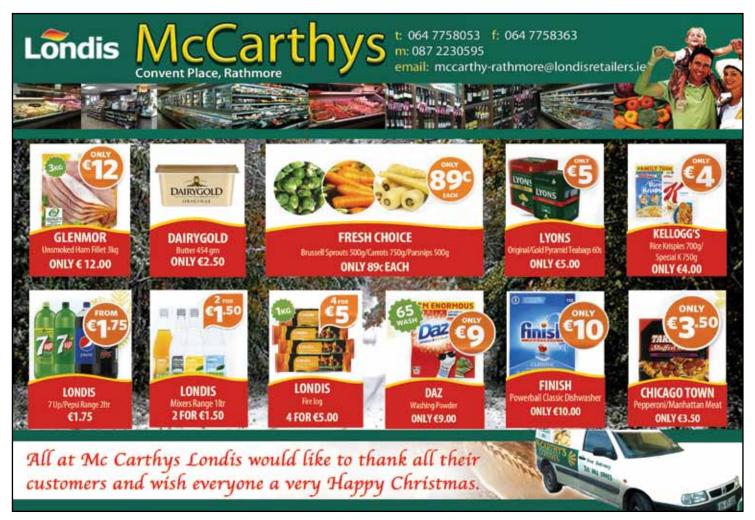
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# KILLARNEY SCORCHERS

# Celebrate Their American Win



Patience, they say, is a virtue. If this be so then Killarney Scorchers score high among the virtuous for this week they finally took proud possession of their second place banner from the Summit international Cheerleading Championship in Florida 2018.

It was a long time coming! Killarney Scorchers competed in Florida in May this year but due to a judging error were deprived of their second position and placed fourth. The judges were immediately alerted to the error but were unable to rectify it on the day.

Since then, Hayley and Danny Farkas Murphy, owners and coaches of Killarney Scorchers, have been in communication with Varsity, the competition organisers, and a mountain of red tape later, the second place banner has finally arrived.

Unfortunately, the team, parents and supporters were deprived of the golden winning moment on the American stage but in great Irish style, celebrated their success at the Brehon Hotel on Sunday at their tenth anniversary and awards party.

The banner was a surprise presentation to the hard working team at the function, and tears flowed freely. The team's win was eloquently summed up by elated coach Danny, 'They are not only champions,' he said, 'they are world champions – second in the world'

### **EDITOR'S NOTE**

s 2018 draws to a close, on behalf of the team at Killarney Outlook I would like to extend our wishes for a Happy Christmas and a propserous New Year.

loyalty, our contributors who week after week

propserous New Year.

Martha, Ria, Des and I would like
to thank all our advertisers for their continued



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send their club and area notes to us ensuring that everyohe in the commmunity has a voice and finally our readers, the heart of our publication.

We cherish the support shown to us by the people of Killarney and the surrounding areas who know that their weekend isn't complete without their copy of the Killarney Outlook.

As we proceed into 2019 it is with great hope that we continue to grow and serve the community.

Mollaig Shora Duit.

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The team at Killarney Outlook wish you all a very Happy Christmas.... Martha Healy-Walsh, Graphic Designer, Des O'Connor, Advertising Executive, Aisling Crosbie, Editor and Ria Kavanagh, Graphic Designer. PICTURE: MARIE CARROLL O'SULLIVAN.



Pictured at St Mary's Cathedral for the anniversary mass of Nathan OCarroll and the cheque presentation of Darkness into Light Killarney, Nathan's Walk funding Pieta House were L-R Fr Kieran OBrien, Denis OCarroll, Con OConnor (Pieta House), Cillian OCarroll, Kieran Brady (Pieta House), Mike OCarroll, Marie OCarroll & Damien OCarroll. PICTURE: MARIE

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Elizabeth Brosnan, as Mary, a pupil from Holy Cross National School, Killarney, placing baby Jesus into the Crib, at a special ceremony on Saturday night, where Bishop of Kerry Dr. Ray Browne, blessed the traditional Crib at St Mary's Cathedral Killarney, ahead of the Christmas Ceremonies. PHOTO:VALERIE O'SULLIVAN



Bishop of Kerry Dr. Ray Browne, blessing the traditional Crib at St Mary's Cathedral Killarney, as Elizabeth Brosnan, as Mary, a pupil from Holy Cross National School, Killarney, at a special ceremony on Saturday night, ahead of the Christmas Ceremonies. PHOTO: VALERIE O'SULLIVAN

# **CHRISTMAS** MASS TIMES KILLARNEY PARISH

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Bishop of Kerry Dr. Ray Browne, blessed the traditional Crib at St Mary's Cathedral Killarney, with pupil from Holy Cross National School, Killarney, at a special ceremony on Saturday night, ahead of the Christmas Ceremonies. With Bishop Ray is Mrs Rena Kennelly, who has created the Cathedral Crib for 45 years, and nowadays with the help of her Grandchildren, twins Ailbhe. Justine and Catherine. Also Included is Fr Kieran O'Brien ADM, pupils, Adam Twomey,(Joseph) Elizabeth Brosnan,(Mary) Luke Benner,(Shepherd), Gemma Carroll, (Angel) Harry Hogget, (Shepherd), James Whelan, (Shepherd), Liadh Counihan, (Angel) Sophie Hussey, (Angel). PHOTO: VALERIE O'SULLIVAN

# Christmas Message 2018

Nollaig shona dhíobh go léir. May this Christmas be a source of blessings for us all.

Every time you see a crib, in the square in town, in your own home, or in the church, remember these words. The Almighty, the All-Powerful came into our world as a gentle loving new-born baby. Such is "the loving kindness of the heart of our God". He came to stay, He is with us always. He is present with your family. Our Christmas faith is summed up in the words of the Creed:

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of God.

Christmas is a time to celebrate our faith. It is also a time to nourish our faith. It is a time to hand it on to our children and grandchildren. Talk to one another, and to your children too, about the Son of God who has revealed himself to us all in Jesus. This Christmas will the faith of your family and

home be nourished and strengthened?

Pope Francis. In all of our lives, is there anything culture, sport, or assistance for people in need. more important than family? Home, family and Glory to God in the highest, marriage are God's greatest gifts to humanity. and peace to his people on earth. Luke 2:14 balance right? Consider the following:

- and count your blessings.
- · Deep in your heart give thanks for the goodness of the people in your life. Gather together in Síocháin an Linbh Íosa, um Nollaig agus ar feadh church to joyfully give praise and thanks to God. na hAthbhliana, libh go léir.
- Enjoy the presence of children. God bless families with anew-born baby.
- · Let no neighbour's Christmas-day be long and

lonely because no one comes to visit. Be generous to needy causes, give what you can.

Thanks to everyone for your contribution to the life of your parish community throughout the year. It is wonderful to see the numbers of people actively During the Christmas season let us remember involved intheir parishes and communities. Thanks and give thanks to God for the two events of to all the volunteers in local organisations and last August: the WMOF 2018 and for the visit of charities that so enrich our communities through

God bless all our homes and families. Be mindful This Christmas, in the cathedral, my prayer at the that Christmas is about both family and faith. In altar and before the crib will be to praise and thank our celebrations, what can ensure we get the God, asking that He fill all the homes, families and communities of our diocese with his Love and · Have time for God. Have time to say a prayer Peace. A happy and a blessed Christmas to one and



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# Ross Castle invasion portrayed through dance

local Irish dance school, Hegarty Irish Dance Academy, decided to take on the task, earlier this year, of portraying the invasion of Ross Castle through dance. This dance was performed at the Munster Irish Dancing Championships in the INEC recently. Maureen Hegarty, Hegarty Irish Dance Academy, who is also involved locally with the M.D. Strategic Twinning Committee and the Killarney Mountain Festival, wanted to showcase one of Killarney's Tourism landmarks in the dance and Ross Castle seemed the ideal place. The dancers took to the stage in military precision, the music specifically composed by Anthony Davis, changed from The Kerry Dances to jigs and reels..the dancers dance through the last

few days before Ross Castle was invaded by General Ludlow & the Cromwellian army... they dance out the round turret formations, daily life in the Castle, the opening of the gates, the boats arriving into the lake and finally the invasion & surrender of the fortress of Ross Castle.

As the Munster Championships was celebrating 50th years, we were delighted that Killarney was chosen as the location to celebrate this momentous year. We wanted to join in in the celebration by doing something a little bit different.

Hegarty Irish Dance academy enjoyed more successes with various awards throughout the weekend including 1st place to Scott O' Meara who is now qualified for the World Championships in North Carolina at Easter, 2nd in the Céilí comp 15-18 & 2nd in the figure comp. Meanwhile in America, Scott's first cousin, Jessica Hegarty, was dancing at her World Qualifiers and placed 5th out of 150 dancers! Irish Dancing is truly alive and very competitive all over the USA!

Our local schools from Killarney did so well at this the 50th Anniversary of the Munster Championships. Scott & his cousin Jessica and so many dancers all over the globe, now embark on their journey to Worlds 2019. Of course, we look forward to the World Championships in 2 years time being held right here in Killarney.





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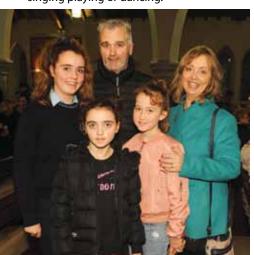




# Sliabh Zuachra Celebrates The Spirit Of Christmas

Astudent-led Christmas carol night commenced the Christmas festivities with the world renowned musician Liam O' Connor for the second annual 'Musical spirit of Sliabh Luachra Christmas concert' in St. Joseph's Church, Rathmore last Wednesday night.

The concert was shepherded by Rathmore parish priest Father Pat O'Donnell and inspired students of Scoil Phobail Sliabh Luachra wereled by their TY coordinator the powerhouse Norma Aherne. This was a unique opportunity, driven by the youth of Rathmore to showcase talent in music, song and dance whilst being suitably aided by their music teacher Margaret Dennehy. In its second year running, this show was a very successful night. The event was headlined by the talented Irish musician Liam O' Connor who holds the World Record for the fastest accordion player, he is also known as the "Jimi Hendrix of the accordion", was accompanied by his son Oísín and daughter Saoirse. The prodigious family wowed the audience with an array of tunes whilst the spectacle saw plenty of individual local talent exposed on the night as well. Even though it was a Transition Year organised event, a third of the school students were either involved in singing playing or dancing.



Owen, Ann, Tara, Chloe and Abby O'Leary at the 'Musical Spirit of Sliabh Luachra' concert at St. Joseph's Church.



Front from left are Fiona Nagle, Mairead Fitzpatrick, Delia Foley, Anna Cashman, Sean O'Keeffe ,Chloe Breen, Abbey Sheehan and Yasmin O Brien. Second row from left are Tommy Bowler, Mark O Leary, Liam O'Connor, Denis Kerins (Principal), Margaret Dennehy (Music teacher), Norma Aherne (TY co-ordinator) Cathy Kiely and Mairead Mahoney . In third row are Dinny Murphy, Melanie Redic, Niamh Mc Sherry, Megan Kiely, Amelia Swiczewska, Cliona Cotter, Ellen O'Connor, Cathal OʻConnor, Christian Horgan and Ben Murphy. In back row are Sean Burke OʻDonoghue, Daniel Burke OʻDonoghue, Fr Pat O'Donnell, Michael Mc Sweeney and Cian O Leary at the 'Musical Spirit of Sliabh Luachra' concert featuring students from Scoil Phobail Sliabh Luachra with musician Liam O'Connor at St. Joseph's Church, Rathmore, on Wednesday night.



Kathleen Dennehy, Pat Dennehy, Nono Fitzgerald and Lorraine Eilisha Creedon, Eileen Houlihan, Eithne Reen and Danitza Dineen at the 'Musical Spirit of Sliabh Luachra' concert at St. Houlihan at the 'Musical Spirit of Sliabh Luachra' concert Joseph's Church, Rathmore.



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If you have any other queries regarding the above or any other matter you can contact Dermot Cronin QFA, APA at 0646622775 or dermotcroninifa@gmail.com



## Much work done, more to do, Chamber President tells members

WHILE Killarney is doing extremely well in the busy summer months, concern has been voiced that occupancy levels remain very low during the winter shoulder season and that problem needs to be tackled as a priority, outgoing Killarney Chamber of Tourism and Commerce President, Paul O'Neill, told the organisation's annual general meeting.

He said the most significant finding in the TEIR One economic impact study, commissioned by the Chamber, was that, overall, occupancy levels were found to be

10 per cent below the national average and five per cent down on the south west.

"A significant project, backed and resourced by Fáilte Ireland and Kerry County Council, in partnership with Killarney Chamber, is well underway and there is one clear objective – season extension," Mr O'Neill told the gathering of local business interests and guests in the Killarney Avenue Hotel on Thursday night.

"If we can add two or three busy weeks to the year, and more in time, this will benefit the town hugely, sustain employment and add to those all-important numbers," he stressed.

Killarney will have the benefit of Wild Atlantic Way Gateway status next year and that should be a boost, the meeting heard.

"The national purse-strings are now beginning to loosen and Killarney, like so many other places, is badly in need of investment. There have been numerous town enhancements over the last few years, in collaboration with the Tidy Towns and Killarney Municipal District, and I would like to take this opportunity to thank Kerry County Council for the continued positive working relationship," Paul O'Neill said in his final address as president.

Mr O'Neill said at the start of his two-year term in office, one of his main objectives



Pictured at the Killarney Toursim & Commerce AGM and final networking event of 2018 in the Killarney Avenue Hotel were from left, Charlie O'Sullivan, Kerry County Council, Paul O'Neill, Chairman, KCTC and Angela McAllen, Killarney Town Manager. PHOTOS: DON MACMONAGLE

was to establish Killarney as Ireland's leading accessible destination and, since then, Fáilte Ireland has designated Killarney a pilot destination.

"The Destination For All project is progressing very well. We launched our plans in October and we will be ramping up activity and awareness, both locally and nationally, in 2019. "Of course there is the moral and social benefit but with Killarney positioning itself as the leading destination for everyone, I know that there is a massive economic potential as well," he said.

Other projects that will be significantly advanced next year include the development of a new heritage trail, with electronic visitor maps, an upgrading of information panels and maps at various points at entrances to

the national parks and the creation of a series of promotional videos targeting the shoulder season.

Mr O'Neill said the cornerstone of Chamber is the local festivals and while the sheer volume of work involved is enormous, everyone in Killarney benefits from the festivals, in some way or another.

At the AGM Kerry County Council Deputy Chief Executive, Charlie O'Sullivan, outlined transportation plans for the town in 2019 while an overview of local festivals was shared by Kate O'Leary (Christmas in Killarney), Paul Sherry (St Patrick's Day), Maureen Hegarty (Killarney Mountain Festival) and Diarmuid Leen (July 4th Festival).



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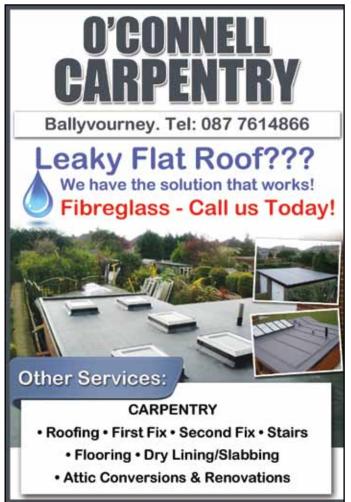


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### COUNTDOWN TO CHRISTMAS





Visiting Santa Claus in his Christmas Cabin at Killarney Outlet Centre last weekend were Keva and Sarah McCarthy.



Fiadh Cronin pictured meeting Santa for the first time at the Killarney Plaza Hotel with her family. L-R Santa Claus, John Cronin, Fiadh Cronin, Michelle Cronin & Lauren Fitzgerald. PICTURE:MARIE CARROLL-O'SULLIVAN



Santa Claus made a special appearance with The O'Neill Sisters from Kerry performed at Emer Corridon (seated centre), Manager of the Cahernane Hotel pictured at Gaby's a special Christmas in Killarney concert, at the INEC Killarney on Thursday night.Guest Restaurant with the management & staff for their end of year celebrations. performances by Kerry Choral Union directed by Sharon Reidy, Voiceworks Childrens Choir PICTURE:MARIE CARROLL-O'SULLIVAN and Singer/Songwriter Cathal Flaherty.





Visiting Santa Claus in his Christmas Cabin at Killarney Outlet Centre last weekend were Lisa and Mark Poff ith children Daniel and Jake Poff.



Voiceworks Childrens Choir who performed with The O'Neill Sisters from Kerry -Fiona, Naomi & Evangeline, at a special Christmas in Killarney concert, at the INEC Killarney on Thursday night. Guest performances by Kerry Choral Union directed by Sharon Reidy and Singer/ Songwriter Cathal Flaherty. PHOTO:VALERIE O'SULLIVAN



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Thursday night. Guest performances by Kerry Choral Union directed by Sharon Reidy and Max, Sofia and Felicity Browne.
Singer/Songwriter Cathal Flaherty.PHOTO:VALERIE O'SULLIVAN







Aoibhinn Cronin meets Santa for the first time at the Killarney Plaza Hotel with her parents Anthony & Gráinne. PICTURE MARIE CARROLL-O'SULLIVAN



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we look at the town and its people, buildings and how things have changed over the years.

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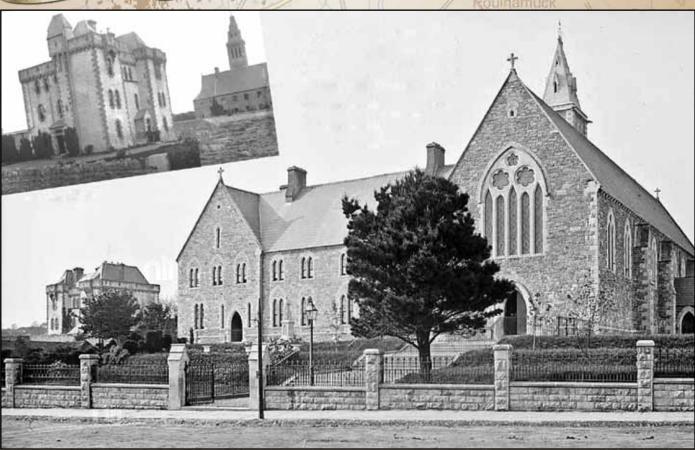
This edition of **Killarney Outlook** is a special one and will be kept by many to glance at from time to time and remember the past with nostalgia.



From everyone at Killarney Outlook we wish all our readers, correspondents and advertisers a prosperous new year and look forward to continuing our tradition of providing you all with the best news, photographs and advertising in 2019.

Moments in Time

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THE FRANCISCAN FRIARY AND IN THE BACKGROUND TO THE LEFT IS THE RIC BARRACK'S, WHERE THE ARUS PADRAIG IS TODAY.

PHOTO FROM MOMENTS IN TIME ( DONIE WHITTY O'SULLIVAN).





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KILLARNEY SNOOKER/BILLIARDS CHAMPIONS 1958
FRONT L TO R: MJ LYNE, DENIS O'LEARY (FLESK BAR AND BISHOP MOYNIHAN CUP WINNER AND OVERALL CHAMPION) DECLAN SPILLANE. BACK: TOM MURPHY, CHRISTY FLEMING, DENIS DOODY, DENIS GALVIN (CARETAKER OF ROSS CASTLE KILLARNEY FOR THIRTY YEARS)



Young boys making their First Holy Communion in Killarney. Photo from Pat Kelly



1946 Legion Jrs.

Fr. - Murphy, D. D. Flynn, J.C. Cooper, Paddy Slattery, Jim O'Connor, - O'Leary, Dennis O'Brien

Rr. - Cooney, Joe Boyle, John O'Connor, Donie Murphy, John Collins, John O'Connor, John O'Leary

Background: Con "Chick" O'Donoghue, - , Batty Collins, D. Horan, -, The Horgan Children







THREE LAKES HOTEL - MIKE LUCEY, SEAN SUGRUE, PAT KELLY, MARY KELLY, DICK HANLEY PHOTO FROM PAT KELLY



ST MARYS PARISH HALL 1960s. PAT, MIKE, KATHLEEN, MAURA KELLY. PHOTO FROM PAT KELLY



PHOTO FROM PAT KELLY



FITZGERALD'S STADIUM COMMITTEE 1950'S. PHOTO: MACMONAGLE, KILLARNEY. PHOTO FROM PAT KELLY







PAT AND MARY KELLYS WEDDING 1946, WITH FAMILY AND FRIENDS. PHOTO FROM PAT KELLY



LOURDES TRIP 1956
PHOTO FROM PAT KELLY



ST ANTHONYS PLACE. EILEEN MORIARTY, NOEL MULLIGAN, MIKE KELLY, KATHLEEN KELLY, ANNE MULLIGAN. PHOTO FROM PAT KELLY



CHRIS KENNY, SHEILA KENNY AND NELL KENNY. PHOTO FROM PAT KELLY







LIEBHERR STAFF CELEBRATING 25 YEARS SERVICE WITH THE COMPANY IN 1983



BUNROWER NAVY CLUB.
PAT KELLY AND SEAN SUGRUE WITH FRIENDS 1935-1940. PHOTO FROM PAT KELLY





BUNROWER NAVY CLUB.
PAT KELLY AND SEAN SUGRUE WITH FRIENDS 1935-1940. PHOTO FROM PAT KELLY

"Two Friends lost in time". Dunloe Castle Hotel, 1965. Margaret (Hayes) Cronin Aghadoe and London, Maud (O'Sullivan) Fleming Killarney







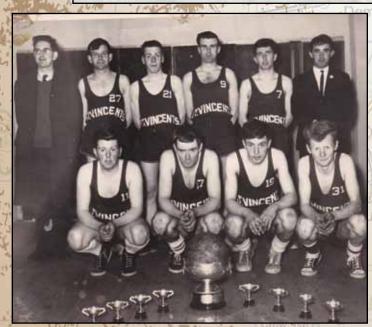
SMILES ALL ROUND ...

The proud members of Kilcummin GAA Field Committee pictured outside the Clubhouse this week.

14-7-1985

Front L. to R. John Dunlea, Gene Moriarty (Chairman), Dermot Moynihan (Secretary), Michael O'Callaghan.

Back L. to R. Johnny Guerin, Billy Doolan, Dermot Kelly, Eugle Sweeney, Denis Horgan, Jerry O'Leary, Sean Mc Carthy, Jerry Coffey.



MUNSTER CHAMPION'S. ST VINCENT'S KILLARNEY WINNERS OF MUNSTER SENIOR BASKETBALL BLITZ 1965. BACK: MICHAEL COURTNEY (MANAGER) TERRY RAYNE, JAMES O CONNER, TIMMY LOONEY, DAVID FLEMING, HUGO O BRIAN (COACH). FRONT: DONIE FLEMING, JIM (SILKY) LOONEY, PHIL BRADY, MIKE K O SULLIVAN



THE LADS ON A EUROPEAN TOUR EARLY 80'S. MIKE O'CONNOR (HEINEKEN) MILL ROAD, TONY McSweeney (McSweeney Arms Hotel), Jerry Cronin Aghadoe and London, Con O'Leary (Laurels Bar). "The T-shirts are still available"



KILLARNEY REGATTA 1950'S. ?, JOAN MURPHY, ?, KITTY O'KEEFFE, HANNAH CREMIN, CRIS KEARNEY, JACK O'CONNOR. PHOTO FROM WORKMAN ROWING CLUB. PHOTO FROM WORKMAN ROWING CLUB.



SNEEM REGATTA 1980'S. MARY COFFEY, MICHAEL BURNS, ANN MOYNIHAN, MARY MOYNIHAN & HANNAH MOYNIHAN. PHOTO FROM WORKMAN ROWING CLUB. PHOTO TAKEN BY MICHELLE COOPER GALLVIN



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LAUNCH OF THE PATSY LOONEY BOAT 1988 AT THE WORKMAN BOATHOUSE. PHOTO FROM WORKMAN ROWING CLUB.



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Castletownbeare Regatta 1980's.
Mary Coffey, Ann Moynihan, Betty Griffin, Mary Moynihan, Kathleen Moynihan, Lil
Corbett, Eileen Griffin, Hannah Moynihan. Photo from Workman Rowing Club



FERMOY REGATTA 1987.
MARY TWOMEY, ANN MOYNIHAN, MARY MOYNIHAN & HANNAH MOYNIHAN.
PHOTO FROM WORKMAN ROWING CLUB



Castletownbear Regatta 1980's.
Eileen Griffin, Ann Moynihan, Hannah Moynihan a& Maureen Donnelly.
Photo from Workman Rowing Club.



WORKMAN SENIOR LADIES WINNING THE SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS 1989. PHOTO FROM WORKMAN ROWING CLUB.







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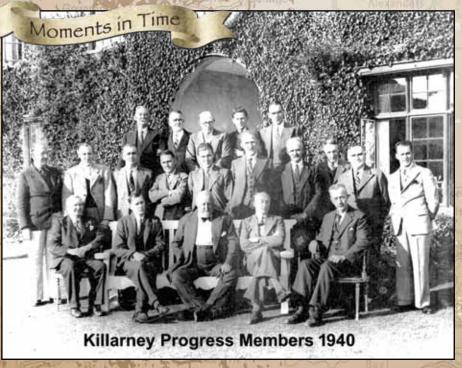




BALLYMAC SPORTS 1968 GROUP OF FARRANFORE AC ATHLETES. FRONT: JOHN MURPHY (GNEEVEGUILLA, JOE CLIFFORD (FAHA), SEAN DINEEN (FIRIES)
BACK: JIM O'SHEA (FIRIES), MICHAEL O'CONNOR (LAWLORS CROSS)
MICK LENIHAN (SCARTAGLIN), TOM WALSH (FIRIES), JOHN J CROWLEY (FARRANFORE) PHOTO FROM JIM O'SHEA.



1974 THE SWING JARVEYS IN THE GLENEAGLE BALLROOM.
L - R: MIKE NEESON, ANNE GILLHOOLEY (NEE HAYES),
MIKE SEXTON, JOHN LYNCH (DRUMMER RORY FLAHERTY) FRONT DANCING: TOMMY CRONIN (BUTCHER) AND CAIT.



KILLARNEY PROGRESS MEMBERS PICTURED OUTSIDE KILLARNEY HOUSE,

KILLARNEY PROGRESS MEMBERS PICTURED OUTSIDE KILLARNEY HOUSE, ON THE 20TH MAY 1940.

BACK ROW L-R: J. CRONIN, E. O'KEEFFE, N.T.; D. O'DONOGHUE, W. COLLINS, M.J. O'DONOVAN.

CENTRE ROW L-R: M.J. ROHAN, D. O'DWYER, T.G. COOPER, U.D.C.; M.J. O'CONNOR LL.B, SOLR; D. COLLINS U.C.C.; D.C. COUNIHAN, M. CLIFFORD U.D.C.;

O. MASON, J. MULCAHY, (VICE-CHAIRMAN); L.C. SKINNER (JOINT

FRONT ROW L-R: P.C O'MAHONY (VIVE CHAIRMAN); F.H. CROWLEY T.D; (PRESIDENT); LORD CASTLEROSSE; J. MORIARTY, (CHAIRMAN); J. TARRANT, (TREASURER).
PHOTO FROM MOMENTS IN TIME ( DONIE WHITTY O'SULLIVAN)



THE LAURELS SNOOKER ROOM IN THE 1970'S, THIS PICTURE WAS TAKEN DURING A PRIZE GIVING AFTER A SNOOKER TOURNAMENT. BACK ROW: SEAN O'CONNOR, J.J. LYNCH, PAUL CRONIN, MICHAEL TEAHAN, PATRICK COURTNEY. FRONT ROW: MAX McCarthy, Don O'Sullivan, Denis Teahan, Michael O'Sullivan, Timmy Looney, Mickey CRONIN, SEAN DAN O'SULLIVAN, TOMMY FLAMING, DAVY FLEMING, JAMES BUCKLEY, TOMMY FLEMING, DENIS MC-SWEENEY, PADDY O'SHEA, DENIS O'BRIEN, JACKIE O'SHEA. PHOTO FROM MOMENTS IN TIME ('DONIE WHITTY O'SULLIVAN)



PAUDIE O'CONNOR, BEING ENTERTAINED BY DERMOT FLYNN ON THE PIANO.
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GOLFING LEGENDS, CADDIES AND MEMBERS STROLLING ALONG THE FAIRWAYS OF MAHONYS'S POINT AT KILLARNEY GOLF CLUB DURING THE SHELL WONDERFUL WORLD OF GOLF MATCH IN 1964.

L-R: VINCENT ALBERICCI, JOE CARR (ONE OF THE BEST AMATEUR GOLFERS IN THE WORLD), FINBARR SLATTERY, KAY IVO

O'SULLIVAN, MICHAEL GUERIN (SOUTH OF IRELAND AMATEUR OPEN CHAMPION 1961, 62, 63), GENE SARAZEN (7 MAJORS, INCLUDING A GRAND SLAM), MICHAEL O'CONNELL (CADDIED FOR JOE CARR), DR. BILLY O'SULLIVAN (IRISH AMATEUR OPEN CHAMPION 1949). CONNIE O'SULLIVAN (CADDIED FOR AL GEIBERGER), AL GEIBERGER (US PGA CHAMPION 1966 AND THE FIRST PLAYER IN HISTORY TO POST A SCORE OF 59).
PHOTO FROM MOMENTS IN TIME ( DONIE WHITTY O'SULLIVAN).



GREAT KILLARNEY MUSICAL ARTISTS, WHO FORMED "THE CHEROKEE'S ROCK BAND" IN THE LATE 1960'S

PAT MULLINS, JOHN LYNCH, SEAN BROSNAN, RORY FLAHERTY AND

WOULDN'T IT BE GREAT IF THE CHEROKEE'S MAKE A COMEBACK? PHOTO FROM MOMENTS IN TIME ( DONIE WHITTY O'SULLIVAN)



THE LAURELS CHRISTMAS WALKING GROUP IN THE LATE 1970'S. PHOTO FROM MOMENTS IN TIME ( DONIE WHITTY O'SULLIVAN)





Two of Killarney's great musicians Dermot Moynihan and Pat Doody performing during

PHOTO FROM MOMENTS IN TIME ( DONIE WHITTY O'SULLIVAN)



A TOAST OF CHRISTMAS CHEER FROM THE MEN IN BLACK.
NED BARRY, PATIE (PLUCKS) HEALY AND PADDY (WHITTY) O'SULLIVAN. ENJOYING THEIR PINT'S OF GUINNESSIN IN THE LAURELS (1970).

PHOTO FROM MOMENTS IN TIME ( DONIE WHITTY O'SULLIVAN)



THE DR. CROKES UNDER 12s EAST KERRY CHAMPIONS, IN THE EARLY 1970'S. CAN YOU NAME THEM? PHOTO FROM MOMENTS IN TIME ( DONIE WHITTY O'SULLIVAN)



ANGELA HEALY O'BRIEN, MARIE SHEEHAN, BRIDIE O'DONOGHUE AND NELLIE RABB, STUDYING THE FORM AT THE KILLARNEY RACES IN THE EARLY 1960'S. PHOTO FROM MOMENTS IN TIME ( DONIE WHITTY O'SULLIVAN)



Two of Killarney's best loved Characters
Pat Coffey and John (Killer) O'Callaghan pose for a
picture in the Early 1960's. PHOTO FROM MOMENTS IN TIME ( DONIE WHITTY O'SULLIVAN)



KILLARNEY TELEPHONISTS ON CALL IN THE TELEPHONE EXCHANGE 1950/60's. BACK TO FRONT: MARY GRIFFIN-FELL, ELLA GRIFFIN-EDWARDS, CAIT KISSANE-CRONIN, MARY O'MEARA-KISSANE, EILEEN MURPHY-O'LEARY. PHOTO FROM MOMENTS IN TIME ( DONIE WHITTY O'SULLIVAN)



"As Strong as a Horse" KILLARNEY JARVEY'S, EUGENE FERRIS, MICHAEL TANGNEY, SEAN O'SHEA AND BERNIE MCGOUGH, OUTSIDE THE BROADWAY TRYING THEIR STRENGTH WITH DAN TANGNEY'S HORSE PHOTO FROM MOMENTS IN TIME ( DONIE WHITTY O'SULLIVAN)



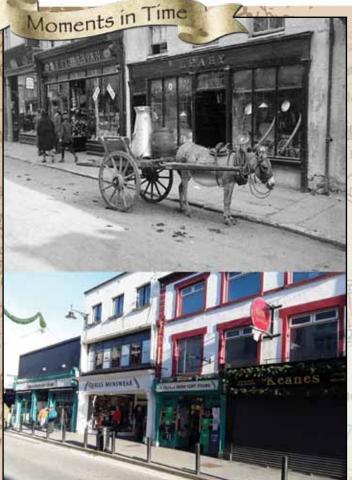




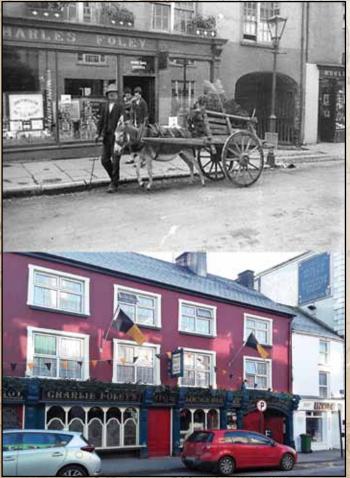




1953 WEDDING.
SHEILA ALLMAN 1ST LEFT, TIMOTHY JOESPH HICKEY 3RD LEFT, NOREEN HICKEY 4TH LEFT, DONIE O'LEARY 10TH RIGHT.
PHOTO FROM HICKEY FAMILY



CHANGING SHOP FRONTS IN KILLARNEY.
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THE BROADWAY STORE DOWN BY THE HA-HA ( FOUR STAR PIZZA TODAY) PHOTO FROM MOMENTS IN TIME ( DONIE WHITTY O'SULLIVAN)



TRAIN DRIVER ON PLATFORM CORNELIUS HAYES(GRANDFATHER OF DENNY HAYES, KILLARNEY):
BILL SULLIVAN, STOKER (ON ENGINE)
TAKEN BY A VISITING ENGLISHMAN IN KILLARNEY STATION SUMMER 1929.



MUCKROSS ABBEY JULY 18th 1916. PHOTO FROM TOM HEALY, LEWIS OAD



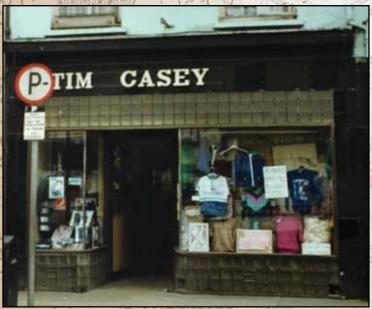




EAGERS, HIGH STREET. PHOTO FROM MAISIE O'SULLIVAN



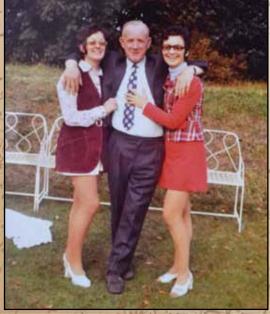
OLD CREDIT UNION OFFICE, NEWMARKET LANE. PHOTO FROM MAISIE O'SULLIVAN



TIM CASEY'S SHOP, HIGH STREET. PHOTO FROM MAISIE O'SULLIVAN



THE VINTAGE BAR, NEW ST. PHOTO FROM MAISIE O'SULLIVAN



L-R Patsy O'Keeffe, Dan Buckley, Maisie O'Sullivan Photo from Maisie O'Sullivan



JARVEY PARADE - MAISIE O'SULLIVAN, JOHNNY CLIFFORD, PATRICK COLEMAN AND SHEILA COLEMAN PHOTO FROM MAISIE O'SULLIVAN







GROUP OF COUSINS PICTURED AT PARK ROAD.

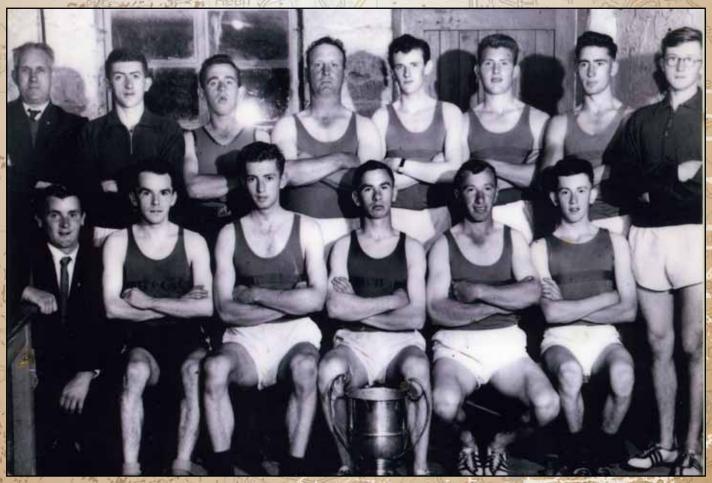
FRONT L-R HANNAHMARY O'CONNELL, SONNY O'CONNELL, MAISIE O'SULLIVAN
BACK L-R DERS O'CONNELL, MARIE O'CONNELL RIP, JOHN O'CONNELL RIP, JOSEPHINE O'CONNELL
PHOTO FROM MAISIE O'SULLIVAN



Furanfore A.C. Senior Cross Country Champions 1959-60. Back left to right: Michael Kelly, Mike Walsh, Mattie Horgan, Sean Daly, Tom Walsh "Posh" Cronin. Front left to right: Pa Sullivan, Paddy Murphy, Sean Cronin, John O'Donoghue, John J. Cronin.



GROUP TAKEN AT THE GREAT SOUTHERN HOTEL IN THE 1980'S FRONT: MICHAEL ROSNEY, BRID O'KEEFFE, VERA CHAPMAN, NOREEN KIELY, TOMMY REGAN. SECOND ROW: MAURA KELLEHER, DOREEN DOODY, KATHLEEN DOHERTY, MARTINA KEANE, MARIE MURPHY, MARTINA O'CONELL, JOAN KISSANE, MAURA GAMELL, KATHLEEN O'SHEA. BACK: TIMMY CORCORAN MICHAEL MCGILLYCUDDY, PADDY O'GRADY, BARRY MURPHY, DONAL BREEN, DONIE FERRIS, JOHN MCCARTHY, RICHARD WHELAN AND BRENDAN O'FARRELL.



FARRANFORE ATHLETIC CLUB CO. CHAMPIONS 1962
FRONT: SEAN DALY - FIRIES, JOHN PIGOTT (RIP) - CURRANS, MICHAEL O'SHEA (RIP) - CASTLEGREGORY, TOM WALSH - FIRIES, MICHAEL FOLEY - KILLORGLIN
BACK: JOHN J CROWLEY (RIP) - FARRANFORE, JIM O'SHEA - FIRIES, WILLIE COSTELLO - FIRIES, DENNY MCSWEENEY (RIP) - CURROW, MATT HORGAN - FARRANFORE, THOS F O'CONNOR
(RIP) - CURROW, MICK FLEMING - CURROW, JEROME CROWLEY - FARRANFORE. PHOTO FROM JIM O'SHEA.



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First Communion - Sonny O'Connell and Maisie O'Sullivan Photo from Maisie O'Sullivan



Back Row-T. Carey. D. Cronin. J. Clendamen. 1, Murphy (Stk.).



COMMERCIAL ROWERS CLUB. PHOTO FROM TOM HEALY, LEWIS ROAD



MERCY SCHOOL, CONFIRMATION. PHOTO FROM PEGGY WATSON

# TOWN TALK It's the final countdown!



Less than a week until the big day and we are all running around doing our final bits of shopping. Make sure you get out and catch some of the fantastic events that are happening in the town. Hozier is playing this weekend in the INEC so it will be

manic weekend I am sure! A huge well done to those that performed at the St Brendan's College Christmas Concert on Tuesday. It was a fantastic evening of music, and really got everyone in a festive mood. Wishing everyone a very merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! Don't forget the last Magic Parade takes place on Saturday 22nd December so be sure to wave Santa off!To find out what's happening in Killarney, look no further than the Town Talk Page. The page is a great way to celebrate the town and support local events. If you have any news you would like to share, an event you would like to promote or an interesting story about Killarney you can contact towntalk@outlookmags.com

# GAELSCOIL CINEMA NIGHT

Gaelscoil Faithleann Parents Council organised a Christmas Movie night for families in the school Halla on Friday evening last. Families nestled down on blankets and cushions and beanbags to watch 'How the Grinch saved Christmas' - it was a great success and the shop provided lots of snacks to keep everyone happy! According to Chair of the Parents Council, Mary Carroll, "These events are great to bring families together beyond the school gate and get a chance for children and parents to get to know each other a little better. They look forward to organising more events in 2019!" At the moment the school is running a Road safety Streetsmart initiative from Monday to Wednesday - they set up a virtual town streetscape in the Halla and children get a chance to move around and learn about road safety in a practical way. It sounds like a great way for kids to learn how to be safe on the roads!



RECEPTION IN THE KILLARNEY OAKS HOTEL. PHOTO MICHEÁL O SULLIVAN PHOTOGRAPHY.

# AWARD PRESENTATION

A presentation Of The Bene Merenti Medal was made this week by Bishop Ray to Bridie Cronin, Woodlawn Park. The award was presented on behalf of Pope Francis in recognition of her service to the Church for her stellar work, in establishing and implementing the highest standards of Safeguarding Children in the Diocese of Kerry, and travelling throughout the diocese to train and oversee the committees at parish level. Congratulations Bridie!

# **GOLD ALL THE WAY FOR THE** KILLARNEY SCORCHERS

Killarney Scorchers won big at a cheerleading outing recently. The group train at Ballycasheen School every week but the ventured further afield for the big competition. Last week they traveled to Gormanston College in Co Meath for the 21 Century Cheer International Cheer leading Competition and did themselves and the county proud when they wiped the board with winning trophies. Many months of training paid off when all three competing teams came first in their divisions and all three teams also won Overall Grand Champions in their levels. In addition, the club won first place in the senior pom category with senior hip-hop and junior

hip-hop both bringing home silver. And to top it all, the club also took numerous awards in solo categories. Tears of joy flowed all round from proud parents, supporters and elated cheerleaders while dedicated coaches Hayley and Danny Farkas Murphy added another incredible result to their considerable record. Congratulations!

# **KILLARNEY MUSICAL SOCIETY**

Killarney Musical Society would like to wish all their Patrons, Sponsors, Members & Friends a very Merry Christmas. They look forward to a great 2019 as they climb every mountain to The Sound Of Music in February in the INEC. Tickets available now, check them out on Facebook or www.killarneymusicalsociety.ow for details.

# DIPPING AT DUNDAG

This is your last chance to sign up for the the annual Christmas Day Dips in Killarney which is celebrating 10 years! Take part in the celebrations or pop down to show your support and cheer them on! Get a sponsor pack and help raise money for Aware and take a refreshing dip in the beautiful lake at Dundag on Christmas Day. Email nikimcmoney@gmail.com for a sponsor pack.

# **A GINGERBREAD HOUSE IN FOSSA!**

Staff in Foley's Spar in Fossa are really getting in the Christmas spirit. Staff member, Lucasz, came up with the fantastic idea to turn the shopfront into a gingerbread house for the Christmas season! Lucasz is very creative and did all the work in designing and making the shopfront into a Christmas gingerbread house, complete with icing and candy canes! Owner, Norman, decided to put all the excitement about the gingerbread house to good use and so will be doing a collection to help raise funds for St Mary of the Angels in Beaufort! There are collection boxes instore for customers to donate and Norman will also contribute to this worthy cause. They are setting a target of €1000, what a lovely idea, be sure to pop out to see the beautiful gingerbread house and donate to a worthy cause.



# CHRISTMAS MASSES

Christmas Mass schedules, St. Mary's Cathedral there will be Christmas Eve Mass on Monday at 6.15pm Vigil (Children's Mass), and 12 Midnight Solemn Concelebrated Mass. On Christmas Day , Tuesday there will be masses at 8am, 10.30am & 12 Noon. In the Church of the Resurrection, there will be Christmas Eve: Monday at 5.45pm (Children's Mass), 7.30pm Vigil. On Christmas Day Tuesday there will be mass at 11am and in the Church of the Holy Spirit, Muckross, there will be mass on Christmas Eve at 9pm and on Christmas Day at 9.30am

# **FOIL ARMS AND HOG**

One for the diary, Foil Arms and Hog, the famous wacky comedy trio will be coming to the INEC on January 31st with their new show 'Craicling'. It involves such things as a tutorial on how to hold a baby, a Gregorian chant about drunken monks and a step by step guide in how to kill an actor amongst other things. They are very well known for their hilarious videos online, tickets from 28.00 euro.



# REMINDER **MEMORIAL WALK**

There will be a 5k and a 10k Memorial Walk,in memory of Catherine O'Leary and Mary Lynch. The walk will take place on Wednesday 26th December at 1pm meeting at the Clubhouse in Kilcummin, the route takes in the Kilcummin Walk and there will be soup and sandwiches afterwards in the Clubhouse. For information contact Marie 0851571356

# **FOOD MARKET**

The food market at Market Square is going from strength to strength with more stalls than ever. You can get everything from almond milk to fresh veggies and home baked goodies. There are a number of stalls where you can pick up something tasty to warm you up for your lunch. It is great to see a food market in the town, the food market takes place on Fridays from 10 am until 2pm.

# **KILLARNEY FILM'S US PREMIERE**

Local film maker and producer Damian O ' Callaghan shot his most recent work in Killarney and it has now been selected to be screened at the Chicago Irish Film Festival, The film, Tradition, is the second feature film from his OC Productions team, the movie was shot in and around the town featuring the courthouse and aerial shots of Killarney. The film was screened at the Kerry Film Festival in October and will be shown to the American audiences in February 2019 The film tells the story of a judge who, on his last day on the bench, finds himself ruling over a controversial case The Chicago Film Festival will be celebrating it's 20th anniversary and is prestigious in that many of the films screened go on to the Sundance, Tribeca and Toronto Film Festivals. A huge congratulations to all involved!

# **FREE SANTA VISITS**

Santa Clause will be visiting the Danny Mann Bar in Eviston House Hotel this Sunday from 3-6 with free gifts for all the little boys and girls!

THE VON TRAPP FAMILIES WITH LEADING LADY MARIA, WINDING DOWN FOR A SHORE CHRISTMAS BREAK, FROM REHEARSALS WITH KILLARNEY MUSICAL SOCIETY'S PRODUCTION "THE SOUND OF MUSIC" 26TH, 27TH 28TH FEB '19. TICKETS NOW ON SALE. A GREAT STOCKING FILLER FOR CHRISTMAS. PHONE BRID ON 087 9933411. BACK ROW L-R BRAYDEN SLATTERY, O'SULLIVAN, SIOBHAN BUSTIN (MARIA), LEANNA HOFFMAN & JACK MCCROH MIDDLE ROW L-R DENIS MORONEY, LILLIE FOLEY, EMILY O'SHEA, SARAH TRANT, LUCY McCarthy & Colm O'Brien. Front ROW L-R CLODAGH O'SULLIVAN, CAOIMHE Murray & Aoife O'Callaghan. Missing FROM THE PHOTO FAELA O'SULLIV PICTURE MARIE CARROLL-O'SULLIVAN



# **LONDON CALLING...** PRES TY'S ENJOY **SCIENCE TRIP 2018**

On Wednesday November 28th 62 excited leaving certs and 6 equally excited teachers braved a wintry storm to fly to London for 4 fantastic days of- amongst other things- Science, Shows and Shopping. First stop was the wonderful Natural History Museum in Kensington, where the vast halls full of beautiful displays kept the students entertained for hours. Next, we visited the Science Museum, where exhibits included space exploration, developments in technology and feats of engineering. A rainy dash across Trafalgar Square led us to the National Gallery, where the artists were treated to a display of Art from medieval to modern times. After dinner in Covent Garden and a walk through China Town, 68 weary travellers made our way to the Ibis hotel in Wembley, our home for the next 3 nights.

After breakfast on Day 2, we took the Tube to the Globe Theatre, where some of the resident actors gave us a tour of a remake of Shakespeare's famous theatre, followed by a workshop on Macbeth. We then walked across the Millennium Bridge to Monument, where some brave, fit souls followed in Robert Hooke's footsteps, and climbed the steep spiral staircase to see the amazing views of Another visit to the theatre rounded

the London skyline.

We then continued to the British Museum. Here, the mummies proved to be a popular highlight, as well as the Rosetta Stone, though the coffee shop appeared to be a firm favourite with others....!

Following dinner at the Greene Man, we ended Day 2 at the theatre. School of Rock was an exhilarating show, with the most amazing cast (many of whom were children) all of whom played their instruments live on

stage. We were delighted to get to meet some of the cast at the Stage Door afterwards for photos.

Day 3 began with a visit to Greenwich for the Observatory and Planetarium. Here, we were treated to a talk on the Solar System (or snooze... ) followed by a masterclass on exoplanets, and a workshop. We also posed on the Meridian Line for a photo, where East meets West. The next stage of our commute was by cable car across the Thames, another great photo opportunity, and from there by Thames Clipper to Edgeware Road for dinner.

off Day 3, this time for 42nd Street. This was a more traditional style of West-End show, with chorus lines carrying out dazzling dance routines in perfect synchrony.

On Day 4 we left the hotel by private coach (No more Tube! No more chasing Mr Hughes through Underground stations! No more squeezing ourselves into impossibly small spaces!). The bus delivered us to the London Eye, which provided us with a Bird's Eye view of Big Ben (well, the scaffolding around it), Westminster, The Shard and many other notable buildings. We then walked past 10 Downing St, where were treated to the Changing of the Horses, along the Mall and down to Buckingham Palace. We then Taxi-ed our way to a very busy Oxford St for 3 hours of shopping and soaking up the Christmas atmosphere.

Our bus then took us, tired & broke (but happy!) to Gatwick Airport, where we frantically attempted to spend the last of our Sterling- God forbid we'd bring some home. We arrived in Shannon and boarded the bus for the last leg of our journey... unfortunately a little behind schedule, as it was 1 minute past midnight when we pulled up at St. Brigid's- we had been told 23:59!

It was a wonderful 4 days, in an amazing city, with 68 great people. Thank you for your cooperation girls, the many laughs, and your positivity in the face of some unpleasant weather. We hope you have made some lifelong memories from the trip. A huge thank you also goes to Mr. Hughes, who undertakes the mammoth task of ordering each and every aspect of the Tour every year.



# Sisk to deliver handmade toys to Kerry General Hospital

Children at University Hospital Kerry are set to receive beautiful wooden toys, which were handmade over the past month by apprentice carpenters and joiners at the company's workshop on the Naas Road in Dublin.

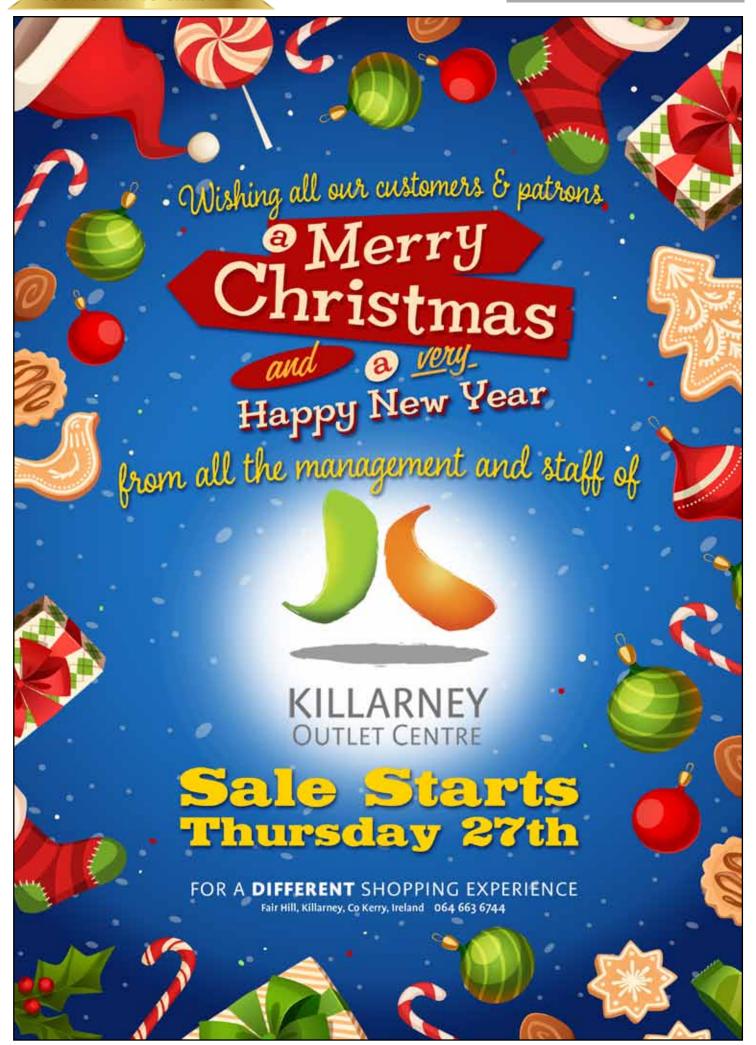
John Sisk & Son ("Sisk"), Ireland's leading construction business, is delivering some 500 handcrafted wooden toys to children's hospitals and charities in Ireland and across the United Kingdom in the lead up to

Christmas.

Each November, the team assemble to decide on the toys they are going to make, sourcing ideas from toy books, websites and feedback from the charities who have received toys in the past.

When the work is complete, the apprentices involved, some dressed as Santa, will load the toys into vans and deliver them to the various locations around the country.





# National Learning Network Kerry Receives National Inclusion Award

National Learning Network Kerry were recently honoured when its Sporting Chance course received a People Make Places award at the National Inclusion Awards in the Castleknock Hotel, Dublin. The awards, which are a Cara initiative, aim to highlight the outstanding work of people and organisations all over Ireland, who are enhancing participation opportunities for people with disabilities in sport and physical activity.

The Sporting Chance course provides training and QQI qualifications in the area of sport, recreation and exercise for people who require additional support in areas such as learning, mental health or those recovering from injury or illness. As part of the course, students deliver practical coaching to a number of schools and organisations throughout Kerry. Among the programmes delivered are an athletics programme to children with special needs in Nano Nagle school Listowel, a swimming programme to children from the autism unit at Killahan National School and a Summer Activity Camp with teenagers from the Kerry Intervention Disability Services. The Sporting Chance students who attend from throughout the



Recipients receive their National Inclusion Awards.

county are responsible for planning, organising and delivering the sessions to each group in a fun environment, focussing on participation and inclusion.

This is the second national award the programme has received this year, having been honoured in April with the Nutramino Health and Fitness Industry award for Inclusive Health

and Fitness. In the new year, the students will be organising sport and activities days for schools in Pallaskenry and Killarney and a number will also be volunteering on Camp Abilities, a national sports camp for children with visual impairments which takes place every Easter in Cappanalea Outdoor Education Centre.

# TRICEL THINKS OF THOSE IN NEED...

# Pieta House benefits from Factory Fundraiser



Pictured at Tricel, for the cheque presentation to Pieta House, resulting fundraisers such as Wellness Week, Cake Sale, E. Card Sales & Darkness into Light Walk were L-R Olivia O'Riordan, Mike Stack (Managing Director of Tricel), Con O'Connor (Pieta House), Jordan O'Connor & Amanda Cummins. PICTURE:MARIE CARROLL-O'SULLIVAN

Kindhearted staff at Tricel who undertook various fundraisers throuighout 2018 handed over a cheque to a Pieta House Representative for €2,000 this week.

Tricel, a family owned global company based in Killarney, was this week delighted to present a cheque for €2,000 raised in support of Pieta House.

Pieta House was chosen as a beneficiary for the company's 2018 charity drives as the organisation's goals closely align with initiatives undertaken within the company. Tricel regularly holds events, hosts speakers and provides resources to promote staff awareness and create an accessible and positive workplace.

Fundraising took place throughout the year with staff participating in multiple fundraisers. Activities included the Darkness into Light walk in May, a staff Wellness Week in July, staff cake sales as well as t-shirt sales, donation buckets and additional donations from the company's Sports and Social club.

Tricel CEO, Mike Stack, presented the cheque to Pieta House representative Con O'Connor. Mr Stack commented, "we undertake multiple fundraising projects throughout each year, Pieta House is a benefactor this year as the organisation provides such undeniably vital services throughout Ireland."

The Irish company was formed in Killarney in 1973 and has continued to enjoy ongoing expansion. Today, Tricel have 12 operating locations throughout Europe and supply to leading brands in over 50 countries worldwide. Further fundraising is planned for this Friday and involves Christmas e-cards and a charity Christmas jumper day, with many more initiatives already planned for 2019.





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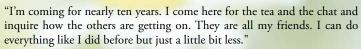
# Kerry Stroke Support: More than just a service

Donal Barry headed to meet with members of the Kerry Stroke Group who meet up once a month at Baile Mhuire in Tralee and he witnesses some very ordinary people doing extraordinary things as they fight to get back to full fitness.

They come from all backgrounds, all different parts of Kerry and there is even a big spread on ages but together they all share one story in common that bonds them together in a unique way that only they understand.

They are the Kerry Stroke survivors and with their reliance on each other, on the wonderful Kerry Stroke support group and now their new Stoke Service, they are taking back control of their lives, bit-by-bit and day by day.

For Michael it was 10 years ago as he was going out fishing on the Lakes of Killarney. So fresh in fact, that he has no problem in remembering the date (16th March) "My son asked me to mind his boat while he was parking his jeep, it happened to me then. I was in Hospital in less than one hour and I stayed there for 2 months". Michael is coming to the support group since the beginning.



Mary had her stroke five years ago. For her It is all about the fun "I would not be here if I did not enjoy it, it is about the fun for me. They have a lot of exercises and we do them with fun. It's a place I would not miss ever" For Frank from Faha near Killarney who is one of newest members attending the support group it was 2017 when he had his stroke. "It was a big shock to me. I had no history of it. I find the service marvellous and I have been coming here for a couple of months. We get great physio and exercises and I'm lucky now that I am doing the 6 weeks course"

Frank is also one of the first to be signed up to the new six week course which is full of praise for.

"This is a game changer. We head here every Friday for 6 weeks. It is very intensive and very good"

For John Mitchel's supporter Brian, who was one of the original founders of the group along with his wife Mary, it is all about helping others who find themselves "lost" once they are treated in hospital and "left to their own devices".

"I picked up a virus and it ate away the valve in my heart and I got a stroke on the table. I was in a coma for 8 weeks in Cork. When we came out there was nothing there for us and I said this was a fright. So the head man Dr Liston and Dolores and other HSE staff said we should set up a support

For many the randomness of a stroke means that there are no rules to getting one. For Brian his life was "belting away", He was working with Kerry county council, he had ran 50 marathons and had been recently married and then came the stroke that changed his life. Others might have sat back and blamed it on bad luck, not so Brian.

# New Service for Stroke patients

A new pilot Day Service, providing nursing and physiotherapy supports to people recovering from a stroke has been launched in Tralee and Listowel.

The one day a week service will deliver a six-week programme and is now open for referrals. Led by Baile Mhuire Day Care Centre for Older Persons, Tralee and Ard Chúram Day Care Centre in Listowel, with the support of the HSE, the service offers clients additional supports to help them through the rehabilitation process

People availing of the service will also receive physiotherapy, nursing care and other allied professionals inputs, peer support and can avail of physical and mental stimulation programmes, morning tea and a midday meal.

Contact Rose at 066 7123373 or in Listowel, contact Louise at 068 22986 for more information.



"The main thing is to stay positive and remain positive and stay away from negative people. They will bring you down. That is why the support group is key. You are surrounded by people who have all had strokes and know how to deal with it. There is a positive power in people sharing stories and experiences and even when you are down, a laugh or a joke or even a smile can get up back up"

For Brian it is about constant improvement "That is what it is about. If you can improve a small bit in a day, what can you do it 365 days and all by yourself, once you are shown what to do".

The group would like to acknowledge the support Baile Mhuire Day Care centre provide to the group

# STROKE DAY SERVICE

Tralee: Baile Mhuire Day Care Centre Listowel: Ard Chúram Day Care Centre

POST STROKE (8-12 WEEK COURSE)



# SERVICES PROVIDED:

- . Morning Tea, Mid-Day Meal
- Physiotherapy Programmes
- Nursing Care with associated Health Professionals
- Physical and Mental Stimulation Programmes

Mondays: Listowel 10.00am - 3.00pm • Fridays: Tralee 10.00am - 3.00pm FOR FURTHER INFORMATION AND REFERRAL DETAILS CONTACT:

Tralee Service Rose at 066 7123373 • Listowel Service Louise at 068 22986







# KERRY STROKE SUPPORT GROUP

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Kerry Stroke Support Group was established in 2010.

The support group provides a meeting place for people affected by stroke to come together and dshare their experiences.

WHERE?: Baile Mhuire Day Care Centre

Balloonagh, Tralee

WHEN?: Last Friday of Each month

(Except August & December)

TIME?: At 10.30am to 12.30pm

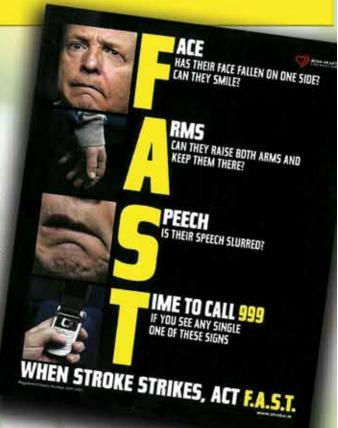
Activities Hand massage, Light Exercises, Relaxation/ Stress Management, Guest Speakers The group is an ideal place for anyone who has experienced a Stroke to meet for a chat and cup of tea.

# WHAT PEOPLE SAY ABOUT THE GROUP

'A great place to meet and chat with other people in the same situation as myself' – Brian

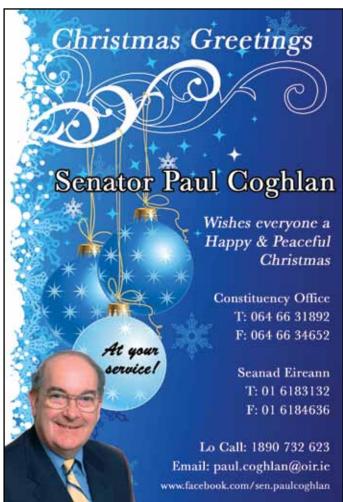
'A good support learning environment for people recovering from a Stroke' – Angela

'A great place to receive motivation from other members to help you improve' - Tom

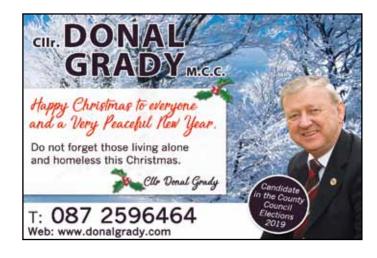


Further information: Kerry Stroke Support Group Phone line 087 3586451













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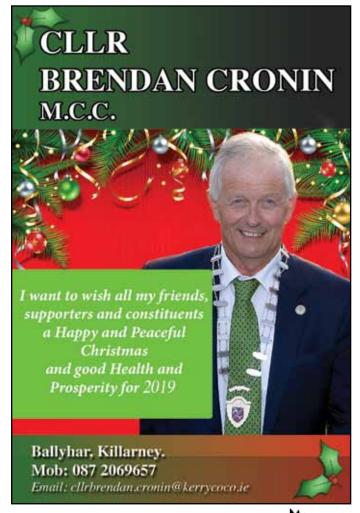


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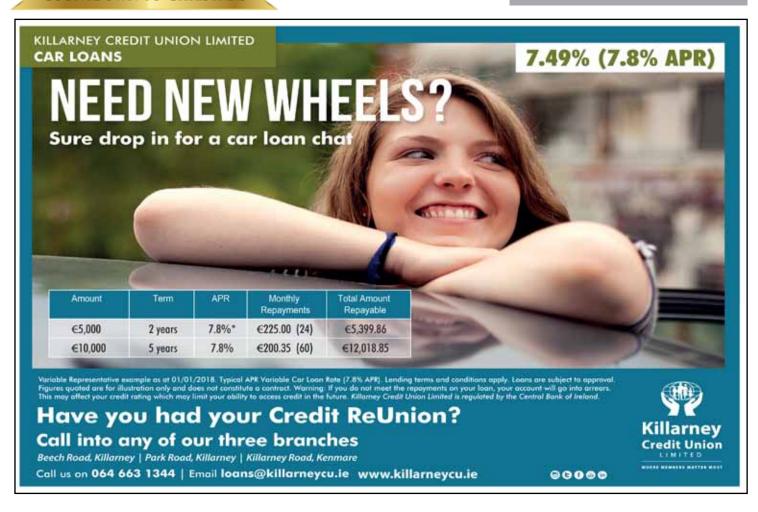


The Healy-Rae's wish to thank all their friends and constituents for their continued loyalty and support. We would like to take this opportunity to wish everybody a Happy and Holy Christmas and Good Health in the New Year.



















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# Christmas Slimdown

# **AVOID BINGE EATING THE DAY AFTER:**

Fill up on veg for fakeaways and stick to portion control guidelines for carbs.

Stay away from crisps, biscuits and chocolate. These are empty calories, they wont fill you, they wont satisfy and they will make you feel like crap after and even make you suffer from a food hangover on day 2! Your liver has enough work to do after a party or night out so don't give it double the work.

Plan ahead your meals planner for the day ater before you go out.

Eg. Plan the grilled rashers and wholegrain bread and poached eggs and make sure you have them in fridge. If you want to have a nice chicken grilled salad at lunch have the items ready to whip up and even have your fakeaway ingredients ready so all you have to do is put it together. When you are tired or hungover this is the no.1 reason for eating take outs the next day as you just couldn't be arsed cooking so make this process as easy on yourself as possible.

Move Move Move.... Chances are you had a lot of extra calories the day before as each drink will hold on average 250-350 cals or more so think if you have even 6 that's a lot of cals in drink alone, not the mind the meal and nibbles you probably had at the party. So get moving, walking and burning the next day and working it off. Moving the body will help you eliminate toxins and help you feel better in no time.

# MORE TIPS NEXT WEEK... FITNESS WITH EDELE 087-7643449 WWW.FITNESSWITHEDELE.COM



# Top five gifts to give yourself this Christmas!

Give yourself these five beautiful gifts this Christmas and simply sail through all of the festivities

- 1.**Slow down!** Make a conscious choice to do everything at half the speed you usually do things at! Ironically, when you slow down, you get more things done because you make less mistakes.
- **2.Savour the moment!** Life happens one moment at a time. Bring yourself into the moment by breathing deeply and really paying attention to your thoughts, actions and feelings. Be here now! Instead of thinking "what if...? Choose to focus on "What is!"
- 3. **Treasure yourself!** There's only one of you in this world and that makes you precious! Take time out to pamper yourself. Treat yourself really well. Eat foods that give you energy, get enough sleep, say "No" to the things you don't want to do and be super kind to you!
- **4.Don't "hook" into other people's drama's!** This is a big one, especially at Christmas time. Make a decision to stay in your world. Allow other people to be who they are and if they always push your buttons decide that this time you simply won't react. You can't change other people only yourself!
- 5.Remember what really matters! Knowing what really matters to you is the number one key in living your best life. Promise yourself that you will spend a little time every day doing something that gives you joy or brings you peace. And love yourself enough to do it!

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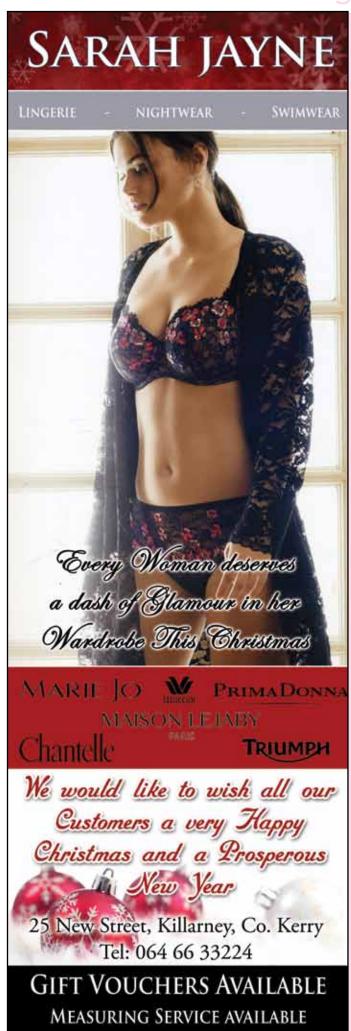




Voiceworks Childrens Choir who performed with The O'Neill Sisters from Kerry - Fiona, Naomi & Evangeline, at a special Christmas in Killarney concert, at the INEC Killarney on Thursday night. Guest performances by Kerry Choral Union directed by Sharon Reidy and Singer/Songwriter Cathal Flaherty. PHOTO: VALERIE O'SULLIVAN







# KILCUMMIN NEWS

### **KERRY SAMARITANS**

The Annual Collection for the Kerry Samaritans will be taken up at the masses on Christmas Eve and Christmas Dav.

### **COMMUNITY ALERT**

A safe and Happy Christmas and New Year to all. Our annual collection takes place next weekend Saturday 22nd & Sunday 23rd December. Please give generously.

### **MEMORIAL 5K & 10K WALK**

Memorial 5K & 10K Walk in memory of Catherine O'Leary & Mary Lynch on Wednesday 26th December at 1pm from the Club House. The route is the Kilcummin Walk. Soup and Sandwiches will be served afterwards in the Klub Bar. All welcome. Further information contact Marie 085 - 1571365.

# **CHRISTMAS GREETINGS**

The Moriarty School of Dancing would like to wish all their dancers and families a very Happy Christmas and New Year.

# **KILCUMMIN GAA** O'DONOGHUE CUP

We compete in our first final since 2008 against the same opposition Dr Crokes on this Saturday at 2.15. A reminder of that team 10 years ago when we lost on a scoreline 7 pts to 5 pts. Brendan Kealy, Tommy Brosnan, Ronan O Connor, Danny O Riordan, Kevin Bruton, Mike McCarthy, Kieran O Donoghue, Shane McSweeney, Eamonn O Donoghue, Paul O Donoghue, John Devane, Kevin Gorman, David Brosnan, Colm Lenihan, D. J. Fleming.

Subs Diarmuid O'Donoghue, John Herlihy, Killian Murphy, Seanie O Leary, Richie O Connor, John O'Keeffe, Muiris Healy, Kieran Fleming, Daniel Kelly, Jamie O'Sullivan, Pat O'Donoghue.

Just 10 days left before this big celebration of 2018's marvellous achievements on and off the field. Tickets are selling very quickly so it is important to contact a club official immediately. Music by Neily O Connor, Disco Declan McCarthy, Tickets € 30.00 Venue Gleneagle. Presentations and awards.

### **FUNDRAISER**

lan O Connell Trust. Saturday January 5th the ladies committee are holding their usual fund raising night and this year it will go to the lan O Connell Trust. Klub Bar at 9pm. Music, Raffle and spots. Please support.

# **KILCUMMIN GAA LOTTO**

There was no winner on Sunday 16th of December 2018. Numbers drawn were 5,14,24,26. Consolation Prizes €50 Anthony Cahill Knocklebede. €50 Colm Brosnan, Coolnagarry, Kilcummin. €50 Tony Cahill, Knocklebede. €50 Catherine Long Our Lady of Lourdes. Next Draw Sunday 30th December, 2018. Jackpot now €3,200.

### **MASTERGEEHA FC LOTTO**

There was no winner on Friday 14th of December 2018. Numbers drawn were 6.23.26.28.

Consolation Prizes €100 TJ Moriarty, c/o The Village Inn, Kilcummin. €30 John Sheehan, Lyreatough, Kilcummin. €30 The Nagle Family, Mastergeeha, Kilcummin. €30 John & Teresa Kerins, Mastergeeha, Kilcummin. Next Jackp €5,600. Christmas Prizes of Hampers went to



Kerry Respite Care, Retirees pictured with the Manager and Directors at their Christmas Party in the Meadowlands Hotel, Tralee. (Back Row). Kevin Griffin, Glenbeigh, Michelle Flannery, Dingle, Marie Moloney, Kilcummin, Theresa Coughlan, Asdee, Mike O'Riordan, Kilcummin Front Row – Retirees; Hannah Griffin, Banna, Mary Clifford, Castlemaine, Christine Fitzgerald, Listowel, Ann O'Flaherty, Tralee, Phyllis Flynn, Killarney.

Diarmúid Brosnan, Inch, Kilcummin. Ian Aherne, c/o John Lenihan. Tony Cahill, Knocklebede, Kilcummin.

# RATHMORE/GNEEVEGUILLA

by Michael O'Mahony

**CONGRATULATIONS** To Tim & Mary and Denis McCarthy of McCarthy's butchers who opened their new state of the art premises in East End Rathmore recently.

### TREE PLANTING IN AID MENTAL HEATH:

Its tree being planted with the help of the Sliabh Luachra men's shed, Rathmore community council and members of the community.

Its a sign of support for all those affected by suicide or living with mental health issues. We hope to provide an place for reflection and comfort for anyone who needs it.

It's being officially planted at 2pm on the 28th of December.

### **RATHMORE SOCIAL ACTION GROUP**

The Rathmore Social Action Group members raised €12,780 in the annual door to door collection. This was an increase of over €2,500 on last year's figure and we are very grateful to the people who supported us, to the young members who worked so hard night after night and to the adults who provided the transport. The money will now be used mainly for the care of our older people but as always we will send some of the money to care for people who are in need in various parts of Africa.

# **HAPPY CHRISTMAS**

The Rathmore Social Action Group would like to wish all the people of the Community and all our supporters a very Happy Christmas and all the best for 2019. We thank everybody who supported us and helped us to continue making a difference in our community and beyond.

**RATHMORE TEXT ALERT: Reminding all Text** Alert members that membership is now due. Please give €10 with mobile number and name to Dermie Moynihan, Shinnagh. New members

also welcome.

In case of emergency Phone number for Macroom Garda Station is Tureencahill Community Group are hosting a Christmas concert with renowned storyteller & poet Gabriel Fitzmaurice plus local singer Laura Dunlea in Tureencahill Community Centre on Thursday December. 27th Dec. commencing 8pm. Tickets €15 ideal Christmas gift. To book, contact 087 0576107 or 087 9924821

# CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE FOR OUR **PARISH**

Christmas Eve - Monday 24th December. -7.00pm - Rathmore

7.30pm - Knocknagree

Rathmore/Gneeveguilla News

by Michael O'Mahony

ANNUAL WALK at the Bridge Bar in aid of Kerry Hospice Sunday 30th December 2018, All welcome please support a worthy cause . spot prizes on the Day.

12k - Cloonteen Church To Bridge Bar registration form 11.00am Weather pemitting, Walk & Climb To the paps registration 11.00am in Bridge Bar 6k Walk for Familles For all ages Bridge Bar To Rathmore Credit Union Registration €10 Refreshment afterward in BridgeBar in aid of Kerry Hospice Enquiries 0876245071.

RATHMORE GAA GOLF outing on the 29th of December Mahonys Killarney golf club

**SEASONS GREETING** Happy Christmas & Bright new year To our readers Home and aboard who read our news every week best wishes in new year

**SYMPATHY:** To Tim Rahilly, Aunaskirtane on the death of his sister, Eileen Kelleher who died recently in London. To Abina Collins, Knocknageeha and her family on the death of her husband Jack Collins. To Catherine Lawlor, Gullane, Sheila O'Leary, Leam, Willie & Mary Falvey and their families, Scrahanaveal on the death of their sister, Margaret Heverin (nee Falvey) whose funeral is taking place in England May théy all rest in Pearce



Finn O'Neil, having a laugh with Santa Claus at the Killarney Plaza Hotel. PICTURE MARIE CARROLL-O'SULLIVAN



"Sealed with a kiss" Mary Murphy and Adrian O'Connell from Gneeveguilla are photographed at Mahony's Point on their wedding day, the couple were married in Gneeveguilla and celebrated with family and friends in the Great Southern Hotel in Killarney. PHOTO MICHEÁL O SULLIVAN PHOTOGRAPHY.

# CULLEN AND DISTRICT SPECIAL NEEDS ASSOCIATION.

1979 – 2018

Dear Friend

As we approach the end of another year I extend warmest greetings from Cullen, Christmas is over and the New Year, with the days getting longer is a chance to step out of our routine and join us for our 34th Annual sponsored Weigh – in beginning on Monday Jan. 7th at 8p.m. in Cullen Community Centre.

This is a most successful fundraising event and we look forward to meeting you again this year. Voluntary fundraising is hugely important. In the past 40 years the Association has helped to provide a service and a link that has helped and will continue to enable centres achieve high standards and maintain services for those with special needs, who are most vulnerable in our society. In that period of time, thousands of Euros have been raised through the generous sponsorship of our loyal and dedicated participants in our 'Annual Sponsored Weigh –

in' and in later years our Vintage Afternoon has also been a huge success both financially and socially.

All our special friends again enjoyed our Christmas Mass, and Party. We entertained approximately 80 special guests and their families, and again each guest received a little gift. Fr.Anthony O'Keeffe, celebrated the Mass, and Sean Sheehan was again our popular D.J.,

The 2019 Weigh in commences on Monday January 7th at 8.00 p.m. and concludes on Monday March 11th, when cheques will be presented to representatives of the various centres where our friends are educated and cared for

Dr. Pat Casey will again oversee the Weigh in; and back again for 2019 is our popular Jiving Classes with Aisling & Leanne. Commencing Mon. Jan. 14th @ 8pm.

We invite you to Jive your weight off – put on your dancing shoes and try a new way of getting active to boost your weight loss, improve your fitness & energy levels, as well as toning up. A

# **COMMUNITY** FOCUS

minor change this year--- if you are interested in jiving only there will be a nominal charge of €5 each night.

We are grateful to the many people who give so generously of their time, their talents and their resources over the years in our fund-raising efforts and we are fortunate to have so many professionals who volunteer their services to the cause; - all who sponsor and support our Weigh in, help to make the vintage afternoon such a great success, and the media who promote our events

I would like to thank you for your generosity in the past and assure you of our sincere appreciation and gratitude for your continued support and participation and look forward to seeing you again on the 7th D.V. Please bring a friend. Wishing you every blessing during the coming year, On behalf of Cullen & District spécial needs Associations.

# **GLENFLESK NOTES**

# **GLENFLESK LOTTO**

No winner of the lotto which took place in The Corner House on 17/12/18

Jackpot €6,400 Numbers were 2,14, 17, 18

1. Sophie Favier c/o Dan 2. Dan Favier (Sellers' prize)3. Frank Cronin, Clydagh

4.Noelle Murphy, Shronedarragh. 5.Deirdre O Donoghue, Knockanes

The next draw will take place in the Kerry Way on 2nd Jan and the Jackpot is

€6,600

# **GLENFLESK AGM**

St Agathas GAA Club ,Glenflesk will host its AGM in Glenflesk Hall at 8 pm on Thursday 24th January 2019. Nominations for Club Officers and Motions should be notified to Club Secretary Denis O'Sullivan at least one week before AGM.

# **BARRADUFF COMMUNITY FIELD**

Barraduff Community Field 300 Club. Dec 2018 Prize Draw Winners. Congratulations To The Following

€500:Joan Desmond Stagmount.

€100: Donie Culloty & family Annagh

€100:Margaret Byrnes Barraduff

€100:Tom Joe Donoghue Gneeveguilla.

€100: Monica Faulds Lisbaby.

Once off xmas 5 Consolation Prizes

Glenflesk NS Voucher, 4 Bottles of whiskey to following

John & Mary Ryan Shronedarragh.Tom Murphy Calfmount, Rose Crowley Rathmore. Dermot & Breda Kelly Cools Headford.

Thanks to Everyone who Supported our 300 Club Membership\Fundraiser. Next Draw Jan 12/13 Corner House, Best of luck to Everyone

# **BARRADUFF TIDY VILLAGE GROUP**

This Christmas you can support BTVG in a number of ways, we have the memory tree, We also have the Christmas quiz which takes place on the 28th of December at 8 pm in John Dan's Bar Barraduff.

# **RAHEEN N.S.**

Congratulations to Maire O' Leary who had the winning lotto no. 41 on Saturday the 15th of December and to Aaron Murphy who had no. 37 on Saturday the 8th

# **WORKMEN'S ROWING CLUB NOTES**

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Irish Indoor Rowing Championships at University of Limerick on 19th January.

Skibbereen Head of the River , NRC, 9th

Kerry Head of the River 16th February, Killorglin. **Christmas Events** 

A fantastic night was had by all at our parent/ adult night out on last Saturday at the Killarney Brewery and Kayne's Bar. What a start to the Christmas festivities and many thanks to Mary Hartnett for organising the night.

Our ice-skating night takes place tonight, 21st December. All members welcome.

# Congratulations

Our Christmas Birthday list continues and we'd like to wish Evelyn Woodard for 16th December, Ciara Moynihan 20th December and Marc Woodard 31st December all the very best for some great celebrations!!

Finally, may you and yours have a very Merry Christmas and may you have good health, abundance and everlasting joy for this Christmas Season and for 2019.

# **FARRANFORE MAINE VALLEY AC**

# **NATIONAL NOVICE & JUVENILE XC**

The final cross country race of the year was the National Novice and Juvenile uneven ages. Held in Navan on what was a very windy and damp day. Considering the amount of rain we got over the last few weeks, the ground conditions were quiet good. It was a challenging course with plenty of hair pen bends and undulating hills into the wind. Shauna McCarthy was competing in the U15 3500m race. The start was into a uphill climb where Shauna got off to a good start positioned in the center of the field of over 100 runners. At just the 700m mark there was a fall by another athlete which resulted in Shauna loosing one of her spikes. Not deterred she picked herself up and fought hard over the course of the race to move up the field. She showed her strength on the hills and coming into the final 500m's she was now in the top 20 group. Shauna gave it everything to right to the finish where she was placed 11th overall, earning her first individual National A medal. She was also part of the Munster team to get silver. A great race and one she will always remember.

The final race of the day was the Novice Men's 6000m where we had George McCarthy & Arthur Fitzgerald part of the county team. The course was by now muddy and the wind had picked up. The start was wild with 254 athletes racing to find a good position before the course closed in. Arthur had a great race where he battled through the field over the three laps. he finished in 82nd place and third scorer for the county. A great achievement and a difficult course. George equally did well to be placed 136th and the sixth scorer. The county team was placed 9th overall.



Killarney Rugby Club mini's coaches pictured with Santa at their Christmas Party.



Santa with his Chief Elf for the day, Adam Murphy.

The Annual Newmarket 5K was held on Sunday 16th December. This is always a fast and popular event. Well done to Mary Daly completing the distance in 18:29 and Caitriona Barry in a time

There was great support for our bag packing fundraiser in DUNNES Killarney last week-end. A special thanks to all our volunteers who gave up their time to support. Thanks also to DUNNES Killarney, a major sponsor to our club.

### **MEMBERSHIP 2019**

Athletics Ireland has set-up a new on-line membership system. Athletes can access the membership system and renew their membership in minutes without contacting the club secretary. Full details can be reviewed on All website.

We would like to take this opportunity to wish all our club members and their families Seasons Greetings and see you all in the New Year.

Reminder our Annual 5K Road Run on St.

Stephen's Day (Dec. 26th) at 12 noon. Hope to see you and your families out to support.

### **CLUB TRAINING**

All training will return in the New Year

### ATHLETIC'S FIXTURES

Wed 26th Dec: Farranfore Maine Valley AC 5k, Farranfore, 12 noon

Tue 1st Jan: Beaufort 10K & 5K, Start Of The Laune AC, 12 noon

Sat 12th Jan: AAI National Indoor League -Round 1, Indoor Arena Abbottstown

Sun 20th Jan: Munster Juv. Inter Club Relays & Juvenile Jumps & Throws - Day 1, Nenagh Indoor Stadium.

Please contact club secretary, Mary, 085-1909509 to register for competitions in advance See Kerry & Munster Athletics website for full fixture lists & timetable for events.

# **KILLARNEY VALLEY** ATHLETIC CLUB

We would like to wish all our members a very Happy Christmas and a Healthy and Peaceful New Year.

### **TRAINING**

Strength & Conditioning will return on Monday 7th January at 7pm in the Sem Gym for all members age 12 upwards. Bring €2, water and a mat if you have one.

Training for age 7-12 years return on Thursday 10th January at 6pm. Please remember to bring €2 to all sessions. Please keep an eye on your email and check our facebook page https://www.facebook.com/KillarneyValleyAC/ for any updated information

# KILLARNEY RFC NEWS

# **MINIS CHRISTMAS PARTY**

Our minis held our Minis Christmas Party at the Killarney Avenue Hotel last Sunday. A fantastic day was enjoyed by all the kids and parents

and Santa Claus made an appearance to the delight of all. Thanks to Denis at the Avenue and to Mike Fuller and Junior Finnegan for their help. Thanks to Denise for the wonderful hamper, Joh for the goodies and to Tim Jones Butchers for the fantastic food! Thanks to our coordinator Liam Murphy for organising the day for the kids,

### **SENIORS**

Our Seniors hosted Killorgin in an historic match at Barraduff in the League winning 37-10 with tries from Mike Henderson, Peter Kelly, Brendan Fuller (2), Paul O'Sullivan and Darragh Roche with the bonus point. This sees the lads joint top of the league over the Xmas break with 3 matches to go. Well done to Peter Kelly's men.

### **FIRIES COMMUNITY GAMES**

With Christmas literally upon us and the New Year around the corner it's only fitting to wish everyone in the local parishes the best for the Christmas and New Year periods and may it long continue into 2019.

There will be a lot happening in the next few months and we will keep you all up to date with everything going on.

For any children interested in Music, Singing and Recitation ages U12 (must be under 12 as of the 31/7/2019) and U16 (must be over 13 but under 16 as of the 31/7/2019), Contact Emma Galvin 087 9239288 and Maura Culloty 087 6663702 for further information, but you will need be be quick and do it before Christmas. It is open for solo and groups for Music and Singing and only solo for the recitation.

Basketball teams are picked and training has already started for some, PLEASE NOTE, those who did well to be picked, there is a change of dates for the Fixtures in January. Any difficulties with these please speak to your coaches.

Updated Dates as follows:
Boys U13 Saturday Jan 13th
U11 mixed Saturday Jan 19th
Girls U13 Sunday Jan 20th
Girls U16 Saturday Jan 26th
Boys U16 Sunday Jan 27th
Finally, other events to keep an eye out for in



Shauna McCarthy Farranfore/Maine Valle AC pictured after winning individual medal in the U15 National Cross Country

the New Year, in February there will be Indoor Soccer Girls and Boys U10 and U13, Swimming U8, U10, U12, U14 and U16, Hand Writing U10 and U12 and also Art U8, U10, U12, U14.

# GNEEVEGUILLA ATHLETIC CLUB

**LOTTO:** No winner of our lotto draw 14/12/2018, numbers drawn were 5, 16, 19 & 26. Sellers prize winner Tom Joe O' Donoghue, €50 Y/t prize to John

Galvin Killeagh, €50 to ger Carmody Knocknagree, €40 each to Mary O' Donoghue c/o Mgt Hayes, Sirli Kulatos Bounard & K Cahill Kilcummin. Bonus not won numbers drawn were 5, 7, 16 & 26. Winner of our 3rd Christmas Hamper Maunie o' Leary Leam. Next week's

jackpot €15,000 plus €1,000 bonus plus 1x Christmas Hamper.

SANTA FUN RUN: Pride of place this wek goes to the people who braved the savage weather om Saturday last to support the 5K / 2.5K Santa fun Run in Barradubh in aid of St Joseph's Day Care Centre, Rathmore. All involved were delighted with the response, all proceeds will go to St Josephs Day Care Centre Rathmore. Barradubh Couch to 5K, Gneeveguilla athletic Club, St Josephs day Care Centre and Barradubh Field Committee all came together so successfully to make this event a resounding success. Going forward we hope to make this an annula event. Sincere thanks to anyone who heldped in any way. Wishing you all a vary Happy Christmas and Peaceful New Year.

CHRISMAS WISHES: Wishing everyone a Happy Christmas and best wishes for 2019. We congratulae our winners during the course of the year, training is going well and hopefully there will be some new people on the podium for the coming year. Regular training is essential if you wish to be successful. Only you can do it.

# CYCLING NEWS CHRISTMAS SORTED FOR

# HAMPER WINNERS:

You know that the countdown is on to the most wonderful time of the year when the Killorglin Cycling Clubs Christmas Hamper ride takes to the roads.

Once again this year there was a great turn-out for the ride where the cyclists covered either the 50km or 75km route with the weather on Sunday also co-operating.

The cycle started and finished at the Killorglin Community Centre and the riders were delighted with the hot food and drinks provided by the hard working committee behind the event.

Alan Jones from the hosting Killorglin Cycling Club said the Hamper ride is now firmly established in the pre-Christmas sporting calendar.



Celebrations all round for Killarney Swimming Club pictured at Killarney Leisure Centre having won the Munster Club of the Year 2018 making this years Christmas Party an extra special one. PICTURE: MARIE CARROLL-O'SULLIVAN

"It was great to see so many familiar faces back again this year plus some first timers.

We are very lucky in the club to have so many people willing to volunteer to make this event such a success. And of course we must thank the sponsors from the town and beyond who come up trumps every year.

All the riders who went home with goodies are looking forward to enjoying them over Christmas."

The top 3 following the 75km ride were Conor Kissane Killarney CC, Bernard Sweeney Killorglin CC and John Brosnan Killarney CC.

First home from the shorter route was Lorcan Daly Killarney CC followed by Peter Finn, Newcastlewest CC and Aaron O'Donoghue Killarney CC.



On Sunday December 16th Dieter's Swim Academy hosted their annual Christmas party at the Aquila Club, Gleneagle Hotel and celebrated the end of a very successful season of swim lessons. All the children received numerous awards and prizes for their hard work, dedication and commitment to their swim lessons. Included in the photo are some of the medal and trophy winners including Kiera Moynihan (Female Swimmer of the year), Fionn O'Donovan (Male Swimmer of the year) and Hazel Dineen (Junior Swimmer of the year). Two swimmers Gemma Murphy and Kris O'Leary Sacristan received a special "Outstanding Achievement Award" for their excellent swimming over the last few years.



At the presentation of prizes of the Gleneagle Squash Club Christmas competition Gleneagle O'Donoahue Cup were front from left, Gerry Lane, Arthur Murphy, Gordon Buckley, Eamonn Bowler, Mike O'Donoghue and Sean Lane. Seated in second row are Noreen Buckley, Eoin Horan, (Gleneagle Aquila Club), Miriam Murphy, Donnagh Crowley (overall winner), Marge O'Leary, Ryan Kavanagh and James Devane. Third row from left are Mike Crowley, Dieter Gogsch, Tim Lynch, John O'Connor, Paul O'Brien, Farook Khan, Mary O'Callaghan, Robert O'Sullivan and Sharon Brosnan. Back from left are Donal O'Sullivan, Stephen Hussey, Erin Crowley, John McCarthy, Lisa O'Brien, Tim O'Leary, Paula McElligott, Oskar Przyborski and Don Ring. PICTURÉ: EAMONN KEOGH



Sean O'Brien, Scotts Lakers St. Paul's, scores a basket over John Galvin, Limerick Celtics, in the national league clash in Killarney Sports Centre on Saturday night. PICTURE: EAMONN KEOGH



Mike Browne, left, Darren Long, Paudie McCarthy and Brendan O'Grady, with Kerry's generous Motor bikers came together, for the Annual Charity Christmas Bike run around the Ring of Kerry, Sunday Morning. This years charities are St. Francis Special School and Kerry Parents and Friendds. PHOTO: VALERIE O'SULLIVAN



The Hairy Bikers...Dave Foley, left and Seamie Morrissey, with Kerry's generous Motor bikers came together, for the Annual Charity Christmas Bike run around the Ring of Kerry, Sunday Morning. This years charities are St. Francis Special School and Kerry Parents and Friendds. PHOTO:VALERIE O'SULLIVAN

# ROSS GC, KILLARNEY - GENTS CLUB

On Sunday Dec 16th we held our end of year Scramble followed a by Prizegiving and our annual Christmas Party in the clubhouse.

The scramble was very well supported with a large turnout and some very good golf being played in tough conditions.

The prizegiving for some recent competitions was followed by a nice social evening which was well attended and a good time was enjoyed by all..

# IN OUR REVIEW OF 2018 WE HAD THE FOLLOWING WINNERS

Captains Prize - Johnny Brosnan Presidents Prize - Tadhg Moynihan.

Maurice O'Donoghue Memorial Cup - Jim Morris.

Christmas Hampers - John Mac O'Sullivan. Keane Gold Medal - Michael Courtney. Golfer of the Year - John Cushkelly.

**SEASONS GREETINGS** 

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

# DEERPARK PITCH & PUTT CLUB NEWS

**SUNDAY FOURBALL** We needed countback to decide last Sunday morning's event with the duo of Sean Ashe & Sean O'Brien edging Aidan O'Keeffe & Noel Moynihan on the Back Nine after both teams shot 35½ Nett in a Fourball Betterball.

CHRISTMAS EVENTS There will be the normal Sunday draws on December 23rd & 30th @ 9.15am & 11.15am while on St Stephens Day there will be one draw competition open to both adult and U-16 members @ 10am.

Murphy's: A great night last Friday night at our end of year prizegiving, much appreciation again to Sean Murphy and his staff in both Lord



John Daly (Daly's Supervalu, Sponsor) presenting Gearóid Cronin with the Overall Nett Prize for the Deerpark Pitch & Putt Club Christmas Hamper Competition last Friday night at their end of year gathering in Murphys Bar. Also included in photo are Robbie O'Brien Jnr (Overall Gross), Robbie O'Brien Snr (Second Nett) and Betty O'Brien (Ladies Nett).

Kenmares and Squires for their hospitality on the night.

**SEASONS GREETINGS:** Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all our members, sponsors and friends. Looking forward to seeing everyone again in 2019.

# HEIGHTS BID FOR THREE IN A ROW

The Billy Morris managed Killarney Heights Golf Society team will start favourites in their bid for three in a row in their annual Ryder Cup match against Murphys Golf Society on Saturday 29th. Dec. at Killeen, weather permitting. The end of season and long running competition attracts

plenty of attention. Speaking of the Ryder Cup and returning to the Heights team Enda Prendergast reminded me that he caddied for golf professional Eoghan O' Connell in the French Open in 1994 at Le Golf National (2018 venue for Ryder Cup). He recalled, " Eoghan made the cut and was only a few shots off the lead with six holes to go. He eagled the thirteenth only to triple bogey the fifteenth after putting a ball in the water, he then birdied the seventeenth and eighteenth to finish in the top twenty."He added, "the course really stood out and there was a good crowd following us." Eoghan O' Connell is a native of Ballydesmond and started his golf career at Killarney Golf and Fishing Club.He now lives in America.

Pictured at the Killarney Plaza Hotel for Christmas get together Dan-KB Fitness. Killarney Leisure Centre were L-R Mary OCarroll, Marian Blennerhasett. Michelle Cronin, Katheryn Blennerhassett, Carroll OSullivan, Carrie Clifford, Brendan Jnr, Levinia Lyne, Fitness Instructor Dan OSullivan, Dee OShea, Brendan Casey Snr, Katie Cameron, Elyse Brosnan, Niamh Purcell, Ciara OShea & Maria OSullivan.





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# **BEAUFORT GAA CLUB**

Beaufort G.A.A Club Christmas lotto for a jackpot of €6,800 will be on Saturday, 22nd December in Inn Between.

Extra prizes of hampers and bottles.

### **CHRISTMAS QUIZ**

Beaufort G.A.A Club annual Christmas quiz will be in Kate Kearney's Cottage on Thursday, 27th December starting at 8pm.

Table of 4: Adult €40. Juvenile (16 years and under) €20. Raffle and Spot Prizes

### **GAMES DVD'S**

A limited amount of DVD's of Co Kerry Junior football final and Munster Junior football final are available to purchase.

Cost is €15 each. 2017 Mid Kerry final DVD is also available for €10. Please contact Club at 087 9975737 if interested.

### **HAPPY CHRISTMAS**

to all Beaufort members and supporters at home and abroad.

# MILLTOWN/CASTLEMAINE

# **SYMPATHY**

Sincere sympathy to the O'Connor Family, Coolbane on the death of Tom.

May Tom rest in peace.

# **GET WELL:**

We wish all those from our community and beyond a full return to health. We think in particular of all those who may be in hospital over the Christmas season as well as those caring for them.

# **FÁLTE ABHAILE:**

A special welcome to all those who will travel home for the festive season. We hope you will have a wonderful time catching up with family and friends.

# **CHILDREN'S CHOIR/CAROL SERVICE:**

A huge well done to all 47 children from our parish who sang so beautifully and respectfully on Sunday evening last. It was a very special evening with our senior choir joining us as well as the Listry Folk Choir.

# **LISTRY GAA CLUB NEWS**

# ST. STEPHEN'S DAY

# **FUNDRAISING EVENT**

Our senior team are running a parish league on St Stephens Day next in memory of our former chairman Denis Courtney RIP. All proceeds will go to The Palliative Care Unit University Hospital Kerry. All welcome to play and participate in any way. We will be looking as usual for the great help of catering from volunteers.

# **DEEPEST SYMPATHY**

Listry GAA would like to send deepest condolences to Liz Tangney and family, The O Connor Family, friends and neightbours on the recent death of Tommy O' Connor R.I.P Coolbane, Killorglin.

# **OPERATION TRANSFORMATION**

Listry GAA club intend hosting 'Ireland lights up' in association with TV programme Operation Transformation in January.

LOTTO RESULTS: Numbers drawn:2, 3, 10,

Hampers: Hannah Wharton, Fossa. Suzanne Scannell, Coolroe.

€100 - John Ashe, Faha.

€50 x 2 - Maz Ballard, Ballybrack. John Reidy, Listry.

€25 x 2 - May O Driscoll, Ballymalis. Breda O Mahony, LaharnCross.

Draw entrant: Anne Courtney, Rockfield. next Sunday 24th December jackpot €10,150 **CONGRATULATIONS:** 

Congratulations to PhilipO Neill, Faha winner of €1,000 in Listry Weekly Lotto on the December 9th Draw.

# **RICHARD GILES DARKNESSINTO LIGHT MEMORIAL TRACTOR RUN:**

In memory of the late Richard Giles a Darkness into light memorial tractor run will take place on Sunday the 30th of December in aid of Pieta House. Registration will take place between 5.30 am and 6.30 am at Faha Court Bar and Retaurant. All modern and vintage tractors welcome, €20 regristration fee. Any gueries contact Robert Giles 086 3257513

# **SEASONS GREETINGS**

Listry GAA would like to that the opportunity to thank the members, trainers, supporters, volunteers and all those helped Listry club in any way throughout this year and wish all a very Happy Healthy Christmas and a prosperous New Year.

# EAST KERRY GAA NEWS

By Michael O'Mahony

# DR O'DONOGHUE CUP - SEMI FINAL

Dr Crokes 1-17(20) Rathmore 2-10(16) Played in Fitzgerald Stadium, the second semi final of the Dr O'Donoghue Cup, sponsored jointly by the Aquila club and Dr O Donoghues Family, saw Munster Senior Chamions, Dr Crokes, progress to the final against Munster Intermediate Champions, Kilcummin, next Saturday, after an entertaining game against 4 in a row and current East Kerry Champions, Rathmore. This was a game of two halves, where Dr Crokes built a strong lead in the opening 30 minutes, with fast free flowing football.

Rathmore responded in the second half and narrowed to the gap to 2 points. However, Dr Crokes never relinquished their lead and ran out winners on a 4 point margin.

Rathmore got off to a dream start with a Mark Reen goal, within 30 seconds, after Shane Murphy blocked a John Moynihan shot at goal and Mark was quick to react to the rebound, netting the ball. Dr Crokes then kicked into gear, put severe pressure on the Rathmore kick outs and scored with ease. Gavin O'Shea pointed for Dr Crokes before Kieran O'Leary found the net - 1-1 to 0-1 within minutes. With Kieran O'Leary, Johnny Buckley(2), Gavin O'Shea, Jordan Kiely(2), Brian Looney and David O'Leary accurate on front of the posts, Dr Crokes notched up 8 points without reply - 1-9 to 1-0 on the 16th minute. Shane Ryan pointed a Rathmore free before Kieran O'Leary and Micheál Burns(2) extended the Dr Crokes lead – 1-12 to 1-1 in the 27th minute. Rathmore introduced Tahdg Mahony and 2 Shane Ryan converted frees plus a Mark Reen point from play, saw the score at the break: Dr Crokes 1-12 Rathmore 1-4.

On resumption, Rathmore again got off to a bright start, with 2 points - Eoin Lawlor from play and Mark Reen free. Kieran O'Leary kept the scoreboard ticking over for Dr Crokes with a lovely point. Rathmore were winning more at mid field and an impressive 45m free sailed over the bar from the boot of Shane Ryan. Both sides made changes. Daithi Casey pointed a free, keeping distance between the sides. The Lewis road side were reduced briefly to 14 due to a black card and a quickly taken Rathmore free by Shane Ryan, in the Dr Crokes half was finished to the net by Mark Ryan provided by Colm Kelly. Game on – Dr Crokes 1-14 Rathmore 2-7(13) going into the last quarter. Rathmores were then left without Mark Reen, due to injury. A Shane Ryan converted free, followed with a point from play reduced the gap to 2 points on the 50th minute- 1-14 to 2-9. However, the Dr Crokes experience showed and a point a piece from Kieran O'Leary and Jordan Kiely saw Dr Crokes up by 3 points, on 55th minute. Rathmore showed their determination and George O'Keeffe pointed. However, as the full time whistle approached, Micheal Potts won the ball and made a surging run forward. He shipped a few heavy tackles before picking out Kieran O'Leary who popped the ball over the bar. Final Score: Dr Crokes 1-17 Rathmore 2-10. The Aguila Club man of the match award was presented to the Dr Crokes full back Eoin Brosnan, by Johnny Brosnan, East Kerry Chairman. This result means that Dr Crokes play Kilcummin in the Final next Saturday in



A group of members and staff at the Club Vitae Leisure Centre Christmas party in Hotel Killarney on Friday night. Front from left are Breda O'Donoghue, Bina Spillane, Noreen Devaney, Louise Devaney (Club Vitae Manager), Brad Gordon, Chloe Gordon and Mary O Connor. Second row from left are Sheila O'Donoghue, Trish McGahon, Stanley Wade, Mary Brosnan, Catherine Daly, Nicola O Connor and John Burke. Third row from left are Tim Spillane, Michael Finn, Mike Cronin, Breda Slattery, Humphry Kerins, Tadhg O Connor and Mike Galvin. Back from left are Philip O'Brien, Donie O Donoghue, Noreen Murphy, Gerard Lynch, Catherine Moynihan and Martin Smith. PICTURE: EAMONN KEOGH

Fitzgerald Stadium. Throw in 2.15pm

Dr Crokes Team: Shane Murphy, John Payne (Capt), Eoin Brosnan , Fionn Fitzgerald, David O'Leary(0-1), Gavin White, Jason Lyne, Johnny Buckley(0-2), Daithi Casey(0-1), Micheál Burns(0-2), Gavin O'Shea(0-2), Brian Looney(0-1), Jordan Kiely(0-3), Kieran O'Leary(1-4;1f), Mark O'Shea. Subs: David Shaw, Shane Doolan, Michael Potts(0-1), David Naughten, Alan O'Sullivan, Billy Courtney

Rathmore Team: Padraig McCarthy, Michael Joe Kelliher, Cathal Murphy, Conor Jenkins, TJ Friel, Paul Murphy, Brian Friel, Brian Moyinhan, Mark Ryan(1-2;1f), George O'Keeffe(0-1), Mark Reen(1-2;1f), Chrissy Spiers(0-1), Shane Ryan (Capt)(0-5;2f,145f), Eoin Lawlor(0-1), John Moyinhan. Subs: Tadhg Mahony, Colm Kelly, Donal Moyinhan, Donal O'Sullivan, Brian O'Learv

Referee: Padraig O'Sullivan (Firies).

# DR O'DONOGHUE CUP -**QUARTER FINAL**

Dr Crokes 3-10 Gneeveguilla 2-5

Despite horrendous conditions of gale and rain at Rathmore on Friday night last, Dr Crokes and Gneeveguilla served up an entertaining game for the brave supporters who turned out to see this Dr O'Donoghue Cup quarter final game, sponsored jointly by the Aquila club and Dr O Donoghues Family. Dr Crokes without many of their usual starting squad, were able to introduce the necessary substitutes in the second half to ensure victory.

Gneeveguilla started well with 2 points from full forward D J O'Connor before Mark O'Shea scored the first of Dr Crokes 3 goals after 10 minutes play. Instead of taking their points, Dr Crokes attempted a number of goals only to be thwarted by the Gneevequilla defence and keeper Patrick O'Riordan in particular. Michael Potts pointed from a free. In a sweeping upfield movement started by centre back Pa Warren, the ball broke in the Dr Crokes square and quickest to react was Conlan O'Leary to put Gneeveguilla a point ahead 1-2- to 1-1. John O'Leary and Mark O'Shea swapped points before Jordan Kiely levelled matters after 20 minutes. D J O'Connor pointed but a Michael Potts free brought the score to 1-4 each after 25 minutes. A couple of minutes of typical Dr Crokes power play masterminded by centre forward Gavin O'Shea saw Jordan Kiely point and Michael Potts evade the defence for a well taken goal. Half time Dr Crokes 2-5 Gneeveguilla 1-4

Dr Crokes introduced Fionn Fitzgerald and Brian Looney at half time and Billy Courtney added a pointed free. But it remained stalemate for the next 15 minutes as a stout defence from Gneeveguilla denied Dr Crokes all attempts at scores. Dr Crokes introduced Michael Burns and David O'Leary and began to dismantle the opposition. The influential Gavin O'Shea was conducting matters from centre forward. Burns and Looney were unstoppable and their fast co-operative supporting moves cut through the defence to register four points - Burns (3) and Looney (1) making the scoreboard 2-10 to 1-4 with 10 minutes left. However Gneeveguilla spirit was still strong and Pa Warren to goal from a loose ball in the Dr Crokes square - 2-10 to 2-4 for the town side. He followed up with a point to make it a 5 point game but another Burns/Looney axis freed Paul Clarke for a tap in goal that saw Dr Crokes through to the Semi Final against Rathmore in Fitzgerald Stadium. Final Score: Dr Crokes 3-10 Gneeveguilla 2-5. The Man of the Match Award was presented to

Gneeveguilla goal keeper Patrick O'Riordan, by East Kerry Treasurer Pat O'Brien.

Dr Crokes Team: Johnny O'Leary, Brian Fitzgerald, Eoin Brosnan, David Naughten, Kieran Ward, Lorcan MacMonagle, Michael Potts (1-2, 0-2 frees), Jason Lyne, Alan O'Sullivan, Mike Milner, Paul Clarke(1-0), Gavin O'Shea, Mark O'Shea(1-1), Jordan Kiely(0-2), Billy Courtney(0-1). Subs Fionn Fitzgerald, Brian Looney(0-1), Micheál Burns(0-3), Sean



Coppinger.

Gneeveguilla Team: Patrick O'Riordan, Philip Cremin, Eoin Lawlor, Connie O'Connor, Padraig Doyle, Pa Warren(1-1), Damien O'Sullivan, DJ Murphy, Mike Murphy, John O'Leary (0-1), Shane Crowley, Michael Brosnan, Conlan O'Leary(1-0), D J O'Connor(0-3, 0-1 free), Jamie Brosnan. Subs: Darren Brosnan, Shane O'Sullivan Referee: Donal Casey Scartaglen.

# CONGRATULATIONS SCÓR NA NÓG **COUNTY FINALS**

Well done to all the participants from East Kerry clubs on representing their clubs and District so well at the County Finals of Scórna nÓg last Saturday at the Auditorium, Racecourse, Killarney. Congratulations to Spa Figure Dancers and Set Dancers and to Glenflesk Balad Group on winning county titles. Congratualtions to Spa also on wnning the Best Club Award.

## **SYMPATHY**

We extend sympathy to East Kery Vice Chairman, John Dineen, on the death of his aunt in Cork. Ar dheis Dé go raibh a hanam dílis.

# DR. CROKES GAA CLUB NEWS

O'DONOGHUE CUP - EAST

**KERRY CHAMPIONSHIP SEMI FINAL** 

Dr Crokes 1-17 Rathmore 2-10 Played in Fitzgerald Stadium

A second half rally by Rathmore in which they brought down our eight point interval lead to two as we entered the last ten minutes. We did however fight hard in the remaining ten minutes and outscored our opponents by three points to one for a four point victory.

Our display in the first 20 minutes of the game was as good as any twenty minutes this year. At the end of this period we led 1-12 to 1-1. Our opponents finished the half the better and three unanswered points at the end of the half brought our lead down to eight points, 1-12 to

Rathmore came out at the start of the second half meaning business. They sent over two points without reply to reduce their deficit to six points. Points by Kieran O'Leary and Daithi Casey on either side of a Rathmore point extended our lead to seven points after 40 minutes. Rathmore struck back with a goal and two points without reply to reduce our lead to two points with ten minutes to ply. There was a lot of up and down play in these remaining ten minutes. We however landed three points to our opponents one to give us a four point win at the final whistle.

Our lads had to fight hard for victory and we had very good displays by players from both sides. We had had exceptional contributions from Daithi Casey, Kieran O'Leary, who scored six points, five of them from play and Eoin Brosnan who had to retire at the three quarter stage.

Team and Scorers: Shane Murphy, John Payne (Capt), Eoin Brosnan, Fionn Fitzgerald, David O'Leary 0-1, Gavin White, Jason Lyne, Johnny Buckley 0-2, Daithi Casey 0-1 (free), Micheal Burns 0-2, Gavin O'Shea 0-1, Brian Looney 0-1, Jordan Kiely 0-2, Kieran O'Leary 1-6 (0-1 free) Mark O'Shea

Subs: David Shaw, Michael Potts 0-1, Alan







O'Sullivan, Shane Doolan, Billy Courtney, David Naughton.

### **EAST CHAMPIONSHIP KERRY** O'DONOGHUE CUP - QUARTER FINAL

Dr Crokes 3-10 Gneeveguilla 2-5

In atrocious weather we got the better of Gneeveguilla as a result of a very good display against a strong wind to lead at the interval by 2-5 to 1-4. Both teams were glad that the Rathmore field was in great condition as it allowed the sides to play an open game.

Our opponents came more into the game in the second half and got within five points of us as we came into the last five minutes. At this stage we came right back into the game and went through for a goal after a good passing movement (more than the three consecutive passes allowed inthe suggested new rules). We played "hold ball" for the remaining minutes and were eight points to the good at the final whistle

Team: Johnny O'Leary, Brian Fitzgerald, Eoin Brosnan (Capt), David Naughton, Kieran Ward, Jason Lyne, Lorcan Mc Monagle, Paul Clarke, Alan O'Sullivan, Mike Milner, Billy Courtney, Michael Potts, Jordan Kiely, Mark O'Shea, Gavin O'Shea

Subs: Fionn Fitzgerald, Micheal Burns, Brian Looney, Cian O'Neill, David O'Leary.

### **PROGRESSIVE 31**

Progressive 31 takes place every Wednesday in Crokes Clubhouse. It will start at 8.00pm. You will need to bring money and a partner €5 per person.

# **SENIOR SCOR**

Senior Scor is now looking for participants for the 2019 competition. It's open all Adults. Please contact Ger Lyne on 086 1541840.

### **JUVENILE MEDAL PRESENTATION 2018**

Last Wednesday night was yet another

celebration of the fantastic football talent that the Dr Crokes posses, except this time it wasn't a Munster Title or anything of the like it was a night to admire the talent of the Underage players in the club after what was an incredibly successful year for the club. The Dromhall Hotel provided a magnificent setting as well as food and refreshments for the players special night as they collected their medals for multiple East Kerry Leagues and East Kerry Championships as well as a County League between all the age groups. It was a special honour for all the girls and boys as they were presented with their medals by three Senior members of the club, Johnny Buckley, Jordan Kiely and the recently announced Kerry Ladies football Captain Amanda Brosnan. With such success at Underage level there is no doubt that there will be many more glory days for the club to come in the future.

## **HAPPY CHRISTMAS**

We wish all our Members and their Families a very Happy Christmas and Best wishes for 2019.

Lotto 6, 10, 13, 27. Jackpot E6600. Not won match 3 4 by E100. Next draw on Sunday 23rd of December in Tatler Jack. Jackpot E6900

# GNEEVEGULLA GAA NEWS

No winner of last weeks lotto numbers drawn were 11,13,17,30. Lucky dip winners were €40 Mike Warren, €40 Aileen and Norette Sheehan, €40 Maura Jones Bridge Bar, €30 Bud, €30 Tim Sullivan c/o Dan Cremin, €20 Joe Crowley Knocknagree. Next weeks jackpot €5,500 thanks for your continued support. O Donoghue cup result Gneeveguilla 2 05 Dr Crokes 3 10. Oweenecree angling club annual dance on in club bar Friday 21st in club bar. We

would also like to wish all our members and all your readers a very happy Christmas.

# **LEGION GAA NEWS**

As 2018 draws to a close we would like to take this opportunity to thank all our sponsors, players, coaches, members and supporters for all your time and effort over the past 12 months. We suffered a few tough defeats off the field with the sad and untimely passing of club members throughout the year. However in these sad times the club acts as an extended family to help each other through the tough times. We will never forget those that have gone before us and we hope that they will show us the way forward. On behalf of Killarney Legion Gaa club we would like to wish everybody a peaceful Christmas and a successful & Healthy New Year. The club would like to extend its good wishes to a great supporter of the Legion club, Francis Howe who is based in Dublin, Francis was a former player. Everyone in the club is thinking of you & the Howe Family & sending you every best wish.

### **LOTTO RESULTS:**

5,9,10,13.

Match 3 for €50:

Joe Moriarty, 3 Willow Grove, Killarney Shaun Doona 10 Scrahan Court Killarney Peter Doyle, Ross Road Donal O'Doherty Knocknahoe Killarney Stephen Carey c/o Kanye's bar

# MATCH 3 FOR BOTTLE OF WHISKEY **CHRISTMAS PRIZES:**

James O'Neill, Fairview guesthouse Ger McSweeney, Carragh restaurant Esther and Sophie Flavin, Tarbert Ger Tomo c/o DanJoe Lynch Cathleen O'Brien, 65 Countess Grove

# Spa Figure and Set Dancers are 2018 Scor na nOg County Champs

Kerry GAA Scor na Nog Officer Christy Killeen presented the winning trophy to Spa in the Celtic Steps Arena in the Killarney last weekend. Spa also received the Overall trophy which is a huge achievement for the Club and our hard working Scór Officer Eileen Aherne and coaches Triona and Mairead Mangan. The dancers will represent Kerry in the Munster final on Jan 20th in Cappoquin, Waterford.



Set dancers: Christy Killeen (Kerry GAA Scor Officer), Cian O Sullivan, Gary O'Sullivan, Darraah Brosnan, Diarmuid O Donovan, Colm O Connor and coach Triona Manaan Erin Holland, Orlaith Spillane, Elena O Donoghue and Aoife O Donoghue Front with mascot Reidín Leahy (Triona's daughter).



Alice O Donoahue, Carrie Hickey, Erin Holland, Aislinn O Donovan Leah Murphy, Ailbhe Gallagher, Orlaith Spillane and Kate Lawlor.











# KERRY GAA SCENE REPORT BY LEONA TWISS, PRO

# **MUNSTER** COUNCIL GRANTS

The Munster Council has announced details of the 2018 Development Grant Scheme, which has provided €1,130,000 in funding for club and school capital development projects across the province. Under the scheme, Clare received €176,771 from 22 applications, Cork received €221,709 from 42 applications, Limerick received €206,907 from 35 applications, Kerry received €124,771 from 23 applications, Tipperary received €281,011 from 38 applications and Waterford received €64,755 from 15 applications. Funding is allocated based on the amount spent and on the category of development. On Monday night, Development Officer Eamon Whelan and Munster Council Delegate Gerard McCarthy presented the Kerry Clubs with their Cheques. The following were the grants awarded -

Beaufort € 5.833.83 Churchill € 20,000.00 Cordal € 6.107.12

Daingean Ui Cuis € 1,589.49

Dr. Crokes € 12,543.37 € 20,000.00

Glenbeigh Handball € 2,500.00

Kenmare € 3,187.52 Kilcummin € 12,543.37 Lixnaw € 2,152.32

Milltown / Castlemaine € 8,271.10

Spa € 12,543.37

# **SANDING**

# **DEVELOPMENT GRANTS**

Cromane €2.000.00 Currow € 2,000.00 Dr Crokes € 2,000.00 Finuge € 2,000.00 Firies €2,000.00 Listry € 2,000.00 Rathmore € 2,000.00

# **LEGAL GRANTS**

Abbeydorne € 700.00 Ballydonoghue € 700.00 Brosna € 700.00 Cromane € 700.00 Lispole € 700.00

# AIB All-Ireland Club **Football Championship** Semi-Finals

Match details have been confirmed for the AIB All-Ireland Club Football Championship semi-finals. Dr.Crokes will face Mullinalaghta in the Senior Club Final on Saturday February 16th at 3.30pm in Semple Stadium, Thurles, In the Intermediate semi-final, Kilcummin face Two Mile House of Kildare on Sunday January 20th, at the Gaelic Grounds in Limerick at 2pm. Also at 2pm on January 20th, Beaufort play Dundalk Young Irelands of Louth in the Juniors semi-final which goes ahead in O'Moore Park, Portlaoise.

The draw for the Car Raffle was made at County Convention. The car was won by SPA GAA club for a second consecutive year! The complete list of winners is as follows -

1.Car Opel Grandland X - Spa GAA 2.Holiday to the value of €1000 - John Galvin 3.2 night break in the Skellig Hotel Dingle - James

4.€100 voucher Kerry GAA Store - Megan O'Sullivan 5.€100 voucher Kerry GAA Store - Paul Patrick O'Sullivan.

# **Kerry GAA Supporters Club**

The Kerry GAA Supporters club Annual Social takes place on the 19th January 2019 in the Ballygarry House Hotel. It was a successful 2018 for Kerry teams on the playing fields and the Kerry GAA supporters club will honour those achievements. The highlight was the five in a row All Ireland Minor Titles. Captain Paul O'Shea and former

Minor Manager Peter Keane will be present along with the Kerry Juniors Manager Jimmy Keane and Captain Kieran Murphy. The U21 hurlers claimed the B All Ireland title and captain Jason Diggins and Manager Ian Brick will also be present. Also invited are Sean Weir who secured a place on the Joe McDonagh team of the year along with 2018 football All Star David Clifford. Special guest on the night will be former Radio Kerry broadcaster Garry O'Sullivan. Tickets for this event are now on sale from club members and are an ideal Christ-

Kerry Supporters Club league travel 2019 is just around the corner. There will be three away games, Galway is a day trip and Cavan and Roscommon are overnight stays. These overnight trips must be booked two weeks before travel.

# **New Range Launched** at the Kerry GAA Store

The Keohane American Football Jersey is designed in memory of former Kerry player, Manager and Selector Joe Keohane. Paul Galvin's American football style design commemorates Kerry's relationship with the United States. Joe Keohane was a proud John Mitchels Man and would have been 100 years old this year. He won 4 All Irelands as a player and 8 as a selector with Mick O'Dwyer. He also won several county championships with John Mitchels. Joe was named as one of the 125 best players of all time. The jersey is available online and in store.

# Season's Greetings

On behalf of the Kerry Executive, I would like to wish Kerry Supporters at home and all over the world a very Happy Christmas. We thank all players, officers, referees and supporters for their commitment throughout 2018. Beannachtaí na Nollag oraibh go léir! We also remember the great Kerry GAA people who went to their Eternal Rest this year. May they Rest in Peace.



Staff at the Great Southern Hotel, Killarney pictured with guests at the movie 'Elf' which was shown in aid of Debra Ireland on Sunday. Included are in front, Claire Scally, Aoibhe and Benen Flanagan and at back, Claire Concanon, Debra Ireland, Emma Kenneally, Vocpro, Karen Fleming, Aidan and Allison O'Flanagan and Lisa Leahy, Hayfield

PHOTO: DON MACMONAGLE











# SCHOOL BOY/GIRL SOCCER

# **GAMES PLAYED DESPITE STORM DEIRDRE'S DISRUPTION:**

Subway SFAI Inter League 13's Kerry 6-2 Limerick County 15's South Tipperary 2-4 Kerry 12 Girls Premier Camp Juniors 4-1 MEK 14 Girls Premier Castleisland 0-0 Camp Juniors Daly's Supervalu 13 Premier Tralee Dynamos 2-2 Park 13's Division 1 Inter Kenmare 0-3 Camp Juniors

13 Division 2 South Ballyhar 4-2 Mastergeeha B Killarney Plaza 15 Premier Ballyhar 3-7 Park

15Division 2

Inter Kenmare 2-2 MEK Tralee Dynamos 4-4 Listowel Celtic

### **REPORTS**

**Subway Inter League Reports:** Kerry 13's qualify for home Plate semi-final Kerry 6-2 Limerick County

The Kerry 13's ended the League phase of the u13 Subway Munster Inter League with a big win at home against Limerick County. At Mounthawk Park Kerry got off to the perfect start and Keelan O'Shea put them 1-0 up after 5 miniutes.

Kerry continued to dominate the first 30 minutes and goals from Mint O'Connor, Andrew Kerins and Jack Slattery had the home side in control. Limerick County pulled one back to leave Kerry 4-1 ahead.

With third place up for grabs in the group Kerry pushed on and they added two more goals from Barry Fitzsimons. While the visitors did add a second it was Kerry that took a good win to finish behind Limerick Desmond and Limerick District but ahead of Clare, North Tipperary and Limerick County.

This give Kerry a bye into the Munster Plate semi-final where they will be at home to the winners of Clare and South Tipperary with the game scheduled for the weekend of January

Kerry 15's win away to reach Plate Final South Tipperary 2-4 Kerry

Kerry travelled to Cahir Park for a huge game with not just a place in the Munster Plate Final up for grabs but also the chance to keep their National hopes alive.

And they did it following a 4-2 win in a game that they dominated for long periods. The visitors got off to the perfect start and were 1-0 up after 6 minutes. Adam Segal and Rocco Rujeuvcan set up Colin Doody for the goal.

It got even better for Kerry as Raymond O'Neill and Doody combined to find Segal on the edge of the box and he made no mistake from 18

Oisin Lavin was by far the busier keeper in the South Tipp goal saving from Tom Whittleton and Segal with Sean O'Connell creating havoc on the left wing.

However these saves gave the home side confidence and they were back in the game in

the 16th minutes when Donnach Troy showed good feet in the box to beat Sean Moloney in the Kerry goal.

Moloney then had to make a great double save after a South Tipp corner and the home side looked for an equaliser. And that equaliser came on the stroke of half time when Tristan McCormack's perfect free kick gave Moloney no chance and the game was tied at 2-2 at the half.

Both managements knew that the next goal was vital and it was Kerry that took over again after the break. Rujeuvcan, Cianan Cooney and Cillian Murphy all went close before Kerry took the lead again. Cooney did well when he found space in the box and his shot across Lavin ended up in the corner of the net. With the Kerry defence on top South Tipp were unable to create any meaningful chances and Kerry should have wrapped up the win but O'Connell hit the post and Tom Whittleton's follow-up came off the crossbar.

They did get the insurance goal late in the game when Cianan Cooney smashed home an unstoppable shot to wrap up the 4-2 win.

This now means that Kerry will face North Tipperary on the weekend of January 19th and 20th with the winner also qualifying for the Subway SFAI National semi-final.

# **CAMP CHASING TOP** 3 SPOT IN 12 GIRLS:

There has been some great action in the 12 Girls Premier and Camp Juniors 4-1 at home to MEK has seen then continue their push for a top 3 spot.

Killarney Celtic White and Inter Kenmare girls have a gap at the top and the title looks between them with Celtic White 3 points ahead but with a game more played.

Camp Juniors are now onto 10 points thanks to goals from Miraim Sheehan, Anna Roberts, Aisleigh Horan and Ciara Slattery and are just 2 points behind Listowel Celtic who are in 3rd place but who do have 2 games in hand over Camp. For MEK Kickerz Izzy McGrath continued her impressive scoring streak getting their goal with Kate Falvey, Sinead O'Sullivan and Ali O'Sullivan also impressive.

# **NO GOALS IN 14 GIRLS CLASH ON NEW CASTLEISLAND ALL WEATHER**

Congratulations to all in Castleisland AFC on the opening of their very impressive astro turf pitch. The first game saw the host clubs girls take on Camp Juniors. Castleisland are in 4th place on the table but had to rely on their keeper Eirn O'Connor who was excellent on the day.

MEK are only a couple of points behind them and has Saoirse Meghan as their best player on

# TRALEE SIDES CAN'T BE SEPARATED IN **13 PREMIER CLASH:**

With very little between the sides chasing leaders Killorglin both Tralee Dynamos and The Park would have been looking for 3 points in the latest derby.

However they had to settle for a point each following a 2-2 draw. JJ Olijatan and Bruno Borrows got the goals for the Park who are only 4 points off second place. Dynamos are two points further back but have a game in hand over The Park. Thomas Derege got both the Dynamos goals.

Inter lead 13's Division 1 but others with games in hand:

In the Daly's Supervalu 13 Division 1 Inter Kenmare's 3-0 win over Camp Juniors sees them open a 4 point gap at the top of the table. However their 5 wins and 1 draw from 8 games means they are on 16 points but their closest rivals Castleisland are on 12 points with 4 wins from 4 games played.

Killorglin are also on 12 points with one more game played than Castleisland while Dingle Bay are still in contention on 10 points.

# **BALLYHAR CLOSE GAP AT THE TOP OF** THE 13 DIVISION 2 SOUTH:

A strong second half performance from Ballyhar at Murt Scott Park sees them move onto 16 points from 8 games played. They are now just two behind leaders Killarney Athletic B who do have a game less played.

The game was tied at 1-1 at half time with Robert Kelly scoring for the home side and Emmet Spillane getting the goal for Mastergeeha B. However in the second half Kelly completed his hat-trick and Daithi O'Shea added a 4th for Ballyhar with Adam Whitty getting the goal for Mastergeeha.

Mastergeeha B remains in 4th place on 10 points just three behind Dingle Bay Rovers in third.

# PARK STRENGTHEN SECOND PLACE IN 15 PREMIER:

Killorglin who were not in action are the top side in the Killarney Plaza 15's Premier and are unbeaten in their 4 games.

The Park made the trip to Murt Scott Park a winning one to cement their second place. They are now three ahead of Ballyhar who they beat in this game and also have a game less played.Cianan Cooney, Ben Hannafin and Cian O'Neill all scored twice for the Park with Colin Doody getting the other goal. Luke Ring, Colin O'Shea and Charlie Keating replied for Ballyhar. Points shared with 4 of the top 5 drawing:

MEK are three points clear at the top of the Killarney Plaza 15 Division 2 after their away draw with third placed Inter Kenmare. Leo Healy and Kevin Harant got the MEK goals who are now on 16 points from 8 played. Inter Kenmare stay in third place with 11 points from 7 games played.

Listowel Celtic are in second place on 13 points but have only played 6 games. They were also held to a draw from their trip to Tralee to play Dynamos. Darragh Carey had a good day for Listowel Celtic hitting a hat trick with Adam Segal getting the 4th.

Tralee Dynamos will still hold hopes of getting into the top three and their goals came from Alex Hoare 2, Jack O'Donoghue and Donagh Stephenson.

# APPLICATIONS OPEN FOR LEAGUE OF **IRELAND HEAD COACH POSITIONS:**

With the assessments starting in early January and the 13's and 15's League of Ireland kicking off in March the Kerry Schoolboys Girls League are looking for applications for those interested in the Head Coach position at both ages.

Sales: Des 087 659 3427 Marie des@outlookmags.com

Applications by email to: League Secretary Aidan Murnane – casualandsport@gmail.com by Thursday night December 20th including qualifications – Minimum UEFA B. Garda vetting and Child Welfare number.

# KILLARNEY ATHLETIC A.F.C. NOTES

# **300 CLUB MEMBER DRAW**

Names are now being taken for next year's 300 Club Draw. All support is greatly appreciated. Please contact Mike O'Shea on 087-2226185 or any committee member

Merry Christmas: Killarney Athletic A.F.C. would like to wish all Players, Members, Parents and Sponsors a very Happy Christmas

# KERRY SCHOOL BOYS/GIRLS RESULTS

No Underage games played due to weather

# RESULTS SENIORS

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Dingle Bay Rovers 5 Killarney Athletic 0 Contact: If you have anything to add to Killarney Athletic A.F.C. notes please contact Mary McCarrick on 087 7750773 or mccarrickmary@ hotmail.com

Please check the website on www. killarneyathletic.com or Facebook for match reports, club information and contact details.

# **KILLARNEY CELTIC NOTES**

U17 League Killarney Celtic 2,Ballyhar 3,Daniel Okwute,Evan Looney

Date for the diary,Fri Dec 28th at 7pm in Celtic Park,Killarney Celtic 2011 Youths vs Killarney Celtic Senior squad

Many thanks to all who turned up at our recent christmas party in the Killarney Avenue Hotel. Award winners were as follows.

Club Person of the Year, Joint winers were Brian Looney and Jerry Falvey

A Team Player of the Year, Brendan Falvey B Team Player of the Year, Jared Barton Youths Player of the Year, Gary Vaughan Recognition Award, Alan & Natasha O Sullivan. Condolences to the Nagle family on the recent passing of Maurice. Killarney Celtic wishes all its players, coaches, supporters and volunteers a peaceful Christmas.

Well done to all who played in and supported the recent charity match in aid of South West Counselling Centre.

**CELTIC LOTTO.**Numbers drawn 3,18,21,25. 1 match 3 receives €150. Next jackpot St Stephens day €2,400.

# **MASTERGEEHA FC**

**U13 DIV 2** 

Ballyhar 4 Mastergeeha FC 2

In the poor weather conditions the boys started well with Adam Whitty opening the scoring after 15 minutes however the home side equalised just before the break. In the second half playing against the wind the Ballyhar scored further goals. Mastergeeha boys continued to push forward and got a goal back when Emmet Spillane finished off a good move.

# U17 MASTERGEEHA 3 TRALEE DYNAMOS 2

Although this match was abandoned just before half time due to horrendous weather conditions an honourable shout out to all who togged out and braved the stormy conditions. For the record, after falling behind early Geeha hit back when Conn Fleming turned at the near post and fired home following a Philip O'Leary corner and Ian O'Connor struck twice from outside the box to make it 3-1. Dynamos pulled one back but the ref called a halt to the game and we must do it all again in the new year. Well done to all with GK Joe Colgan, CB Daniel Herlihy and CM Chris Moynihan all outstanding. CHRISTMAS LOTTO DRAW: Extra prizes included in the draws on the 21st & 28th December.

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









# Lakers storm to a win in exciting encounter

Scotts Lakers Killarney 97 Limerick Celtics 91 REPORT: EAMONN KEOGH

ESPITE trailing for long periods, Scotts Lakers produced a storming final quarter to overcome Limerick Celtics in an exciting encounter in Killarney Sports Centre last Saturday night. The Celtics travelled to Killarney in confident form having beaten the Lakers there two weekspreviously in the cup quarter final and they were also strengthened with the addition of former Limerick footballer John Galvin.

The first quarter was a showcase for three-point shooting, with five of the first six scores from downtown. Dailian Mason and Mark Greene converted for Scotts Lakers and Turrell Morris, Jordan Hehir and Fabio Hernandez for Limerick Celtics. Andrew Fitzgerald rebounded strongly to pick up that lone two-pointer. Papito Hersisia and Fitzgerald hit two more baskets, while Morris, Hehir and John Galvin scored for Celtics. Limerick finished the quarter stronger to lead 31-23 at the end of the first period.

The home side hit back in the second quarter with Seamus Brosnan particularly impressive while Sean O'Brien began to stamp his authority on the game and the Lakers trailed 38-40 midway through the quarter. However Celtics went on a spree scoring four baskets

without reply despite the best efforts Sean O'Brien. John Galvin and Shane O'Connell stretched Limerick's advantage to ten points, 42 to 52 entering the final minute of the half. Fitzgerald and O'Brien responded for Lakers but John Galvin slotted a three-pointer to close out the second quarter and give Limerick a 55-46 lead at the interval.

Papito Hersisia and Mark Greene narrowed the gap to five points but Celtics remained in control



Papito Hersisia and Andrew Fitzgerald, Scotts Lakers St. Paul's, in action against Shane O'Connell, John Galvin and Turrell Morris, Limerick Celtics, in the national league clash in Killarney Sports Centre on Saturday night.

PICTURE: EAMONN KEOGH

to lead 64-54 midway through the third quarter. Outstanding play from Sean O'Brien and big scores from Papito Hersisia kept the home side in contention but John Galvin and Turrell Morris were equally impressive for the visitors and Limerick led 72-67 entering the final quarter.

Scotts Lakers stepped it up in the final period and a big three-pointer from Sean O'Brien made it a tied game at 72 points each with 8:30 remaining. Two spectacular reverse layup baskets from Seamus Brosnan and further scores from Hersisia along with incredible assist play from O'Brien helped to give the Lakers a commanding 82-75 lead with six minutes remaining. Celtics stayed in contention through Turrell Morris to narrow the gap to 84-82 midway through the final quarter. However Scotts Lakers finished much stronger with valuable baskets from Hersisia and Fitzgerald along with big

three-pointers

from Brosnan and O'Brien and the home side led 94-83 with 3:40 remaining. The Celtics never gave up and managed to reduce the deficit to six points in the end.

Overall it was a very satisfying performance from the Killarney side and keeps them in second place on the southern conference league table. Once again they had a big return from threepoint range sinking 12 in total. This was the Lakers final game of 2018 and the next outing will be a home game in Killarney Sports Centre on January 5th against Galway Titans.

Scotts Lakers: Papito Hersisia 30, Sean O'Brien 28, Mark Greene 13,

Seamus Brosnan 12, Andrew Fitzgerald 8, Dailian Mason 6.

Limerick Celtics: Turrell Morris 33, John Galvin 18, Jordan Hehir 16.



Seamus Brosnan, Scotts Lakers St. Paul's, breaks away from Shane O'Connell and John Galvin, Limerick Celtics, in the national league clash in Killarney Sports Centre on Saturday night. PICTURE: EAMONN KEOGH









# **EVENING COURSES**

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Kerins O'Rahilly's Club, Strand Street, Tralee

Wednesday the 26th December - St. Stephens Night

The Neily o Connor Band

Wednesday the 2nd January -Ger Healy - The Singing Jarvie

Wednesday the 9th January

The Noel Cronin Band

Dancing from 9pm to 11.30pm

Admission €10

Tel: 087 9735113





# **ACCOUNTS ASSISTANT - FINANCE**

#### BACKGROUND:

The company is currently undergoing an expansion in the development arm of its business and a role has materialised in the finance department to support this operational expansion.

#### ROLE:

Reporting to the Group Financial Controller and supporting the existing finance team this role will involve:

- Process supplier and customer invoices
- Matching PO with invoices
- Use of ROS for weekly / monthly RCT payments
- Liaise with suppliers regarding queries on account
- Prepare ad-hoc reporting and creditor reconciliations for the business with a particular focus on the development arm
- Preparation of some month end reporting schedules, journals and reconciliations
- Bank reconciliations
- Support the finance team in audit and tax compliance
- Perform other related tasks as requested by management

#### PROFILE:

- Strong IT skills and familiarity with financial accounting and reporting systems
- Previous experience in an accounts role an advantage
- Microsoft Office (particularly Excel) experience
- Good attention to detail
- Analytical with a good business acumen
- Excellent communication skills, both written and verbal

Should this role interest you and you feel you have the required skillset please send a copy of your CV to: info@mcgroup.ie or alternatively post your details to – Office Administrator, MC Group, Coolcaslagh, Killarney, Co. Kerry V93 XK82



Coolcaslagh, Killarney, Co. Kerry, Ireland - T: 064 66 31307

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# KERRY COUNTY COUNCIL



# **COUNTY KERRY - SKILLS SURVEY**

Our most important assets are our people and their skills.

## Are you ...

- currently living or working in Kerry?
- thinking about relocating to Kerry?
- planning to set up or move a business to Kerry?
- graduating from college and planning to work in Kerry?

Kerry County Council is conducting a skills survey to determine the skillset of those living in the county and those outside of the county who wish to return and seek employment.

Kerry County Council works closely with enterprise development agencies including Enterprise Ireland and IDA Ireland in attracting business to our county.

The information gathered from this survey will strengthen our capacity to generate investment and economic development in Kerry.

Please fill out the survey at www.kerrycoco.ie/skills-survey







# JUST 3 IDEAS FOR CHRISTMAS PRESENTS

\*For Isla Grant Fans it has to be a ticket to her Show in The INEC on February 15th next, as always her genial husband Al will make his popular contribution to the show featuring some of the all-time Jim Reeves 'Hit Songs'. At present Isla has 20 Concerts planned for her February / March Tour but only 3 are in Munster with one each in Ennis and Thurles and our own Killarney. Tickets are now on sale from the INEC Box Office, Muckross Road, Killarney, Co. Kerry, V93V6WF Tel: 064 66 71555. Email: info@inec.ie and also at Ticketmaster.ie and what better gift could anyone get for Christmas, especially for those that really became aware of Isla's wonderful voice and songs for the first time on Opry le Daniel recently.

\*The gift of reading is a joy forever and there are books for everyone from babies to adults. Please get them interested in books before they become aware of computer games and smart phones. \*Pre Computer Games and Toys like Snakes and Ladders, A Deck of Cards, Draughts, Dolls, A

Skipping Rope, Building Blocks, Jigsaws etc.

# **PET CARE**

For most of us Christmas means lots of great food and tasty treats but whilst a one off nibble on some boneless leftovers won't do your pet any harm try to resist the temptation to overindulge your pet. Chocolate is highly toxic to dogs and can result in death if even a small quantity is consumed.

If you have a real tree, sweep up the fallen needles regularly as these can easily get stuck in your pet's paws or throat and trim the lower branches to avoid poking accidents and make sure your pet cannot drink the water your tree is sitting in as this is poisonous. To remove the risk of electrocution, please ensure that all cables are out of reach of pets and tape down any loose ones.

Cats in particular love trying to knock baubles from the Christmas tree so try to use unbreakable decorations. Avoid using glass or fragile decorations which can break easily, cutting paws and if ingested, can cause serious gastrointestinal complications as can Tinsel and ribbon which should be confined to the higher branches of your tree.

Certain types of plants are highly toxic and can even cause death. Poinsettia, Holly, Mistletoe, Amaryllis, Lilies and Yew tree are poisonous to pets and must be kept well out of reach.

# ON THIS DATE - DECEMBER 21ST

1902 - A group of investors planned to spend \$5,000,000-\$15,000,000 to build flour mills in major cities in Ireland. The Irish flour business was failing due to importing grain from America and other countries.

1913 - The first crossword puzzle, by Arthur Wynne, the English-born New York journalist was published in the New York World

1923 - Turkish porters were reported to be the strongest men on earth. One porter could carry 100 pounds for 20 miles. They lived mainly on a diet of fruit and olives.

1923 - Nepal changed from British protectorate to



independent nation.

1929 - The 1st US group hospital insurance plan was offered in Dallas, Texas.

1937 - The first Dr. Seuss book, "And to Think That I Saw It on Mulberry Street," was published by Vanguard Press.

1945 - 60 year old U.S. Army Gen. George S. Patton, died in Heidelberg, Germany, 12 days after being seriously injured in a car accident which happened while on his way to a pheasant shoot.

1962 - Rondane National Park in Norway was

established as an important habitat for herds of wild reindeer.

1964 - Britain's House of Commons voted to ban the death penalty.

1991 - The birth of the Commonwealth of Independent States was proclaimed by eleven of the 12 former Soviet republics, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Moldova, Russia, Tajikistan, Ukraine, and Uzbekistan.

# IT'S ALMOST CHRISTMAS AND DID YOU KNOW THAT

\*Historically, Holly, Laurel and Ivy were used to brighten up homes in Ireland during the Christmas season.

The prickly leaves of Holly represent the crown of thorns that Jesus wore when he was crucified. The berries are the drops of blood that were shed by Jesus because of the thorns, in Scandinavia it is known as the Christ Thorn. Ivv has to cling to something to support itself as it grows, this reminds us that we need to cling to God for support in our lives. Laurel has been worn as a wreath on the head to symbolise success and victory for thousands of years, it symbolises the victory of God over the Devil. They are also evergreens and so signify everlasting life with God. Years ago, whole families went out to find holly bushes and ivy (plus a few sprigs of Laurel if there was a convenient hedge nearby) to decorate the mantelpiece and other parts of the house. Holly and Ivy were also used because it allowed poor people to decorate their homes in the same way as those who were better off. The Christmas wreath tradition is thought to have originated in Ireland as householders used hang a ring of holly on the door.

\*A Christmas candle in the window was long displayed as a symbol of hospitality and a symbol that the home owner would welcome the Holy Family, or any other poor traveller who was out on Christmas Eve, the door was also left unlatched as a symbol of hospitality.

\*In both Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland, December 26th is a celebrated public holiday. In Northern Ireland, though, the date is known Boxing Day from the tradition of the local landlord giving a box of food to his tenants, while in the Republic of Ireland it is referred to St Stephen's Day, to commemorate the life of St. Stephen, the first Christian martyr whose hiding place was supposed to have been given away by a misfortunate frightened wren. 'Wren Boys' used visit houses and sing, dance or recite to collect "a penny or two to bury the wren" this money was later pooled together to buy sweets etc., while at night adults used parade the streets dancing and singing to raise money for charity.

\*Poinsettia plants are named after Joel R. Poinsett, an American minister to Mexico, who brought the red-and-green plant from Mexico to America in 1828. The shape of the poinsettia flowers are regarded as a symbol of the Star of Bethlehem which led the Wise Men to Jesus.

# MAKING NEW YEAR RESOLUTIONS WITH YOUR CHILDREN

For many of us, the New Year means it's time to take stock of our lives and fix what we don't like. Whether it's our diet, exercise routine or tendency to procrastinate, there is always room for improvement in the coming year. We not only benefit from New Year's resolutions; children can also learn a lot about self-discipline and the value of making goals.

Resolutions for the entire family might include taking a monthly hike, playing board games twice a month or committing to more volunteering activities. Try to limit the number so they are more doable and more meaningful. They should be based on things that are doable without economic hardship.

For preschool-aged children, why not get them to agree to resolutions that focus on cleaning up toys, brushing teeth and being kind to pets.

As a child reaches age five and up to age 12, he or she is more able to comprehend a resolution and participate more in the process of picking one. What your child needs to work on is very personal, so work with your child to come up with areas for improvement. No matter what age your child is, he or she is more likely to understand the value of goal setting if you take the lead. Just as with everything else you do, your child is watching. Children relish that thrill of accomplishment, especially when their parents are acknowledging

it.

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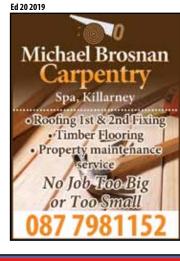








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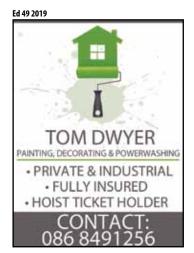






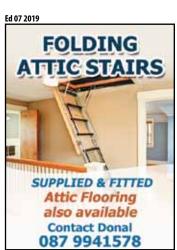








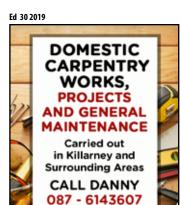








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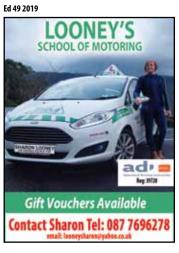




















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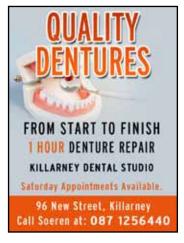




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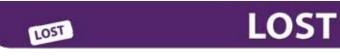
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# A Word of Victory

Welcome back dear reader following on from last week, the worldwide removal of Christ from Christmas is a deception of the devil to keep people so distracted that they miss what God is doing. Three thousand years ago many people also missed what God was doing. When Gabriel the Archangel announced to Mary that God had chosen her to be the mother of His Son, he also told her that her cousin Elizabeth who was an old woman, was six months pregnant. The Bible tells us that a few days later Mary hurried to the hill country to visit Elizabeth to rejoice with her, and, as they met the baby in Elizabeth's womb leaped for joy (Luke 1:44). This baby (John the Baptist) had been growing inside his Mother for around 24 weeks at that point, and Mary's baby (Jesus our Saviour) was but a few days conceived in her womb. Yet it was a baby, himself yet unborn, who was the first to worship and acknowledge Jesus, the Messiah. Jesus wasn't just a 'cluster of cells', he was a human being. It's very easy to write off a defenceless baby when he or she is referred to in such a detached term. Read it for yourself friend — this is important. You know what happened then, in response to the angel's explanation, Joseph took Mary to be his wife, even though he was not the father of her Child, and they journeyed to his hometown of Bethlehem to take part in the census which had been called.

In the meantime three Magi (wise men), who had travelled a long journey to Israel, called to King Herod in Jerusalem to ask the whereabouts of the new King Whose star they saw in the sky. King Herod called the church leaders together to find out where the Messiah was to be born. Bethlehem was where the Scriptures had prophesied, so Herod sent the wise men on their way to find this new King, Who, he discerned from the information they gave him, was two years of age or younger. Herod's parting shot to them was 'be sure to tell me when you find Him so that I can worship Him too' (Matthew 2:1-18).

Of course Herod had no intention of worshipping the Messiah, but sought to kill Him. The star led the travellers to where the baby Jesus was with Mary and Joseph. They bowed before Him in worship, and gave extravagant gifts to Him. What's my point?

These three Magi were learned men — astronomers who understood the signs of the times; and, even though they were unbelievers, they saw the glory of God revealed to them, and they left everything to go and worship the Lord with their substance. The church (believers), who should have been watching the times, even though they knew all the prophetic Scriptures, missed the coming of their Saviour and Messiah. They also did not comprehend why God would come in the flesh as a humble, tiny defenceless baby. They were expecting their King to come in pomp and splendour and majesty, not meekly wrapped in swaddling. The angels that appeared to the shepherds as they tended their sheep announced the birth of The Prince of Peace, the Saviour of the world. Jesus, the Good Shepherd who came to seek and save the lost sheep was born, but the religious missed the great event. When the wise men had given their worship and their gifts, they set off back home by another route having been warned in a dream to not disclose anything to Herod. When he realised they were not coming back to give him the location of the Messiah, Herod ordered that every male child two years and under be killed, but God protected and preserved His Son by warning Joseph beforehand to flee to Egypt in a dream. Massacre of the innocents marked the first Coming of the Messiah, and it is also a sign of His second Coming, but this time He is not coming as a babe, but as the Conquering King and Judge of all, and the evil things that people think do not matter will be judged. Get ready friend, repent of sin, and turn to Jesus while there is time, for the Kingdom of God is at hand. Happy Christmas from everyone at Word of Victory Christian Fellowship. See more on wordofvictory.net

More next week...

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

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

- 1. Reach out if you are feeling lonely or isolated; seek out someone to talk to. This may be a family member, a friend, your GP or a counsellor.
- 2. Be Realistic Whilst we may have images of the perfect Christmas from movies and songs-this is rarely the case in reality. Cut yourself some slack this Christmas and remember it doesn't have to be perfect (and rarely will be).
- 3. Stick to a budget Decide how much money you can afford to spend and then stick to this. Planning ahead can also take much of the stress out of Christmas.
- 4. Take time for yourself Be sure to factor in some time for you take a walk, relax whilst listening to music, go for a swim. Spending just 15 minutes alone, without distractions can refresh you and help clear your mind.
- Stay healthy Christmas can be a time when we overindulge on sweets, cake and alcohol. Try not to abandon your healthy habits and be sure to get plenty of sleep and physical exercise. At SouthWest Counselling Centre we recognise the challenges people may face at this time. The Centre will be closed from 5pm on Friday 21st December 2018 and will re-open at 10am on Wednesday 2nd January 2019. If you need to talk to someone immediately or outside of these hours please call The Samaritans on 116 123. SouthDoc is available on 1850 335999.

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## THANKSGIVING

Praise and thank you Father in heaven your loving son Jesus, and the Holy Spirit for all the blessings you have given me and my family. Praise and thanks to our Lady of the Sacred Heart, our Blessed Mother, St. Joseph, St. Padrio Pio, St. Martin, St. Anthony, St. Theresa of the little flower, St. Faustina, the Holy Shuls

our Guardian Angel and all the Angels for their inter sessions to the good Lord for us.

I trust in this wonderful Prayer, O Jesus I surrender myself to to you, take care of everything, thank you Jesus. I believe in the power of prayer. X

# **THANKSGIVING** ST. JUDE

O Holy St. Jude, Apostle and Martyr, great in virtue and rich in miracles, near Kinsman of Jesus Christ, this faithful intercessor of all who invoke your special patronage in time of need, to you I have recourse from the depth of my heart and humbly beg to whom God has given such great power, come to my assistance. Help me in my present urgent petition in return I promise to make your name known and cause you to be invoked.

Three Our Father, three Hail Mary and three Glory Be.

St. Jude and all the Saints pray for us and all who invoke your aid. Amen.

# THE MIRACLE PRAYER

Dear Heart of Jesus in the past I have asked many favours. This time I ask you this special one, (mention favour). Take it dear heart of Jesus and place it within your own broken heart where your Father sees it.

Then in his merciful eyes it will become vour favour not mine.

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

# **WONDERFUL NOVENA**

Oh Jesus, I surrender myself to you, take care of everything. Say 10 times a day for nine days

# **1ST ANNIVERSARY & ACKNOWLEDGMENT**



In Loving Memory of

# **NOREEN** O'LEARY

Annaghmore, Headford, Killarney, Co. Kerry

We, the family of Noreen, would like to thank all those who sympathised with us, who attended Rosary, removal & burial in such bad weather. Those who gave Mass cards & messages of sympathy. To all the Home Help who were all great & she loved them. A special word of thanks to Margo O'Connell & Mary Halloran who were so good to Noreen taking her on outings, meals etc. The friends & neighbours who visited Noreen at her home & taking phone calls. The Killarney Branch of I.W.A. Eileen, Collette & the voluntary. The council for the blind, Fr Covidans, Janice & Fr Flynn of the Lourdes Pilgrimage to Lourdes & all the helpers that were so good to her on her 29 years going.

Sandra Dineen, the ambulance paramedics who were so good & caring the day Noreen got sick. Thanks to Fr.Pat for visiting Noreen and the lovely ceremony & support to our family.

The Lucy sisters & Tim Gleeson for their music, Donie the Sacristan, John D.Michael John & grave diggers. Please accept this as a token of our sincere appreciation. The Holy Sacrifice of Mass will be offered for your intentions.



Loved and always remembered by Paudie, Joan, Breda & Marie & there families.

Anniversary Mass in Gneevequilla on Friday Dec 28th at 7.30pm.

# **NOVENA TO THE SACRED HEART**

Sacred Heart, St Jude, St Anthony. And to all of the Saints for favours received. And thanks to the universe. X

# PRECIOUS MOTHER OF JESUS

Mother of Divine Grace, you can find a way, where there is no way. Please hear my prayer and grant me my request. (Say 6 times daily and your request will be granted).



In Loving Memory of

# **CIAN** O'DONOGHUE

whose 24th Birthday occurs on the 29th December

> Deep are the memories Precious they stay No passina of time Can take them away They bring a smile Sometimes a tear But always a wish That you were still here.

Happy Birthday Cian. Sadly missed and lovingly remembered by your Auntie Siobhan, Uncle in Law Jerry, Cousin's Cassandra and Ellen and Grand Uncle Jerry.

A silent thought, a quiet prayer For a special person in God's care.

# **5TH ANNIVERSARY**



In Loving Memory of

# **SHANE DENNEHY**

Late of Bounard Gneevequilla who died on 25th December 2013.

> Loved with a love beyond all telling missed with a grief beyond all tears.

Sadly missed and always remembered Mom, David, Derek, Jack, Caitlin and extended family.



# **5TH ANNIVERSARY**



In Loving Memory of

# EILEEN O'SULLIVAN (NEE HURLEY)

Who died on 20th December, 2013

Eileen,

Let this be a loving reminder That we are missing you today You are someone that our hearts hold on to, As we travel along life's way, Someone who made life so special for all those who gather here, Someone who won't be forgotten But cherished from year to year And now as we pause to remember Let us all fondly recall How dearly each of us loved her, And oh...how she loved us all!



Margaret, Mike, Sophie and Cora.

## **4TH ANNIVERSARY**



In Loving Memory of

# NOREEN FORAN (NEE LYNCH)

43 O'Kelly's Villas Who died 07th January 2015.

Those we love don't go away, they walk beside us every day, Unseen, unheard, but always near, Still loved, still missed and very dear.



Always remembered by your Daughters Maureen, Noreen, Tricia, Sons Dan & John, Sons in law & Daughters in law, Grandchildren & Great Grandchildren.

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