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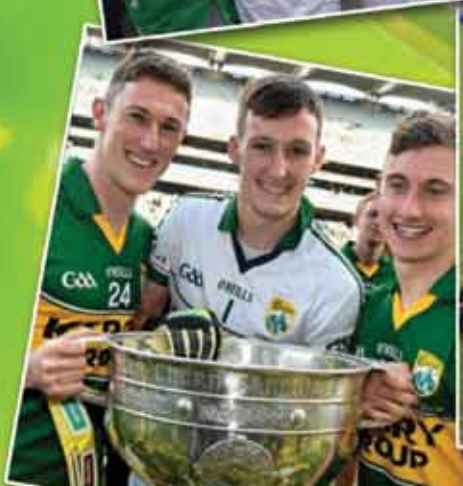
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EDITOR'S NOTE

With another weather warning looming, there will be plenty of time for you to stay safe indoors this weekend with the Killarney Outlook for company. We have lots for you this week, from the county's heroes to

pancake flippers and from football stars to stars of the stage, Killarney folk have been busy this past week.

There are lots of fantastic deals from our loyal advertisers in this week's magazine, along with all

the news, sport and pictures from all that is happening in the busy town of Killarney! Stay Safe!

Aisling Crosbie,
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A flipping good fundraiser



The Sorooptimist popular annual Pancake Tuesday Coffee Morning which took place at the Killarney Avenue Hotel on Tuesday morning L-R Noreen Browne, Ann O'Connor, Bridey Brosnan, President Teresa Irwin, Frankie McMahon, Kathleen Keane & Emer Moyhihan. PICTURES: MARIE CARROLLO'SULLIVAN.

Hundreds of pancakes were enjoyed in the stylish surroundings of The Killarney Avenue on Shrove Tuesday as the Sorooptimists held their annual fundraiser.

President of the Killarney branch Teresa Irwin along with her team of helpers were on hand to ensure that everyone had plenty of goodies as they sat and chatted, raising funds for the Kerry/Cork Health Link Bus and the South West Counselling Service.

Despite the miserable weather, the function room at the hotel was full and everyone enjoyed delicious pancakes, accompanied by fresh fruit, which is supplied by O'Callaghan's Fruit & Veg free of charge every year. Sceil Eile, also generously sponsor cakes and pastries for the fundraiser.

The event is now in its 14th year and is one that is looked forward to by everyone.



Enjoying the Killarney Sorooptimists annual Pancake Morning at the Killarney Avenue Hotel were L-R Mairead & Luke Quill and Mary Harmon.



Killarney Outlook Editor Aisling Crosbie, Marie O'Carroll & Ciara Irwin-Foley, pictured at the Killarney Avenue Hotel for the Sorooptimists annual Pancake Tuesday Coffee Morning.

Leap into Snowdrop Saturday...

Following on from 2019's very successful bluebell planting on Mission Road, the Killarney Looking Good Committee are now planting snowdrops in the green on Mission Road on Saturday 29th February starting at 9.00am. Remember this is a once in four year opportunity to mark this day.

Speaking about the planting, Eileen O'Donoghue, Killarney Municipal officer said "It is the Committees intention the planting will improve biodiversity while also bringing people together, getting some gentle exercise and fresh air. We have an amazing National Park on our doorstep and this is a great opportunity for people to come

together and enhance the link between the town and the park. You don't need to be an expert gardener as no experience necessary and all equipment will be provided."

Volunteers don't have to stay for the entire session any help will be gratefully received. Remember even an hours planting will leave a lasting legacy for the whole community to enjoy. These snowdrops will be planted in memory of our very special friend Archdeacon Fr Michael Murphy. The event is supported by South Kerry Development Partnership, Kerry County Council and Killarney Chamber of Tourism and Commerce.



Killarney Tidy Towns Volunteers, busy planting bulbs on Mission Road, Killarney. PHOTO: VALERIE O'SULLIVAN

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The Great Escape...

Simone McCarthy, Left, Michael Crawley, Mór Active, Edward Dela Torre, Chef and Ciara Treacy, leading the way in the Gap of Dunloe, Killarney, to embrace the new Wander Wild Festival in Killarney, Co Kerry.
PHOTO: VALERIE O'SULLIVAN

Killarney welcomes WILD WANDERERS

Adventurers are invited to take a walk on the wild side at the end of March as Killarney prepares to embrace the new Wander Wild Festival in Killarney, Co Kerry, which takes place from March 27-29 inclusive, heralding the Spring equinox celebrated with pageantry, fire, passion, drama, adventure and exhibitions. Offering a great escape, the town will come alive with a full-on programme. The inaugural Wander Wild Festival will offer an inside glimpse of what the real Killarney is all about with a springtime celebration of the great outdoors. The guest speakers lined up will include

writer and storyteller Michael Harding who will explore rituals, the ocean, soul – and chest pain – while ultra-athlete Shane Finn, who completed 24 marathons in 24 days and cycled and ran across America in 36 days, will share his experiences with special guests in a live podcast. Film will feature prominently throughout the festival with screenings, including The Lost Skytrain, a gripping documentary about the disappearance in 1943 of a WW2 Douglas C-47 plane that was later discovered, with the bodies of five men, by two local farmers on Kerry's McGillycuddy Reeks.

The action-packed weekend will also feature great escape events such as guided mountain climbs, kayaking on the lakes, night nature walks and map and compass reading classes with a packed children's programme focusing on the great outdoors. For the more energetic there will be separate events to keep them challenged and busy with a park run and a Hardman 10k on the agenda. Live music and entertainment will fill the streets and the public houses and visitors can sample an authentic taste of Kerry food and drink along the designated taster trails.

KILLARNEY HOTELIERS ATTEND ANNUAL IHF CONFERENCE IN GALWAY



Kerry pictured at the IHF Conference in The Galmont Hotel, Galway on Monday. Included are from left, Tracey Coyne, International Hotel, Bernadette Randles, Chairperson and Niamh O'Shea, Killarney Park. At back, Lez Brozka, International Hotel, Emer Corridan, The Cahernane Hotel, Catriona Whyte, International Hotel, Tom Randles, Randles Hotel, Sinead McCarthy, The Brehon Hotel and Sean O'Driscoll, Inua Group. The conference was attended by a number of Killarney hoteliers and senior staff members.

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KILLIAN IS KILIMANJARO BOUND



Killian Broderick in training for Kilimanjaro.

A Killarney student is set to take on the highest mountain in Africa and the highest single free-standing mountain in the world, Kilimanjaro, in aid of the Meningitis Research Foundation.

Killian Broderick from Listry who is a Business, Economics and Social Studies student at Trinity College Dublin is planning to climb in August of this year along with a group of students from the college he attends. Killian is currently working to secure his position on the trip by raising funds towards the cost of €4,220.

The former Intermediate School Killorglin student, is the son of Murt and Carol Broderick.

"Currently I have managed to raise 10% of my target just from a few social media posts. Deadline for fundraising is the 24th of June. On Friday the 6th of March I will be having a pub quiz in Faha Court. €40 for a table of 4. I'm hopeful that this will get close to the halfway mark in my fundraising", Killian told the Killarney Outlook.

"Kilimanjaro is of course going to be a challenge. It demands a high level of fitness and mental fortitude", he added.

"Nearly everyone suffers from altitude

sickness, which can be fatal if not treated correctly. I will be finished exams in Trinity for the start of May and will then be home for nearly 4 months before I embark for Tanzania. During these months I will be training intensely and spending a lot of time on the Reeks. Kilimanjaro will take about a week to conquer and once I am on top of Uhuru I'm sure all the preparation, training and physical fatigue will be forgotten", he added. Shockingly, meningitis and neonatal sepsis are the second biggest infectious killer of children under the age of five on the planet, affecting more than 2.8 million people every year! They can kill you within 12 hours and are responsible for more deaths of children under 5 than malaria, measles, tetanus and AIDS combined. Meningitis Research Foundations work is providing better access to vaccines, health systems that can diagnose and treat children, and support to survivors of meningitis. If you would like to support Killian and his fundraising endeavours you can do so by clicking on <https://justgiving.com/fundraising/killian-broderick> or attending the quiz at Faha Court on March 6th.

WHERE ELSE BUT KILLARNEY for St. Patrick's Day celebrations

Killarney is 'the' place to celebrate St. Patrick's Day 2020 and this week Minister of State for Tourism and Sport, Brendan Griffin TD was in Killarney with Fáilte Ireland's Head of Festivals Ciara Sugrue, Cathaoirleach Killarney Municipal District, Cllr Michael Gleeson, Eileen O'Donoghue, Kerry County Council and David Rae, St Patrick's Festival Killarney as preparations get under way for this year's St. Patrick's Day celebrations in Killarney.

Last year, Fáilte Ireland announced funding of up to €65,000 to help support and develop Killarney's St. Patrick's Day events over the next three years as part of their plan to develop St. Patrick's Day celebrations in locations across the country.

Speaking about the importance of St Patrick's Day, Minister of State Griffin said:

"Festivals and events play a critical role in delivering brilliant visitor experiences and St. Patrick's Day provides a significant opportunity to attract overseas visitors to Kerry outside the traditional peak tourism season. I look forward to seeing a great day of celebrations in Killarney."

A highlight for this year's St Patrick's Day celebrations in Killarney will be the addition of a number of new international elements to the parade including two US bands, The New Hampshire Police Pipes and Drums Band and the Police Pipes and Drums of Bergen County New Jersey as well as a group of Majorettes from Casperia in Italy.



Minister of State for Tourism and Sport, Brendan Griffin TD was pictured today with Fáilte Ireland's Head of Festivals Ciara Sugrue, and Celtic Steps Dancer, Saoirse Clifford, David Rae, St Patrick's Festival Killarney Director, Eileen O'Donoghue, Killarney Municipal District, Cathaoirleach Killarney Municipal District Cllr Michael Gleeson, Manager Killarney House & Gardens, Pat Dawson, Róisín Ryan, Celtic Steps, as preparations get under way for this year's St. Patrick's Day celebrations in Cork, Limerick and Killarney. PHOTO: VALERIE O'SULLIVAN

"We are positioning Ireland as 'the' place to celebrate St. Patrick's Day. A sizeable number of visitors go to Dublin every year for the St Patrick's Festival but as part of our strategy to spread the benefits of tourism, we also want to develop St. Patrick's Day celebrations in locations across the country", Fáilte Ireland's Head of Festivals, Ciara Sugrue said.

"We have been working with the festival organisers on a development plan for the festival over the last few months and, with a strong international proposition, we believe that Killarney's St Patrick's Day celebrations have the potential to motivate significant numbers of overseas visitors", she added.



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HONOUR FOR KERRY'S EVERYDAY HEROES

Heroes from all walks of life were honoured at a ceremony held in The Great Southern Hotel on Friday night last and hosted by Kerry County Council.

The Annual Kerry County Council and Municipal District Awards were presented to teams, organisations, groups and individuals who had achieved notable success and brought distinction and honour to their communities and their native county.

The awards were presented by Cathaoirleach Niall Kelleher to nine County Council recipients and by the respective Mayor and Cathaoirleach to 19 recipients across the five Municipal Districts. A Civic Reception was also presented to Killarney man, Ian O'Connell to honour his courage and positive attitude in the face of adversity.

Cathaoirleach Niall Kelleher said that the wide array of achievements and successes were inspiring and worthy of acknowledgment and celebration by the local authority. 'We pay tribute tonight to those who have pursued their dreams, excelled in their field, led community or voluntary groups, achieved records and new personal bests, and brought glory to their teams on the field of play.'

'Your stories and achievements are truly inspiring and prove again that, in Kerry, our people are our best asset. We thank you for your heroism, dedication and tenacity,' he said. Council Chief Executive Moira Murrell thanked the elected members of the council for



Rena Kennelly, Cllr Maura Healy-Rae, Angela McAllen, Manager Killarney Municipal, Cllr Donal Grady, Ann Mangan and Members of Killarney CCE, Killarney Scorchers Club, Cllr Brendan Cronin, Eileen O'Donoghue, Killarney Municipal District, Cllr Niall O'Callaghan, Cathaoirleach Kerry County Council, Cllr Niall Kelleher. PHOTO: VALERIE O'SULLIVAN

nominating the various recipients and said the nominees showed were thoroughly deserving of their awards.

A County Council award was also presented to Killarney based Sgt Dermot O'Connell for his creation of the Operation Páistí safety initiative and to Kerry Archaeological and Historical Society for their role in preserving

and promoting the history and heritage of the county among others.

Recipients of the Killarney Municipal District winners were: Killarney Scorchers Cheerleading Club, Killarney Comhaltas Dancers and Rena Kennelly for creating the Christmas Crib at St Mary's Cathedral for 46 years.



Ian O'Connell was presented with the highest accolade in Kerry, he was accorded a civic reception by Kerry County Council "For showing strength, bravery and determination in the face of insurmountable odds". The 18-year-old, a Leaving Certificate student at St Brendan's College, was honoured by Cathaoirleach Cllr Niall Kelleher, at the annual Kerry County Council and Municipal District Awards, which took place at the Great Southern on Friday night. With Ian are his Parents, Mike and Noreen O'Connell and Chief Executive Kerry County Council, Moira Murrell. PHOTO: VALERIE O'SULLIVAN



Cathaoirleach Kerry County Council, Cllr Niall Kelleher, presenting Sargeant Dermot O'Connell, Killarney Garda Station, with his award in recognition of his creation of the Operation Páistí safety initiative, at the Kerry County Council Annual Awards, at the Great Southern, Killarney on Friday night. Also included is Moira Murrell, Chief Executive Kerry County Council and Cathaoirleach Killarney Municipal District, Cllr Michael Gleeson. PHOTO: VALERIE O'SULLIVAN

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Amazing KMS show delights audiences



L-R Ciara Irwin Foley, Siofra Foley & Sylwia Cytrynska-Morczewska pictured at the INEC for Killarney Musical Society's Joseph & the Amazing Technicolor Dream Coat on Tuesday for Patrons evening.
PICTURES: MARIE CARROLL-O'SULLIVAN



L-R Josie McCarthy, Kathleen O'Sullivan, Noreen McGillicuddy & Linda Kennedy enjoying Killarney Musical Society's Joseph & the Amazing Technicolor Dream Coat at the INEC on Patrons evening.



Seanie O'Donoghue & Michelle Hadad enjoying Joseph & the Amazing Technicolor Dream Coat at the INEC on Patrons evening.



Jessica O'Connor pictured at the INEC with her Mum Breda for Killarney Musical Society's Patrons evening at Joseph & the Amazing Technicolor Dream Coat.

A cast of over 70 enthralled audiences at the 35th production of Killarney Musical Society 2020 show - Joseph and The Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat at the INEC this week.

On the opening night of the show, which is also Patron's night, the full house gave the production a standing ovation at the end of the show.

The production enjoyed equal success as the week progressed and local school children were treated to a matinee performance of the show on Tuesday.

The show had previously been staged 20 years ago by the KMS in the Árus Pádraig and indeed some of the cast then were in this year's show, most notably Rory Ward who was in children's chorus in 2000 and played the lead, Joseph in this year's show.

Chairperson of the society, Irene Hurley thanked everyone who made the show such a success, from patrons to parents and from sponsors to society members - the epic production would not have been possible without this amazing support.

She also thanked the talented cast, amazing production team and their ever loyal backstage team. It certainly was a "dream" show for both cast and audience this year.



Mary & John Joe Culloty pictured with Ann Holland and her Mum Mary Spillane at the INEC for Killarney Musical Society's Joseph & the Amazing Technicolor Dream Coat for Patrons evening.



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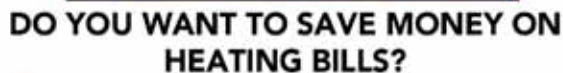
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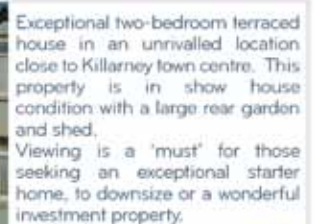
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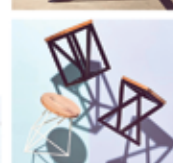
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Dr. Crokes celebrate in style



The Prize winners pictured on the night.



Senior Player of the Year went to star forward Tony Brosnan

By: Joseph Healy

Dr Crokes held their Awards Nights in Scotts Hotel Killarney on Friday night with a large crowd attending the event as the Crokes celebrated a successful year overall.

The Club Person of the Year was awarded to Paul Downey for his work as Secretary for the club and the long hours he puts in making the club run smoothly. Senior Player of the Year went to star forward Tony Brosnan following an impressive county and club championships with the Crokes with an impressive tally scored throughout these competitions. The Junior Player of the Year was received by John Kerrisk having impressed throughout the year. The Young Player of the Year was captured by Mark Cooper who is another exciting prospect rising

through the ranks at Crokes. The Supporter of the Year award was given to Harry and Ann Bartlett for their continued and tireless support of their beloved Crokes following them home and away. Charlene Brosnan claimed the Ladies Player of the Year after putting in stellar performances throughout the long season. Hurler of the Year was received by the towering figure that is Michael Lenihan as the young man was the fulcrum of the Crokes Senior Hurling team which was very impressive considering his age. A special award was given to members of the Kenmare/Kilgarvan/Dr Crokes team that defeated Lixnaw in the U21 County Hurling Championship. The Crokes representatives of that team were Michael Horgan, Michael Lenihan, Padraic Looney, Tom Doyle, Liam McSherry and Patrick Crehan. The Senior Ladies

received their County League winner's medals; the second team claimed their Molyneux Cup medals and the minor and U21 teams received their East Kerry Medals. Entertainment on the night was provided by the Crokes Scór participants under the instruction of Rachel Foley. Admission was free and all members were welcome to the event. Finger food was served on the night.

A fantastic night was had for all as Dr Crokes celebrated another successful year throughout their various teams across all the divisions. With the awards having not been long awarded focus switches straight away to the upcoming football and hurling championships where Crokes will be hoping to prize back the football championship prize and to further improve and become a more recognised name in Kerry hurling.



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4 March: 9am-12pm

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Higher Education becoming elitist unless new Government intervenes

By Billy Ryle



Early trends indicate that most Kerry applicants couldn't consider entering course choices in Dublin colleges on their 2020 CAO application form due to prohibitive costs. There are many courses in Dublin that Kerry students would love to apply for. Unfortunately, unless they come from wealthy backgrounds or have family accommodation in the city, rural students are restricted to courses nearer home. Kerry is proportionately sending more students to higher education than any other county. Many have to leave the county to pursue their courses of choice. That option is becoming far more difficult due to spiralling costs, particularly accommodation, and a totally inadequate higher education grants system. Every young person from Kerry should have the right to become a doctor, dentist, pharmacist or whatever, if s/he has the ability. The system is making it much more difficult to achieve that ambition. A succession of past Governments never accepted that education is a right not a privilege. As a lifelong advocate for equality of educational opportunity for all young people, I believe that education should be based on ability to learn, not on ability to pay.

Donogh O'Malley, a dynamic Minister for

Education (1966/68), fifty years ago opened the portals of opportunity to the youth of Ireland by introducing fee-free post-primary education, a free school transport scheme and by providing more 3rd level colleges. He also launched means-tested third level grants, giving easier access to less well-off students. O'Malley's determination to eliminate elitism in education has provided Ireland with the best educated and most productive workforce in Europe.

Higher education is very expensive. The financial burden is somewhat eased for students who qualify for partial or total state funding. The maximum standard maintenance grant payable to students whose college is 45 km (28mls) or more from home is only €3025. In addition, means testing of applicants for grants is so restrictive that thousands of students in higher education are ineligible for any financial aid. Capping the gross annual income level for grant eligibility at €39,875 ignores spiralling living costs. The price of college accommodation is increasing again, by at least 4%, for the new academic year. Students who are ineligible for grants need about €12,000 annually to maintain themselves away from home or about €4000 if living at

home. The annual student contribution of €3000 must also be paid. Many college students do up to 15hrs of work part-time and/or depend on their parents to make ends meet. Indeed, 60% of parents get into considerable debt to cover college costs. The incoming Government – left, right or centre – must honour its pre-election promise to ease the financial burden on hard pressed families. Abolish the €3000 student fee contribution immediately. Restore the minimum qualification distance between home and college for the non-adjacent grant from 45km (28mls) to its pre-recession level of 24km (15mls). Increase the standard maintenance grant from €3025 to €5000 and all other grants on a pro rata basis. Increase the annual income level for standard grant eligibility to €50,000 from the current level of €39,875. If the youth of Ireland is again betrayed by unfulfilled promises, there will be a high price to pay at the next election.

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OPEN WEEK AT KERRY COLLEGE

KERRY COLLEGE OF FURTHER EDUCATION AND TRAINING is holding its first OPEN WEEK event from 2-6 March 2020 at its campus locations in Tralee and Listowel.

It is a chance for parents, school leavers, job seekers, career changers, those who wish to re-skill or up-skill and guidance professionals to see the range of full-time and part-time courses for employment, college progression, professional development and apprenticeships on offer.

A number of events are planned across the week in all campus locations – Clash Road are holding Open Days on Tuesday 3 and Thursday 5 March with a range of interactive events, Listowel Campus is holding a tour and open day on Wednesday 4 March. The Monavalley Campus is open all week for tours and is holding an Apprenticeship Information Event at 4pm on Wednesday 4th of March with other events such as a Build Your Own PC Workshop – open to Senior Cycle Students and for the first time ever - Stonecraft Tours of their stonecutting, stonemasonry and stonewall construction facilities.



Teachers, Tutors, Instructors, Guidance and Support Teams, Students, Apprentices and Employers will be on hand during Open Week to chat about career options and answer any career related queries visitors may have. Second level school groups are invited to visit during the week. Guided tours of the campus will be held between the hours of 9am and 3pm daily. Times differ depending on the campus location.

For a full schedule of Open Week events and times, visit: <https://kerrycollege.ie/openweek/> For any enquiries or bookings, contact Celine on: 066-714 96 96 or email: openweek@kerrycollege.ie

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COLLEGE EDUCATION OPEN DAY



Friday, 6th March sees the spring education open day taking place in Clonakilty Agricultural College.

Clonakilty Agricultural College, based in Darrara just outside the town of Clonakilty, provides agricultural education and training in through its own full-time and part-time QQI programmes and also in conjunction with three higher education Institutions in the region, CIT, IT Tralee and UCC.

People coming to see the college and what's on offer will be brought through the different programmes that lead to qualifications from Level 6 up to Level 8.

For students starting 1st year next September, they will follow on with the changes to the programme that were implemented this year and have helped with the learning experience. Students will go on a 4-week placement in October, and return to that farm again in March. During their time in the college between September and May they'll get the foundation training in areas of livestock husbandry,



grassland management, farm business and more specific training in areas such as pesticide application. There is a large emphasis on farm safety, soils and the environment and sustainability.

In 2nd year (Level 6) which starts the following September the course specialises in either Drystock (Cattle and Sheep) or the longer-established Dairy Herd Management course. Both courses have longer periods of on-farm training incorporating the calving/lambing periods on farms but also the breeding season on cattle and dairy farms.

Graduates of Clonakilty's Level 6 programmes have many routes of progression after the two years with us. The Level 6 in its own right is required for applying for jobs with the Department of Agriculture. By 2021 there will be an apprenticeship route in place with a Level 7 degree qualification. This will be an important extension to the current programmes as there is

an ever-increasing demand from farmers in the region to have enthusiastic, forward-thinking young people looking to manage the farms of the next decade. In this respect it is one area of the rural economy where it is a sellers' market.

The higher education routes still exist and continue to expand with graduates of Darrara able to gain "advanced entry" to degree courses in agriculture in all of the Institutes of Technology in Munster; including Cork, Tralee and Waterford.

For people who have a non-agricultural qualification there is the option of gaining a Teagasc Green Cert (the Specific Purpose Certificate in Farming) through a part-time route.

The Open Day starts at 11am on the morning of March 6th and all are welcome to explore their options in agricultural education and job prospects that can arise from coming to Darrara in

THE KINGDOM IS SET TO WELCOME IRISH SOCCER LEGEND



Organising Committee pictured with Roy Keane at the launch of 'An Afternoon with Roy Keane' in aid of Palliative Care
L-R: Mark Fitzgerald, Marc Ó Sé, Roy Keane, Eoin Kelliher, Matt Moloney, Michael McMahon.

Roy Keane, former Manchester United and Ireland star will make his first official appearance to Kerry on Friday the 17th of April as a special guest at "An afternoon with Roy Keane" in aid of the Palliative Care Tralee. The event will be held at lunch time in Tralee at the Ballygarry House Hotel which will start at 2pm with prosecco

at reception and live music followed by a four course gourmet meal with wine included and an evening of entertainment and prizes.

Today FM presenter, Matt Cooper and fellow Cork man will interview the Sky Sports pundit and former Nottingham Forest assistant manager. Roy is the most successful Irish footballer ever,

having won 19 major titles, 17 of those came for Manchester United, in his club career. He had a role as assistant manager to the Republic of Ireland national team from 2013 to 2018 as the number two to Martin O'Neil. He is regarded as one of the best midfielders of his generation; in 2004 Pele named Keane in the Fifa 100 list of the world's greatest living players. Speaking at the launch of the event, Eoin Kelliher who is a member of the organising committee said "Unfortunately every family in Kerry becomes touched by cancer at some point. However we are extremely lucky to have Palliative Care. It is a home from home for loved ones who are battling cancer. We are delighted to welcome Roy to Kerry in April and we are extremely grateful for his generosity. We would also like to thank Kerry Group who are our sponsor for the event. It is set to be the event of the year with all proceeds going directly to Palliative Care here in Tralee." Tables of 10 cost €1,000. To buy a table contact Joe Hennebery or Mary Shanahan at 066 7119070. For other enquiries contact Eoin Kelliher at 087 2992392 or email at eoin.kelliher@ilfinpp.ie. The dress code for the event smart casual.



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Driving glasses

If you have been advised to wear glasses for driving, make sure you wear them, even for short trips – and keep a spare pair in the car. Choose glasses with thinner sides for driving as they won't block your side vision as much as thicker ones. If you wear contact lenses, keep a pair of glasses in the car in case you need to take your lenses out. Even if you don't need to wear glasses all the time, you will probably find they are particularly helpful when the lighting is poor, and for driving at night.

Headlights of oncoming traffic can be dazzling when you

are driving at night or in poor weather conditions. Special driving lenses designed with a specially-developed glare filter and a contrast-enhancing filter can help reduce reflections and uncomfortable glare from oncoming traffic.

If glare is an ongoing problem for you, make sure your windscreen and headlights are thoroughly cleaned and free from grime and dirt. If you wear glasses, and don't forget to keep them clean too. If you find that problems with glare at night persist, make an appointment to have a sight test. Sunshine can be dazzling too, particularly when the sun is low in the sky. If you wear glasses, you may find it helpful to have a pair of prescription sunglasses in the car, or to wear clip-on sunglasses over your prescription glasses. Polarised sunglasses are great for driving in bright conditions. Polarised lenses

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WALSH FAMILY CELEBRATE OVER 100 YEARS OF POLICING



Pictured clockwise: Cillian Walsh, Michael O'Halloran, Tom Walsh and Ray Walsh.

On February 21st 2020 exactly 98 years to the day since the foundation of An Garda Síochána, Cillian Walsh from St. Margaret's Road became the fourth member and fourth generation of the Walsh family to join An Garda Síochána.

The son of Ray and Mary Walsh, Cillian graduated from the Garda College in Templemore on that date and has been assigned to Terenure Garda Station in Dublin where he began his life as a police officer on today February 24th 2020 continuing a proud tradition preceded by his Great Grandfather, his Grandfather and Father in An Garda Síochána.

The oldest member of the Walsh family who served in the Police was Ray's maternal Grandfather, Michael O'Halloran who joined the Royal Irish Constabulary (RIC) circa 1910 and served in the RIC until the foundation of the Irish State in 1922. With the formation/founding of An Garda Síochána on February 21st 1922 Michael joined as one of the first members of An Garda Síochána and served in Counties Meath, Cork and Kildare. During his time in Co. Cork he served in the village of Meelin and it was at this time that Ray's mother and her sisters at-

tended boarding school at the Loreto Convent Killarney. Ray's father Tom Walsh joined An Garda Síochána in the late 1940's and served until 1979 having been stationed in Ballincollig, Cork City, Limerick City, Kinlough, Co. Leitrim, Ballyneety & Cappamore Co. Limerick. Tom retired as Sergeant in Charge of Mayorstone Garda Station in Limerick City.

Ray joined An Garda Síochána in 1980 and served for 31 years before retiring as Sergeant in Charge of Killarney Garda Station having served at different times in Cahersiveen, Killarney, Tralee, Brosna, and Roxboro Road in Limerick City.

Pictured left and clockwise are: Cillian Walsh, Michael O'Halloran, Tom Walsh and Ray Walsh.

SCOIL BHRÍDE, LORETO NATIONAL SCHOOL

are holding an open day on Sat 29th Feb from 10.00am to 12noon, everyone welcome to visit, enrolment is now open for September 2020. Please ring the School at 064 6632484 or email sbloretons@eircom.net

TROCAIRE BOXES

available in the Churches this weekend as we endeavour to support the developing world over Lent. Please take one, and go to www.trocaire.org to find out more about their work.

PIONEER NATIONAL BALL

Sat 4th of April in Menlo Park Hotel, Galway, for tickets & info, call Frances 086 3121695 or Sean 086 8648895.

APHASIA CAFÉ

Are you experiencing language difficulties after a stroke? The HSE in partnership with Kerry Stroke Support Group are commencing a Monthly Aphasia Café in Ballygarry House Hotel starting Wed 4th March from 10.30 to 12 p.m. A Speech & Language Therapist will attend each meeting. For Info Ph 066 7199730

FREE ADULTS & CHILDRENS WORKSHOPS

This Saturday sees the first of 3 adults & childrens creative workshops organised as part of the St. Patricks Day festival. The workshops will give people the opportunity to work with willow and paper in making bees and butterflies which will then be used to decorate Main Street



Pictured at the launch of the annual Irish Cancer Society Coffee morning which will take place at the Killarney Towers Hotel on 6th March 10:30am-12:30pm were L-R Eugene O'Sullivan, Aisling Crosbie & Eleanor O'Doherty. Picture Marie Carroll-O'Sullivan

on St. Patricks Day.

The Theme of this years parade is EARTH

The workshops are free and it is a great way for children to explore their creative side, to participate in the St. Patricks day festival and to give them an opportunity to showcase their creativity on the streets of the town. The workshops will be facilitated by Sophie Lodge and will take place in Anam Arts & Cultural Centre on East Avenue Road. The workshops are organised by the St. Patricks Day Committee who are supported by Fáilte Ireland, Killarney Chamber of Tourism & Commerce & Kerry County Council. Date's: 29th February, 7th March, 14th March Venue: Anam Arts & Cultural Centre, East Avenue Road. Time: 12-4





PICTURE MARIE CARROLL-O'SULLIVAN 087 391 4808

EYES DOWN FOR GAELSCOIL BINGO

Gaelscoil Faithleann's Parents Council will hold their Annual Family Bingo afternoon this Sunday March 8th from 3pm to 5pm in the Mangerton Room, Gleneagle Hotel, and everyone is invited to get their eyes down at this fundraising event.

The Bingo afternoon, which is open to all, will have fantastic prizes, donated by local businesses, for game winners and the opportunity to win raffle prizes. There will be spot prizes throughout the afternoon.

According to Mary Carroll, Chairperson of the Parents Council, "We are building on our very successful Bingo afternoons in the last two years and are back in the Gleneagle Hotel, and again have the wonderful Ray O'Sullivan, Bingo Caller Extraordinaire, who will make the games so much fun."

Mary added, "Doors will open at 2.30pm

and we encourage people to come early as we had a 'full house' last year! Entrance is €10 for adults and €5 for children – with max rate for larger families."

Mary said, "These events are about much more than fundraising, they are about bringing the school community together and creating shared memories, they are about getting to know each other beyond the school gate, in a relaxed and fun atmosphere. We look forward to a great afternoon on Sunday and welcome everyone to attend – it is open to all. All monies raised will go to supporting activities for children in the school – organising pilates classes, purchasing equipment, organising guest speakers and activities."

This is a fun event for families and benefits a worthy cause. Please put Sunday March 8th 3pm on your calendar—we look forward to seeing you!



Pictured Michelle Sweeney and Mary Carroll of the Gaelscoil Faithleann Parents Council – Cairde na Scoile with boys and girls of Rang 1 looking forward to the Bingo – pictured from Left to Right from Rang 1 are Daisy Sugrue, Erin Daly, Imogen Carroll Kerry, Tara Daly, Clara Dower, Abdullagh Aouhab and Conor Randles.

NATIONAL LIBRARY OPEN DAY

Killarney Library will hold story- time and a treasure hunt for children at 10.30am and 11 am on Sat 29th of Feb, there will be a guided tour for adults at 3pm to showcase the services available online and offline to the public.

KILLARNEY INTERNATIONAL CHOIR

This new choir is open to all nationalities, it is celebration of diversity, cultures and common humanity. If you like singing & interested in making new friends, Information night on Friday 28th of Feb at 7.00pm on the Parish Centre, beside the Church of the Resurrection, Park Road. Contact Paul 0872317204 or Marilyn 086 7915742



Pictured at St. Mary's Cathedral at the Christening of their son James Liam Walsh are Martha Healy-Walsh and Sean Walsh.



45 students of the former Torc Great Southern CERT Hotel School, for the years 1995-1997 attended a reunion at the Killarney Plaza Hotel on Saturday evening and reeled in the years with local DJ Gavin O'Leary. Students travelled as far as the UK for the get together which was a huge success and organisers are hopeful it will be an annual event in Killarney. Enjoying the reunion of the CERT Hotel School Torc Great Southern 1995-1997 were the tutors at this time L-R Ann Enfield, Sheila Casey, Danny Hughes, Ann Marie Courtney, Anne Looney & Pauline Lyne. PICTURE MAREK HAJDASZ

SPA GAA

Written by: Deirdre O'Sullivan-Darcy

CORN UI MHUIRI FINAL

Hard luck to the Sem in the Corn Ui Mhuiri Final last weekend. Best of luck to Tralee CBS going forward to the Hogan Cup semi-finals.

SPA GAA CLUB REGISTRATION

Registration is ongoing and will remain open until the March 31st deadline. Registration is available online on spagaa.com or our registrars will be in Spa on Thursday evenings from 7pm-8pm. All players, officers, coaches etc MUST be registered club members to take part in club activities in 2020.

JUVENILE TRAINING

Juvenile Training is resuming in Spa and below is the list of dates for the different age levels:

ABC / U6 / U8 / U10 (BOYS & GIRLS) will return on Saturday March 7th from 10am - 11am

U12 (BOYS) train on Fridays from 7pm - 8pm in the Sports Hall

U14 (BOYS) train on Fridays from 6.30pm - 7.45pm and on Mondays from 7.15pm - 8.30pm

U16 (BOYS) train on Thursday nights from 7pm - 8pm

U12 (GIRLS) train on Wednesdays from 5pm - 6pm

U14 & U16 (GIRLS) train on Wednesdays from 6pm - 7pm and on Saturdays from 10.30am - 11.30am

IRELAND LIGHTS UP

The Operation Transformation Ireland Lights Up walks have now finished. Thank you to all the volunteers and all the walkers who took part in the walks over the past few weeks. Going forward the club are hoping to open a permanent walking track at the club grounds that will be open for everyone in the community.

31 CARD DRIVE Fundraiser for the Oncology Unit at UHK in memory of Johnny Batt Cronin

Spa are hosting a fundraising Card drive at the clubhouse at 4.30pm on Sunday March 15th in aid of the Oncology Unit at University Hospital Kerry in memory of Johnny Batt Cronin. There will be refreshments and spot prizes on the evening. €10 per player and all participants are very welcome, and we appreciate your support of this very worthy cause. The event will be launched at the Clubhouse this Tuesday February 25th at 7pm.

DRAW The draw for the 2020 Club Championships took place on Radio Kerry's Terrace Talk programme last week. Spa have been drawn in Group 2 with Glenflesk, Currow and Na Gaeil. Round 1: March 29th / April 5th (depends if Kerry reach the National League Final); Round 1/2: April 5th; Rd 2/3: April 12th; Rd3: April 19th; Semi-Finals: April 26th; Final: May 3rd

LOTTO RESULTS 17/02/2020

Numbers drawn: 9, 16, 22, 28. No winner and €50 Lucky Dips going to Conor Lynch, Tatijana, Joan O'Shea and Sean Mac. Next draw will take place in the Arbutus and jackpot is now €11,300. Play online on spagaa.com or tickets available in usual outlets: Dalys Supervalu; McSweeney Arms Hotel; Clubhouse Reception; Centra Muckross Rd; Torc Hotel; Killarney Heights Hotel; Killarney Oaks Hotel; Royal Hotel; Jimmy Briens; Arbutus Hotel; Killarney Hardware

GAELIC4TEENS



Seamus Moynihan, Des Spillane and Liam Ryan at the Spa GAA First Aid & Concussion Information Night at the clubhouse on Friday February 21st.



Spa U12 & U14 trainers Emma Daly, Claire Tangney & Susan Waters at the Gaelic 4 Teens workshop with former Kerry Ladies player Margaret Sullivan from Fenit and senior players Sinead Delahunty (Tipperary) and Fiona McHale (Mayo).

Well done to our U12 & U14 girls trainers Emma Daly, Claire Tangney & Susan Waters who attended the Gaelic 4 Teens workshop last week. They are pictured here with former Kerry Ladies player Margaret Sullivan from Fenit and senior players Sinead Delahunty (Tipperary) and Fiona McHale (Mayo)

SPORTS HALL & MEETING ROOMS HIRE

Meeting Rooms and Sports Hall available for hire. For enquiries contact Eileen on 0876577312 (after 6pm only) or Ann on 0879403508.

EK SENIOR LEAGUE RD2: SPA 2-10 LEGION

1-7 Played in horrendous conditions in Spa last Friday night, Spa led at half time by 2-6 to 1-4 and held on in the end to win by 2-10 to 1-7. Spa team: James Devane, Shane Lynch, Brian Lynch, Eoghan Cronin, Gary Vaughan, Dan O'Donoghue, Eoin Cronin, Shane Cronin, Ciaran Spillane, Niall McCarthy, Michael O'Donoghue, Niall O'Mahony, Mike Foley, Evan Cronin, David Spillane. Subs: Eric O'Donoghue, Mikey Moynihan, Conor Stack, Cian Murphy

FIRST AID / CONCUSSION INFORMATION

NIGHT Coiste na nÓg Chairman Seamus Moynihan held a first aid and concussion workshop in the clubhouse last Friday night. Des Spillane demonstrated first aid and Liam

Ryan gave a detailed demonstration about the signs of concussion. We are very lucky to have trained personnel like Des and Liam, with their experience can share their knowledge with their fellow club members. A great initiative by the club and its vital that our coaches are trained in first aid and continue to keep our players in a safe environment.

IAN O'CONNELL ACCORDED A CIVIC RECEPTION Congratulations to Ian O'Connell who was accorded a Civic Reception by the County Council at the Municipal District Awards last Friday night.

KERRY GAA

Well done to Niall, Dara, Liam and the Kerry team & management on their victory over Meath at the weekend, and best of luck against Mayo in Castlebar this Saturday February 29th.

UPCOMING FIXTURES:

Tuesday Feb 25th: EK Senior League Rd3 Spa v Dr Crokes (in Lewis Rd at 8pm)

Saturday Feb 29th: Co Minor League Rd2 Spa v Skellig/Valentia (away at 3.30pm)

ITEMS FOR NOTES

Any items for the club notes please contact Deirdre at pro.spa.kerry@gaa.ie or 0851216359 before 8pm on Sundays.

FOSSA NEWS

Written by: Shane Kelly

MEMBERSHIP:

Membership is due now no pay no play see clubforce on line for details.

St. Brendans:

Very hard luck to the sem last Saturday especially the Fossa boy's Harry, Emmett and Ruairi.

Kerry:

Well done to the Kerry seniors last Sunday especially to captain David Clifford in their victory over meath, and also to the Kerry ladies who defeated Tyrone last Sunday also.

LOTTO:

1,6,9,15

5 * €40 WINNERS

PÁDRAIG O'DONOGHUE, TWO MILE SCHOOL;

MIKE O'SHEA, CLEENY FOSSA;

AILISH HALLISSEY, CROHANE FOSSA;

BRIDIE O'GRADY, THE SHOP FIRIES;

PAT O'DONOGHUE, AGHALEEMORE FOSSA.

Next weeks jackpot €6,750.00 draw takes place every Sunday night in the Golden Nugget.

LIBRARY:

Killarney Library will host a talk entitled Adolescent Mental Health and Well-Being on Thursday 27th February at 6.30pm. The talk will be delivered by Dr. Eileen Brosnan.

Also, Dr. Susan Crawford's Autism workshop on Saturday 29th February has limited spaces so prior booking is essential. Free admission to both events. As part of the National Library Open Day, Killarney Library will hold story-time

and a treasure hunt for children at 10.30am and 11am respectively. There will be a guided tour for adults at 3pm to showcase the services available online and offline to the public.

FOSSA BRIDGE CLUB results for the week of 20th of February competition 2020

North South

1. Anne Looney and Maura G. Moynihan
2. Mary Shanahan and Anne Caulfield
3. Neilus O'Regan and Ciaran Broadbery East West

1. Jim and Carmel O'Brien

2. Kathleen Guerin and Finola Cronin

3. Neil Allen and Evelyn O'Leary

Congratulations and well done to all winners.

LISTRY NEWS

Written by: Anne Sugrue O'Brien

MILLTOWN LISTRY CCE QUIZ

Listry/Milltown Comhaltas Table Quiz in aid of Fleadh Cheoil Chiarrai will take place on February 28th at 8.30pm in The Plough Bar, Milltown.

ATHLETICS

Listry GAA would like to congratulate Jim O'Shea who competed in the Munster Masters Athletic Championships recent in Nenagh, winning the M75 long jump and getting second in the 60 meters. We like to wish him all the best in The British Indoor Championships on March 8th at the Lee Valley Stadium, North London.

CORN UI MHUIRI FINAL: Well done to Caolan O'Reilly who played in the U19A Football Final with St. Brendan's College team who lost against Tralee CBS last Saturday 23rd - CBS 4.15 The Sem 1.15

LISTRY LOTTO: Numbers drawn 5, 14, 20, 21 €100- Seamus Hobbins, Coolroe €50 x 2:

PS.JC./o JD. Paul Barrett, Faha €25 x 2 Noreen Gayden, 22 Deelis Park. Mary Kenned, Lahard. Draw Entrant: Sinead Brennan, Slievegaura.

Next Sunday 1st March Jackpot €3,050

U14 KERRY LGFA: Congratulations to Ellie Mai Nugent and Aideen O'Brien representing Kerry U14 in The Munster LGFA U14 Championship 2020 in Limerick last Saturday 22nd. Stage 1 Game 1 Full time score Kerry 5:15 to Limerick 0:00

COMORTAS PEILE PAIDIO SETOURNAMENT

2020: Our seniors had two great wins last Saturday against Hunterstown and Knockbride in Tralee. They qualify for the intermediate final v Castlegregory which was played in Gallurús on Sunday last 23rd, which they won. Final score: Listry 0.16 Castlegregory 1.12 Congratulations to the team and management and thanks to our loyal supporters for coming to support us over the weekend.

MEMBERSHIP IS NOW DUE: Listry GAA membership is now due. You can download forms from our website www.listrygaa.ie. The following is the cost to join our club. Adult member €60. Family Members €120. Senior player with gym €100. Adult with gym €160. 2 Adult with gym €200. Adult Family with gym €320. Student/Minors with gym €75. Juveniles €40 U6 Juveniles €20. Life/OAP €30.

LISTRY LOTTO ONLINE: You can purchase Listry Lotto tickets online by going to www.listrygaa.ie or also in Faha Court Bar and Restaurant, O'Sullivan's shop, Beaufort Bridge, Listry Community Centre and from local ticket sellers. €2.00 per ticket or €5 for three tickets. If you not in, you can't win.

U14 BLITZ: Best of Luck to Keel/Listry in the U14 blitz's in An Gaeltacht on March 1st.

EAST KERRY SUPER LEAGUE 1B ROUND 3

Listry V Kilcummin on Sunday next 1st March at 12 noon in Listry

GLENFLESK NEWS

Written by: Seamus Healy

LOTTO**EAST KERRY SENIOR LEAGUE**

Match Report by Michael Healy

Glenflesk 3 - 14 Currow 0 - 11

Glenflesk were too strong for Currow to win their second game in the East Kerry League on Saturday in Barraduff.

After the teams shared the first two points of the game Currow had the chance to make the first big statement of the day when they were awarded an early penalty. The effort looked to be heading right in the corner of the net but barely missed the post with many in attendance not sure if it had gone in or not. Glenflesk took full advantage of this lucky break soon after. Danny Lucey latched onto a loose Currow pass before finding Dara Fleming who coolly finished to the net. Fleming added another point soon after as Glenflesk began to take control. Currow were reliant on frees for their scores as the

early penalty miss seemed to be affecting them greatly. Just before half time Glenflesk added a second goal. Darragh Roche beat his marker to a long ball, cut inside, and then rasped a shot with his left foot to the roof of the net. The goal gave Glenflesk a two six to six point lead at half time. The second half started slowly with both teams missing early changes. Sean McGrath eventually opened Glenflesk's account after patient build up play. Dara Fleming then calmly finished off the post to get his second goal, before adding another point after a laser guided pass from Brian O'Donoghue. The teams shared scores for the rest of the match as Currow could not create the goal chance needed to mount a come back.

RAHEEN N.S.

Enrolment forms for year 2020/2021 are now available in the school 064 7754447 or on our website www.raheenns.com. Congratulations to our recent lotto winner Michael O'Keeffe (G),

Eileen & Felix Daly and Gerard Warren

BARRADUFF PARENT'S ASSOCIATION

Barraduff Parent's Association will hold a Cyber Bullying Talk on March 2nd at 7.30pm in the school.

We would like to invite all parents from Barraduff, Knockanes, Glenflesk and Raheen National Schools to attend.

Speaker on the night is Ger Brick

KILLARNEY LIBRARY

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RATHMORE | GNEEVEGUILLA NEWS

Written by: Michael O'Mahony | Email: momahony14@gmail.com

SHARE THE BUCKET

The Gneeveguilla Community Development Council in association with the Gneeveguilla Basketball club had our weekly draw for our share the bucket on Friday evening 21/2/2020.

The jackpot was € 203 and our winner was Dave McAuliffe, Congrats Dave.

Guaranteed winner every week, go to our Facebook page to find out how and where you can play. REMEMBER if YOU are not in you can't win <https://www.facebook.com/gneeveguilla/>

Draw takes place every Friday eve @9pm on Facebook live. Also Please note extra classes:

Due to popular demand we are announcing a second beginners circuit class in Gneeveguilla's Teach Failte.

Teach Failte every Wednesday night at 8:15

- The sessions for Tuesday nights are booked out.

- The cost upfront is 90 euro for the 10 sessions.

- We look forward to seeing you all there.

- For more information,

contact Ethan on 0871151502 or check out our Facebook Page:

The Sequel Way.

Saturday 29th at 1pm for circuit class focused on teenagers.

BEAUTY AND THE BEAST

The children of Rathmore are looking forward to their upcoming production of "Beauty and the Beast" Saturday March 7th at 7.30pm and Sunday March 8th Matinee at 3pm.

At Rathmore Community centre

There are 39 children on the stage who have been rehearsing with 6 months in aid of "The children of Chernobyl" -Rathmore branch. This has been produced and directed by Joanna Hughes and Sheilann Moynihan who say "The excitement and anticipation is through the roof". This is not one to be missed! Gneeveguilla share Bucket winner last week Congratulations to Dave McAuliffe last week winner of €202. Just to remind you it's Friday again! Don't forget to get you share the bucket ticket's before 9 pm.

.BARRADUFF TRACTOR RUN IN AID OF THE KERRY/CORK HEALTH LINK BUS & RECOVERY HAVEN CANCER

Support House Tralee takes place on the 1st March 2020 in Barraduff Village. Registration from 11 am. The Tractor run will start at 1 pm. The route will take you via Gattabawn, Gneeveguilla, John Gows Cross, Rathmore, Shrone Cross, Doocarraig, Kilquane & back to Barraduff Village. Entry fee €20 & is open to all

vintage/non vintage tractors, vintage cars, & motorbikes up to 75CC. Refreshments afterwards in John Dan's

Bar Barraduff. The tractor fun is being help in association with Barraduff Tidy Village Group.



First cousins Shauna McCarthy, Oisín O'Leary and Chloe and Abby O'Leary after making their Confirmation last Tuesday in Rathmore.

Contact Maria on

086 3584472 or Stuart on 086 1297200. As always we appreciate your support & hope to raise as much funds as we can for these two amazing services. Thank you.

RATHMORE SPLIT THE POT WINNER

Declan Mangan, Rathmore. last week

This week's Prize €200. congrats Delcan. Just to remind you it's Wednesday again! Don't forget to get you share the split the winner ticket's before 9-15pm..

SYMPATHY : To Eileen Herlihy, Inches, on the death of her mother Sheila Quinn, Kiskeam and to her sister Carmel Hickey, Mountcain. Funeral of Sheila Quinn took place on Rennily in Kiskeam. To Ted, John Joe, Bridie, Siobhan, Padraig, Margaret, Cormac, Donal, Abina Marie & Helen Collins on the death of their mother Abina Collins, Knocknageeha, and to her brother Donal Daly, Tureenahill. Funeral of Abina Collins took place on in Gneeveguilla. May Sheila & Abina rest in peace.

TUREENCAHILL BRIDGE CLUB JANUARY WINNERS.

January 13th: Joan Sweeney and Noreen O'Keeffe

January 20th Joint Winners: Sheila O'Connor and Diane Walsh, Breedra O'Keeffe and Hilary Williams.

January 27th: Maureen O'Leary and Bertie O'Leary. Lessons continue every Wednesday @11 am to 1pm Bridge game every Monday from 7.15pm in Tureenahill Community Centre

New members always welcome.

For further info. 085-1741551 or 087-4135640

RATHMORE LADIES FOOTBALL

Rathmore LGFA held their annual awards ceremony. Special thanks to Paul Murphy, Shane Ryan & Seanie O Shea for presenting the medals. Congratulations to all the girls who received medals for their successes & endeavours. they were delighted to honour they eighteen girls who represented Kerry LGFA from u14s upto Senior last year.

Well done to Aislinn, Desmond, & Laoise Coughlan, & Katie Bluckey who had a great win with Kerry seniors over Tyrone in the Division 2 League with Kerry on Sunday last in Fitzgerald stadium congrats to the Kerry under 14 team who won both games in Round 1 of the Munster Championship Kerry beat Limerick 5-15 to 0-0 Kerry beat Clare 5-4 to 1-4. Well done to our Rathmore Sarah O'Donoghue who contributed 1-1 to the Kerry scoreline.

CONFIRMATION

Congratulations to all the boys & girls of the parish making their Confirmation last week.

Notes. if you would like to add to the notes, please email Michael O'Mahony (momahony14@gmail.com) or ring or text 087-6676817. before 6pm Sunday. Rathmore & District Credit Union

The Annual General Meeting will take place on Thursday 5th March 2020 at Community Hall Rathmore at 8pm.

DANCING The River Island Hotel, Castleisland Sun. 1st Mar. TR Dallas Band Dancing 9 - 11.30.

BEAUFORT NEWS

Written by Cliona Coffey

BEAUFORT DEFIBRILLATOR GROUP AGM

Beaufort Defibrillator Group is holding its AGM on Monday, 23rd March 2020, at the Beaufort Bar, 7pm. All welcome to attend. For further information please contact Mary O'Connor, Chairperson of the group, on 0861992401.

LOTTO The next draw for a lotto jackpot of €4,800 will be in Beaufort Bar on Sunday, 1st March. Tickets available from usual sellers and online at www.beaufortgaclub.com

SPORTS PREDICTION QUIZ Thank you to everybody who took part in the quiz and all the sellers.

FIXTURES Senior men will play Cromane in John Mitchels, Thursday, 27th at 8pm in Mid Kerry League and away to Glenbeigh/Glencar, Sunday, 1st at 2pm in round 5. Minor men home St Mary's/ Renard, Saturday, 29th at 3.30pm in County League.

KILCUMMIN NEWS

Written by: John Moriarty

SYMPATHY

Sympathy is extended to the family of the late Maureen McCarthy, Toremore who died recently. May she rest in peace.

LOCAL LINK KERRY

Local Link Kerry (LLK) are exploring whether there is a bus service requirement for the Gattabawn, Tournonough, Anablatha, Inchicorrigan, Milleen, Toremore, Clydine, Knockauncore, Knochataggle areas through Kilcummin village into Killarney. If you feel there is a requirement, please call LLK on 066 7147002 to register your interest. In the next couple of weeks, if there is a sufficient demand established, LLK will then seek approval from the National Transport Authority to establish a route. Free travel pass accepted and door to door collection.

POSITION AVAILABLE

The Board of Management of Kilcummin N.S. is seeking applications for the position part time school secretary. Please see educationposts.ie for further details.

COOLICK PRE-SCHOOL

Coolick Pre-school are now taking ECCE enrolments for the afternoon session 12:30pm to 3:30pm. All relevant forms are available in the pre-school and if you have any queries please contact Ciara Moynihan on 087-1181993.

COMHALTAS

Kilcummin Comhaltas Sult na nÓg takes place on the 7th and 8th March. We are urgently looking for volunteers for both days (full or half days) - Tralee IT on the 7th, Fossa Community Centre on the 8th. Comhaltas County Board would greatly appreciate your support. Please contact 087 1191353.

KILCUMMIN COMHALTAS

Huge congratulations to all the Kilcummin Set Dancers last weekend on their success at the Munster Finals at Ceol An Gheimhridh. Big thanks to Adrian Moriarty for his continued dedication to all things 'Set Dancing'. Well done to one and all.

FOUND

Sum of money found in the village area on Friday 14th February. Please contact 086 8106412.

PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT COURSE

We are offering an Introduction to Personal Development course starting on Wednesday 11th March 7 - 9.30pm running for 8 weeks. The venue for the course is The Presentation



KILCUMMIN GOLD MEDAL - Winners in the Community Games group music U16 with their trainer Steven O Leary.

Brothers group room on Port Road, Killarney. The course is FREE and is open to adults. For more information or to book a place call Deirdre on 087-7728089

VACANCIES

Vacancies presently exist on the C.E Scheme. These positions involve Community Care, maintenance of Village and a Gardener in Killarney. It is for 19.5 hours per week. This is a development opportunity and no experience is necessary as full training is provided. Contact your local Intreo Office to check your eligibility. If interested please forward your CV to the Supervisor at the RD. Office. Full details contact John 086 1579381.

KILCUMMIN GAA IRELAND LIGHTS UP

Operation Transformation at Kilcummin GAA Club on Thur nights up to February 26th. The track will be lit up from 7.00pm to 8.30pm. Please register in clubhouse before walking. All welcome.

MEMBERSHIP

Membership is now due for the coming year. Players € 60 and general membership which allows for the use of email service, walking track and entrance to draw for All-Ireland tickets is just € 40.

UPCOMING FIXTURES

Minor co League fixture next Saturday 29th Ballymacelligott V Kilcummin at 3.30 in Ballymac.

Club Championship Kilcummin have been drawn in a group containing Legion, Dingle and Austin Stacks with the first game v Legion scheduled for March 29th

Senior Co League Kilcummin open their league campaign with an away game against Kerins O'Rahillys on March 8th.

Congratulations to the following Paul O Shea being named as captain of the Kerry U 20's , Kieran Murphy being captain of C.I. T.on their recent success and Billy Doolan being inducted into the East Kerry " Hall Of Fame" at a function in the Brehon hotel recently.

GAA LOTTO

There was no winner of the Lotto on Sunday 23rd February 2020.

COMMUNITY GAMES MUSIC

Well done to all the musicians and singers who took part in the county competition in Keel. They had a very successful day out with some fantastic results. Congratulations to Mary O' Connor who won the pewter medal in solo singing U12, Ewan Evans who won the silver medal in solo music U16, Sean Fleming who won the bronze medal in solo music U12 and who also took the pewter medal in the group music U12 along with group members Joe O Connor , Eoin Foley ,Conal Mc Carthy, Grace O Sullivan and Naoise O Leary Cahill. The U16 music group put in an outstanding performance to win gold.. A big congratulations to Michael Healy, Liam Kerrisk, Ryan Mc Gurl, Aoibhe O Sullivan, Neveen O Sullivan and Ryan O Sullivan and to Steven O Leary who trained them for this event. They will now go on to represent Kerry in the National finals in May. Thanks also to Maria O'Leary for all the effort she put in preparing the musicians and singers.

ART/HANDWRITING/SOCCER

Best of luck to everyone competing in the county Art/Handwriting competition in Listowel this weekend. Thanks to Máire Keane for organising a very successful area competition.

Good luck to our U10 boys Indoor soccer team who are competing this weekend in Duagh.



MS WALK RAISES AN AMAZING €19,700

Pictured at the Gleneagle Hotel for the cheque presentation of €19,700 following the MS Walk were Back Row L-R Hotel Manager Sorgiji Nimzuk, Tom McCarthy, Donal McCarthy, Pat O'Brien, Norrie O'Neill, Mike O'Gorman, John Anthony O'Sullivan, Jimmy O'Callaghan & Michael O'Connor. Front Row (seated) L-R Pat O'Neill, Mary O'Connor & John O'Shea.

PICTURE MARIE CARROLL-O'SULLIVAN



JIMMY O'SULLIVAN-DARCY

takes a look at all things sport...

TRALEE CBS SEE OFF SEM CHALLENGE

Corn úí Mhuirí Final:

Tralee CBS 4-15 St. Brendans 1-15

In a game that took a crazy but enthralling amount of swings and roundabouts, the Sem looked dead and buried at half-time, inevitable winners twenty minutes later, and were finally defeated by a margin that even Tralee would admit wasn't reflective of their efforts.

Tralee had a huge wind advantage at the start and took full advantage. Conor Hayes opened the scoring before Seán Quilter boomed over an incredible score from distance. Jordan Kissane added another from the wing. The wind was holding up Sem kick-outs and Tralee were snapping up all the midfield breaks. When Sean Quilter stood over a free that was well within his range, everyone expected the margin to increase by a point – instead, he snapped it quickly to a lurking Jordan Kissane, who finished to the net. Quilter took the straightforward option with another free and it was 1-4 to 0-0.

The Sem forwards were trying hard with a paucity of possession. Dylan O'Callaghan latched onto a ball and fed it across to Jason Kerins in the square – he was opulled down, but Emmet O'Shea drilled home a brilliant penalty. It was a brief interruption to Tralee's dominance as they added points by Cian Purcell and Fergal O'Brien. William Shine cleverly took an advance mark (the only one in the game) for St. Brendans' first point. Jordan Kissane cancelled that out, but at least the Sem were making some headway. Emmet O'Shea set up Ryan O'Grady for a well-taken point but Fergal O'Brien replied with a great free-kick. Emmet won a free for Ryan but again O'Brien responded with a score and then won a '45 drilled over by Devon Burns – the Tralee keeper was at his brilliant best in this game.

At 1-10 to 1-3, the gap looked just about manageable considering the strong wind, but Tralee drew another ace when Seán Quilter rose high to a long ball and batted it down to fellow Kerry U20 Conor Hayes. The Strand Road man, son of popular referee Paul, hit an unstoppable finish and Tralee's lead was into double figures. Emmet O'Shea pulled one back, but things still looked very bleak at the break for the Sem.

Half-time Tralee CBS 2-10 St. Brendans 1-4

The second half was even more one-sided than the first – but it was a dramatic role reversal. It was the Sem who were doing all the hunting and harrying now. Michael Lenihan in particular took over midfield with an awesome display and

once the supply lines were opened, the Sem forwards showed what they can do. Lenihan set up Emmet O'Shea for a point and Ryan O'Grady turned supplier for William Shine. William in turn won a free converted by Emmet and Padraic Looney swung over a beauty. 2-10 to 1-8

Ryan O'Grady split the posts. Mark Cooper drove forward – with Tralee concentrating on closing down his passing options rather than closing him down, he calmly stroked it over the bar. 2-10 to 1-10, just a goal between them. Emmet O'Shea with a free. Straight from the kick-out, the Sem came hunting again, Ryan O'Grady splitting the posts. 2-10 to 1-12, a one point game, and the Green hadn't had a single shot in the half yet. That was about to change, and again the game changed dramatically. The wind dying down was a factor, but the main key to Tralee's resurgence was unquestionably was the introduction of substitute Sean Kennedy. The Annascaul player scored 2-5 from midfield against an East Kerry side that included Neil O'Shea, Evan Looney, Tom Doyle, Ruairí Doyle, Eoghan O'Sullivan, Emmet O'Shea, Dylan O'Callaghan, Harry Buckley, and Ryan O'Grady to win the U14 County Final back in 2016. He had concentrated more on a soccer contract with Sunderland since then, but it was obvious very quickly that he had left none of his football skills behind him.

He drove through to tee up Conor Hayes for a vital point, Tralee's first in 19 minutes. That turned the tide completely, Sean Quilter won a penalty, but Eoin Moynihan made a great save. Quilter caught the rebound, won a free, and put it over. Minutes later Kennedy was again at the heart of a great move, driving through with Conor Hayes coolly slotting home his second goal. Seán Quilter added a point and the lead was back to 3-13 to 1-2.

The Sem kept going, with Ryan O'Grady forcing a good save out of Devon Burns and Emmet O'Shea pointing a free, but the Green had the bit between their teeth now. Conor Hayes in particular was on fire, and he reacted fastest to Fergal O'Brien's deflected effort, punching it into the net to complete his hat-trick. Seán Quilter added a point and Jordan Kissane closed out Tralee's scoring, with a late '45 and a pointed free by Ryan O'Grady closing out the Sem's efforts.

Tralee CBS: Devon Burns (0-1, 1'45), Niall Fitzmaurice, Luke Chester, Ruairí O'Sullivan, Padraig White, Armin Heinrich, Eoghan Carroll, Joe Lenihan, Conor Horan, Fergal O'Brien (0-3, 1f), Darragh Reen, Jordan Kissane (1-3), Cian Purcell (0-1), Seán Quilter (0-5, 2f), Conor Hayes (3-2). Subs Sean Kennedy (for Ruairí O'Sullivan, 46 mins), Dylan Moriarty (for Armin Heinrich, 58 mins), Conor Myers (for Cian Purcell, 61 mins) St. Brendans: Eoin Moynihan, Ruairí Doyle, Mark Cooper (0-1), Neil O'Shea, Tom Doyle, Terry Sparling, Evan Looney, Eoghan O'Sullivan, Michael Lenihan, Jason Kerins, Ryan O'Grady (0-6, 2f, 1'45), Padraic Looney (0-1), William

Shine (0-2, 1 mark), Dylan O'Callaghan, Emmet O'Shea (1-5, 1 pen, 4f). Subs Harry Buckley (for Eoghan O'Sullivan, 55 mins), Cian O'Leary (for Ruairí Doyle, 57 mins), Fionn Holohan (for Evan Looney, 57 mins), Philip O'Leary (for Padraic Looney, 61 mins)

Referee: Jonathan Griffin (Glenbeigh/Glencar)

Garry McGrath, St. Brendans Manager Garry McGrath, Arthur Fitzgerald, and Bryan O'Mahony were as disappointed as anyone after the game but it was tempered by pride in his team's battling qualities. "You are always disappointed to lose a final but look, we are very proud of the lads. They showed their true battling qualities again there in the second half. The mountain was probably just that bit too high to climb at half-time, nine points. We brought it down to just one, but Tralee were always going to have a purple patch in the second half, and unfortunately from our point of view, their purple patch resulted in two goals late on for them and that was the difference."

The Sem manager had no complaints "The best of luck going forward to Tralee. They have been knocking on the door for years. We beat them back in 2017 and they have been trying and trying for years. I'm obviously disappointed from our own perspective but I'm delighted for Mike Tim, he's brought so much to Tralee. Look, fair play to them, they are going to be a big threat in this and hopefully they can go on now. I'd love to see them go on and win a Hogan Cup."

Munster D Final: Beara NS 3-8 Mean Scoil Castlegregory 2-4

There was no joy for Aodhán Mac Gearailt's charges in the curtain-raiser. Beara led by 1-5 to 0-1 with the very strong wind in the first half and actually led by 3-8 to 0-2 after 45 minutes. Late goals by Seamus Lyne and Cian O'Grady (pen) merely put a gloss on the scoreboard.

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National Football League:

Kerry 1-19 Meath 2-13

Meath have struggled in Division One and were expected to be easy pickings for Kerry on home ground. It certainly started that way, especially after impressive debutant David Shaw tapped down to his former Sem and Kerry minor teammate David Clifford for a goal to make it 1-5 to 0-0, Meath down to 14 men after a black card. But, restored to 15, the Royals rallied with pressure on the Kerry kick-out and a defence that, Graham O'Sullivan and Shane Enright excepted, looked very porous. The hard truth is that we have great defenders as individuals but a poor defence as a unit; that's been too much the case in recent years. It's early days yet, but hopefully Donie Buckley can work his magic and tighten us up. The gap was down to 1-17 to 1-5 before Kerry finished the half strong to lead by

BASKETBALL

SP Sliabh Luachra Lose Out in All Ireland Final
U19 A Final: St. Malachys Belfast 65 SP Sliabh Luachra

SP Sliabh Luachra have been hugely uimpressing in football in recent years, but they have been even more successful in basketball. The side that headed up to play St. Malachys in the U19 A Final in the National Basketball Arena last Monday included three players facing their fourth All Ireland Final – Ronan Collins and the Cronin twins Damien and Mark have two U16 All Irelands won already. That said, this was always going to be a very small David against a very big Goliath, St. Malachys is situated in the heart of Belfast and is the most prolific basketball nursery out there. They are coached by Adrian Fulton, one of the great Superleague players of yore with Star of the Sea (he was a frequent visitor to Killarney to take on St. Pauls in the 90s) and a former international. They had three current Superleague players in their ranks. Conor Ryan and Darragh Ferguson are very good players, but Adrian's son CJ belongs in the stratosphere. This guy is to basketball what David Clifford was to football in 2018, a genuine wunderkind. David Gleeson had two early baskets and the outstanding Ronan Collins sank three, with point guard Damien Cronin also shining in a first quarter that finished 11 apiece. Fulton was already doing damage with his steals, though, and he helped Malachys into a big 33 – 20 lead by half-time. Two big three-pointers by Paul O'Leary helped to trim the gap back to 10 points but then Darragh Ferguson cut loose, closing the half with a lay-up, a three, and a free shot. 49 – 31. Ferguson was sinking everything he touched, adding another 8 points. Tommy Bowler (the only Killarney Cougars player among his Gneeveguilla and Rathmore team-mates) sank a great three but the momentum was all with St. Malachys and they were never going to be caught. Darragh Ferguson (25) got MVP after that scoring spree but, having watched the video, I actually thought that Ronan Collins did more overall while Fulton (16), for me, was the



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real game-changer.

Manager Cormac Collins and Mike McGillicuddy and all the team can and should be hugely proud of their efforts.

SP Sliabh Luachra: Ronan Collins (16), David Gleeson (10), Paul O'Leary, Damien Cronin (1), Mark Cronin, Andrew Moynihan, Daniel Moynihan (3), Tommy Bowler (4), Denis Mahony, Paraic Finnegan, Paudie O'Leary (2).

DOHERTY SISTERS INSPIRE ST. PAULS

The Kerry Basketball Finals were good outings for St. Pauls Killarney, and they can be thankful to one household in particular for two new cups in the trophy cabinet. Kerry inter-county footballer Ava Doherty from Glenflesk captained the U18 ladies to victory while her younger sister Abbie was a joint captain of the U12s who also won their final, both St. Pauls teams overcoming Tralee Imperials.



St. Paul's U-12 division one cup winner Abbie Doherty and her sister Ava Doherty, U-18 division one cup winner.

1-10 to 1-5. With Meath on top at midfield, they trimmed the gap back to two again, 1-11 to 1-9, and somehow Kerry just could not pull away. Big Tommy Walsh was awesome on his introduction, at one stage lifting a player on his shoulders like a sack of potatoes (a big Kerry crowd loved that one!), and Dara Moynihan was equally effective albeit less spectacular on his introduction. Kerry led by 1-17 to 1-9 but, with Kerry getting two late black cards, Meath reeled them in again and it was much tighter at the finish than it really should have been. Not a good day at the office at all, but two points safely in the bag. One grumble: Kerry again made two late changes to the team named in the programme, while a Meath team that had five changes and a lot of players wearing the wrong numbers was simply indecipherable. People deserve better.

Ladies National League: Kerry 3-14 Tyrone 0-8

The Kerry Ladies are in flying form and looked comfortable against the Red Hand early on after Niamh Ní Chonchúir's early goal and a shooting

exhibition by the outstanding Louise Ní Muircheartaigh. Tyrone rallied but Kerry led by double scores, 1-9 to 0-6, with Ní Muircheartaigh already with 0-6 on the board. The second half was a tight contest after Tyrone scored a penalty but Kerry always looked that bit sharper and Louise Ní Muircheartaigh's penalty made the game safe as well as taking her own tally to 1-10. Kerry finished with a flourish, Hannah O'Donoghue goaling with the kind of audacious lob that makes the likes of Cristiano Ronaldo look mundane; it was a real moment of magic.

GAA Congress 2020

It always tends to slide under the radar, especially after a Special Congress already this year that introduced the new playing rules, but Congress is actually where the direction of the GAA is decided and this year sees a number of important motions up for debate. With a whopping 61 motions going forward, obviously time for debate will be limited, but

these are a few of the more interesting ones up for discussion.

Black Card For Hurling: Purists will claim that hurling doesn't need it, but the truth is that the game has gotten very physical and occasionally cynical. The sin bin has worked wonderfully in football; I wouldn't mind it in hurling, but I am in a clear minority. 89% of inter-county hurlers opposed the black card in a recent poll. Kerry will be voting against its introduction.

Club Games To Go To 35 Minutes a Half: Kerry will also be voting against this one. 60 hard minutes is plenty long enough for amateur players.

All Ireland and Provincial Championship Semi-Finals to go to Replays: At the moment semi-finals go to extra-time and penalties. That's with good reason; the crowded fixture list doesn't have room to bring them to replays. Kerry will be voting against. **Head Injuries to be Treated as Blood Injuries:** A player can leave the field, replaced by a temporary sub, for HIA. Badly wanted, overdue, and almost certain to be

unanimous.

Managers/Captains to Have Two Calls For Hawk-Eye: Great in theory, similar to tennis. Except that tennis is a stop/start game. I don't agree with this; I think it would be used strategically to eat up the clock rather than for good reasons. Let's at least wait until sufficient grounds have Hawk-Eye. Two Designated Players Allowed to Question the Referee: They say that the road

to hell is paved with good intentions. In my opinion, this one has landmines all the way. No, no, and a thousand times no. Leave the match officials alone. This would only exacerbate, not solve, the ongoing problem of abuse of officials. That a Designated Official be Allowed to Consult the Referee: See above.

County Development Officers to Oversee Club Planning: I disagree, clubs need the freedom to

make their own decisions. Kerry will be voting against this one.

Gambling Ads to be Banned During Games: The GPA like this one and so do I, but exactly how much control do the GAA have over broadcasts since they signed that Sky deal? I think that horse has already bolted.

SEM CLAIM FREWEN CUP



The victorious St. Brendan's Team who captured the Frewen Cup

Corn an Fhuinnigh: St. Brendans 1-14

Tralee CBS 2-7

The Sem had already lost out to the Green in the Taft (U15) and Corn Uí Mhuirí (U19) Finals, but in the third meeting of the top two Munster schools, it was the Killarney side who brought home the trophy.

The game was won in a devastating first half by the Sem. Liam Randles looped a brilliant shot over a hapless Ben Quilter for an early goal and Sem Captain Cian McMahon added a point. The Green responded with a goal of their own – Josh Lynch won a free, Conor Horan's effort dropped short, but Maurice O'Connell pounced on the loose ball to rattle the net. Horan and O'Connell were outstanding throughout for Tralee.

Man of the match Cian Foley opened his account for the Sem and, after a great and important clearance by Rian Colleran, Jack Clifford pointed a free. Darragh Fleming joined the attack to pick off a great score and the always dangerous Cian Foley doubled his personal tally. Harry Byrne, another to excel in turning defence into attack, neatly split the posts. 1-8 to 1-0; the Green badly needed a lifeline here. Conor Horan interrupted the flow with a Tralee free but Cian Foley replied in kind and Killian O'Sullivan added a point. Horan (45) and Liam Randles exchanged points to close out the first half with the Sem leading by 1-10 to 1-2.

With the wind behind them, it was Tralee's turn to lord proceedings in the third quarter. Maurice O'Connell picked off a good score and the Sem struggled thereafter to get out of their own

half. But Tralee were struggling just as badly to convert a multitude of chances, several of them eminently scoreable, with five wides on the trot and a ball dropped short. It actually took 17 minutes for their next score to arrive despite a surfeit of possession – the tenacity of the Sem defence deserves mention, but it wasn't the only factor. When that score finally did arrive, it was a real cracker, Maurice O'Connell brilliantly picking out Thomas O'Donnell for a fantastic goal. 1-10 to 2-4. They needed to put that momentum on the scoreboard.

And didn't get the chance. A nerveless Cian Foley fired over and sub Jamie Alade picked off another. Tralee kept pushing, with two frees by Conor Horan and a fine point by Maurice O'Connell, but Sem captain Cian McMahon won a last free to seal the victory.

St. Brendans: Aaron O'Sullivan, Cian Doyle, Dara O'Callaghan, Peter Cosgrave, Harry Byrne (0-1), Rian Colleran, Darragh Fleming (0-1), Ethan O'Neill, Killian O'Sullivan (0-1), Charlie Keating, Cian Foley (0-4, 1f), Liam Randles (1-1), Jack Clifford (0-1, 1f), Cian McMahon (0-4, 1f), Aodhán O'Neill. Subs Mikey Moriarty (for Charlie Keating, 27 mins), Jamie Alade 0-1 (for Aodhán O'Neill, 45 mins), Cian Lynch (for Cian Doyle, 50 mins)

Tralee CBS: Ben Quilter, Ciarán White, Liam Óg Kingston, TJ Heaphy, Darragh Sweeney, Ruairí O'Connell, Ronan Pearse, Armin Heinrich, Conor Horan (0-5, 1'45, 3f), Ben Hannafin, Maurice O'Connell (1-2), Thomas O'Donnell (1-0), Donnacha Sayers, Josh Lynch, Donal Daly. Subs Eric McMahon (for Ronan Pearse, 23 mins), Enda Cahill (for Josh Lynch, 47 mins), Sam

Pituch (for TJ Heaphy, 48 mins), Jerome Daly (for Ben Hannafin, 56 mins)

Referee: Eddie Walsh (Rathmore)

Kerry U20s Survive A Tough Test

Munster U20 Championship: Kerry Limerick Getting a win was more important than the manner of it, and good job too, because this wasn't pretty. Fair enough, it was a cold and miserable night and the switch to Rathkeale didn't help (the local pitch is known as 'The Bog Garden' – it isn't that bad, but the facilities were not Munster Championship standard). Even so, Limerick were limited but very game, showing the heart and resilience that their manager Jerry O'Sullivan also brought to East Kerry, and John Sugrue's side struggled badly to shake them off their coat-tails. Kerry led by 0-4 to 0-1 early on but hit a lot of early wides and over-elaborated when simple and direct passes were available. Limerick rallied before points by Luka Brosnan and Paul Walsh made it 0-10 to 0-5 at the interval.

The second half was better, and Kerry never really looked threatened, but a Limerick goal always had the potential to set the cat among the pigeons. Kerry do have some big guns to come back into the fold – the likes of Eddie and Sean Horan, Seán Quilter, and Donal Down O'Sullivan on the starting team could make a difference. It would want to; this performance would not have dethroned the reigning champions, and Kerry are at home to them next.

The consolation is that by all accounts Cork didn't look any great shakes themselves in their 2-7 to 1-12 win over Clare. Nonetheless, John Sugrue said afterwards that Kerry would need to up their performance considerably. Kerry have struggled over the past decade at U21/U20 level, and it is very much this grade, not minor, that has been the foundation of both Dublin and Mayo's senior teams. We held players back from U20 to play senior in the past two years, a serious mistake in my opinion. This year's U20 championship will not affect us next August – but it is very important for the future.

Kerry: Marc Kelliher, Dan McCarthy, James McCarthy, Owen Fitzgerald, Luka Brosnan (0-1), Dylan Casey, Sean O'Brien, Darragh Lyne, Michael O'Gara (0-1), Paul Walsh (0-4, 3f), Patrick Darcy (0-1), Killian Falvey (0-3), Ruaidhrí Ó Beaglaíoch (0-1), Sean Keane, Paul O'Shea (0-2). Subs Colm Moriarty (for Dylan Casey, 26 mins), Eddie Horan (for Darragh Lyne, 42 mins), Sean O'Connell (for Sean Keane, 49 mins), Seán Quilter 0-1 (for Ruaidhrí Ó Beaglaíoch, 52 mins)

KERRY PITCH & PUTT CLUB NEWS

After 'Storm Denis' the previously weekend had put pay to the planned start of the event, the Kerry Inter-Club Matchplay officially got underway in Castleisland last Sunday where both Deerpark and Newmarket were victorious in the opening round of matches. Both had 6-3 victories over Tralee and Listowel respectively and both also led by 2-1 after the opening doubles matches.

The Deerpark combinations of Hugh O'Sullivan & John Murphy and Ger Casey & Aidan O'Keefe were successfully over the respective Tralee duos of Jamie Blake & Pa Fitzgibbon along with David Hobbart and John Fitzgerald. Paul O'Shea & Keith O'Brien claimed a win over Deerpark's Noel Moynihan & Kieran Fitzpatrick to keep them in contention at halfway. Deerpark won four of the six Singles matches though with Declan Kelly, Lorcan Martin, John McGrath and Aidan O'Keefe winning their games for the Killarney club as Paul O'Shea and Jason Cregan were Tralee's victors in the other two games.

Newmarket meanwhile had wins for the combinations of Alan Dugdale & Willie John Buckley and



Damien Fleming of Deerpark Pitch & Putt Club receiving his award for finishing as Irish No 1 ranked Mens player for 2019 from Pitch & Putt Ireland President Mervyn Cooney at Pitch & Putt Ireland's Annual Convention last Saturday in Templemore, Co Tipperary.

Ben Newman & Padraig O'Flynn in the doubles over the Listowel combinations of John Heffernan & Kevin McCarron and Richard Bunyan & Dean Harris respectively. Ger Guerin & Jake Shine claimed a point for Listowel with a win over Con Buckley & Jimmy O'Sullivan but Brendan Herlihy, Alan Dugdale, Jimmy O'Sullivan and Ben Newman claimed the Singles points. Newmarket needed to make sure of their 6-3 win. Richard Bunyan and Jake Shine were Listowel's Singles winners in their defeat.

Round 2 takes place in Deerpark this Sunday as Castleisland make their debut against Listowel while Tralee will take on Newmarket at the Killarney venue. Doubles pairings are asked to be present for 9.45am and a reminder that the event is dress code.

Elsewhere the next County Board Meeting will take place on Monday March 23rd in Castleisland at 8pm and anyone interested in managing one of the Kerry Adult Inter-County teams this year is asked to be in attendance.

DEERPARK PITCH & PUTT CLUB NEWS

Kerry Inter-Club Matchplay: Great turnout of club members for our first match against match against Tralee in Castleisland where we emerged as 6-3 winners. We also led 2-1 after the Doubles before going on to secure our win. We host this weekend's matches before returning to action in Round 3 in Listowel on March 8th where we will play Newmarket.

2020 Membership: Membership can be paid in the clubhouse this weekend from 10am-10.30am on Saturday or on Sunday from 11am-11.30am. Registrar Margaret B Looney (087 9265747) or Treasurer Colm O'Dowd (087 7673742) can be contacted for further information. Rates as per 2019 prices. All members must be paid up by April 1st in order to take part in competitions.

Monday Night Cards: Continues in Clubhouse this Monday night at 7.30pm.

SHOP LEASE: Applications are still being taken for our Shop Lease for the 2020 Season. Contact Club Chairman Damien Fleming (087 6403417) if interested in making an application.

Keeping it in The Kingdom....

Local success at Páidi O'Sé tournament

It's easy to understand the GAA's growth in clubs abroad as it gives Irish people abroad the peace of mind that they are still connected to Ireland while away from family and friends as well as introducing our pastimes to those who have an interest in Irish culture and want to have something in common with their Irish neighbours. The Lidl Comórtas Peile Páidi Ó Sé has attracted over 16,500 participants over 31 years and numerous overseas club teams including teams from unusual locations like Madrid, Dubai and South Korea.

Over the last weekend, it was US club OC Wild Geese from Orange County, California who rocked up on the Dingle peninsula to take part in this wonderful event. The OC Wild Geese are located a short distance from Hollywood and who pulled off a surprising victory in the Junior Men's Cup, fitting of a Hollywood epic. The Kerry connection came in the form of Eoin O'Cuadhlaigh, a former An Ghaeltacht star, who now works in the city of angels, Los Angeles, in the construction industry. He convinced his adopted GAA club that the trip to West Kerry would be worth it, and he was totally correct. The team even created a special jersey with a black and white image of Páidi Ó Sé lifting Sam Maguire in 1985 emblazoned across the front which was fitting for the occasion.

The all-Kerry final between Castlegregory, under the management of Ardfert's Stephen Wallace, and Listry, with Marc Ó Sé at the helm, made



The victorious Listry who won beat Castlegregory in the Intermediate Men's Cup at the Lidl Comórtas Peile Páidi Ó Sé football tournament that took place in the Dingle Peninsula last weekend.

certain more silverware was returning to the Kingdom. Following a first round close encounter which ended in a two point victory over Cork's Boherbui, division four outfit Castlegregory easily acquitted themselves against Louth's Na Piarasigh to reach the final. Division two side Listry had a first-round win over Cavan's Knockbride before overcoming Louth's Hunterstown Rovers. The final, played at Gallarus 'Gort Nua' new pitch is a short distance from their traditional playing field. It was Castlegregory who started brightly with points from Brandon Hoare and Anton Kelliher and a goal from Jimmy Grady leaving them four points ahead at half-time 1-7 to 0-6 in favour of

the west Kerry side.

However, Listry's midfield partnership of Damien Clifford and Jimmy O'Leary stepped up and the mid-Kerry side came back to level it half way through the second half. Castlegregory's Alan Fitzgerald impressed and scored a free to go one point ahead but Damien Clifford popped up for a flurry of points and they kept their advantage to the end to leave the final score Listry 0-16 to Castlegregory's 1-11. An impressive comeback by Marc Ó Sé and his charges which sets them up nicely for the Junior Premier Club Championship as they face a tough group facing local rivals Keel, Fries and the ever dangerous Finuge.



DR. CROKES GAA CLUB

CONGRATULATIONS to Kerry and our own Gavin White, Miceál Burns David shaw who was making his Senior Inter-County debut and Tony Brosnan on the win over Meath, Michael Potts was also a member of the panel.

COMMISERATIONS to St. Brendans on their loss in the Munster Colleges Final.

ANNUAL AWARDS a large gathering attended our annual awards night which took place on Friday last in Scott's Hotel. Presentations on the night were made to Club person of the Year Paul Downey Senior Player of the Year Tony Brosnan, Junior Player of the Year John Kerrisk, Young Player of the Year Mark Cooper, Supporter of the Year Harry & Ann Bartlett, Ladies Player of the Year Charlene Brosnan and Hurler of the Year Michael Lenihan. A special award was made to the 6 Dr. Crokes players who were on the Kenmare/Kilgarvan/ Dr. Crokes team who won U21 Co. Hurling championship Michael Horgan, Michael Lenihan, Padraic Looney, Tom Doyle, Liam McSherry, Patrick Crehan. The Senior ladies received their county league winners medals, The B team received the Molyneux Cup medals and Minor and under 21 I received their East Kerry Medals.

MEMBERSHIP is now due and must be paid before March 1st. to Registrar Frances O'Sullivan. It may also be paid on line visit drcrokes.com/news. Follow the links below to to renew membership.

SCÓR SINSIR OVER 17 Are you interested in singing, dancing, storytelling, comic/dramatic acting & playing traditional music or do you like quizzes? Do you like writing original plays or stories?

Then SCÓR SINSIR is perfect for you!

SCÓR SINSIR is more than likely going directly to County Final level which will take place on March 14th Venue TBC.

SCÓR SINSIR is a perfect way to make new friends! Your club needs you!

List of Stage Competitions / Liosta Comórtas Ardán Rince Foirne Figure/Céilí Dancing Amhránaíocht Aonair Solo Singing Aithriseoireacht/Scéalaíocht Recitation/Storytelling Bailéad-Ghrúpa Ballad Group *Tráth na gCeisteanna (Cuid a Dó) Quiz (Part 2) Nuachleas Novelty Act Ceol Uirlise Instrumental Music Rince Seit Set Dancing Scór na bPáistí (for Primary School children) will take place on the 21st of March at 12 O'Clock. Venue TBC

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Contact with Scor Officer Rachel Foley 0879231091

PROGRESSIVE 31 every Wednesday night in Dr. Crokes clubhouse and begins at 8pm sharp all you need is to bring a €5

BINGO every Sunday in St. Marys Parish Hall . Doors open @7.30pm and commences @ 8.30pm.

LOTTO the jackpot of €8,900 was not won

numbers drawn 1,15,16, 24. five patrons matched 3 numbers and receive €80. jackpot on Sunday next will be €9,2000.

SYMPATHY to the Counihan family on the death of Vincent.

KEEL GAA CLUB

HEALTHY CLUBS INTIATIVE

Ireland Lights Up 2020 may be coming to an end in the next few weeks however Irish Life GAA Healthy Club Step Challenge is coming up. Keel GAA has been chosen to be a healthy club this year so this is an amazing opportunity for us. We would love all members over 18 to get involved in this challenge. It is also an opportunity for us to win a €2,500 O'Neills voucher. The challenge begins on March 16th and ends on 12th April 2020. For us to be part of the challenge all members must taking part must 1. Download the MyLife app from the App store or Google Play store 2. Tap on the social tab on the MyLife app 3. Select challenges 4. Select the challenge for your province 5. Tap on join & select your club. Please see our Facebook page for more information.

SENIOR - The Mid-Kerry league game against Beaufort was postponed at the weekend due to unplayable pitches.

MINOR - Keel/Listry will play their first game of the year against Kenmare in Listry next Saturday at 3.30 in the County League.

U16- Training continues Tuesday night on Faha Astroturf from 8-9pm.

U14- Training continues Monday from 7-8 and Thursday from 6-7 in Faha Astroturf. On Sunday Keel/Listry will take part in a tournament hosted by An Ghaeltacht.

U12 - Training will continue 7-8pm on Monday evening in Milltown Astroturf. €3 per person Remember, no mouthguard, no play.

U10- Training returned on Monday in Milltown Astroturf pitch. The children did not let the cold hamper their enthusiasm and enjoyment. Another great turn out. Training will take place on Monday night from 6-7pm at Milltown Astroturf pitch. €3 per child, suitable footwear and gum shield essential.

U8 - Training for children born in 2012 & 2013 continues Tuesday in Keel Community Centre from 6:30-7:30. New members welcome. Cost €2.50. Wear runners & a mouthguard.

U6- Great fun, exercise and enjoyment at this week's session. Players of the week last week were Tom McKenna and Gráinne Mangan. Training continues Thursday in Keel Community centre from 6:30-7:30 for those born in 2014-2015. Spread the word to other girls and boys to join in the fun.

JUNIOR PREMIER CHAMPIONSHIP

The draw was made for the Junior Premier Championship. Keel were drawn in Group 3 with Listry, Fries and Finuge. Keel will play Finuge in round 1 of the Junior Premier Championship.

ANNUAL LOTTO

If anyone would like to purchase a yearly lotto ticket please contact pro.keel.kerry@gaa.ie or our Facebook page. It has been a very popular and successful option those at home and abroad recently which allows all to be part of the Keel GAA lotto.

LOTTO

There was no winner of the jackpot €4100 on Monday 17th February. The numbers drawn were 6,8,31,32. €50 winner, Tony Griffin Ballyfinnane, €25 winners, Francie Ashe Aughills, J&M Rogan Shanahill, Michelle O Sullivan Lispole and Sean O Dowd Keel.

INCH CHRISTMAS DAY SWIM

Many thanks to all who participated in the Inch Christmas Day swim, donated money, supported and helped out on the day. A whopping €3,455 was raised and donated to the Kerry Cancer Support Group recently. All proceeds will be used by the K.C.S.G. to purchase a wheel chair accessible bus. This is the largest sum of money raised to date at the Inch Christmas Day swim. Also, a huge thank you to Sammy's Restaurant who provided complimentary heart-warming drinks to all swimmers. Plans are already underway for Christmas Day 2020. All welcome!

EAST KERRY

U21 CHAMPIONSHIP QUARTER FINAL

Gneeveguilla 1-10

Scartaglen 1-7.

Pairc na Cúlac hosted cordal Scartaglen v gneeveguilla U21 game last Saturday

First half

Home side lined out without their U20 kerry players the eiddie & sean horan and Sean O Connell but with blustery conditions the combined team lead by Birthday boy Sean Walsh were leading by 3 points to 1 after 15 mins with scores from 2 points Shay Walsh and Cathal O Donoghue, Gneeveguilla stormed back with Pa Warren dictating matters from midfield and man of the match Evan Cronin scoring 3points the half time score was level at 5points a piece

Second Half

Gneeveguilla playing with the wind scored a fortuitous goal early in the half when a high ball finished up in the net and with Evan Cronin causing havoc and adding 2 more points things didn't look good for Cordal Scart but with Pa Warren getting sinbin for ten minutes Kieran Enright came good with a fisted goal and a Eamon Nolan point the scores were level again at 1-7 to 1-7, the returning Warren from the bin stabilised gneeveguilla and his strong running up the middle help the away side to finish stronger and won out by 3 points with a scoreline of 1-7 to gneeveguilla 1-10.

GLENFLESK 3 - 14 CURROW 0 - 11

Glenflesk were too strong for Currow to win their second game in the East Kerry League on Saturday in Barraduff.

After the teams shared the first two points of the game Currow had the chance to make the first bug statement of the day when they were awarded an early penalty. The effort looked to be heading right in the corner of the net but barely missed the post with many in attendance not sure if it had gone in or not. Glenflesk took full advantage of this lucky break soon after. Danny Lucey latched onto a loose Currow pass before finding Dara Fleming who coolly finished to the net. Fleming added another point soon after as Glenflesk began to take control. Currow were reliant on frees for there scores as the early penalty miss seemed to be affecting them greatly. Just before half time Glenflesk added a



Firies U10 Hurlers who played Tralee Parnell's in a challenge game at the weekend.



Killarney Legion Ladies Awards night I-r Lucy Spellman, Emma Horan, Ciara Doolan, Amy Doyle, Aine Devlin, Lauren Carey and Orianne McGillycuddy.

second goal. Darragh Roche beat his marker to a long ball, cut inside, and then rasped a shot with his left foot to the roof of the net. The goal gave Glenflesk a two six to six point lead at half time. The second half started slowly with both teams missing early changes. Sean Mcgrath eventually opened Glenflesk's account after patient build up play. Dara Fleming then calmly finished off the post to get his second goal, before adding another point after a laser guided pass from Brian O'Donoghue. The teams shared scores for the rest of the match as Currow could not create the goal chance needed to mount a come back.

EAST KERRY U21 CHAMPIONSHIP QUARTER FINAL

Gneeveguilla 1-10

Cordal/Scartaglen 1-07

East Kerry senior League Division 2

Glenflesk 3.14

Currow 0.11

East Kerry Senior League.

spa 2-10 legion 1-7.

East Kerry Super leagues 2020

First team named will be at home (unless otherwise stated)

ROUND 3: Gneeveguilla V Dr. Crokes – Sunday 1st March at 12 noon

ROUND 3: Listry V Kilcummin – Sunday 1st March at 12 noon

DIVISION 2

FINAL

Fossa V Glenflesk – Sunday 1st March at 12 noon

Neutral venue – extra time if necessary

Round 3: Currow V Firies – Sunday 1st March at 12 noon

DIVISION 3

Round 3: Kilgarvan V Scartaglen – Sunday 1st March at 12 noon.

East Kerry GAA News By Michael O'Mahony

FOUNDATION LEVEL COURSE

East Kerry clubs are invited to send club coaches (U6 - U12) to East Kerry Foundation Level Coaching Course. The course will contain practical and theory modules delivered on the day. This will be the only course run in East Kerry in 2020. It is vital that all club coaches at this level are given a chance to attend. Tracksuit to be worn on the day.

Date: Saturday 7th March.

Venue Kilcummin School Hall (Practical) and Kilcummin Clubhouse (Theory).

Time Practical 8.30 am to 10.30 am.

Theory 11.00 am to 2.00 pm.

Clubs to send coaching numbers attending

to Vince Cooper East Kerry/Kenmare GDA by Thursday 5th March.

EAST KERRY GAA COMMITTEE

The next delegate meeting of Coiste Chiarraí Thoir 2020 will take place in the Killarney Heights Hotel, on Tuesday, 3rd March at 9.00 p.m. all Delegates requested to attend.

BALLYHAR-FIRIES GAA

2020 MEMBERSHIP

2020 membership can now be renewed online. Follow the links on our social media accounts or search for Firies GAA via the "Find My Club" Button on www.clubforce.com. Alternatively, you can make contact with Club Secretary Kevin Cronin, Peter Costello, Paudie O'Sullivan Hurling or Fiona Walsh or any club officer/ Mentor or Member and they will be able to give you further details. All players must be registered before playing or training.

COISTE NA NOG

The Firies GAA Coiste Na Nog will hold their annual table quiz on tonight at 9pm in Sheehans Bar Firies. Team of 4 (€40). All support on the night will be greatly appreciated and any money raised will go back into the running of the Coiste Na Nog club for the year ahead.

LOTTO

No's Drawn 2, 12, 14 & 25

No Winner

€30 Winners were

Cian Callaghan Farranfore

Joe Casey Roxboro

Pat Cronin Dromore

Bernard Doyle Firies

Brian Butler c/o Bridie

The draw for next weeks Jackpot of €2,500 will take place in Airport Bar Farranfore tonight. Get your lotto tickets from all the usual sellers, Club Officers, Senior Players or from the stand in Moriarty's Centra, Farranfore.

Thank you all for your continued support.

FIXTURES

Minor County League Div 2 – Saturday 29th 15.30

Home Vs Castlegregory

LADIES FOOTBALL

U14/U16/Minor Girls - indoor fitness training continues Tuesday's 8-9pm in the GAA Hall Farranfore - bring €2, water & a mat

HURLING

Thanks to Tralee Parnell's for the U10 game on Friday evening last in the IT Tralee Complex.

Hurling Training continues in Farranfore on Thursdays at 7 pm.

LEGION GAA CLUB

EK SUPERLEAGUE RESULT

Spa 2-11

Killarney Legion 1-08

LADIES UNDERAGE AWARDS NIGHT

At the Dromhall Hotel this evening Killarney Legion Lgfa held their awards hosted by our Chairperson Selina Looney. The victorious u14s who had a remarkable 2019 season received their County, Ncp league & Division 3 East Kerry medals. Congratulations to all the players & management team.

Well done to our players of the year @u13 Orianne McGillycuddy and @u14 Aine Devlin



Our 2019 u12 girls received their medals for county and east Kerry honours this eve in our annual awards held at the Dromhall Hotel Killarney. Congratulations to all the girls and to Zoe Counihan and Beatrice Corridan on receiving their u11 and u12 awards.

COMMISERATIONS

Commiserations to our own lads Ryan, Eoghan, William, Cian and Owen Benson and the St Brendans Team & Management on losing out in the Corn Ni Mhuiri Final on Saturday, Good Luck to the CBS, Tralee in the rest of their campaign.

CLUB MEMBERSHIP

Registration for 2020 is now open. Register online at the link below or contact a club officer or coach for more information.

MILLTOWN CASTLEMAINE GAA

NORMAN FOLEY SPAR SPONSORSHIP

Milltown/Castlemaine GAA's Coiste Na nÓg is delighted to announce that Norman Foley-SPAR, will be our main sponsor once again this year. Norman has also committed for a further 3 years. Spar Milltown has undergone a significant investment in the past few months, with a huge transformation in the store at Lower Bridge Street. There are more developments planned for the summer of 2020. Norman also operates Spar Stores and Inver Forecourts in Fossa (Sixty Seconds), Jacko Foleys in Killorglin and Inver Foleys on the Castlemaine Road in Tralee. Norman has been the main sponsor of the Bord Na nÓg in our club since 2017. His businesses continue to be a much valued and appreciated contributor to the juvenile members of our club. We would appreciate if our club members would support these businesses when shopping in the different areas. Mile buíochas to Norman for his continued support from all at Milltown/Castlemaine GAA.

REGISTRATION: WEDNESDAY 6-8 P.M

Our club registration evening takes place on this Wednesday February 26th, for all those wishing to play football with our club this year, from the Milltown/Castlemaine area, as well as those wishing to join as adult members. All players must be registered in Croke Park by March 31st. Further details available on our website and FB Page.

SWAP SHOP

We will hold a swap shop on this Wednesday (February 26th) between 6 and 7 in the clubhouse. This is a great opportunity to clean out the closet and part company with either boots or playing gear that is too small and perhaps you may pick up something to fit you at the swap shop then. It's a win win situation!!

MILLTOWN CASTLEMAINE'S GAA CLUB FUNDRAISER 'TAKING THE MIC'

Another 2 acts have been revealed. The duo of Andy Fitzpatrick and Anne-Marie Nelligan from Killorglin Community College has no doubt been busy during their mid-term break- polishing up their performance! Nagle Rice Parents Association availed of the break from homework and school routines and picked the perfect time to reveal their identity. Pauline Hynes, Cliodhna Ladden, Gina Lawlor and Suzy Doherty are the ladies behind Act 6. They join Emir, Muireann, Philip and Dave who are going under the umbrella of The Executive. Eduardo from Ashborough



All eyes on their hero.... young Kerry fans watch Tom O'Sullivan arrive at the Fitzgerald Stadium in Killarney. PHOTO: FITZGERALD STADIUM PR.

Lodge, Marion's Hair Studio, Milltown-Marion O' Shea, Caroline Barrett, Dragana Bogun and Emer Donovan and Milltown Castlemaine Mothers and Others team consisting of Adele O'Dwyer, Margo O'Dowd, Linda McCarthy and Deirdre O'Sullivan. Rehearsals will commence this week with the teams meeting up with their choreographer Cassie-Let the fun begin! Our senior men's group is due to be revealed very shortly so keep an eye on our website to see who else is up for the craic. www.milltowncastlemainegaa.ie and on our FB Page for updates. Easter Sunday Night, April 12th, 2020 at Ballygarry House Hotel is the place to be. Save the date!

FIXTURES

Our County Minor League Division 5 Round 1 game versus Listowel Emmets on Saturday February 22nd fell victim to the bad weather. Our minors are away to Beale on Saturday February 29th and away to Annascaul/Lispole/ Dingle on Saturday March 7th for Round 3.

SENIOR B

Round 1, County League sees us take on Gneeveguilla B at home on Sunday March 8th. Round 2, our senior B is way to Rathmore B on March 15th.

SENIOR A

Senior Mid Kerry League Round 5 saw our senior team take on Laune Rangers, at The Track on Sunday last. Laune Rangers had a 4 point win on this occasion. Round 4 versus Keel has been set for March 1st.

Our seniors begin their Senior Co. League competition with a home game v Currow on March 8th.

Please keep a close eye on our FB Page and Website for updates/changes due to weather. We would also appreciate if you could inform those who do not have access to the internet or social media of any changes.

FUNDRAISING LOTTO JACKPOT-€12,400

Our most recent Lotto draw was held in O' Shea's Bar on Friday last. Drawn numbers were 10, 13, and 21 with 24 being the bonus number. We had 6 lucky consolation prize winners. €50 each to Marie Heasman, Milltown and Kathleen Breen, Beaufort. €25 each to Jer Joy, O'Sullivan-Daly, c/o Karl Daly, Mai and Anthony McKenna, Furies Cross

and Maeve Burke, Kiltallagh. Congratulations to you all. Our next draw will be on Friday March 6th in Griffin's Bar- with a jackpot of €12,400. Thank you to everyone for your continuous support and generosity.

COUNTY INTERMEDIATE FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP DRAW

This is our group (4) for the above competition. Dromid Pearse, Glenbeigh/Glencar Milltown/Castlemaine and Waterville. Milltown/Castlemaine will take on Waterville in Round 1 in April. Dates, times and venues all to be confirmed. Format is as follows: 1st placed team from each group advances to semi-finals, 4th placed side in each group goes into a relegation playoff system with the bottom sides from the other three groups.

KERRY SENIORS

Congratulations to the Kerry Senior Ladies management and panel on their 4th consecutive victory on Sunday last, over Tyrone in the Lidl National League. Comhghairdeas to Peter Keane and the Kerry Senior men's panel also on their win over Meath in the National League. They take on Mayo next Saturday evening -go neirí an tádh libh.

31 CARD DRIVE

Our cards continue again on this Tuesday at 9 in Nagle Rice Community Centre. Why not come along and join us for some cards, Barry's Tea and Larkins Brack! This is a great opportunity to make new friends. And if your luck is in- you might win a few euro too!

ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE

We are looking forward to seeing as many of our club members walk with the club in the St. Patrick's Day Parade. If you would like to be involved with our club in the parade, we would be delighted to have you join us. Contact any member of the executive for further information. 'Ní neart go cur le chéile.'

THANK YOU

Sincere thanks to all those who assist me in my role as PRO of the club. Like all roles in the club, it is a very busy one. If you would like to help out in the club in any way, we would be most grateful. 'It is in giving that you receive.'

REPORT BY LEONA TWISS, PRO



KERRY GAA SCENE

KERRY FOOTBALLERS ON THE ROAD AGAIN!

Last Sunday, Kerry earned two valuable points after a very tough game against Meath in Fitzgerald Stadium! Peter Keane saw the game as the perfect opportunity to give plenty of players game time and we must remember that the Management Team are planning with the Championship in mind! It may not have been the most exciting game to watch but a win is a win!

It was great to see such large support in Killarney last weekend. Perhaps the biggest cheer of the day was reserved for Tommy Walsh and his weight-lifting skills! Huge credit is owed to Der Brosnan, John Lenihan and all involved with the Fitzgerald Stadium for having the field so perfect that it could host four games over two days! Our thanks to everyone who contributed to Sunday's success and now we look forward to the trip to Castlebar. The game against Mayo throws in at 7.15pm on Saturday night and will be televised as well as broadcast live on Radio Kerry. Tickets are on sale from the Centra & SuperValu stores and from the Kerry GAA Store in Killarney. Tickets are 15 Euro up until Friday night and are 20 Euro on Saturday. We wish everyone a safe journey to Mayo. The Kerry Team will be announced at 8pm on Friday night on the Kerry GAA website.

THE KERRY U20S

The Kerry U20s (under new Manager John Sugrue) began their Munster Championship campaign on Wednesday night at 7pm where beat Limerick in the LIT Gaelic Grounds. Limerick beat Tipperary last Wednesday night 7 points to 6. John Sugrue announced his team on Tuesday night. They have put in so much work and preparation and we congratulate everyone involved.

CREDIT UNION COUNTY LEAGUES

With little over a week to go until round 1 of the Credit Union County Leagues, it is clear that the excitement is building and clubs are really looking forward to the games ahead. The Credit Union County League was launched last Monday night in Austin Stack Park. The Chairman Tim Murphy was delighted that the Credit Union has continued their Sponsorship of the League which first began in 2003 and is now in its 18th year! The Chairman highlighted how Kerry GAA and the Credit Union movement are a perfect fit for one another as both represent a very strong community spirit. The 2019 Credit Union League Winners were presented with their cheques last Monday night at the Launch.

A number of officers from the Kerry GAA CCC along with Credit Union representatives



RTE Sunday Game analysts Colm O'Rourke was an interested spectator at the Kerry V Meath game yesterday. PHOTO: FITZGERALD STADIUM PR.

will be on Terrace Talk next Monday night to discuss the games as we look forward to another year of excitement in the Credit Union County Leagues!

COUNTY BOARD MEETING

A meeting of the Kerry County Committee was held last Monday night in the Pavilion, Austin Stack Park Tralee.

- Motions for the upcoming Congress were discussed in detail. Congress is on next Friday and Saturday in Croke Park. All motions can be downloaded from the GAA website. A new President will be elected on Friday night. The candidates in the running are Jim Bolger, Jarlath Burns, Larry McCarthy, Jerry O'Sullivan and Mick Rock.
- Paddy Fogarty from Waterville was congratulated on his recent milestone birthday and he is now in his 47th year as County Board Delegate
- A vote of sympathy was expressed for the late Máire Bean Uí Ainiféin (mother of County Board Delegate Tomás)
- The U20 Hurling Management Team was ratified – Manager Fintan O'Connor along with John Griffin, Michael Kelliher and Dermot Ryan
- The Chairman congratulated Tralee CBS on winning the Corn Uí Mhuirí
- The Chairman acknowledged the hard-work and commitment shown by John Joe O'Carroll during his time as Central Council Delegate. John Joe was an excellent Officer and will be missed from the Executive
- Pádraig Ó Feirtéar spoke to the Delegates about the Gaeltacht Scholarship programme and Cultural Officer Christy Killeen distributed the forms to the District Secretaries.

GRANTS AND FINANCE

Next Monday evening, March 2nd, sees a unique first for Kerry GAA. As a result of very strong interest and demand from clubs, the following event has been organised:

"Everything you need to know about Grants and Finance" Venue: Kerry Sports Academy, IT Tralee. Room W217. Date: March 2nd 7.45pm sharp. A tour of the new, state of the art Sports Academy will be provided at 7.20pm sharp for those present at that time. For the first time, the Sports Capital Department will specifically present to the GAA (This will be first for clubs anywhere and they will also take questions). In addition to the grants, the CEO of the Munster Council, John Brennan, will present on GAA grants and on GAA loans. The second half of the evening will address the topic of Finance and will comprise of a moderated panel discussion between AIB, BOI and Cara Credit Union (Questions again accepted), followed by a presentation by Clann Credo. This evening should be key for all clubs, irrespective of any development done, planned or nothing on the horizon and we would ask that every club is represented. Also, as there is a strong link between GAA clubs and Kerry schools when it comes to Sports Capital Funding, please feel free to ask a representative of your local school to attend.

KERRY GAA SUPPORTERS CLUB

The Kerry GAA Supporters Club AGM was held on Monday night. The following officers were elected President Gerry O'Leary Chairman Donal O'Leary Vice Chairman Par King Secretary John King. Treasurers Leanne Ryan and Martin Leane Registrar John O'Connell PRO Martin Leane Committee Joe Sugrue Jimmy Shanahan Gerry O'Leary Bridie Howard Brendan McCarthy Kit Ryan Triona Brassil Elaine O'Connor Kerry McCarthy and Tommy Dowling

The Kerry GAA Supporters Club will make the long trip to Castlebar on Saturday for the Mayo v Kerry NFL game. All seats must be booked by Thursday night. The following are the travel times - Farranfore 10am, Tralee 10.30am, Listowel 11am.

The Kerry supporters club will travel to Monaghan on the 14th March for the NFL game. This is an overnight stay. Bookings with full payment can be made on Monday night the 2nd March in the Ballygarry House Hotel and in the Listowel Arms hotel at 8.30pm.

CLUB OFFICER - TRAINING HEALTH AND WELLBEING

Kerry GAA Health & Wellbeing Committee are holding important training for Club and District Board Healthy Club Officers on Monday 2 March, in the Killarney Heights Hotel, starting at 7.30pm. Club members with an interest in Health and Wellbeing and in the Healthy Club Approach are invited to attend also. To register please e mail chair.hwc. kerry@gaa.ie or text Áine at 087 3381843



Lidl Ladies National Football League Division 2 Round 4

LADIES RECORD RESOUNDING WIN

Kerry 3-14 (23) Tyrone 1-08 (11)

Venue: Fitzgerald Stadium, Killarney

Referee: Kevin Phelan (Laois)

Report by Kerry LGFA PRO Paul Murphy

Kerry maintained their excellent start to the league with an excellent win against Tyrone in Fitzgerald Stadium on Sunday. Part of a double header this game acted as a curtain raiser to the senior men's Allianz League game against Meath. Both sides made changes to the starting line-up prior to throw in. Megan O'Connell coming in for Kerry replacing Hannah O'Donoghue. Both sides exchanged points early on Louise Ní Mhuirheartaigh for the home side and Emma Brennan for the visitors. The Kingdom then began to dominate the proceedings for the next fifteen minutes, scoring 1-06 without reply. The lead could have been more in this period only for some poor shooting by the Kingdom. Emma Dineen with a well worth point from play for her first of the afternoon as Louise Ní Mhuirheartaigh continued her rich vein of form in the League campaign notching up a further five points in this period (3 from frees) to put Kerry firmly in control midway through the half. Kerry's first goal coming in the fifth minute from Niamh Ní Chonchuir following good work from Emma Dineen & Andrea Murphy. Tyrone weathered the storm and responded in the eighteen-minute scoring the next four points. Niamh O'Neill (2), Emma Jane Gervin & Tori McLaughlin one each to reduce the deficit to five points with eight minutes remaining in the half. Kerry responded with points from Lorraine Scanlon & Louise Ní Mhuirheartaigh. Louise's coming from a free after the referee allowed advantage for her attempt at goal. The sides went in at the break Kerry 1-09 Tyrone 0-06.

The second half was to be a much tighter affair early on. The away side started the brightest scoring the first two scores to reduce the deficit the points coming from Joanne Barrett and Aoibhinn McHugh. Louise Ní Mhuirheartaigh was once again to the fore for Kerry added a further two points to extend the lead to six before substitute Fiadhna Tangney raised her first white flag with a well taken score. As the stadium began to fill so did the drama on the pitch. Elaine O'Sullivan in the Kerry goal saved well by tipping onto the crossbar as the referee



Action from the Kerry v Tyrone game on Sunday. PICTURE: FRANCES FOLEY.



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allowed advantage before awarding Tyrone a penalty. Grainne Rafferty raising the green flag to leave four between the sides with six minutes on the clock remaining. A potentially nervous end to the game faced Kerry but it wasn't to be as the home side roared on by the strong crowd finished the game the strongest with goals from Louise & Hannah O'Donoghue. Louise's coming from the penalty spot after Niamh Carmody was brought down in the box. The icing on the cake coming from substitute Hannah O'Donoghue her chip over Tyrone keeper Laura Kane giving Kerry a comfortable win in front of a large home crowd. Scorers:

Kerry: L Ní Mhuirheartaigh 1-10 (1-0 Pen, 0-9F), N Ní Chonchuir 1-0, H O'Donoghue 1-0, L Scanlon 0-1, N Carmody 0-1, E Dineen 0-1, F Tangney 0-1
Tyrone: G Rafferty 1-0 Pen, N O'Neill 0-3 (0-2F),

E Brennan 0-1, T McLaughlin 0-1, J Barrett 0-1, A McHugh 0-1, E Jane Gervin 0-1

Kerry: E O'Sullivan, E Lynch, A Desmond, C O'Brien, N Carmody, A O'Connell, C Murphy, L Scanlon, M O'Connell, A Galvin (C), N Ní Chonchuir, E O'Leary, E Dineen, A Murphy, L Ní Mhuirheartaigh
Subs: M O'Keefe for E O'Leary (40), F Tangney for M O'Connell (46), H O'Donoghue for A Murphy (56), A Clifford for E Dineen (60 +1), L Coughlan for A O'Connell (60 +1), J O'Sullivan for C Murphy (60 +3)
Tyrone: L Kane, C Hunter, E Mulgrew, A Tuohey, S McCarroll, T McLaughlin, J Barrett, N Woods (C), E Jane Gervin, N Hughes, E Brennan, A McHugh, N O'Neill, S Sherrin, C Kelly
Subs: C McCaffrey for C Kelly (H/T), G Rafferty for S Sherrin (H/T), D Gallagher for N Hughes (46), M Canavan for E Brennan (50).

MUNSTER LGFA U14 CHAMPIONSHIP 2020

Stage One of the Munster Under 14 Championship got underway on February 22nd.

Games consisted of 20 minutes per half with unlimited substitutions on the day.

Well done to the team & management on the two wins. The girls and Management enjoyed a well deserved meal in the Woodlands Hotel Adare after 2 great wins. The meal was kindly sponsored by O'Sullivan's Bakery in Killorglin

Stage 1 Game 1

Full time

Kerry 5:15 -v- Limerick 0:00

Stage Game 2

Full time

Kerry: 5-4 -v- Clare: 1-4

Stage Two on March 28th with all six counties playing in one venue. All games will be 20 minutes per half. All counties will play three games on the day and the results of the games will be recorded. Unlimited substitutions can be used on the day. Counties will be graded 1-6 following the completion of Stage One and Stage

Two. 1st and 2nd in the group will play in the Munster Under 14 A Final, 3rd and 4th will play in the Munster Under 14 B Final and 5th and 6th will play in the Munster Under 14 C Final

LGFA National Volunteer Awards

The LGFA National Volunteer Awards was held last Friday in Croke Park. The Club Committee Officer of the Year award went to Shirley Doody from Kerins O'Rahillys. Congratulations to Shirley from everyone in Kerry LGFA.

Allianz football league Division 1

KERRY CLINCH THREE POINT WIN

Kerry 1-19 Meath 2-13

Joseph Healy reports from Fitzgerald Stadium

Kerry faced off against Meath in round four of the Allianz football league Division 1 in Fitzgerald Stadium Killarney.

Kerry entered this contest on the back of a narrow loss in Tyrone whereas Meath came into this following a heart breaking defeat courtesy of a late Kevin McLoughlin goal for Mayo.

With Meath being a newly promoted side it was always expected to end in a Kerry victory. It did not pan out that way although it did seem like it would early on.

There was a few last minute reshuffles for both teams with Kerry introducing sub goalkeeper Brian Kelly for Shane Ryan and David Shaw replaced Dara Moynihan, Tom O'Sullivan and Shane Enright returned to the defence in place of Jason Foley and Gavin Crowley.

Meath made eight changes to their starting team and also changed player's numbers due to injuries and unavailable players.

Kerry started quicker as they patiently worked the ball around the Meath defence and raced into a 1-05 to 0-00 lead after seventeen minutes. A David Clifford goal and points from Clifford, Geaney, Burns, O'Shea and Shaw left Kerry in cruise control.

A black card for Meath's Cillian O'Sullivan did not help matters but when he returned the game changed. He brought the speed into the Meath attack and notched a point of his own along with James McEntee before Donal Keogan fired a shot past Brian Kelly to lessen the deficit to three points.

A Thomas O'Reilly free brought it back to two to make it 1-07 to 1-05. Kerry finished the half the strongest following another black card for Meath, with points from O'Shea and Clifford to end the half 1-10 to 1-05. Dara Moynihan and Tommy Walsh's arrival off the bench re-energised the Kerry attack giving it much needed attacking options, which was justified by Moynihan by scoring two points. Micheál Burns added another point which left Kerry leading by 1-17 to 1-09.

Meath came roaring back into this contest once again as Bryan McMahon bulged the Kerry net for the second time leaving it at a five point game.

Kerry stumbled over the line in the finish with Walsh and Clifford kicking points to keep Meath at arm's length, even though the Royals troubled the Kerry was peppered throughout forcing some important saves from Brian Kelly in the Kerry goal. Kerry finish the afternoon with thirteen men as Micheál Burns and Tony Brosnan both received black cards. It ended on the whistle of referee Derek O'Mahoney and Kerry came away with



Action from the game on Sunday. Photos by Francis Foley.



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a three point victory on a score line of 1-19 to 2-13. Kerry were lucky to come out of Killarney with a victory as the defence still seems quite frail as Meath got numerous shots on goal. All in all a favourable weekend for Kerry as teams around them dropped points which have catapulted them from sixth to fourth.

Meath remain routed to the bottom of the table and look certain to be relegated. Kerry travel to Castlebar to face Mayo on Saturday night which promises to be an enticing encounter.

Meath host high flying Galway in Navan which with the way Galway have been performing it looks likely that Meath will fall to another defeat.

Kerry scorers - D. Clifford 1-3 (1f), S. O'Shea 0-6 frees, M. Burns 0-3, D. Shaw 0-2, P. Geaney 0-2, D. Moynihan 0-2, T. Walsh
Meath scorers - T. O'Reilly 0-6 (5fs), D. Keogan 1-0, B. McMahon 1-0, J. Conlon 0-2, C. O'Sullivan 0-2 (1f), B. Menton 0-1, J. McEntee 0-1, O. O'Brien 0-1.

Kerry Subs - Moynihan for Kearney, Walsh for Shaw, Brosnan for O'Brien, O'Connor for Geaney

Meath Subs - Wallace for Devine, Lenihan for O'Brien, Tobin for Conlon, Moloy for Conlon, and Ross Ryan for Ryan.

OUTLOOK BASKETBALL

National League Division One

LAKERS SECURE SECOND PLACE

Scotts Lakers 75 Fr Mathews 55

SCOTTS Lakers secured the second place spot in Division One of the National League following an impressive 20 point victory over nearest

challengers Fr Mathews in The Pres Gym, Killarney last Saturday night. Despite lining out without Mick McGinn and Mark Greene and losing Toby

Christensen to injury in the first half, the Killarney side dominated the exchanges throughout and always looked like winning this game.

Exchanges were close in the opening quarter and baskets from Carlton Cuff, Toby Christensen, Aaron Jackson, Xavier Talton and Seamus Brosnan helped the Lakers to a 18-14 lead at the end of the first period. Brian O'Neill found his range from three-point land hitting nine points from beyond the arc while Toby Christensen was dominant under the boards where Fr Mathews struggled to contain his scoring spree of eight points in

a row. Lakers had opened up an 11 point lead midway through the second quarter and with Seamus Brosnan also playing a very prominent role, the home side were 42-26 in front at half-time. Despite losing the influential Toby Christensen with an elbow injury before the interval break, Scotts Lakers continued to dominate in the second half with dual star Paul Clarke coming off the bench and made an instant

impression. Lakers were 48-30 in front in the opening three minutes of the half and maintained that advantage leading 54-36 late in the third quarter. Fr Mathews continued to battle hard Darko Bucan, Declan Cahill, Jack

and Luke

O'Mahony but Lakers still enjoyed a 56-41 lead entering the final quarter.

Fr Mathews narrowed it to 58-48 with six minutes remaining following good work from Jarvis Pugh and Jack O'Mahony. However Scotts Lakers were always in control with Brian O'Neill nailing his fourth three-pointer of the night while Aaron Jackson and Paul Clarke also did well. Xavier Talton was particularly impressive when he was afforded extensive court time and his scoring threat and clever assist play was appreciated by all. Seamus Brosnan enjoyed his best game of the season and was a popular choice for match mvp as the Lakers coasted to a 20 point win in the end.

Scotts Lakers: Toby Christensen 17, Seamus Brosnan 15, Xavier Talton 13, Brian O'Neill 13.

Fr Mathews: Jack O'Mahony 16, Jarvis Pugh 12, Darko Bucan 11.

Scotts Lakers statement...

Killarney basketball side Scotts Lakers/St. Paul's will compete in the national league mens division one again next season. After finishing runners-up this season, the Killarney side do have the option of challenging for a place in the superleague in a play-off match scheduled for March 21st. Basketball Ireland competition rules allow the division one runners-up the option of playing the second last team in the superleague at a neutral venue with the winners advancing to the superleague next season.

However it is not compulsory for the division

one team to participate in this fixture and after much deliberation and consideration, Scotts Lakers have decided to remain in division one next season. There is no doubt that the prospect of superleague promotion and participation is very appealing and it is the ultimate goal of the club in the next few years. However the general consensus among club members is to concentrate on division one in the short term future, to increase the strength in depth of the squad and to develop the club structure.

St. Paul's Basketball Club have over 400 juvenile members and the return of national league basketball to Killarney in the past three years has been a huge source of inspiration to many young players who aspire to play at a higher level in the future. Several underage players in the club have the potential and ability to progress to national league level and the club wants to develop this player pathway progression allowing them to opportunity to succeed.

The recent public meeting about mens national league basketball in Killarney heard a lot of positivity and enthusiasm to continue with national league and the importance to develop young players was also emphasised. Club officers are confident that the future of Killarney basketball is bright and encouraging. Development and progression will continue in division one next season. Superleague promotion opportunities will arise again when the club is in a stronger position to challenge and participate at that level.

Killarney Cougars BC

Juvenile News

U16 Girls Rathmore Ravens 40

Killarney Cougars 52

An early morning start for the Cougars was no problem as they led from start to finish to secure an important win and the points away in Rathmore to the Ravens. Cougars had a good team performance with Aimee Coffey, Thi Que Kennedy, Mia Griffin, Kate O'Driscoll and Olivia Gaffey all impressing.

U14 Boys St Brendans 34 Killarney Cougars 58

The Cougars boys travelled to the Moyderwell Tralee and secured the points with an excellent third qtr having trailed in the first half. Cougars were well tested by the Tralee boys and had to dig deep to secure the points. Cougars dominated on the boards and excellent finishing by Rory Clancy and a strong displays by Mark Daly, Ted OGorman and Jack Driscoll.

U12 Boys Kenmare Kestrels 9

Killarney Cougars 21

An away trip for the Cougars saw them take on the Kestrels in Kenmare and they secured a great win with a strong defensive performance to reverse the recent loss at home to the

Kestrels. Cougars dominated on the boards and were deserving winners in a good game.

Boys Academy Final

Killarney Cougars 30

St Colmans 13

The Academy Boys secured the Kerry Airport Plate Final at Tralee Sports Complex with a strong performance over St Colmans Miltown, the Killarney boys were quick to settle and led by 8pts after the first qtr and the Miltown never got to grips with the Cougars with Mark Looney and Cian Stack in top form the Cougars secured the title.

Academy Training

The Cougars Academy resumes after the midterm break on Friday at 4.45 pm with U8 Girls & Boys. U10 Girls 5.45 pm and U10 Boys 6.45 pm all at the Parish Hall.

The Academy boys travelled to Farrenfore very early on Sunday morning for the Kerry U10 Blitz day having four games against two St Anne's, Kenmare and St Josephs thanks to all the parents who made the trip and our coaches

Alan and Tony who are doing great work all season.

Kerry U14 & U16 Girls

Well done to Lucy OSullivan and Coach Kelly Ahern who were involved with the Kerry U14 success in Dublin last week against Cork & Dublin winning both games in the Tri County Tournament and also well done to Meabh Coleman Horgan selected for the Kerry U16 team heading to Barcelona in the coming weeks.

Senior News

Kerry Airport Senior Mens Div 1

Kcym 84

Killarney Cougars 73

Cougars travelled to Kilorglin to take on Kcym and the Cougars produced a good performance but Kilorglin made home advantage count with Declan Wall impressing. Best for Cougars were Kevin O'Regan, Jack Lynch, Tommy Bowler and Justin Tuason.

U14 Black hit form vs Corca Dhuibhne as REDS RUN CASTLEISLAND CLOSE IN THRILLER

Killarney Rugby Club Black team recorded a second consecutive home win in the U14 West Munster Cup with a deserved victory over Rugbaí Chorca Dhuibhne on Saturday while the Reds just fell short in an epic comeback in Castleisland on Sunday.

The Saturday lunchtime game started under low clouds in a strong breeze and with rain threatening. Corca Dhuibhne played with the breeze in the first half and used it early on to pen the Black team in their own half but super defence kept them scoreless. We opened the scoring with our first meaningful attack - outhalf Dara Stack spotting a gap to race in under the posts.

We had chances to extend the lead but were pinned back when Corca Dhuibhne took advantage of a yellow card for a high tackle to score against a short-handed Killarney team. Reaching half time on level terms we hoped to use the breeze in our favour in the 2nd half.

Hugh Dorrian opened the scoring early in the second half. A third try soon followed after a maul from a lineout brought us close to the line. We recycled well and Scott Carlton was able to break the stretched defence to score from close range.

As expected RCD came back at us but our quick line speed kept Corca Dhuibhne at arms length and some excellent kicking by Dara Stack - making full use of the breeze - relieved the pressure and pinned Corca Dhuibhne back in their own half.

Two further tries came late on for No 8 Shane O'Sullivan both from a pick and go from scrums in the RCD 22 against a tiring opponent. This was easily our best performance of the season and hugely satisfying to see the good game management and calm decision making.

Highlights were the carrying and tackling of props Tom Chambers and Scott Carlton plus the straight running of centre Hugh Dorrian. Dara Stack showed calmness and authority in his line kicking and got the backline moving well. Gearoid Sugrue made a number of key tackles and was a disruptive influence at RCD rucks. Killarney Black - Tom Chambers, Luis Caruz, Scott Carlton; Alfie Barrett, Kris O'Leary; Shane O'Sullivan, Gearóid Sugrue, Bryan Walsh; Senan Cotter, Dara Stack; Hugh Dorrian, Leon Bowler, Mark Kennelly, Colm Janot.

On Sunday morning, our Red team travelled to Castleisland to play under sunny skies. We opened the scoring through centre Ignacio Moreno who scored from close range after



Killarney Rugby Club Black team recorded a second consecutive home win in the U14 West Munster Cup

debut outhalf Muiris O'Donoghue was held up short of the line after an elusive run. This woke Castleisland who set their big forwards running at us to score the next 2 tries. We struck back through Adam Lynch who powered over with what appeared to be half the Castleisland team hanging off him (the other half had been left trailing in his wake by his run from halfway).

We then seemed to fall asleep as Castleisland scored 2 more tries before halftime and then another 2 after it to leave us trailing 34 - 12. The lads then roared back into the game - powerful runs from TJ Healy and Adam Lynch put us close to the Castleisland tryline and Ciaran Doyle powered over close to the posts. Daire Murphy kicked his second conversion and at 34-19 the game was alive again. Jack Donoghue - whose elusive running made him a constant thorn in the side of Castleisland's defence all day - scored a great solo try. Taking the ball on the 10 m line Jack broke several tackles and evaded a few more before scoring in the corner.

From the kick off, Ignacio Moreno ran straight back at Castleisland and straight on to score close to the posts. The conversion was

missed but we went into the final play of the game trailing 34-29. Again we pressured the Castleisland defence and just when the 'great escape' looked on, the referee adjudged a knock on and blew for time as we sought to recycle the ball from a ruck close to the line.

Credit to Muiris O'Donoghue and Alex Sheahan who stepped in at half back at short notice and performed creditably at these pivotal positions. Adam Lynch and TJ Healy had some great carries - breaking the line and scattering defenders on multiple occasions. Cillian Murphy and double try scorer Ignacio Moreno made some powerful tackles setting the standard for their team mates in both teams.

Killarney Red - TJ Healy, Jake Leahy, Daire Murphy; Eanna Coffey, Adam Lynch; Gearóid O'Connor, Ciaran Doyle; Alex Sheahan, Muiris O'Donoghue; Jack Donoghue, Cillian Murphy, Ignacio Moreno, Tomas Swords, Ben O'Brien, Colin O'Shea.

IF YOU HAVE A SPORTING STORY... Contact Aisling on: 086 0400 958

MUCKCROSS ROWING CLUB

CORK HOR

This Saturday, the club is due to compete in the Cork Head of the River time trial event. The city marina is the venue for the annual 3km time trial. Timing is scheduled for 9am to 3.30pm and Muckcross will be represented by 36 crews from Junior 14 to Masters. The Cork marina benefits from greater shelter compared to other courses, which will hopefully allow the event to run following several weekends of poor weather and cancelled events elsewhere. A total of 315 crews from 20 clubs are set to compete. Best of luck to all our crews!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Corrib HOR, Galway, Saturday, March 14. St. Michael's HOR, Limerick city, Saturday, March 21. Limerick Regatta (1500m) and Limerick Sprint Regatta (750m), O'Briensbridge, Saturday and Sunday, April 25-26. Event attendance may differ by age group and coaches will confirm further details to members.

CRUSADERS BRIDGE CLUB

12/2/2020

1st. Hazel O'Connell & Mela Burke.
2nd. Joan Moore & Eileen Murphy.
3rd. Gary Leahy & Joan Culloty.

19/2/2020

1st. N/S Anne Looney & Pauline Lyne.
2nd. Ann O'Shea & Phyllis O'Regan.
1st. E/W Evelyn O'Leary & Eithne Tarrant.
2nd. Bridie Brosnan & Mary O'Connor.
Bridge continues every Wednesday night at 7.30pm in the Brehon Hotel.
Contact Therese 087/2466451.

FARRANFORE MAINE VALLEY AC

MUNSTER JUVENILE INDOORS

The Munster Juvenile U12-U19 Indoor Championships were held in the Nenagh Indoor stadium over two days. Isaac Vickers, Kevin O'Shea, Rhian & Eabha McCarthy made the trip to compete for our club over various events. Participation from all Munster clubs was very high so plenty of competitive events. Isaac Vickers (U12) tried his hand on all events. He got a pb of 9.17 in the 60m and was 4th in the 600m with a pb time of 1:52. Rhian McCarthy (U13) competed in the 600m where she finished in a time of 2:00

Eabha McCarthy (U15) competed in the 800m where she finished in a time of 2:46

COUNTY 5K ROADS CHAMPIONSHIP

The County Road 5K Championship was held on Sunday 23rd Feb. in Beaufort. Hosted by Star Of The Laune AC. Weather conditions were ideal for the 56 runners. We had a good turnout from our club. In the Men's, George McCarthy was 7th (16:59) overall and 2nd in his O45 age category. Dermot Dineen was 10th (17:24) and 3rd O40. Brendan Lynch was 17th (18:42) and 3rd O45. Mike O'Connor won his O70 category in a time of 23:50. They were 4th Senior Team and 2nd O35 Master Team. In the Women's 5K, Maria McCarthy was back competing again after a long spell out due to injury. Maria ran well to finish 2nd senior (19:49). Helen English equally ran well to take 3rd Senior (21:28).



Munster Juvenile Indoors: Eabha & Rhian McCarthy.

Marie O'Shea won her O35 category (23:45), Mags Moriarty was second in her O65 category (25:35) and Pierette Scroope was third in her O45 category (24:44). Also well done to Samuel & Sally Scroope who guested the race and ran very well.

LEINSTER MASTER INDOORS

Jerome Foley competed in the Leinster Master Indoor Championships held on Sat. 22nd Feb. Jerome who is training hard in preparation for the European Masters in March had a great day out. Winning the 200m (27.25) & 800m (2:22.29) and 2nd in the 400m (1:01.26). He also improved on his times from last week in the Munster Indoors. Next up for Jerome now in the National Masters on March 8th. Best of luck.

OTHER NEWS

Well done to Arthur Fitzgerald who competed in the Barcelona Half Marathon on Sunday 16th Feb. Arthur was part of the Joe O'Connor Nicus Fitness group to travel to this annual event. Arthur ran very well to finish in a personal best time of 1hr. 17mins. Well done.

CLUB TRAINING

Maria's Strength, Endurance & Flexibility Exercise Classes on Tuesday from 7pm at the Sports Hall in Farranfore. Class is designed for all abilities from secondary school upwards. €5 per class.

Juvenile Indoor Training will commence on Tuesday from 6pm at the Sports Hall in Farranfore. Please bring €2, water and suitable footwear for indoors. New members welcome. Thursday Nights from 7pm for Seniors and juveniles U12 upwards. Grass Session on GAA Field Farranfore. €2

ATHLETIC'S FIXTURES

Sat 29th Feb.: National Senior Indoors, Abbotstown Dublin

Sun 1st Mar.: National Senior Indoors, Abbotstown Dublin

Sun 1st Mar.: Munster 4Mile Roads, Brikey GAA Club, Boherard, Dungarvan

Tue 3rd Mar.: Munster Schools Indoors, Nenagh

Sat 7th Mar.: All Ireland Schools XC, Santry

Sat 7th Mar.: National 20Km Walk Race, Raheny

Sun 8th Mar.: National Masters Indoors, AIT

Sun 8th Mar.: County Juv.B Sports Hall Games.

MILLTOWN

You are required to pre-register for all athletic

competitions. Please do so before late entry fees apply. Contact club registrar, Maria McCarthy on 085-1909509, e-mail ffmvregistrar@gmail.com well in advance.

Gneeveguilla Athletic Club:

LOTTO

No winner of our lotto draw 21/02/20, numbers drawn were 13, 15, 18 & 29. Sellers prize winner Tom Joe O'Donoghue. €50 Y/T prize winner Noreen McCarthy Knockduragh, €50 to Isabelle O'Sullivan Shrone, €40 each to Rose Brennan c/o Peadar, Mary O'Donoghue Upper Coom & Hannah Moynihan Knocknagree. Bonus not won, numbers drawn were 3, 4, 15 & 29. Next week's jackpot €10,200 plus €1,000 bonus.

KERRY COUNTY 5K CHAMPIONSHIPS

Held last Sunday in Beaufort, Winners were as follows, Andrew Purcell O50, Andrew Purcell Jnr 3rd Novice, 1st O50 Mary O'Connell, 1st O65 Joan O'Sullivan.

MUNSTER INDOOR COMPETITIONS

Held in Nenagh Dylan Scannell was 1st Shot U15, Danielle O'Riordan 4th Shot U15, Darragh Tompkins 4th Shot U14, Saoirse Tompkins 4th 1500M, Daniel McSweeney shot U12. Well done to all athletes.

CLUB SINGLET

Please note all athletes must wear their club singlet at competitions. Furthermore it is necessary for all athletes to have their own singlet. Mary O'Sullivan is in charge of singlets, cost is €20.00. Mary can be contacted on 087/9857297 to make arrangements to buy one or she will be in the dressing rooms in Milltown March 8th.

KILLARNEY RFC NEWS

BREAKING NEWS

KRFC to host Munster V Connacht Junior Interpro:

Killarney RFC are delighted to announce that we have been selected to host the Junior Interprovincial match between Munster and Connacht on Saturday the 25th of April next. This is fantastic news for our club and we will hold a family day in the day with bbq, player awards, display matches and fun for all the family as well as the big match. Entry will cost only €5 for an adult with all U16's free of charge. Keep an eye on social media for more as we build towards what will be a wonderful day for all.

U14 girls victorious in Munster Cup first round: Well done to our U14 girls team who were victorious at Aghadoe last Saturday in the first round of the Munster Girls U14 Cup. Clonakilty were the opposition and the hole side turned in a powerful performance with excellent displays by every single player. It's fantastic to see the progress with the girls over the past few months and to progress to the next round. Bruff away are up next this weekend in the second round. Best of luck to all the girls and coaches. Kick off details on Facebook/Instagram.

MINIS HOST WEST MUNSTER

BLITZ THIS SAT

This Saturday our Minis are set to host the West Munster Blitz at Aghadoe with the Minis from Castleisland, Tralee and Iveragh coming to



County Road Race Women's Team: Helen English, Marie O'Shea, Mags Moriarty, Pierette Scoorpe & Maria McCarthy.



KRFC victorious U14 girls who won their first Munster Cup round last Saturday V Clonakilty.

Aghadoe for matches at all ages. This of course will depend on the weather, which has put paid to so much over the past few weeks so keep an eye on social media for more. We would ask parents to bring baked goods, buns, sweets etc on the day and anyone available to assist with the hospitality to let Liam know on 087-4145662.

SPLIT THE BUCKET

Congrats to Mary Reen who won a whopping €389 in this weeks Split the Bucket and Jimmy O'Briens who won €86 as promoter. To be in with a chance of splitting the bucket simply place €2 into the envelop at any participating venue. Draws take place each Sunday evening.

KILLARNEY VALLEY ATHLETIC CLUB

CONGRATS to Sam Griffin who got silver in the U17 Long Jump in the Munster Juvenile Indoor Championships last weekend.

A very impressive turnout by KVAC athletes at the County Roads 5K in Beaufort last Sunday. Darragh O'Leary came 1st in Junior category. Tony Harty came 1st in O40 and Connie Lynch came 2nd in O55. Killarney Valley got silver in Team event which consisted of Tony Harty, Risteard Clifford, Darragh and Sean O'Leary. Well done to all.

TRAINING Strength & Conditioning takes place Monday nights 7-8pm, for members aged 12

upwards. Bring €2, water and a mat if you have one. Jerry's running group also meet at 7pm on Mondays and Wednesdays, while juvenile training is on Thursdays 6-7pm in St. Brendans Hall. Bring €2 and water.

VOLUNTEERS are required to help out at training on Thursday evenings due to increasing numbers. Volunteers will be provided with relevant training that will enable them to help with the training sessions. Please contact Jean if interested.

EMAIL killarneyvalleyac@gmail.com for any queries.

Please keep an eye on your emails and also check our facebook page for any updated information on training.

SPA MUCKROSS COMMUNITY GAMES

INDOOR SOCCER

Our U13 boys indoor soccer team made the short trip to Milltown today to play in the county playoffs. We were paired in a group with Glenflesk, Annascaul, Valentia Island & Keel / Kiltalagh. Our first game we played a very competitive Glenflesk side and came out on top winning by 5-0. In the second game we were well tested by Annascaul and came out 2-0 winners. Next up we played a young Valentia Island side and came out the right side winning 5-0.... the last game saw us paired with Keel/Kiltalagh and with them having also won all their games, this was a winner takes all to progress to the County Semi Final. Our boys didn't take a step backwards all day and although it was a competitive game our boys won the match 5-1. They now march onto the finals on March 15th in Duagh. Team: Mark O Carroll, Shane Doolan, Leon Bowler, Joey McCarthy, Jake Downing, Bryan Walsh, Nathan Cronin and Luke Doolan.

SPIKEBALL

Reminder that the boys and girls U14 competition is on May 3rd. If any parent is interested in managing the boys team please contact Emir on 0872258776. If there are girls interested in playing you can contact Maureen on 0872628766.

FUTSAL

If there are any boys or girls interested in the U13 futsal competition please contact Maureen on 0872628766. The girls competition will be on Saturday March 21st, boys on Sunday 22nd.

GYMNASTICS: County competition will be on Sunday 29th March.



Killarney Athletic U9's



Killarney Athletic U12's.



Killarney Athletic U9's

KILLARNEY ATHLETIC

GAME UPDATE

KILLORGLIN AFC (2)

KILLARNEY ATHLETIC T3 (0)

First half begun and killorglin spent most of the time with ball. Possession bounced between both teams. Killarney Athletic tried there hardest with great passing up the field but just couldn't get into the final third of the field. Killorglin scored before the first half ended. Second half begun and killarney athletic gave there all to try and level the game with great defend from Daragh Moynihan. Killarney Athletic had a few shots on target but just couldn't find the net. Killorglin AFC spent more time with possession and a few shots on target with great saves by Killarney Athletic keep Kasper. Killorglin AFC scored a 2nd with 5mins to go. Killarney Athletic tried to there very best to get a score on the board but just couldn't.

U12 PREMIER RESULT

Tralee Dynamos 1 - 5 Killarney Athletic

Our Young Blues made the trip to Tralee this evening to play Tralee Dynamos in a League Fixture.

A solid performance from start to finish saw our boys take home the three points, which now sees at the summit of the Table.

Thanks to Dynamos for a good sporting game.

SENOIRS

Athletic A 0 Dynamos 1

Athletic (T2) 3 Windmill 0

300 CLUB RESULTS

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Anna McCarthy (€100)

Liam Sheehan (€100)

Orla O Connor (€100)

Roger 'Bones' O'Sullivan (€100)



SCHOOLBOY/ GIRL SOCCER

MID-TERM ACTION ALL WEEK:

Subway 14's Inter League

Clare 4-2 Kerry

Clare 2-6 Kerry JK Sports 12's Premier

Mid-Week

Killorglin 1 - 7 MEK Galaxy

Tralee Dynamos 1-5 Killarney Athletic

Saturday

Playoff Killarney Celtic 1-1 Tralee Dynamos

Dynamos win on penalties

Mastergeeha 0-0 Killorglin

John Murphy 12's Shield

Preliminary Round

Mastergeeha B 0-3 Park B

Round 1

Ballyheigue 2-4 LB Rovers

Tralee Dynamos B 3-0 Inter Kenmare B



Well done to Milltown/Listry Indoor soccer U13 team who competed in the competition held at Nagle Rice Community Centre in Milltown. The team of Michael Lynch, Diarmuid Quirke, Ryan Carey, Tom O'Dowd, Corey Campion, Joe Horan, John Sexton and Sean O'Sullivan played in a round robin format in a group of five. The opener was lost narrowly 2-1 to Kenmare followed by a 3-1 win against Beaufort, followed by a 2-2 draw with Beaufort which ended the chances of progress but the boys still enjoyed themselves in the final match against Fossa which was being lost 3-0 before it had to be abandoned due to an unfortunate accident to one of the Fossa players. Thanks very much to coach Tony O'Dowd for his time and efforts in preparing the boys and thanks to Noah O'Shea and Adam Malone who helped with the training sessions.

Round 2 Last 16

Killarney Celtic B 1-2 MEK Galaxy B

Park C 7-0 Castleisland B

Camp Juniors B 3-1 Masrtergeeha C

Dingle Bay Rovers 1-3 Ballyhar Dynamos Blue AET

Fenit B5 -2 Killorglin B

World of Tiles 13 Division 1

Mastergeeha 5-3 Camp Juniors

John Joe Naughton 13's Plate

Killorglin B - Killarney Athletic C

Slattery's 14 Premier

Listowel Celtic 6-1 Tralee Dynamos

14's Division 2

Killorglin C 8-0 Dingle Bay Rovers

Tom Hayes 14 Shield Round 1

Dingle Bay Rovers A 8-0 Mastergeeha B

Killorglin B 3-0 LB Rovers

Tom Hayes 14's Shield ¼ Finals

Park 3-0 Killarney Celtic B

Daly's Supervalu 15 Premier

Park 6-1 Listowel Celtic

15's Shield Group 2

Killarney Celtic B 1-7 Tralee Dynamos

Tucker Kelly 16's Cup

Killorglin 3-1 Tralee Dynamos

Mastergeeha 5-2 Castleisland

Killorglin B 3 -1 Ballyheigue

TUCKER KELLY 16'S SHIELD

Fenit 4-3 Killorglin

KERRY IN 12'S SUBWAY INTER

LEAGUE ACTION:

Kerry travelled to Ennis to play Clare in two games. In the Inter League the home side started the better and were 3-0 up at half time. But the Joe O'Reilly / JP Mullins side put in a huge effort in the second half and pulled two goals back thanks to Dara Murphy and Pierce Lowth. Kerry pushed hard for an equaliser and almost got it but Clare broke away and scored an insurance goal on the counter attack.

In the second game goals from Nick Lacey and Oran O'Sullivan put Kerry 2-1 up at half time. The Kerry boys dominated the second half and Lacey

added three more and Harry O'Connor made it 6 to see Kerry win by 4.

10'S CUP AND SHIELDS CONTINUE:

The action in the 10's Cup and Shields continued this week with Killarney Celtic narrowly defeating Ballyhar Dynamos in both sections under lights at Celtic Park. On Saturday in the Cup Groups there were wins for Listowel Celtic and Fenit in Group 1, Mastergeeha in Group 2 and Killarney Celtic and Ballyhar Dynamos in Group 3.

In the Shield it was Fenit who won in Group 1, Inter Kenmare in Group 2 and The Park and Tralee Dynamos in Group 3.

BUSY WEEK IN THE 12 PREMIER

It was a busy weeks in the JK Sports 12 Premier with the action starting on Monday when MEK Galaxy won away at Killorglin. The MEK goals came from Jack Hallissey 3, David McCarthy, Fionn Kennedy, Cillian O'Donoghue and Fergal Murphy. MEK are second in the Division ahead of the split for Phase 2.

On Tuesday night Killarney Athletic also won on the road as they defeated Tralee Dynamos. The Woodlawn side's goals came from Szymon Jasinski, Evan Doona, Darragh Moynihan, Brian McCarthy and Jake Nash. This was Athletic 7th wins from 7 and they top the Division.

Killarney Celtic and Tralee Dynamos were both level on points after the first phase of the League and a play-off was needed to see who would play in the top 5 and which team would play in the League Shield. Again there was nothing between the sides with Patrick O'Brien scoring in extra time for Celtic as the game ended 1-1 after extra time. Dynamos took the play-off win 5-4 on penalties.

Mastergeeha and Killorglin drew 0-0 in the League section leaving away side top of this competition.

JOHN MURPHY 12 SHIELD GETS UNDERWAY:

In the Preliminary game the Park B won away at Mastergeeha B thanks to 2 goals from Marciel Kubic and one from Mohab Abdalrazek.

In Round 1 LB Rovers won away at Ballyheigue

who had Mathew O'Sullivan and Xvisier on the mark. For LB JJ O'Rourke hit a hat-trick with Alex O'Carroll getting the other goal. Tralee Dynamos B are also through on a 3-0 score line over Inter Kenmare B.

John Murphy Shield Last 16: There were 5 games in the Last 16 of the Shield. Goals from James O'Meara and Killian Fitzgerald gave MEK Galaxy B a 2-1 win over Killarney Celtic B. Sean Collins got the Celtic goal with all the scores coming in the second half.

2 goals from Jack Daly and Damola Idowu and one each from Sean Og O'Connor, Conor O'Regan and Shane O'Donovan saw the Park C progress against Castleisland B.

Roan Guerin put Mastergeeha C 1-0 up after 10 minutes away to Camp Juniors B. But the home side were level before half time and went on to win 3-1 thanks to goals from Jack Doyle 2 and David O'Donnell.

Padraig Manning put Dingle Bay Rovers 1-0 up at home to Ballyhar Dynamos B. Harry O'Connor levelled for Ballyhar and in extra time O'Connor got a second and Conrad Long wrapped up the Ballyhar win.

Tiernan O'Keeffe 2, Danny Gaza, Cillian O'Brien and Roman Carey-MacGibney were on the score sheet as Fenit B progressed over Killorglin B.

KILLORGLIN B WIN IN 13'S PLATE

In the John Joe Naughton 13's Plate goals in either half from Dylan Counihan and Cian Hayes saw Killorglin B defeat Killarney Athletic C 2-0. Mastergeeha just three points off top spot in 13's Division 1

Mastergeeha defeated Camp Juniors in Kilbrean Park to move onto 15 points and just three points behind Dingle Bay Rovers in the World of Tiles 13 Division 1. The home sides goals came from Mathew Kennedy 2, Sean McAulliffe 2 and Ronan McCarthy. For Camp Juniors David Moore, Darragh Murphy and Robert Keane were on the mark.

LISTOWEL WIN IN 14 PREMIER

Listowel Celtic made home advantage count in the Slattery's Carpets 14 Premier as 4 goals from Oisín Healy and one each from Evan Boyle and Aaron Carey saw them defeat Tralee Dynamos.

Tom Hayes Shield opener:

In Round 1 of the Tom Hayes Shield Dingle Bay Rovers A were a little too strong for Masrtergeeha



Pictured Killarney Celtic team vs Crettyard Utd in the FAI Junior Cup.

B. Goals from Dingle Bay came from Joe Connor, Tadgh Cahill, James Hoare, Sean Roche and Paudie Fitzgerald. Killorglin B are also through defeating LB Rovers 3-0.

A round ahead and in the quarter finals the Park got past Killarney Celtic B to go into the hat for the next round.

Killorglin extend lead in 14's Division 2

Killorglin C have extended their lead to 7 points at the top of the Slattery's Carpets 14's Division 2. Goals from Kuba Cisle 3, Patrick Radny 2, Michael Byrne, Zyginstas Pipras and Rory Breen plus a big display in goal from Harvey Managan saw Killorglin see off Dingle Bay Rovers.

Park joint second in 15 Premier

The Park defeated Litowel Celtic to go joint second in the Daly's Supervalu 15 Premier level with Iveragh United but the South Kerry side do have games in hand. In their latest win the goals came from Dylan Hobbart, Venis Jahiri, Odhran Ferris, Togor Silong and Callum O'Sullivan.

Dynamos win away in 15 Shield:

In the 15's Shield Group 2 Tralee Dynamos won away at Killarney Celtic B. The goals came from Paddy McMahon, Dylan Buckley, Stephen Barrett, CJ Daniels and Jamie O'Shea.

Mastergeeha win in Tucker Kelly Cup opener:

The Tucker Kelly Cup got underway with a win for Mastergeeha over Castleisland in Kilbrean Park. The home side had to come from behind as they were 2-1 down at the break but hit four without reply. Mark O'Shea hit 3, Jack Higgins



Ballyhar Dynamos youth coaches Donal o Donoghue & Paudie Deniel make a presentation to Club youth captain Cian Ring in acknowledgement of his involvement with the Kerry Youth Squad 2019/20.

and Dan Kelly got the Mastergeeha goals while Ryan Dennehy and Freddie Galway got the Castleisland goals in the first half.

Killorglin B go through as they defeated Ballyheigue 3-1. Sean Brosnan and Oisín Lynch were on the mark for the winners with Dara Kearney getting the Ballyheigue goal.

Fenit in in 16's Shield

In the 16's Shield Fenit got the better of Killorglin in a seven goal thriller. Bobby O'Connor 2, Declan Ryan and David Dinnen scored for Fenit with Darragh Evans, Oisín Lynch and an OG were on the Killorglin score sheet.

CELTIC LOTTO

Numbers drawn 3,11,16,21. Match 3 receive €20. Next jackpot €14,800.

31 Card Drive Fundraiser in memory of Johnny Batt

A group of Spa GAA club members are planning a special 31 Card Drive at their Clubhouse on Sunday March 15th in aid of the Oncology Unit at University Hospital Kerry. Andy Regan and the committee of Paddy B Lynch, Jim Gleeson, Dave Herlihy, Mike Casey, Seanie Kelliher, Tim Regan, Paddy O'Keeffe, Con Lynch and Michael Gleeson decided to organise a special fundraiser in memory of club member Johnny Batt Cronin who passed away last September. The event will take place at the clubhouse starting at 4.30pm on Sunday March 15th and

the entry fee to the card game is €10 per person. The game is open to everyone, and people are welcome to come along on the day and join in. As well as the 31 Card Drive, there will also be a raffle and refreshments available. Everyone is welcome to come along and join us on the day, not just card players. For anyone that would like to donate to the fundraiser separately, there is also an online donation option available through the club website spagaa.com. All proceeds will go to the Comfort for Chemo charity in aid of the UHK Oncology Unit.



31 Card Drive Committee with Spa Club Officers: Front L-R Paddy b Lunch, Tim Regan, Andy Regan, Con Lynch, Michael Cronin. Back L-R Deirdre O'Sullivan Darcy, Paddy O'Keeffe, Jim Gleeson, Mike Casey and Ann Mangan.

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**BEARTA MOILLITHE TRÁCHTA
TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES**

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to Section 38 (3) of the Road Traffic Act 1994, as amended by the Public Transportation Regulation Act, 2009 (Section 46), Kerry County Council proposes to introduce **traffic calming measures at the junction of St. Anne's Road and O'Sullivan's Place, Killarney.**

The proposal includes the following:

- Providing "No Entry" from St. Anne's Road into O'Sullivan's Place
- Reducing the width of the road to 3.5 metres
- Increasing the width of the footpaths
- Provision of information signage
- Provision of road markings

A map showing the location of the proposed measures may be inspected at the Killarney Municipal District Office, Town Hall, Killarney and the Roads, Transportation and Marine Department, Room 115, Kerry County Council, Áras an Chontae, Rathass, Tralee, during normal office hours, for a period of one month, from **Wednesday, 26th February 2020.**

Observations or representations in relation to the proposal may be made, in writing and marked **Section 38 – O'Sullivan's Place, Killarney**, to the Administrative Officer, Roads, Transportation and Marine Department, Kerry County Council, Áras an Chontae, Rathass, Tralee, Co. Kerry or by e-mail to roads@kerrycoco.ie and must be received by **5.00 p.m. on Friday, 27th March 2020.**

To enable the processing of observations / representations Kerry County Council can legally process this information, as necessary, to comply with its statutory/legal obligations. Such information will be processed in line with the Council's privacy statement which is available at www.kerrycoco.ie.

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The proposal involves traffic calming measures to the western side of the junction of Countess Road and Countess Grove which will include the following:

- Provision of a new footpath with a width of 1.8 meters for approx. 60m
- Provision of Pedestrian Crossing and raised table
- Provision of associated signage, road markings and additional drainage

It also involves upgrading the existing pedestrian crossing to the western side of the junction of Countess Road & Rookery Road which will include the following:

- Upgrading and extending the raised table
- Relining of the Road Markings
- Realignment of the existing footpath and the provision of additional drainage

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This week the **Killarney Outlook** looks at **KERRY CONVENTION BUREAU** and **DIGIWIZ LTD.**



KCB Members on foraging adventure with Tralee Culinary Gangsters.

Kerry Convention Bureau takes members on Magical #MeetInKerry Mystery Tour

Held last week, Kerry Convention Bureau (KCB) first members update for 2020 saw members being taken on a magical #MeetInKerry Mystery Tour, for an afternoon of new experiences, meaningful activities, networking and fun. As well as providing an opportunity for KCB members to catch up with their industry colleagues, they also received an overview of the exciting plans to grow Business Tourism for Kerry in the year ahead.

With representatives from over fifteen member organisations in attendance, the group board-

ed a bus in Killarney, heading for an unknown destination. First stop was Ballyseedy Woods in Tralee for an immersive, educational & sustainable hands-on foraging adventure with Noel & Paul from the Traleeculinarygangsters.com. It was then on to The Rose Hotel where we took the opportunity to give back to the local community, participating in a Corporate Social Responsibility activity, making 200 sandwiches for the Tralee Soup Kitchen.

After an official welcome by KCB Manager, Becky Hargrove, the guests were given an up-

date by Sam Johnston in his capacity as Manager, Convention Bureau of Ireland on the exciting plans and industry support programs being put in place by Failte Ireland to grow business tourism in the region. As well as looking forward to 2020 and beyond, the event was also an opportunity for us to thank our members for all their support and hard work in 2019 with 20 events confirmed for Kerry by KCB and Failte Ireland worth over an estimated €6.9 million in direct economic benefit."

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The All-Ireland Business Foundation is responsible for overseeing the All-Ireland Business Summit and All-Star awards, ongoing All-Star accreditation, Thought Leader awards and promoting peer dialogue among members.

The Gold Medal Ceremony will take place on March 24 in Croke Park.

ONE ROAD TO OPEN WHILE ANOTHER TO CLOSE

As progress continues on finalising the extensive structural repairs to the R569 road at Loo Bridge, Kerry County Council anticipates that the road will re-open to traffic today, Friday, 28 February.

Since the road partially collapsed on 9 February, Council staff and contractors have been working in difficult weather conditions to ensure the repairs were completed as quickly as possible.

Kerry County Council would like to acknowledge the patience and cooperation of the public while the repair works took place.

Meanwhile, Kerry County Council is to

commence repair works on the N71 Moll's Gap Road on Monday next, 2 March at 7.00am. The works – which were postponed pending the completion of repairs on the R569 – involve essential repairs to a section of a partially collapsed wall between Dinis Cottage and Moll's Gap. To facilitate the works, the road will be fully closed to traffic until Monday, 16 March 2020. Diversions will be in place via the N22/R569 road and will be clearly signposted.



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When planting a Herbaceous border, always remember to plant the taller ones to the back or middle and the smaller growing ones to the front. When choosing your plants pick one plant that you can repeatedly plant in the border to create a sense of continuity to the planting scheme. Herbaceous Perennials flower from April until October/ November so you have a wide range of flowering times and colour to choose from. The secret to having a good flowering Herbaceous Border is every few years in the winter to lift and divide the plants that are suitable for this.

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Grieving is a highly individual and personal experience and the way in which we grieve can depend on many different elements. These include our personality, our life experiences, our faith, the nature of the loss, our resilience and coping style. Grief can be like a roller coaster – with ups and downs. Powerful feelings can come unexpectedly some more intense and longer lasting than others. Feelings can range from shock and disbelief, to guilt, sadness, anger, fear and frustration. Physical symptoms are also common such as weight loss/gain, insomnia, fatigue, nausea, aches and pains. Forgetfulness and poor concentration are also symptoms of grief. All of these feelings are perfectly normal and there is no right or wrong way to feel. Sometimes people can feel guilty about their anger – but it is okay to be angry.

It is important not to go through this alone and to talk and share your feelings. This may be with family and friends or you may prefer the support of a counsellor. Counselling can offer the space and time to talk through your feelings and overcome obstacles to your grieving. Allowing yourself time to experience your feelings is very important even if, at times, they are difficult. For many people their faith, prayer, meditation or going to church can be a great solace in times of loss. Support groups where you can share your sorrow with others who have experienced similar losses can be also be of tremendous help.

It is vitally important that you take care of yourself when you are grieving. You are coming to terms with a major upheaval in your life so give yourself permission to take things a bit easier. Your energy may be low, so do not place too many demands on yourself and make sure you get enough rest and sleep. It is important to look after your physical health by eating healthily and getting some exercise each day. Don't rush things and put off making major decisions such as moving home or changing jobs for at least six months to a year.

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