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# A Note from the EDITOR



We have a jam packed magazine for you this week, Killarney is back in the top ten in the Irish Business Against Litter League, the Rotary have presented the beneficiaries of their Afternoon Tea event and things are changing at Killarney Outlet Centre.

Killarney Valley Classic & Vintage Club are busy organising a Classic Car Show, a local golfer is set to represent Ireland on the European Golf Team and popular principal Rory D'Arcy has retired from St. Olivers.

A fundraising drive is underway for a local man who was seriously injured in a fall last year, Mass took place on Innisfallen Island and the Killarney Regatta takes place this weekend.

There was 20th Birthday celebrations at The Brehon, the finishing touches are being put in place for the celebration of Irish & American Friendship and Killarney Athletic 7-A-Side is drawing the crowds to their Woodlawn venue. In the week that the country has bade farewell to the late, great Micheál O'Muircheartaigh, Jimmy O'Sullivan Darcy takes a look at the life of one of Ireland's favourite sons.

I hope you enjoy this week's Killarney Outlook!

*Aisling Crosbie*



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# CAUSE FOR CELEBRATION AS KILLARNEY RETURNS TO THE TOP TEN IN IBAL REPORT

**KILLARNEY WAS VERY MUCH DESERVING OF THE TOP LITTER GRADE**

Killarney Chamber of Tourism and Commerce has said there is real cause for celebration this week following the town's return to the top ten in the Irish Business Against Litter League (IBAL).

Killarney has been declared Cleaner than European Norms – the highest possible rating – and the adjudicators were lavish in their praise of the effort being made in the town.

Chamber noted that the judges were particularly impressed by the work put in to tackle the commercial bins storage area at the Glebe car park which was identified as a problem area in previous reports but it was awarded the top grade on this occasion.

The Chamber executive said there is great credit due to the management and staff and



*The efforts to address the commercial bins at the Glebe Car Park sites were welcomed in the report*

the elected members of Killarney Municipal District Council for successfully addressing that issue and to the outdoor staff who work tirelessly every day to continue the war against litter on the streets and approach roads.

It was also very noteworthy, Chamber added, that very favourable mention was made of the campaign to eliminate single use coffee cups and Killarney is leading the way nationally in that regard.

It is now hoped that the government will introduce the long-promised levy on single use cups so that the rest of the country can benefit to the same extent that Killarney has.

"The most pleasing aspect of the entire report is that the IBAL adjudicators noted that there were no heavily littered sites in the entire town and that most of the areas inspected were deemed to be spotless and deserving of an A grade," Chamber added.

The business organisation said the reintroduction of the Killarney Looking Good Competition and the huge effort being put in by tidy towns volunteers, business owners and residents has contributed enormously in maintaining the town in such pristine condition and it all augurs well for the national tidy towns competition later in the year.

"The tidy towns adjudication and the Looking Good Competition judging has commenced and we would encourage everybody in the town to continue their great efforts to ensure Killarney is in the mix for the top honours,"



*Noel O'Leary, Killarney Municipal District, Mayor of Killarney, Cllr. Niall Kelleher, Chairperson of the Killarney Looking Good Committee, Michael Gleeson, Matt Farrell, Killarney Municipal District Council celebrate Killarney's Top 10 placing in Irish Business Against Litter Ranking.*

Chamber added.

## **The An Taisce report for Killarney stated:**

The customary strong showing from Killarney as it prepares for the peak tourist season, with no heavily littered sites. It is so encouraging that the efforts to address the commercial bins at the Glebe Car Park (as indicated via correspondence from Kerry Co Co in 2023) are finally coming to fruition – well done to all concerned. This time around it was very much deserving of the top litter grade, and it has certainly contributed to Killarney's very high ranking this time around. Well done Killarney on rolling out 'Killarney is Single Use Coffee Cup Free' – something which has been widely reported in not just the Irish media, but also UK. Hopefully this will have resulted in overall less litter being deposited in the regular street bins. All aspects of the Recycle Facility at High Street Car Park were in very good order – it was spotless. New Market Lane is a lovely town centre outdoor dining environment which was very much deserving of the top litter grade.

## *Worthy Beneficiaries Benefit from the Rotary Afternoon Tea Event*

Beneficiaries of the Afternoon Tea & Fashion event which was part of Killarney Rotary Club's 40th anniversary celebrations this year gathered at the Great Southern Hotel this week to receive the funds which were raised.

The Afternoon Tea & Fashion is a social occasion and a permanent fixture on the Rotary calendar. It began in 2008 under the stewardship of Ciara Irwin Foley, Ciara and her team improved the event year on year.

It is a very enjoyable afternoon of social interaction, in the ambience and beautiful surroundings of the Garden Room at the Great Southern. The object of the event is to raise money for worthy causes.

"This year, as President of Rotary Killarney, Ciara kindly asked me if I would nominate an organisation or organisations that would benefit from the proceeds raised by the Afternoon Tea", President Barry Murphy told Killarney Outlook.

The organisation I chose as the primary beneficiary is the Irish Cancer Society Night Nurses Support (Local Branch) The Night Nurses provide nighttime care for patients and their families in their own homes. They provide that support to you and your loved ones, in what is a difficult and anxious time, from 18.00pm through to 7.00am.

The other organisation to receive support is the Fuchsia Ward in St Columbanus. The substantial donation to Fuchsia by Killarney Rotary Club will allow us to purchase more activity/therapy equipment to enhance our resident's quality of life and provide meaningful interactions. Thank you all very much."

The event raised €4,500. Barry Murphy said "I would like to thank the loyal attendance at this event & our other events, without your support we would not be able to support these worthy causes."



*Beneficiaries of the Afternoon Tea Event receive their cheque from President of Killarney Rotary Club. Included are Maureen Creedon and Nancy Dineen representing the Irish Cancer Society Night Nurses and Breda Delves and Elaine Sheehan from St. Columbanus with members of the Killarney Rotary Club.*





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*A man who paints pictures with words....*

# Ireland Mournes The Great Micheál Ó Muircheartaigh RIP



BY: JIMMY O'SULLIVAN DARCY

*points like Colin Corkery."*

*"And here's Sylvie Linnane, who drives a digger on a Monday and turns into one on a Sunday."*

*"Anthony Lynch, the Cork corner-back, would be the last person to let you down - his people are undertakers"*

And my own personal favourites....

*"I saw a few Sligo people at Mass in Gardiner Street this morning and the omens seem to be good for them, the priest was wearing the same colours as the Sligo jersey! 40 yards out on the Hogan Stand side of the field Ciarán Whelan goes on a rampage, it's a goal. So much for religion."*

And last but certainly not least...

*"Pat Fox has it on his hurl and is motoring well now... but here comes Joe Rabbitte hot on his tail.... I've seen it all now, a Rabbitte chasing a Fox around Croke Park!"*

Those quotes, deservedly famous as they are, do not approach a summation of his greatness as a commentator and as a person.

As he recorded himself in his best-selling memoir "From Dun Síon to Croke Park", he had a normal country upbringing in West Kerry – all his life he considered himself an ordinary man of his people. The fact is that he was obviously wrong about that – he didn't so much epitomise his generation and his culture as transcend them. There was a certain aura of mysticism attached to him by popular culture, especially in his later years. You could think that he sprang full grown from a Maurice Walsh novel or stepped out of a scene from 'The Quiet Man' – it would have been a shorter film if he had been there. There was talk at one stage of him standing for a Presidential election. There is no doubt in my mind that if he had opted to stand, no actual election would have been needed. I'm pretty sure that Micheal D. Higgins (a man that I am very proud to have represent the Irish people) would say as much himself. Like I say, Micheál didn't epitomise those Irish generations from the sixties to the late eighties; he epitomised an idealised version of ourselves. He was what people aspired to, unknown to himself.

Micheál Ó Muircheartaigh may be best remembered for his many gentle witticisms scattered among the most insightful sports commentary the vast majority of us have ever heard – Micheál Ó hEithir was an icon in his own right in a time where radio was king, but he defined a generation of players rather than immortalised them. Micheál Ó Muircheartaigh made us laugh spontaneously – though he always acknowledged that such spontaneity stemmed from meticulous research. There were times you came out of a great game that you had attended in person to find everyone talking more about Micheál's commentary than the match itself. To paraphrase another great voice of the people, though in print form, Con Houlihan, "I missed Italia '90; I was in Italy at the time". Micheál could make you feel like that. Many of you will have come across these quotes a thousand times, especially in this sad week, and might wonder why I am repeating them here. It's far from my first time quoting the great man and it will be far from my last; these quotes are always new to some-one. Among his many gems are:

*"Seán Óg Ó hAilpín.... his father's from Fermanagh, his mother's from Fiji, neither one of them a hurling stronghold."*

*"He's not a big man, he's not a small man, he's what you might call a handy man..."*

*"Teddy McCarthy to John McCarthy, no relation, John McCarthy back to Teddy McCarthy, still no relation."*

*"In the first half they played with the wind. In the second half they played with the ball."*

*"Stephen Byrne with the puck-out for Offaly. Stephen, one of 12. All but one are here today, the one that's missing is Mary, she's at home minding the house. And the ball is dropping i lár na bpáirce..."*

*"... and Brian Dooher is down injured. And while he is, I'll tell ye a little story. I was in Times Square in New York last week, and I was missing the Championship back home. So I approached a newsstand and I said 'I suppose you wouldn't have the Kerryman would you?' To which the Egyptian man behind the counter replied 'do you want the North Kerry edition or the South Kerry edition?'. He had both, so I bought both. And Dooher is back on his feet..."*

*"1-5 to 0-8...well from Lapland to the Antarctic, that's level scores in any man's language."*

*"He grabs the sliotar, he's on the 50...he's on the 40...he's on the 30...he's on the ground."*

*"Setanta Ó hAilpín....the original Setanta from the old Gaelic stories was ten foot tall, had ten fingers on each hand and ten toes on each foot but even he couldn't be playing better hurling than his namesake here today."*

*"The stopwatch has stopped. It's up to God and the referee now. The referee is Pat Horgan. God is God."*

*"Colin Corkery on the 45 lets go with the right boot. It's over the bar. This man shouldn't be playing football. He's made an almost Lazarus-like recovery from a heart condition. Lazarus was a great man but he couldn't kick*





In 2014, the Legendary GAA Commentator Micheál Ó Muircheartaigh, scaled Ireland's highest Mountain and lifted the Sam Maguire Cup on the Summit of Carrauntoohil, MacGillycuddy's Reeks, Co Kerry, with Alan Kerins, left, the unique event 'Sam to Summit' in aid of the Alan Kerins Project which saw Sam Maguire and representatives and players with All Ireland football medals from each of the 32 counties reach the top of Ireland's highest mountain. Photo:Valerie O'Sullivan



Micheál Ó Muircheartaigh, with Kerry Footballer, centre, Seamus Moynihan and Mountain Guide, Piaras Kelly, Kerry Climbing, right, he unique event 'Sam to Summit' in aid of the Alan Kerins Project which saw Sam Maguire and representatives and players with All Ireland football medals from each of the 32 counties reach the top of Ireland's highest mountain. Photo:Valerie O'Sullivan

He started his broadcasting career in 1949. According to the man himself, he was fortunate in knowing one of the players during a test broadcast and crediting him with better play than the examiners realised – I suspect that is his modesty and humour coming to the fore. The plain fact is that he was a natural from the very start. He had an intimate knowledge of gaelic games – it's often forgotten that while he didn't play county, he was in fact a very good player in his own right. He was a nephew of Kerry player Jerry 'Pluggy' Moriarty, who famously marked the great Larry Stanley of Kildare, and a first cousin of another Jerry 'Pluggy' Moriarty who captained the Kerry Juniors in 1949, and a cousin of Murt Moriarty of Dingle who played for Kerry in the '90s. Micheál himself, of course, had an uncanny knack of knowing the links between players and generations. For him, gaelic games were an unfolding narrative of Irish culture, and that was simply the sea in which his great mind swam. He rarely spoke of it, and certainly never boasted of it, but he was an integral part of the success of the Kerry Golden Years team himself. Back in the sixties Micheál was friends with a Kerry footballer who was doing hi teacher training in Dublin, where Micheál taught for most of his life. Donie O'Sullivan wanted to do some training on his own but had no means of

transport. Micheál, being Micheál and being a proud Kerryman himself, would drive Donie to UCD and wait while the defender trained. When Mick O'Dwyer took over from Johnny Culloty as Kerry trainer and opted for a hard-working youth policy, he had players based in Dublin and he wanted them doing training programmes during the week. Donie O'Sullivan suggested his old friend and Micheál Ó Muircheartaigh took over the training sessions in Dublin. Micheál knew what he was doing; O'Dwyer was able to confidently rely on him for all the years while Kerry were dominating. Micheál didn't confine his help or advice to Kerry men either. Anyone who thought he would know nothing about Micheál Ó Muircheartaigh and little enough about the GAA. He was always famously approachable. I won't relay any of my own encounters with the great man; I'm not sure I know anyone who didn't meet him personally. And like Kipling's poetic paragon, Micheál could always 'walk with kings, nor lose that common touch'. In short, he had an innate and natural way of making you feel like the most interesting person he could be talking to, and it was no affectation. He simply was that interested in people and as happy to converse with everyone.

It'll surprise a few people to know that there

was one exception. When he was commenting on a game, he was absolutely focused from the moment the teams came out for the warm-up. He had copious handwritten notes arranged in order. One of the children – Doireann initially, Neasa in later years, and I'm told they all did it at some stage – would stand over him with a pointer, indicating on a teamsheet who was in possession or who had finished a particular move. And his descriptive voice...even being there watching it, games felt better on the radio than in person. It was as close as I have seen to magic, and it was because he was the consummate professional. It's a harder art than many people think, but he had the gift of making it sound very easy. He may have been the greatest person I have ever met. Not just in terms of GAA, in anything. I honestly believe that Ireland will be the poorer without him but all the richer for the memory of Dun Síon's greatest son. Micheál Ó Muircheartaigh(Dún Síon, Co. Kerry / Kilcock, Co. Meath) passed away peacefully on the 25 June 2024 in the Mater Hospital, Dublin. He will be sadly missed by his loving wife Helena, his children Éamonn, Niamh, Aonghus, Cormac, Neasa, Nuala, Éadaoin and Doireann, his grandchildren, his sisters Kathleen and Máire and all his relatives and friends. Predeceased by his brothers Pádraig, Náis and Dónal and sisters Siobhán and Eibhlín.

Reposing at O'Connor's Funeral Home, Dingle (V92 XTR2) on Friday, 28 June, from 11:00am-8:00pm. Funeral mass at 11:00am Saturday, 29 June, in St. Mary's Church, Dingle, followed by burial in Milltown Cemetery.

The funeral mass will be streamed on <https://www.mcn.live/camera/paroiste-naomh-muire-dingle>.

*Ai dheis Dé go raibh a anam dilis*





# Killarney to celebrate like never before

The generosity of the man who built America also created a more spectacular Killarney and that incredible deed will be celebrated in great style in the town on Wednesday and Thursday next.

Killarney will always be extremely grateful to the McShain family, not only for the gift of Killarney House and Gardens, but for the donation of Inisfallen Island, Ross Castle and 8,000 acres of parkland, mountains and lake which John and Mary McShain presented to the town.

That remarkable kindness, when added to the generosity of the Bourn Vincent family in Muckcross, helped to create Ireland's first national park and enhance Killarney's reputation as the country's tourist capital.

The valued relationship will be very much to the fore during next week's Celebration of Irish American Friendship with the captivating story of John McShain to be told, through poetry, music and song, in a special hour-long production at the Anam Arts and Cultural Centre on Thursday, July 4th (5.00pm).

Co-produced and choreographed by richly talented locals Noel Patrick O'Sullivan and

Fiona Crowley, it will tell the McShain story through the thought-provoking poetry of Tim Buckley, the musical talents of Tony O'Flaherty and Miriam O'Sullivan, the voice of Mary Culloty O'Sullivan and dance courtesy of the Maureen Hegarty Academy.

Detailed script research into the life of the McShain family was conducted by Rachel Kelleher of the NPWS and special permission has been received from the Hagley Museum in Wilmington, Delaware to use iconic images from the coveted McShain family collection in the hour-long production.

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

This year also there will be an opportunity to remember the estimated six million Irish people who emigrated to the US since 1820, whose descendants now proudly describe themselves as Irish-American.

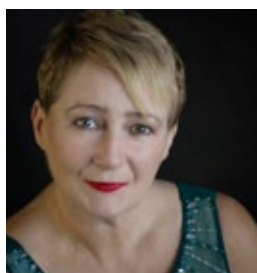
Their story will be traced in an engaging public lecture in the appropriate setting of the Garden Room Killarney House – the former McShain residence – on the evening of Wednesday, July 3rd. The guest speaker will be acclaimed

genealogist and author Kay Caball who will share insights on who emigrated and why, how and to where they travelled and their connections to the Kerry of today.

The big attraction of the Celebration of Irish American Friendship will, of course, be the spectacular parade on Thursday with fantastic floats, favourite Disney characters, beautiful princesses, marching bands and colourful cheerleaders.

The parade will start at Killarney Outlet Centre at 7.00pm and it will pass through Fair Hill, College Street, Plunkett Street and Main Street and several hundred people are expected to line the street for the gala occasion.

Other highlights of the Celebration of Irish American Friendship will include a kids zone on the grounds of St Mary's Church of Ireland on Thursday afternoon, a family-friendly drum dance at College Square at 4.00pm that day, DJ beats on Main Street from 5.30pm to 6.50pm, a brass band performance at College Square at 5.30pm and a rousing street party with local favourites Truly Diverse on the Main Street stage from 8.00pm to 9.00pm.



The main characters in the drama: Tim Buckley, Mary Culloty O'Sullivan, Fiona Crowley, Noel Patrick O'Sullivan and Miriam O'Sullivan



John McShain, who died in September 1989 at the age of 93, was a charismatic building contractor who became known as the man who built America.

A bachelor's degree graduate from the LaSalle University in Philadelphia, during his incredible lifetime, the wealthy construction baron, racehorse owner and philanthropist was the main contractor in the \$4.25 million reconstruction of the White House during the Truman years from 1949-1952.

He was also responsible for the construction of the Pentagon, the Jefferson Memorial, the Roosevelt Library at Hyde Park, the JFK Centre for Performing Arts, Washington National Airport and many other notable US landmarks.

## The man who built America loved Killarney

The records of the McShain enterprises in the United States became an important part of the collection of the Hagley Museum and Library which is an archive for commerce, industry and technology, in Wilmington, DE.

A lifelong Republican, John McShain also owned some of the world's most valuable thoroughbred racehorses and enjoyed a string of top-notch successes in blue riband events like the Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe, the Ascot Gold Cup, the Irish Derby and the St Leger.

Born in Philadelphia in 1898, McShain was the youngest son of Slaughtmanus, Co Derry-born Catholic immigrants, John and Catherine McShain. John Snr went to seek his fortune in America in 1885 where he joined the firm of his uncle, William J McShain before starting out on his own three years later, working mainly on projects sponsored by the Catholic Church. Destined for a career in the legal

profession or as a devout Catholic, possibly a life in the priesthood, at the age of 21 he somewhat reluctantly took hold of the reins of the company, John McShain Inc, following the death of his father.

John Jnr's wife, Mary Horstmann, a native of Philadelphia who he married in 1927, was a member of a large Philadelphia Catholic family of wool merchants and her pioneering community and charity work later saw her become a Lady of the Grand Cross of the Holy Sepulchre and a Dame of Malta.

In 1976 she was the recipient of the Pro Ecclesia et Pontifice Cross, the highest honour the Vatican can bestow on a laywoman and, the following year, she was presented with honorary doctorates from three universities.

A close, personal friend of former President of Ireland, Seán T O'Kelly, and a regular visitor to Killarney, in the late 1950s John McShain acquired Killarney House and its

sprawling 25,000 estate and he spent the twilight of his life there until his death.

In 1973, the McShains gifted the priceless Innisfallen Island, Ross Castle and 8,000 acres of parkland, mountains and lake to the State and an agreement was reached that, when Mr and Mrs McShain passed on, Killarney House and Gardens would be given to the Irish Government for a very nominal sum. When his wife, Mary, died in 1998, their daughter Sr Pauline, carried out her father's wishes and handed the keys and the deeds of the property to the people.

Sr Pauline, a Philadelphia based member of the Society of the Child Jesus order, passed away in March 2019.

John and Mary McShain are buried side by side in his native Philadelphia but their incredible legacy will always live on in their adopted home of Killarney.



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Three inspirational Irish athletes, Gold medal winner Ellen Keane, Silver medal winner Nicole Turner and High Jumper and Tokyo 2020 participant Jordan Lee feature in Toyota's Start Your Impossible campaign which calls on the Irish Public to get behind our Paralympians. The road to Paris is set for Team Toyota; Ellen Keane, Nicole Turner and Jordan Lee, as they prepare to represent Ireland and compete in swimming and high jump competitions this August and September at the 2024 Paralympic Games.

The campaign which localises Toyota's global 'Start Your Impossible' platform features three Irish Paralympian stars who will compete at the games: Ellen Keane, Nicole Turner and Jordan Lee. We're immersed into their world as we see the level of preparation it takes in everyday life to

compete at their level. The campaign brings to life the incomparable effort required for athletes to compete at such an elite level in the Paralympics Games; it shows the dedication, pride and ambition of the athletes; and is a powerful message to show what it takes to make that extra millimetre, to shave off that extra millisecond, in order to achieve greatness.

Spotlighting paralympic athletes is essential to Toyota. This campaign, voiced by our athletes, demonstrates how they have pushed boundaries and turned their dreams into a reality. By working with Ellen, Nicole and Jordan, Toyota aims to ignite the spark of endless possibilities living within the people of Ireland and encourage the next generation of athletes to believe in their future.



Irish athletes, Gold medal winner Ellen Keane, Silver medal winner Nicole Turner and High Jumper and Tokyo 2020 participant Jordan Lee



Killarney native High Jumper Jordan Lee in action

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## CLASSIC CAR SHOW PLANNED FOR JULY

The hugely popular annual Classic and Vintage car show for vehicles that are 20 years and older takes place at the Killarney Racecourse on July 7th.

Volkswagen Golf are celebrating 50 years so anyone that displays a Golf on the day will be entered into a draw for spot prizes.

This event is open to all vehicles pre 2004, cars, motorbikes and jeeps.

This family friendly event has admission by donation on the day with children going free.

Vehicles will arrive from 10am with the event being open to the public from 11am and there will be refreshments available.





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With Anne Lucey

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



### New Start for Outlet Centre

Planning has gone in for the creation of food kiosks dining area and bar in the Killarney Outlet Centre as well as upgrade of retail units. It's a great idea for the centre which is one of the most standout buildings in Killarney - but which has never really taken off, at least on the Upper /First Floor. When it opened in 1999 in Killarney there was a prohibition on dining facilities and on sale of food of any kind in the Outlet.. I forget the rationale, or lack of by the then planning authority, the Killarney Town Council.

The ban was soon lifted.

The Killarney Outlet Centre was built on what was once the old railway yard owned by CIE owners of the Great Southern.

Surveys in the town had identified a huge lack of retail in Killarney.

The new plans, if they are given the go ahead by the now Tralee based planning office, will see the centre opening past midnight at weekends with closing at 11 pm from Sunday to Thursday.

Further plans are in train to give a new

facelift to the 'blank" Park road side, agents for owners COK Properties said.

A decision from Kerry County Council is due in August.

The town badly needs a boost, not to mention a facelift. Some of the buildings on approach roads are downright shabby. Meanwhile, I can't understand the council's delay in uprooting those unseemly footpath extensions in High Street and New Street.

There is no place for buses to let down people so the whole town is held up, as if the traffic were not bad enough already.

Alas, when it comes to retail we are back to square one in 2024 Killarney.

The town centre again lacks basic shops and people now are forced to undertake long car journeys to Tralee whether for shoe repair or for picture frames. We risk becoming a satellite service town of Tralee.

So maybe the fresh start for the Killarney Outlet Centre will be the fresh start this town needs. In the meantime, our local councillors must lobby to bring back the town councils and to reinstate planning and other powers locally.

### Paddle Your Own Canoe

The capsizing of a canoe with three people on board on Lough Leane a week ago reminds us of the need to keep a waterproof mobile phone on the water. Especially late at night. Valentia Coastguard told me one man was very lucky as hypothermia was setting in by the time he was plucked to safety by the Shannon based rescue helicopter. It was 10 pm when the emergency services got the call. They believe all three men were local. The call was made from the lake as they clung to their canoe. One man made it ashore but the others were taken from the water and onto UHK in Tralee.

Canoeing and kayaking in Killarney is becoming ever more popular. I see at least one Dingle based company advertising kayaking tours.

It would be nice to see the lakes and waterways more used for leisure - not just for commercial tourist activity or angling competitions.

It is the case in Ireland that we don't use waterways in the same manner as European cities and we must re-learn how to use them as transport and as leisure areas.

In order to kayak or canoe within the Killarney National Park, people must obtain a permit. Obtaining a permit for kayaking is relatively easy, the rangers tell me. You simply telephone 064 6635215 during office hours and schedule a drop into the base in the old stone cow houses on the main N71 road opposite Muckross House.

Biosecurity - checking boats - is necessary to

spot invasive zebra mussel, fringed water lily and other pests. Before collecting the permit, the boat has to be power washed at a petrol station and the receipt brought to the ranger base.

There are also seasonal permits for locals, the rangers say.

There is no charge or fee.

Once the regulations are adhered to and the permit is in date - it is truly a case of paddle your own canoe. But keep a waterproof phone handy in case of capsizing!

### A New Mayor - a new approach to the native language and culture

Kerry County Council has the same make-up and despite the anticipated coup which could have freshened up things, it will be Fianna Fail and Fine Gael and Labour. Thanks to Labour who baulked at a deal with Sinn Féin. However, there is a new commitment to the Irish language.

Breandán Fitzgerald from Dingle promises to use Irish as much as possible. Because a country without a language is a country without a soul, he said last Friday.

Breandán is a fine fellow and will make a good cathaoirleach. That is if he is left to us. I am hearing he could well be encouraged into a seat in the Senate.

In that case we might see the co-option of Michael O'Shea, of Corca Dhuibhne who surprisingly lost his seat on June 7th. Fianna Fáil politics is full of machinations these days. Micheál Martin has just succeeded in getting rid of his greatest rival in Cork, Michael

McGrath, by sending him to Europe. Micheál is also ensuring Jack Chambers succeeds himself and not Darragh O'Brien. (It has to be someone from Dublin as next Taoiseach as people have enough of Cork politicians).

Back to the important issues: increased use of Irish will be welcome. We were still speaking Irish in and around Killarney in 1911. In the 1960s and 70s English with "does bees do bees and weres and wases" in the wrong places was still very much a language that was being learned.

These days lack of English is recognised as a great obstacle to integration of non-Irish. But I would argue lack of Irish language and failure to teach our ways is a great obstacle to understanding culture and character for everyone living here.

There are several aspects of Irish culture we all need reminding of since Covid and GÉILL SÍ is one - in more ways than one. I am fed up with being reached across in food counters and literally pushed out of the way in shops. And that is before we come to the behaviour on the roads.



Cathaoirleach of Kerry County Council Fianna Fail county councillor, Breandán Fitzgerald.

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Killarney man Tom Doherty has been chosen as one of the players to travel to the European Team Championships for Golfers with a Disability has been announced by golf Ireland.

Hosted by Germany, the competition takes place in Hosel Golf Club, Düsseldorf from the 18th to the 20th of July.

Ireland captain Paul Kelly (Co Armagh) selected the composition of the team after trials at Carton House and the

completion of the ISPS Handa Irish open for golfers with a disability in Roganstown.

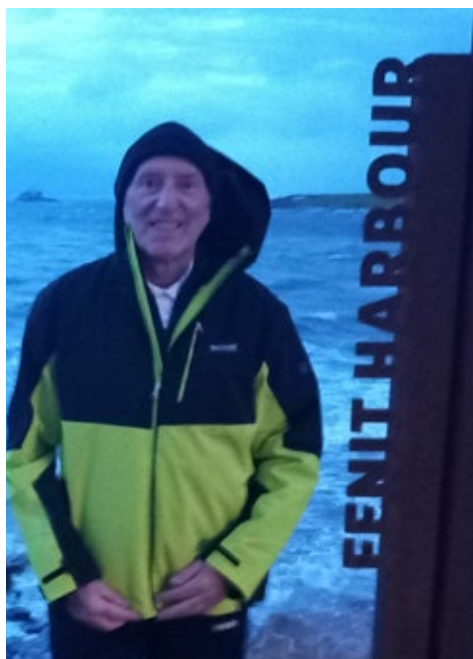
The makeup of the four member team is Ian St John (Tramore), Tom Doherty (Killarney), Cian Arthurs (Roganstown) and Dianne Conway (Shandon Park).

"I was delighted to take the phone call from the team Captain Paul with the news that I made the team", Tom told Killarney Outlook.

"It's a great honour to represent my club and country at such a prestigious event. We have two prep days coming up in Carton House where Golf Irelands HQ is also based", he added.

"I'm looking forward to the challenge in Germany where we will play different formats over three days, foursomes, greensomes and a fourball on the third day", Tom said.

# TOM TO TEE OFF FOR IRELAND ON EUROPEAN GOLF TEAM



Billy Ryle, who led the swim in Fenit, described the event as an emotional event of extraordinary symbolism.

# DIP AT DAWN TAKES PLACE ON THE SUMMER SOLSTICE

The DIP AT DAWN in Fenit on Summer Solstice, Friday, 21st June in aid of Vision Ireland could best be described as a unique spiritual experience. The novel fundraiser for Vision Ireland was the brainchild of Senator Martin Conway of Ennistymon, Co. Clare, who has lived most of his life with sight loss. Martin knows the struggle of those who are faced with sight loss so he encouraged the public to take a DIP AT DAWN on the longest day in the year as a symbol of support for the 296,000 people in Ireland who are blind or visually impaired.

Billy Ryle, who led the swim in Fenit, described the event as an emotional event of extraordinary symbolism. The swimmers were in Fenit at 5am to watch the darkness break into light over Tralee Bay on a dry but overcast day with a moderate wind and a full

tide rolling into Locke's Beach before taking a dip in the breaking waves. As a few sun rays penetrated the clouds, Billy's thoughts turned to the two deceased individuals who bequeathed the gift of sight to him when he needed a corneal transplant in each of his eyes in 2022. He also said a silent prayer for the blind and visually impaired people for whom the journey through life is challenging. Vision Ireland is dedicated to helping them overcome the barriers that impede their independence and participation in society.

Billy's fundraising page for the DIP AT DAWN is now open at [www.vi.ie](http://www.vi.ie) and at the fundraising platform, [www.idonate.ie](http://www.idonate.ie) and he is appealing to people throughout the county to prove how generous Kerry people are by digging deep for Vision Ireland.

Killarney Camera Club's recent print competition was keenly contested in the Novice category. It was Maryann Heidtke's photograph of Dingle Lighthouse, taken on 5th April this year, which took first place. She gave us some background information about it "When Storm Kathleen hit Dingle it brought with it strong southerly winds combined with spring tides. The result, an enormous surge of water producing gigantic waves. I was in the right place at the right time and managed to capture some of the biggest waves I have ever seen under Dingle Lighthouse." Well done Maryann.

Here are the top three in the Novice category.

- 1st Place: Maryann Heidtke, Lighthouse
- 2nd Place: Eric Jenkinson, Trillium Lake, Oregon
- 3rd Place: Iryna Halaieva, Black skinned angel

All the print competition photos are available on the Club's website [www.killarneycameraclub.ie](http://www.killarneycameraclub.ie).



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On the occasion Rory D'Arcy's retirement as Principal of St. Oliver's Primary School, Killarney, staff members past and present gathered for a special night at the Killarney Plaza Hotel, joined by his wife Siobhan, Retired Deputy Principal Tim Horgan, Present Principal Colm Ó Súilleabháin, and Deputy Principal Sandra Chute. PHOTOS: VALERIE O'SULLIVAN

# Rory Retires

## FROM ST. OLIVER'S NS



Staff members past and present with pupils gathered for a special event at the School to be with Rory before his departure for the final time. Josephine Donsell, directs the choir with their special song for Rory.



Pupils gathered for a special event at the School to be with Rory before his departure for the final time..



Rory D'Arcy at a special reception at the School, with his family, Wife Siobhan, Patrick, Maeve, Muireann, and Mrs. Annie O'Donoghue.



Present Principal Colm Ó Súilleabháin with Rory before his departure for the final time.



Rory is pictured with Tim Horgan, retired Deputy Principal of the School.





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# FUNDRAISING DRIVE FOR JERRY SEES GAA CELEBRITIES COME TOGETHER

The launch of the 23rd annual Circet All-Ireland GAA Golf Challenge took place in Killarney Golf and Fishing Club in Mahony's Point this week.

Forty years after they captained their respective counties to All-Ireland senior titles in the GAA's centenary year, Kerry and Cork greats Ambrose O'Donovan and John Fenton along with Kilkenny legend and Challenge patron Eddie Keher were on hand to lend their support to the charity four-person team event, which will take place at Killarney GC on October 17th and 18th.

Kerry and Glenflesk Gaelic football luminaries, 2000 All-Ireland SFC winning captain Seamus Moynihan and three-time All-Ireland SFC medalist Johnny Crowley, were also in attendance to promote this year's beneficiary, their friend and fellow clubman Jerry O'Leary.

Twelve months ago, Jerry suffered serious spinal injuries in a devastating accident while walking home. He is wheelchair-bound and requires intensive physiotherapy as well as other medical supports.

The Circet All-Ireland GAA Golf Challenge sees four-person teams from Ireland and the US represent their GAA clubs on the golf course. Forty-five

teams in total will converge on Killarney in October to compete for the specially-commissioned Waterford Crystal replica of the Liam MacCarthy Cup, which was won by Tipperary club Clonoulty-Rossmore on the majestic Killeen and O'Mahony's Point courses.

Run on an entirely voluntary basis in which all proceeds go to charitable causes, the Challenge is the premier golf competition for GAA members. The Challenge has been raising funds for GAA-affiliated causes and members in need for several years. In 2023, the beneficiary was The Dillon Quirke Foundation while in previous years the Challenge has been able to provide financial assistance to Ian O'Connell (Spa), Fionn McAnaney (Raharney), Conor Connolly (Castlederg) and Darragh Dooley (Ballyduff Lower).

Speaking at the launch, Circet All-Ireland GAA Golf Challenge organising chairman Liam Daniels said: "Jerry's cause is one the Challenge are honoured to get behind. Jerry is a well loved and respected member of his community and we are delighted to join the fundraising drive to help him and his family.

"Our great friend Ian O'Connell



Forty years after they captained their respective counties to All-Ireland senior titles in the GAA's centenary year, Kerry and Cork greats Ambrose O'Donovan and John Fenton were pulling strokes once again on Lough Lough Leane, Killarney this time at the launch of the 23rd annual Circet All-Ireland GAA Golf Challenge in Killarney Golf and Fishing Club on Mahony's Point. This year's Challenge in aid of Glenflesk clubman Jerry O'Leary takes place at Killarney GC on October 17th and 18th. Pictured at the launch are, in front, Liam Daniels, CIRCET, Ian O'Connell and Mickey Traynor. At back, Donal Brosnan, Derry Healy, Johnny Crowley, Vanessa Cunningham, Seamus Moynihan, Eddie Keher, Ambrose O'Donovan and John Fenton.

Photo: Don MacMonagle

from Spa is here today and to see the great progress he has made in recent years and his heartening approach to life after his own accident is a genuine inspiration.

"I wish to thank our long-standing sponsors Circet who fully appreciate what we have been doing down through the years in particular Donagh Kelly and Vanessa Cunningham. They are more friends than sponsors and

their understanding of our efforts is vital to the success of the Challenge.

"I also want to pay tribute to our patrons Eddie Keher, Seán Kelly, Barney Rock, Gerry O'Reilly and Declan Devine for their continuing support for the Challenge. The way in which they promote it and the charitable causes is a measure of their generosity and decency."



Johnny Crowley, Ambrose O'Donovan, John Fenton, Donal Brosnan and Derry Healy, from Glenflesk GAA Club pictured at the launch of the 23rd annual Circet All-Ireland GAA Golf Challenge in Killarney Golf and Fishing Club on Mahony's Point. This year's Challenge in aid of Glenflesk clubman Jerry O'Leary takes place at Killarney GC on October 17th and 18th. Photo: Don MacMonagle



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- Saturday, 10th August 2024
- Saturday, 31st August 2024
- Saturday, 5th October 2024

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Reservations are now open for the Chef's Table experience, for bookings and more information please visit [www.thedunloe.com](http://www.thedunloe.com) or call +353 64 664 4111.



## HUGH O'FLAHERTY MEMORIAL SOCIETY ANNOUNCE ROME TOUR 2025

To celebrate the centenary anniversary of the ordination of Msgr Hugh O'Flaherty, a memorial trip is being organised for March 2025.

Monsignor Hugh O'Flaherty was ordained in Rome in 1925. To mark the Centenary Anniversary of his Ordination, the Hugh O'Flaherty Memorial Society has engaged Kieran Troy (MYRIAM Tours) to organise a Society Tour to Rome in March 2025. The final details of the Tour Itinerary will be confirmed over the coming months. It will include the College Propaganda Fide Chapel in which he was ordained by Cardinal Van Rossum.

In the meantime, the Tour is scheduled to depart Cork Airport Monday March 3rd – Returning Friday March 7th 2025. Numbers will be limited so early booking is advised.

The itinerary for this group is will be worked out and involves co-ordinating events with embassies and institutions connected to the story of Monsignor O'Flaherty.

However, the following will be included:

- Propaganda Fide Chapel (where the young

Hugh was ordained in 1925).

- The present Urban College. This was acquired in 1925. The following year, the Propaganda Fide students, including O'Flaherty, moved to live here. By 1931, the lectures were taking place in this new building. The young Kerryman was drafted immediately as a member of the faculty and functioned as vice- rector.

- The Teutonic College and Cemetery. Monsignor O'Flaherty lived here when he took up his role as an official of the Holy Office. He remained a resident here during the Nazi occupation and for the rest of his time in Rome.

- The Ardeatine Caves where the massacre organised by Kappler took place in March 1944. Some associates of the Monsignor and Major Sam Derry died here.

- The Irish College, an important centre for the Irish community in Rome.

- The Wednesday Papal Audience in St Peter's Square.

- A visit to St Peter's Basilica through the Holy Door open for the



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- Palazzo Doria, home of Prince Filippo Andrea Doria Pamphilj, the greatest benefactor of the Rome Escape Line. O'Flaherty made a famous escape himself from here when the building was surrounded by Germans in October 1943.

The places mentioned above are a sample only. The final itinerary will be worked out in the best interests of the group.



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Taking a step back in time....

# Mass takes place on Innisfallen Island

The annual Mass on Innisfallen Island took place last Friday 21st June.

Boats left Ross Castle for the ceremony which was a lovely opportunity to join in prayer now with the rich tradition of the monks of old. This enchanting island was once home to a monastery dating back to 640 AD.

The island was a place of solitude for the monks to reflect and pray. The monks were great scholars, the High King of Ireland Brian Boru was said to have studied on Innisfallen island.

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# KILLARNEY REGATTA

## TAKES PLACE THIS WEEKEND

The Killarney Regatta launch was held on the 18th of June at the Avenue hotel, and in attendance were the regatta queen entries, and this years hall of fame crew Muckross senior men of 1993 which consisted of Seamus Guiney as



Regatta Queens 2024, left to right Sarah McCarthy Workmen R.C., Jane Keating Muckross R.C., Amy Healey Flesk Vally R.C. missing from photo is Niamh Kissane Fossa R.C.

Cox and in seat order Sean Coffey, Sean McCarthy, John Cronin, Maurice Coffey, Brendan O'Neill and John Beasley there trainer was Ulick Daly. It was a wonderful evening. The 236th Annual Killarney Regatta will take place on the 30th of June at O Mahonys Point, we hope to see many of you down there whether you're chearing from the shore or pulling an oar, best of luck.



Killarney Regatta commitee, regatta queens and muckross 1993 senior men crew.

## SPA SWAP TO THE SMALL BALL TO RAISE FUNDS

The launch of the Spa Gaa Golf Classic has taken place with sponsors The Killarney Oaks Hotel, Tricel and Killarney Oils pledging their support for the club fundraiser, which will be held at Beaufort Golf Club on Friday July 12th.

"It is hoped funds raised will help progress projects in the pipeline including solar panels and spectator safety barriers.

It costs €250 to enter a team of four golfers, with the scores of two players to count on each hole", Kieran Herlihy from the Golf Classic Committee told Killarney Outlook.

Those wishing to sponsor a tee-box can do so for €100 which committee members are currently accepting.

Spa Gaa Club is deeply grateful to the Courtney, Stack and O' Donoghue families of Killarney Oils, Tricel and The Killarney Oaks for their generous support of the event.



Sponsors The Killarney Oaks Hotel, Tricel and Killarney Oils at the launch of the Spa GAA Golf Classic with members of Spa GAA.

Front row: Mike Stack (Tricel), Elisabeth Stack, Seamus O Donoghue (Killarney Oils) Patrick Courtney (Killarney Oaks Horel), Peggy O Donoghue and Eileen Magee,

Back: Dan O Donoghue, John Kelliher, Mike Foley, Seanie Kelliher, Matt Lane, Andrew Garnett and Kieran Herlihy. Photo: Anne Holland.



# A Night At the Races WITH FOSSA GAA

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

You can sponsor a Horse, Jockey & Trainer for a Night at the Races by submitting your entry using our online booking form here - <https://forms.gle/pDR4A3uTz9vhHrYVA>

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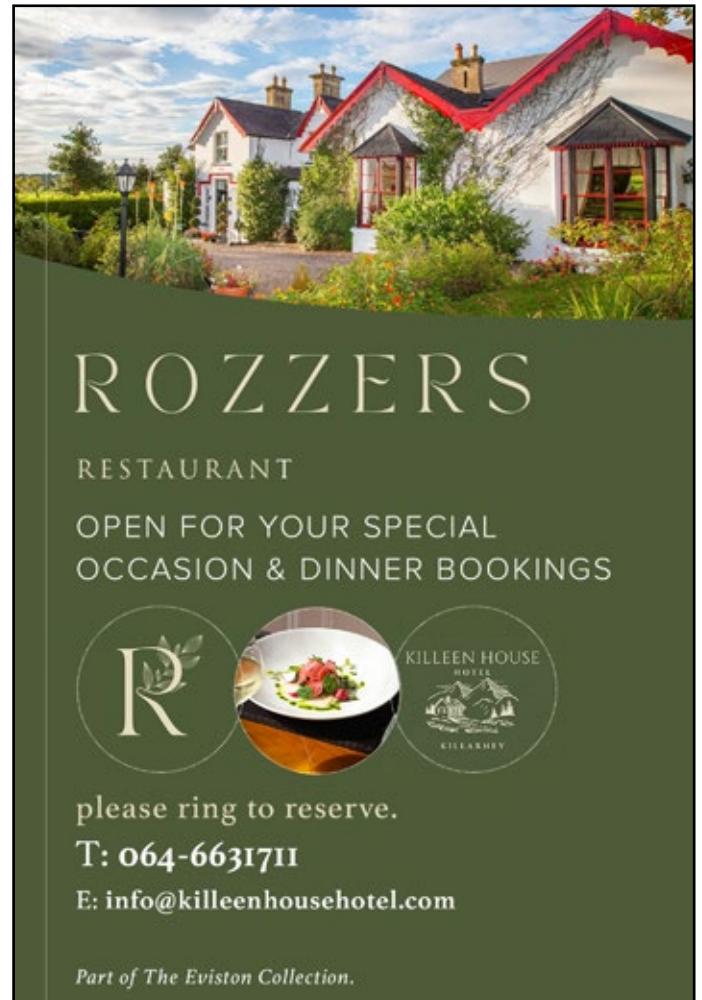
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The Ballydribeen Residents' Association has initiated a project to enhance residents' quality of life within this dynamic community. Their efforts focus on raising funds to establish a new universal playground that is planned to be constructed adjacent to the upcoming Derren Sports Centre in Killarney. The proposed playground is to serve as a cornerstone of the community, providing a welcoming and inclusive space for children of all abilities, their families, and friends to come together and create lasting memories, We are thrilled to announce another exciting event as a part of the Playground Fundraiser Project. The raffle has been launched at Ross Café. The project's current state, a testament to our collective efforts, is highly impressive, and we eagerly look forward to its implementation.

Through the generous support of our sponsors, a total of 10 prizes, including a 2-night B&B stay at any of Gleneagle Group Hotels, are up for grabs. We have made it convenient for everyone to participate, with tickets, priced at €5 each or a discounted bundle of five for €20 are available throughout Killarney at Reeks and Rock Gateway Centras, Ballydribeen Community House (open Monday to Thursday from 9:30 am to 1:30 pm), Ula Nails and Beauty, and Café Passion on New Street Killarney.

An additional sales event is scheduled at the Killarney Outlet Centre in June. The date is yet to be confirmed, and children's entertainment will be featured to complement the event. Individuals may also contact Malwina Simhadri at (089) 454 8303 or Iza Dian at (087) 9509654 for direct ticket purchases.

## PLAYGROUND FUNDRAISER PLANNED BY BALLYDRIBEEN RESIDENTS



The launch of the Ballydribeen Residents playground fundraiser took place recently, included in the photo are Paul Sherry, Killarney Outlet Centre, Anthony Kelly, Cllr Niall 'Botty' O'Callaghan, Niraj Simhadri, Liam Grimes, Cllr Niall Kelleher, Jim O'Donoghue, Cllr Marie Moloney, Cllr Maura Heally-Ray, Iza Dian, Jayce and Malwina Simhadri

## Firies National School at WEAVE Project Showcase

Firies National School recently took part in the innovative WEAVE project, joining nine other primary schools in an exciting initiative supported by the Tralee Education Centre and Oide. The project is designed to be learner-centric and cross-curricular, integrating the latest advancements in digital technologies into Irish education.

The WEAVE project aims to show how computing can enhance teaching and learning across various subjects. At its core, computational thinking is about breaking down complex problems, identifying patterns, and

applying logical and algorithmic strategies—skills that are essential in today's digital age. Engaging in computational thinking fosters systematic thinking and analytical problem-solving abilities in learners. It not only offers fun and enjoyable learning outcomes but also equips students with vital digital literacy skills and prepares them for future participation in the technology sector.

Our children looked at how 3D printing of houses could help with housing crisis in Killarney, how we can enhance soil quality to promote growth locally and in Killarney

National Park, ways to reduce pollution in the Killarney lakes, how we can keep people safer on the Kerry roads and how we can harness electricity from natural sources.

The highlight of the WEAVE calendar was the showcase event held on June 18th at the Gleneagle Hotel in Killarney. This event brought together all ten participating schools, providing a platform for students to exhibit their project work. Attendees had the opportunity to explore various exhibitions, engage in discussions, and share their experiences in coding, LEGO robotics, computational thinking, and problem-solving. The day was filled with energy and excitement, celebrating the hard work and creativity of the students.

A special acknowledgment goes to the students involved in the WEAVE project. Their enthusiasm, problem-solving skills, impressive LEGO builds, and coding expertise are commendable. They have truly embodied the vision of the Department of Education, Tralee Education Centre, Oide, and the WEAVE project, bringing it to life in their classrooms and contributing to a brighter future for all.

Firies National School is proud to have been part of this project and looks forward to continuing to integrate computational thinking and digital technologies into teaching and learning practices.



Aoibheann Pavlovic, Emma Falvey, Leah Cooper



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# JOIN THE SUMMER STARS READING CHALLENGE at any Kerry Library this summer!!

Summer Stars is the public library national summer reading programme for children. Kerry Library invites all children throughout the county to join in the adventure and discover the fun and pleasure of reading over the summer by taking part in our Summer Stars Reading Challenge. Summer Stars is non-competitive and every child who reads even one book or eBook is regarded as having completed the programme – and it's all completely free!

From Saturday, 8 June children are invited to visit their local Kerry library and collect a Summer Stars Reading Challenge card to track their reading. Children are welcome to join Summer Stars at any point over the summer and when they complete the challenge they will receive a medal and certificate of achievement.

Kerry libraries stock a vast range of children's books suitable for all ages and interests. In addition, BorrowBox, our eBook / eAudiobook / eMagazine service, offers a large selection of titles for children. We have stocked up for the summer with a huge range of favourites and new



gems to discover.

Kerry library staff are ready and waiting with great recommendations to help young readers discover new authors and genres they might not have tried before.

During the Summer Stars Reading Challenge libraries will be hosting storytimes, workshops, board game afternoons, sensory mornings and competition throughout the summer months. Visit your local library during in July and August to be in with a chance to win a prize! Keep an eye on our social media and in your local library to take part! Further details at [www.kerrylibrary.ie](http://www.kerrylibrary.ie)

## AUTISM FRIENDLY WALK THIS WEEKEND

An Autism Friendly walk will take place at Killarney Racecourse tomorrow, Saturday June 29th at 11.30pm.

The walk will take around 90 minutes and finish back at the Racecourse. If you don't feel like a walk you can still meet up in the Racecourse Cafe for coffee and cake at 1pm.

The event is open to people and families of all ages and abilities. The route is wheelchair and buggy accessible.



# KERRY HOUSE PRICES RISE 9% in three months

The price of the average second-hand three-bed semi in County Kerry has increased substantially, according to a national survey by Real Estate Alliance.

Across the county, the average time taken to sell fell by one week to a total of six weeks, the Q2 REA Average House Price Index shows.

The survey shows that across the county, 65% of purchasers were first-time buyers and 15% of purchasers were from outside of the county.

A total of 30% of sales in the county this quarter were attributed to landlords leaving the market.

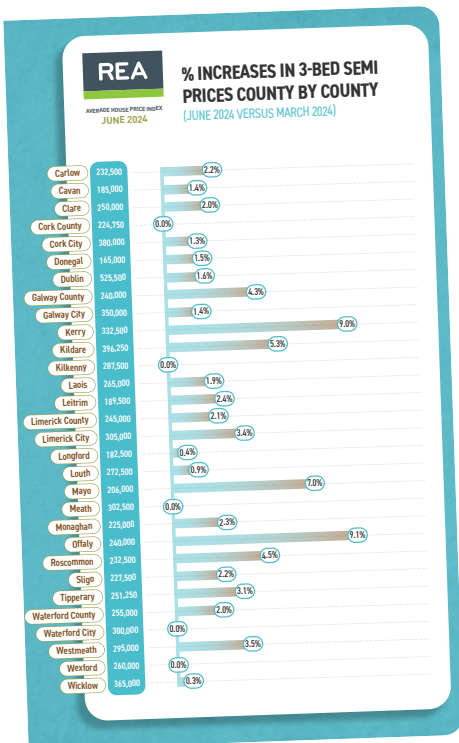
"The first two months of the quarter were quiet, but in the last month the market has

taken off again and prices have increased substantially," said Donal Culloty of REA Coyne and Culloty, Killarney.

"There are very few houses for sale with numerous bidders, and prices are achieving well over the advertised value."

The REA Average House Price Index concentrates on the sale price of Ireland's typical stock home, the three-bed semi, giving an accurate picture of the second-hand property market in towns and cities countrywide.

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# KERRY COUNTY COUNCIL STOPPING HOUSE BUILDING IN KERRY

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

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

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

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



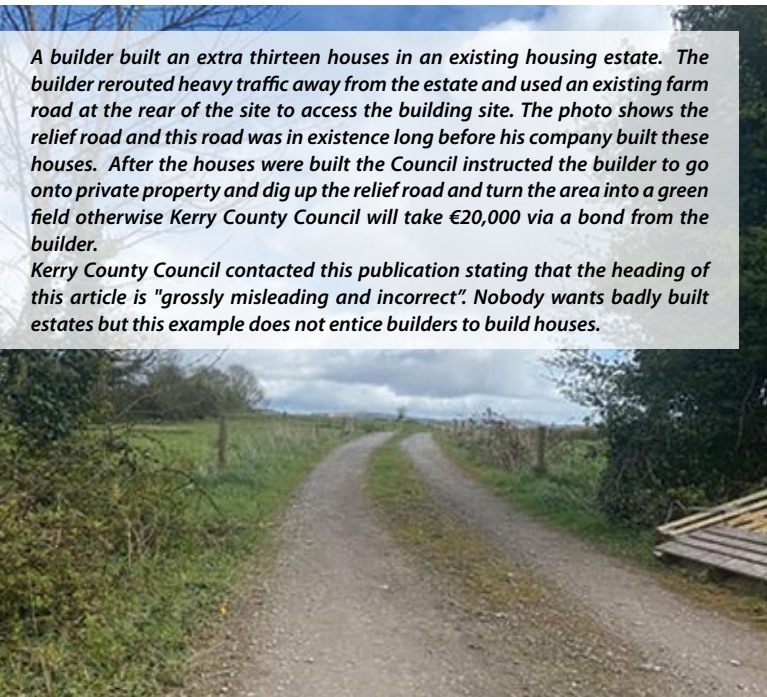
*This is a photo of an item on a snag list from a builder. Kerry County Council wants the builder to remove the fence and replace it with a fence that's a few inches taller. Because there is a slope in the green area the fence measures 2 mtrs when measured from the back and 1.85mtrs when measured from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

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

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

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

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



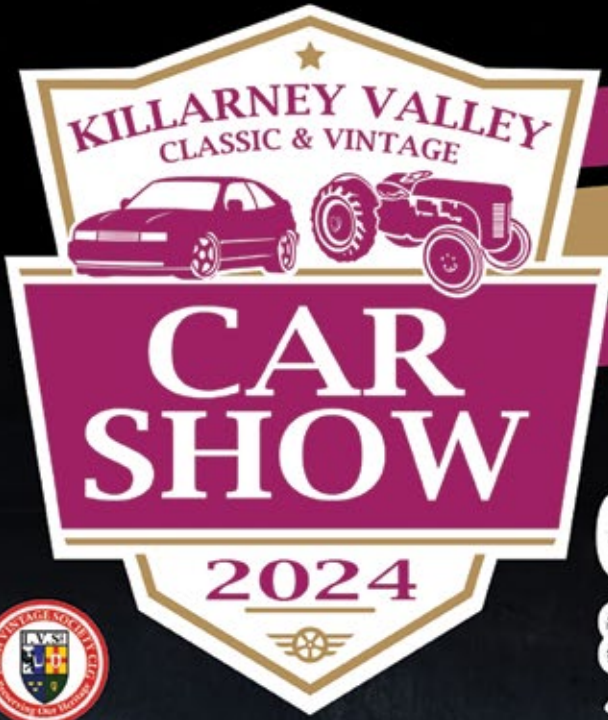
*This is a photo of a manhole that was built in 2008. This manhole is in perfect condition after sixteen years.*

*The specifications on building a manhole has changed recently and Kerry County Council wants all the manholes in the estate dug up and rebuild under the updated specifications and this work will cost the builder €45,000.*

*Kerry County Council does not accept that this decision is a gross abuse of power. There is no appeal system and no consequence for the decision makers.*

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# Participants from Kerry takes on the Gaisce Defence Forces Challenge!

Between 11th and 14th June, 28 Gaisce Bronze and Silver Award participants from across Ireland took part in four days of outdoor pursuits, boating, obstacle courses, hiking, and survival skills as they participated in the annual Gaisce Defence Forces Adventure Challenge. Among the young people taking part were Elizabeth Roche and Kate O'Sullivan from Killarney.

The Gaisce Award participants, aged between 15 and 17, were put through their paces by the team from Custume Barracks, Athlone, who led them through a host of adventure challenges, training and team-building exercises. This challenge completed the Bronze and Silver Adventure Journey Criteria for their Gaisce Award.

The Gaisce Defence Forces Challenge aims to provide a unique, challenging, and memorable experience that creates strong bonds between participants and provides the opportunity to develop self-sufficiency and leadership skills. This event is a rare opportunity for young civilians to get a taste of what life is like for members of our Defence Forces and challenge themselves in a unique way.

The week kicked off for the young people with activities at the Custume Barracks, Athlone, before taking a rib boat to Carnagh, Co. Roscommon where they took part in fieldcraft and survival workshops. Finally, on Friday, the participants completed their final challenge and conquered the Slieve Bán Mountains on a 10km hike.

This event has been taking place for 36 years, with Gaisce and the Defence Forces working together to provide an unforgettable and unique experience to Gaisce Participants. The Defence Forces Challenge allows young people to learn more about themselves and explore how taking part in these activities can challenge them.



Participant Elizabeth Roche is presented with a Gaisce Defence Forces Certificate by Commanding Officer, 2nd Brigade Artillery Regiment, John Prendergast. Photo by: Shane Barr



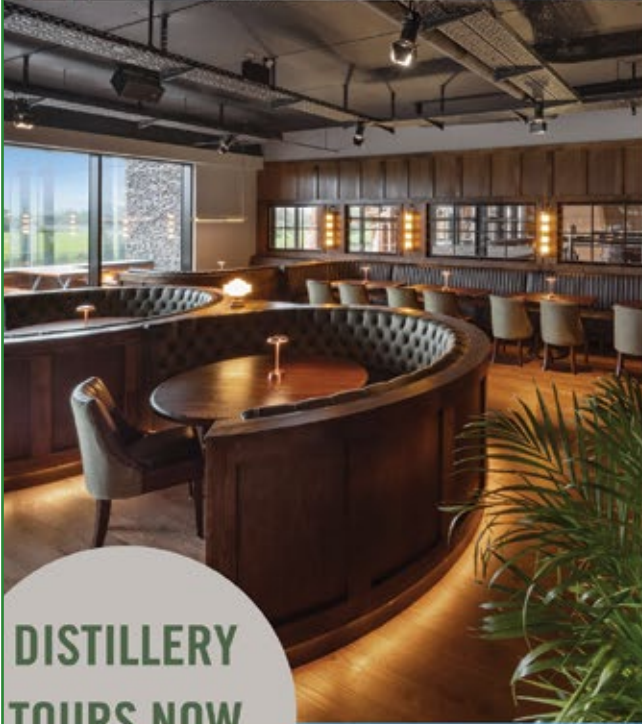
Participant Kate O'Sullivan is presented with a Gaisce Defence Forces Certificate by Commanding Officer, 2nd Brigade Artillery Regiment, John Prendergast. Photo by: Shane Barr



## PARTNER POSITION FOR JOHN DARMODY

Killarney native John Darmody has been promoted to Partner within Addleshaw Goddard Ireland's Corporate practice as the firm announces a new Joint Head of Restructuring & Insolvency and three internal promotions as part of the continued expansion of its Dublin office. Specialising in corporate transactions, Darmody has extensive experience advising clients across a range of sectors including telecoms, renewables, technology, and energy. Darmody advises on domestic and cross-border mergers and acquisitions, corporate reorganisations, private equity investments, joint ventures, and inward investment projects. Having worked at Eugene F Collins for five years in the early stages of his career, John returned to Addleshaw Goddard as a Managing Associate in 2023 from DAC Beachcroft Dublin.





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For someone that is looking to get stronger it will show up as an ability to lift heavier than last month, or maybe you have kept the weight that you are lifting at the same level but you have increased your reps and sets. Or even before you increase either of the above you are working away at the reps and sets and weight you started out with but after a number of weeks you are getting to the end of the prescribed sets and reps and it feels like you could have kept going. This clearly shows that you have progressed as the same workout you found challenging at the beginning of your journey is now not testing you in the same manner.

It is not that you are wasting your time at that level but to make further progress you need to increase the load or challenge.

For that person that wants to tone up, this is going to be a by-product of doing strength work and getting stronger but feeling like your clothes fit differently is a good indicator.

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**Stage 1: Background retinopathy**

Tiny bulges develop in the blood vessels. These may bleed slightly but do not usually affect your vision.

**Stage 2: Pre-proliferative retinopathy**

More severe and widespread changes affect the blood vessels. These include more significant bleeding into the eye.

**Stage 3: Proliferative retinopathy**

Scar tissue and new blood vessels, which are weak and bleed easily, develop on the retina. This can result in some loss of vision.

If a problem with your eyes is picked up early, lifestyle changes and treatment can stop it getting worse.

**Risk of diabetic retinopathy**

Anyone with Type 1 or Type 2 diabetes is at risk of developing diabetic retinopathy.

You're at a greater risk if you:

- have had diabetes for a long time
- have a persistently high blood glucose (blood sugar) level
- have high blood pressure
- have high cholesterol

- develop a serious illness such as sepsis or pneumonia
- are pregnant
- are of Asian or Afro-Caribbean background

Reduce your risk of developing diabetic retinopathy or help stop it getting worse. Keep your blood sugar levels, blood pressure and cholesterol levels under control.

**Symptoms of diabetic retinopathy**

You will not usually notice diabetic retinopathy in the early stages. It does not tend to have any obvious symptoms until it's more advanced.

Early signs of the condition can be picked up during an eye examination.

**Treatments for diabetic retinopathy**

Treatment is only necessary if screening detects your vision is at risk.

If the condition has not reached this stage, you should continue to manage your diabetes.

The main treatments for more advanced diabetic retinopathy are:

- laser treatment
- injections of medication into your eyes
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**GLENFLESK**

Written by: Sean Daly

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Our club Glenflesk GAA is delighted to partner with The Circet All Ireland GAA Golf Challenge in October 2024 to purchase a wheelchair accessible vehicle for our club man Jerry O'Leary. Jerry had an unfortunate accident on the 12th of June 2023 and is wheelchair dependent since his accident. With all our help, we can make the purchase of this vehicle a reality for Jerry. While the teams are in place for the Golf Challenge, we need sponsorship for tee boxes, golf prizes and refreshments for the golfers. If you would like to make any donations or help in any way with the event, please contact Derry on 087 2707899 or Donal on 087 2682601. The event was launched on Monday 24th June last, in Scotts Hotel.

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**>UNDERAGE**

A busy week of football for our young club members. Our U7's hosted Dr

Crokes in Barraduff & our U11 boys took on St Pats in Glenflesk. The U10 girls attended a blitz in Killarney Legion while the U12 girls played St Pats at home. Well done to all the players and coaches.

**>KERRY MASTERS**

Gary O'Donoghue & Jerry Kennedy were part of the Kerry Masters team who beat Kildare in Brosna.

**>LOTTO**

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

**>CLUB SHOP**

Glenflesk GAA gear can be purchased online via the club shop [www.mckeeverssports.ie](http://www.mckeeverssports.ie)

**>ACADEMY**

Continues every Tuesday evening 6:15 to 7:15pm in Barraduff Community Field. All welcome!

**>NOTES**

If you would like anything added in the notes please email to [pro.glenflesk.kerry@gaa.ie](mailto:pro.glenflesk.kerry@gaa.ie)

**RATHMORE GNEEVEGUILLA**

By Michael O' Mahony

**>SHARE THE BUCKET**

Gneeveguilla Community Facility Group reminds you that Share the Bucket takes place weekly. The draw is every Friday evening in Teach Fáilte @ 8.30pm and can be viewed live on our Gneeveguilla Community Facility Group Facebook Page. This week's jackpot was €208 and the winner was Stephen Crowley. Tickets cost €2 each or 3 for €5. They are available at Teach Fáilte and can be bought online at <https://tinyurl.com/y2ade5om>. or in local businesses where you see the Green Share the bucket.

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

**>SYMPATHIES** to Kate Wilson & Breda McAuliffe & their families on the death of their sister Peggy Murphy, whose funeral took place in Mallow on the 6th June. To Lucy O'Keeffe & family on the death of her father Kieran O'Brien, whose funeral took place in Ballyloob, Co Tipperary on the 5th June. May Peggy & Kieran rest in peace

**>BEST WISHES** to the Kerry Team, management & players Shane Ryan & Paul Murphy when they play Derry in the All-Ireland Quarter Finals this weekend in Croke Park.

**>TEACH MHUIRE COFFEE MORNING**, Cake & Plant Sale in aid of Kerry Mental Health Association, Fri 28th June, 10am - 1pm.

**>KILLKENNY LEGEND EDDIE KEHER VISITED GLENFLESK CLUB LAST WEEKEND**

Eddie is down to help support the Circet All-Ireland GAA Golf Challenge

which is fundraising for a wheelchair accessible vehicle for Glenflesk club member Jerry O'Leary. The launch was held in Scotts Hotel Killarney

**>CONGRATULATIONS** to Rathmore Native Aidan O'Connor after Winning the Media Award From The Law Society in Ireland.

**>TG4 ALL IRELAND SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIP QUARTER FINAL**

Best of luck to the Kerry team, management and player Danielle O'Leary in the Kerry v Meath quarter final on Saturday July 6th at 5-15pm @ Austin Stack Park.

**>CONGRATULATIONS** to Darragh Lawlor on winning the Kerry County Community Games 'Under 8' 80 metres race. Darragh will now go on to represent Kerry at the National Community Games Finals to be held on Saturday 24th August in Carlow. Darragh had a fantastic race so congratulations from Rathmore Gneeveguilla Community Games.

Congratulations also to Aisling Fenton on winning the 'Under 12' Girls 600m County Gold Medal. Aisling had a fantastic race and will now also go on to represent Kerry at the National Community Games Finals A great achievement for Aisling and we wish her and Darragh the very best of luck as they prepare for the finals in August.

**>NOTES**

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



The Communion class of Scoil Bhríde, Loreto donated some of their Communion money to the Irish Pilgrimage Trust. Mrs. Joan Moore being presented with the cheque by her granddaughter, Kitty O'Neill on behalf of the class.

*The Annual Aghadoe Graveyard Mass will take place on Monday 29th July at 8pm*





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SPA

Written by: Deirdre O'Sullivan-Darcy

>LOTTO

Numbers drawn: 14, 22, 26, 28 No jackpot winner. Lucky dips €50 each: Denise Gleeson, Online; Gerard Kissane, Limerick; Grainne O'Connor, Whitebridge Manor c/o Brendan Cronin; Margaret Lenihan, Kilcummin. This weeks draw is on Monday 24 June @ 9pm for a jackpot of €6,400

>KERRY MINORS

Hard luck to the Kerry GAA Minor side including our own Joey McCarthy and Niall O'Mahony who travelled to Mullingar to play Derry last Saturday 22nd in the Electric Ireland Minor All Ireland Championship semi-final but were narrowly defeated Derry 1-13 to Kerry 1-12

>CONDOLENCES

Condolences to the Healy and Spillane families of Kilbrean on the passing of our Vice President Michael Stephen Healy. Steve was regular visitor to his beloved Killarney and Club. A kind and generous man who will be greatly missed by his loving family and friends. To his sister Mary Spillane and brother John Joe and his extended family, our heartfelt condolences.

>CREDIT UNION COUNTY LEAGUE

Well done to our senior team and management on their Credit Union Co League Rd 11 win over Dingle at the weekend. Full time score Spa Gaa 1-14 Dingle GAA 1-5. Spa finish 4th place on the table and have retained their Division 1 status for next year.

Our Spa Gaa Senior B team also played their final Co League game at the weekend against Division 6 Shield champions An Ghaeltact.

Well done to the senior B team and management, and next up will be the junior leagues and junior championship.

>ALL IRELAND QUARTER FINALS

Best of Luck to Kerry senior Mens team including Dara Moynihan who have drawn Derry in the All Ireland Quarter Final stage this coming weekend. TG4 LGFA All-Ireland Senior Championship quarter-finals

>BEST WISHES to the Kerry Ladies who will play Meath on the weekend of Saturday/Sunday July 6/7 in the All-Ireland Senior Championship quarter-finals

*Amanda & Alan Enjoy A Magical Wedding Day*

*Amanda Lyne & Alan MacSweeney who were married in St. Mary's Cathedral, Killarney and held their reception at The Great Southern Hotel. Both Amanda and Alan work for An Post and photographer Dylan Clifford got some great shots of the couple at Killarney Post Office.*

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BEAUFORT

By Bridget Hartnett

➤BUS TO KNOCK

A Bus will leave Beaufort for Knock on Sunday, July 21st. For further details contact 064-6644319 or 064-6644252.

➤RESULTS

Well done to our senior, Division 6 men's team and management who finished third in Division 6 Co league, Cup competition. They finished joint first in the preliminary Division 6B which led up the Cup competition.

➤LOTTO

There was no winner of Beaufort GAA Club lotto on Sunday, 23rd June. Numbers: 15, 19, 23, 28. Consolation Prizes: €80 Mary Murphy, Cullina Lower, €50 Anne Kelly, Beaufort, Breda O'Shea, Mealis, Frank Ashe, Cappaganeen. The next draw for a jackpot of €4,400 will be on Sunday, 7th July. Tickets are available from usual sellers, shops, and public houses and online at [www.beaufortgaa.com](http://www.beaufortgaa.com). Please note that online lotto closes at 7pm on draw night. Any tickets purchased after 7pm are entered into the next draw. Thank you to everybody who support the lotto and our lotto sellers.

➤GOLF CLASSIC

Beaufort GAA Club Golf classic will be held on Friday, 29th June in Beaufort Golf Club. It is a 3 person team event, 2 best stable-ford scores at each hole. GUI/ILGU handicaps. Entry fee €200 per team. Tee Box €50. To book time or tee box, please contact Colm at 087 6737414 or [colmkellymedia@gmail.com](mailto:colmkellymedia@gmail.com)

➤THOMAS HEALY MEMORIAL FOOTBALL BLITZ will be held in Beaufort GAA Club on Sunday, 7th July. It is an U20 blitz for cup sponsored by MF Decorating, Beaufort. Grand prize draw. Proceeds in aid of St Francis Special School, Beaufort. Tickets available from local outlets, family and St Francis Special School. Spot prizes, raffles, refreshments and music during the day.

➤BEAUFORT GAA CLUB SUMMER CAMP will be held on the week of 8th to 12th July from 10am to 2pm in Beaufort GAA Club complex. For more information, please contact Mary 086 0640065 or Tara 087 6032774

KILCUMMIN

Written by: Helen Moynihan

➤KILCUMMIN COMMUNITY GAMES

It was a wonderful weekend for Kilcummin Community Games with four podium places.

Daniel O'Sullivan 4th in the U14 100m final. U14 Shot Putt County Champion, Sean O'Leary. Aodhan O'Halloran, 3rd place, U12, long puck. Marc McCarthy, 4th place, in the U8, 80m. We had many first time participants experiencing the fun of a County Final at the wonderful facilities at An Ríocht Athletic Club. Well done to everyone who progressed from their heats, to semi finals and finals on the track and also to everyone who took part in the field events. Thanks to all the parents who were great support. Best wishes to all who will be competition in Carlow in August.

➤COMPUTER COURSE

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

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

➤EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Volunteers would be greatly appreciated for one hour every Tuesday from 1pm - 2pm for Eucharistic Adoration in the Church Sacristy. This would be



Some of Kilcummin Comhaltas competitors from Fleadh Cheoil Charrai

most welcome and would ensure the continuation of this blessing and protection for our parishioners. Please contact 087 2106281.

➤MASTERGEEHA FC

LOTTO

There was no winner on Friday 21st June 2024 of the Jackpot for €12,200. Numbers drawn were 04,08,09,15. Consolation prizes of €50 went to Tommy O'Connor, c/o Tom Ulick, Laura Healy, J.D. O'Sullivan, Milleen, Tina Linehan. The next draw will be on Friday 28st June for Jackpot of €12.400.



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*Margaret O'Donoghue with her granddaughter Maggie O'Donoghue.*



*Sarah, Brian, Ciara (back left) Bridie and Kate Fitzgerald Killarney enjoying the Brehon Hotel 20th Anniversary celebrations at The Brehon.*



*Dave and Holly Anderson Gneeveguilla enjoying the Brehon Hotel 20th Anniversary celebrations.*



*Joan Anders and Mary Kelleher Millstrett with Christina Buckley and Mary Maher Lxnaw at the Brehon Hotel 20th Celebrations in The Brehon, Killarney on Sunday.*



*Eileen and Mairead Murphy Barraduff with Moss O'Connor Scartaglen enjoying the Brehon Hotel 20th Anniversary celebrations at The Brehon.*



*Nora O'Connor, Margaret Roche and Ina Dlamond Killarney enjoying the Brehon Hotel 20th Anniversary celebrations at The Brehon, Killarney on Sunday.*



*Brendan and Angela Lynch Fossa Killarney with their grandson Liam Carton.*





















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# College is expensive so apply to SUSI for your college grant by 11th July for priority assessment



By Billy Ryle

## COMMUTE

It's not easy integrating into college life if you're making a daily return commute from Kerry to Limerick or Cork. But that's the only option facing many students who can't afford to meet the cost of accommodation. Rental accommodation, alone, has increased by 60% in the cities during the past five years, putting most of it beyond the reach of students. With rent spiralling out of control, deserving students, who have studied hard to achieve a college place, struggle to pay for college.

## EXPENSIVE

Further and third level education is very expensive. The financial burden is eased a little for students who qualify for a partial or total grant. Even so, many college students have to work part-time or depend on their parents to make ends meet. Thousands of students who are ineligible for funding must come up with about €12,000 annually if they are living away from home or about €5,000 if living at home. The student contribution has also to be paid.

## SUSI

Student Universal Support Ireland (SUSI) is Ireland's higher and further education grants awarding body. Student grants are divided into maintenance grants and fee grants. Maintenance grants are paid directly to the student's bank account. Fee grants pay tuition fees, the student contribution and the cost of essential field trips. SUSI grants are available at PLC, undergraduate and postgraduate levels.

## ELIGIBLE

To be eligible for a grant, an applicant must meet a nationality criterion, a residency criterion, an education progression criterion and an approved course criterion, all of which are mere formalities for most applicants. To be eligible for funding, your total household reckonable income must fall below specific income thresholds. The SUSI website contains tables outlining the income thresholds and the associated maintenance grant rates for applicants. The minimum distance from home to college for the higher grant (non-adjacent) eligibility is 30km. About 80,000 students should be eligible for some level of standard maintenance grants ranging from €612 to €4,292.

## GRANT

The maximum standard non-adjacent

maintenance grant payable in the 24/25 academic year will be €4,292. For students who live less than 30km from their college, the standard maximum adjacent grant is €1,774. The gross annual income level for grant eligibility is €40,875 (less than four dependent children), €44,810 (between four and seven children) or €48,575 (between eight or more dependent children). Income thresholds increase by €4,950 for each additional family member in college. The amount of non-assessed holiday income that a student can earn per annum is €7,925.

## SPECIAL

There is also a special maintenance grant for applicants whose annual gross income is less than €26,200 (less than four dependent children), €28,715 (between four and seven children) or €31,128 (eight or more dependent children). That payment is €7,586, non-adjacent and €3,230, adjacent, respectively.

## PRIORITY

SUSI is prioritising new grant applications until 11th July. SUSI will process late applications but its best to be on the priority applications list. Submit your online grant application as soon as possible. Applicants are assessed on gross income from all sources in the 2023 financial year. Applications are assessed as either a 'dependent,' 'mature dependent' or 'independent' application. A dependent applicant is assessed on the income of parents or guardians, while an independent applicant is assessed on personal income and that of her/his partner.

## RECKONER

As the grant is means-tested, visit the eligibility reckoner on [www.susi.ie](http://www.susi.ie). This facility provides potential applicants with an approximate indication of whether or not they are likely to qualify for a grant. However, it's always advisable to submit a grant application. Even if you don't currently qualify, your financial circumstances may change going forward.

## REGISTER

Before you start your application, create an account in your SUSI student portal. You will be asked for your Personal Public Service Number (PPSN), Name, Date of Birth, Email address and Phone number. Create your log in details where you can set up your username, password and security pin. Then carefully complete the

interactive application form. Once you have submitted a grant application you can follow its progress on the SUSI Online Application Tracker.

## FUNDING

Further information on state funding can be found on [www.studentfinance.ie](http://www.studentfinance.ie). Most of the institutions also offer a range of scholarships for excellence in areas such as academic, sport, creative arts and entrepreneurship. Colleges also operate a Financial Assistance Fund for students experiencing financial difficulty during term. Go to the relevant colleges' websites for further details. Watch out also for local scholarships such as Credit Union Scholarships available to members. If at all possible, avoid taking out a student loan, but if you must then the best rates are available from your local Credit Union.

## CHECKLIST

- Third level education is very expensive
- Many college students have to work part-time to make ends meet
- Many college students depend on their parents to make ends meet
- Student Universal Support Ireland (SUSI) is the grant authority for further/higher ed.
- Priority closing date for new applications for SUSI grant at [www.susi.ie](http://www.susi.ie) is 11th July
- The gross annual income level for standard grant eligibility is €40,875
- The minimum distance to college for the higher grant is 30km
- The higher or non-adjacent grant payment is €4,292
- The smaller or adjacent grant payment is €1,774
- CAO 'Change of Mind' Form closes at 5pm on Monday, 1st July
- Leaving Cert results will be published on Friday, 23rd August
- CAO Round One offers will be available at 2pm on Wed., 28th August

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*Pictured on the occasion of Rory D'Arcy's retirement as Principal of St. Oliver's Primary School, Killarney are staff members past and present, principals from National Schools in the Killarney area along and invited guests. Picture: Valerie O'Sullivan*







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## BEAUFORT GOLF CLUB (MENS)

### MEN'S CAPTAINS PRIZE

Very sharp shooting at Beaufort Golf Club on Sunday 23rd June as Captain Owen Nolan held his big day. The results were incredibly close, but Mark Coleman picked up 1st prize with a super score of 64 nett.

Captain Owen would like to say a huge big Thank You to Kare Plus Kerry for their very kind and generous sponsorship.

### Prize Winners

- 1st: Mark Coleman (26) 64 nett
- 2nd: Tom McSweeney (20) 64 nett
- 3rd: Alan Smith (16) 66 nett
- 4th: John M O'Connell (23) 66 nett
- 5th: Martin Horgan (22) 66 nett
- Best Gross: Stephen Crookes (3) 75
- Best Front 9: Tony Sinclair 29.5
- Best Back 9: Domnhall de Barra 30.5
- Past Captain: Brian O'Connor: (20) 70 nett

Longest Drive: Conor Bohane

Nearest the Pin: Ger Griffin

Guest: William O'Leary

Congratulations to all of our prizewinners.

Thanks to Kare Plus Kerry for their kind sponsorship

### UPCOMING FIXTURES

29th/30th June - 18 hole singles (yellow & white tees) kindly sponsored by Galvin's Bar

6th & 7th July - 3rd GOTY - 18 hole single stableford - white tees sponsored by Anthony McElligott Accountancy

## BEAUFORT GOLF CLUB (LADIES)

Sunshine, super scoring and style were all the ingredients Lady Captain Maire Ni Loinsigh used on Saturday 22nd June in making her Lady Captains Day so successful. The ladies of Beaufort braved the course early on Saturday morning, each with intent on bringing in a good score. And there was some very sharp shooting on the day !! Following the golf, the glitz and glamour took over the club house as the ladies enjoyed their lunch and the warm atmosphere though the anticipation filled the air while waiting for the 2024 winner to be announced. Lady Captain Maire welcomed all her lady members and distinguished guests with a fluent cúpla focal before getting down to the serious business of announcing the results. The fantastic score of 66 nett was brought in by none other than the talented golfer who hails from Tralee, Hannah Moynihan. Hannah had played steady and consistent golf for the full 18 holes making her winning score all the sweeter. Lady Captain Maire would like to thank all the ladies for their dedication and support on her big day and was delighted to see such a good turnout.

1st: Hannah Moynihan (30) 66nett

2nd: Joan O Sullivan (28) 67nett

Gross: Laura Furlong 90

3rd: Stephanie Lane (28) 68nett

4th: Eimear McShortall (43) 70nett

## KILLARNEY GOLF CLUB (LADIES)

### COMPETITION RESULTS

**Ladies Open Day played on Thursday 20th June 2024 at Mahony's Point Course**



Beaufort Golf Club Captain Owen Nolan with winner Mark Coleman with the perpetual captains prize trophy.

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1st: Winnie Ryan, Margaret O'Donoghue, Christine Carroll, 73pts

2nd: Margaret Campion, Ann Stuart, Mary O'Neill, 73pts

3rd: Breda Duggan, Kathleen Wall, Julie Kelly 71pts

Longest Drive on the 8th: Anne Moynihan

Nearest the Pin on the 7th Hole: Trudy Brosnan

**WALSH COLOUR PRINT GOY 18 HOLE SINGLE STROKE played on Mahony's Point Course on 22nd & 23rd June 2024**

Overall Winner: Evelyn McCarthy (16) 67

2nd: Kay O'Connor (13) 68

Best Gross: Anne Moynihan 74

3rd: Carmel O'Brien (23) 69

4th: Ursula Desmond (15) 70

5th: Elaine O'Sullivan (38) 71

6th: Patricia Walsh (34) 71

**NEXT FIXTURE** will be 29th & 30th June 2024.

GMIB GOY Prize 18 Hole Single Stableford competition on Killeen Course.

## ROSS LADIES GOLF CLUB NOTES

### LADY CAPTAIN MARY MCCARRICK'S CAPTAIN'S DAY

A lovely day was had by all. Great weather, a good turnout and thanks to Ollie and the Racecourse Cafe for the tremendous food and hospitality. A huge thank you to Padraig Bruton and the ground staff for having the course in immaculate condition and to Killarney Race Company and Directors.

Winner of the Captain's Prize was Ailish Mulcahy. Congratulations and well done.

### RESULTS 18 HOLE COMPETITION

1st: Ailish Mulcahy

2nd: Betty O'Farrell

3rd: Mary Moynihan

4th: Margaret O'Donoghue

Front Nine: Kitty O'Grady

Back Nine: Elaine Casey

### RESULTS 9 HOLE COMPETITION

1st: Breda O'Farrell

2nd: Mona Looney

3rd: Sarah Scanlon

4th: Brenda Kelleher

Past Captain's Prize: Bridie Brosnan

### COMPETITIONS

9 & 18 hole Single Stableford Competition



Beaufort Golf Club Lady Captain Maire Ni Loinsigh and Winner Hannah Moynihan.



Ross Ladies Golf Club Winner 18 hole Ailish Mulcahy pictured with Lady Captain Mary McCarrick and President Betty O'Farrell

Saturday 29th June. Enter via the ClubV1 app. All Members welcome

### WEDNESDAY MORNINGS MEET & PLAY

Meet and play every Wednesday morning. Meet in the Club House 10.00am tee off 10.30am. All members welcome.

### GOLF LESSONS

Gordon Howard is available to give golf lessons. Please contact Gordon directly in the Club House.

## ROSS GC (GENTS)

### RESULTS

**On June 22nd and 23rd we held a stableford competition kindly sponsored by Larkfield House B&B.**

The winners were :-

1st: John O'Driscoll (37) 45

2nd: Cian O Mahony (17) 43

### Division 1

1st: Eoin Looney (10) 38

2nd: M J O'Sullivan (12) 37

### Division 2

1st: Denis Casey (19) 36

2nd: Cormac O'Donoghue (14) 35

### Division 3

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**On Friday June 21st we held our weekly summer mixed 10 hole scramble**

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 2nd: M J O'Sullivan, Kay Cremin, Eoghan McKivernan  
 3rd: John Cuskelly Susan Shorten, Jeremiah Keating

**On Thursday 20th our Seniors held their weekly competition.**

The winners were :-  
 1st: Donal Doherty 21 pts  
 2nd: Joe Scally 21 pts  
 3rd: Denis Desmond 21pts.  
 4th: Sean Hickey 19 pts

**FIXTURES**

On Friday June 28th we will hold our Summer Mixed Scramble at 6.15 pm. Please get your name on the entry sheet in the clubhouse, either in person or by phone before 5.45pm. The scramble will be followed by the prizegiving and some food in the Clubhouse. On June 29th and 30th we will hold a stableford competition. The usual process applies for tee time bookings for both Saturday and Sunday.

**CONDOLENCES**

Our sincere sympathy to Bridie Doyle and all the Doyle Family on the recent passing of Michael R.I.P., a founding member and former Secretary / Manager of the Ross Golf Club.  
 Our sincere sympathy also to John Joe Healy on the recent death of his brother, Michael (Steve) R.I.P. in New York.

**DEERPARK PITCH & PUTT**

**MUNSTER STROKEPLAY QUALIFIERS**

Congratulations to Damien Fleming (Senior), James Fleming (Intermediate) and Paddy Murphy (Junior A) on joining John McGrath in qualifying for the Munster Strokeplay Finals in Ardnacrusha in three weeks time following last Sunday morning's Qualifiers in Castleisland.

**COUNTY U16 MATCHPLAY**

The club had success in its U16's reaching both Championship Finals last Saturday on home turf. Brian McCarthy retained the U16 title by defeating Ben Kelliher at the last hole while Fionn McMonagle defeated Sean Quill in the U13 title by 6&4.

**MUNSTER U16 MATCHPLAY**

Best Wishes to our Club Members heading to this event in Tipperary Hills this weekend.



Kerry U16 Pitch & Putt Officer Gearoid Cronin with the U16 Finalists Brian McCarthy (Winner) and Ben Kelliher (Runner-Up) after the County U16 Matchplay Championships in Deerpark last Saturday.



Kerry U16 Pitch & Putt Officer Gearoid Cronin with the U13 Finalists Fionn McMonagle (Winner) and Sean Quill (Runner-Up) after the County U16 Matchplay Championships in Deerpark last Saturday.



Ladies of Beaufort Golf Club enjoying Lady Captains Day.



Picture of Captain Owen Nolan, Vice Captain Vincent Darby on the right and all the prize winners from Captain Owen Nolan's big day.

**SUNDAY DRAWS**

Fourball Betterball- Nett: Sean Ashe & John Looney 41 and Gross: Gearoid Cronin & Sean O'Brien 49.

**WEDNESDAY DRAWS**

June 19th- Two Ball Scramble- Nett: Brian McCarthy & Jason Reen 34.

**LISTOWEL OPEN EVENTS**

Best Wishes to club members travelling to these over the weekend. We advise club members to check in advance as to the schedule for these events.

**CLUB MATCHPLAY**

Entries currently being taken for these. Contact Jason for more information.

**UPCOMING FIXTURES**

Please note our Chairman Sean Kelly's prize

will be held on Friday July 5th next and the prizegiving for the recent Willie Parker and Club Strokeplay events will be held the same night.

**DEEPEST SYMPATHIES** To the Weldon family on the death of their mother Eileen. May she Rest in Peace.

**CASTLEROSSE LADIES GOLF CLUB**

**WEEK: 17/06/24 – 24/06/24**

**SOCIAL GOLF**

Social golf every Wednesday. Book on BRS.

**SPRING LEAGUE**

Nuala Ward and Gina O'Shea through to the final – which will be played on Wednesday, 26th June. Good luck to both finalists

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**EXCHANGE DAY**

Exchange Day with Maine Valley Golf Club on Saturday, 22nd June, 2024, was a great day, with the following results:

**Results of 9H Scramble**

1st: Laura Collins, Abina O'Connell, Annette Galvin

2nd: Frances Flynn, Siobhan Creedon, Margaret Crowley

**Results of 18H Scramble:**

1st: Catherine Woods

2nd: Gina O'Shea

3rd: Finola Geary

**PLAY IN PINK DAY**

The Play in Pink Charity Fundraising Day will be held on Saturday, 27th July, 2024. This will be a 4ball mixed scramble.

**GOLF LESSONS**

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



Kerry Stars Special Olympics Sports Club where out in force again on Saturday at the Special Olympics Munster soccer blitz in MTU Cork. Both mens and womens teams came home with medals , we are very proud of all our marvellous athletes and thankful to our fantastic volunteers. Anyone interested in joining Kerry Stars Special Olympics Sports Club can email [kerrystars63@gmail.com](mailto:kerrystars63@gmail.com).

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# SPORT ON TV

A Kerry Fianna Fáil County Councillor is calling on RTÉ to liaise with the Government to push for a dedicated Irish Sports Channel, to be included in any financial planning with regard to our TV Licence. Councillor Michael Cahill has claimed that Ireland has been poorly served with sport's coverage on our national television channels in recent times and with plans being made now to change the licensing system, a golden opportunity exists to ensure people can have affordable access to watch their favourite sport with Irish involvement.

"We are for the most part, a nation of sport's fanatics and we follow our Irish heroes in an endless list of codes when we can. Recently, with the advent of Streaming, not everybody can have access to watch even our own GAA games and I believe it is the duty of our

Government and RTÉ to correct this anomaly" stated Councillor Cahill

"The setting up of a dedicated Sports Channel within the RTÉ stable to date, has probably not come to pass due to financial considerations. But I believe that we now have the perfect opportunity to bring it forward with a review of our TV licence system ongoing" said the Rossbeigh based Councillor.

"Many households are paying out hundreds of Euro annually to companies from other jurisdictions, to watch their favorite sport heroes and teams. We can now plan to provide this service with our own national provider and we can ensure our own sports can get widespread viewing here, interspersed with many other sports" added Councillor Cahill.

# DEPUTY HEALY RAE RAISES MIGRANT WORKERS IN THE DAIL

Speaking in the Dáil Eireann last week, Deputy Danny Healy Rae, TD said that that none of us have anything against migrant workers coming here with the proper documentation and work visas or people who come here genuinely distressed. What people are against is people coming here on a plane from somewhere and arriving here with no passport. The Government has no plan. It has proved it has no plan. One arm of the Government is giving out tents this evening,

and tomorrow morning it will come along and pick them up and dump them. That is not a plan.

Next to Dublin, Kerry has the second highest number of refugees and asylum seekers, impacting on our medical service. We do not even have one extra GP in Killarney. Our social welfare services are stretched to capacity. Some 36% of our hotel beds are being used by refugees and asylum seekers, clearly reducing footfall to all the other hospitality.

# HELP TO BUY SCHEME

Over €11m in funding was allocated in Kerry under the Help To Buy Scheme (HTB) to 587 successful applicants, according to Minister for Finance Michael McGrath, which has been enthusiastically welcomed by Fianna Fáil Councillor, Michael Cahill.

"This is a prime example of a successful initiative by the Government within their policy of 'Housing For All' and in conjunction with funding to renovate vacant and derelict properties, will make a major impact in providing affordable homes for many families" stated the Rossbeigh based Councillor.

"Every avenue must be exhausted to address the Housing crisis in our county. Rents are spiralling out of control. We must provide

more affordable and social homes, we must provide low cost sites, we must purchase more houses, we must acquire more turnkey projects, we must provide more housing for our disabled, we need to provide more loans and grants, we must zone more lands, we must refurbish more vacant and derelict properties in our towns and villages and we must consider providing modular homes" said Councillor Cahill

"I would encourage anyone in need of accommodation to look up all of these Government supported schemes to identify their options. Some may suit your requirements and do not hesitate to contact Kerry County Council if you require any guidance" added Councillor Cahill.

# Cllr. Martin Grady

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# ROSSBEIGH BEACH PUBLIC TOILETS

Fianna Fáil Councillor, Michael Cahill, who lives at Rossbeigh, has welcomed the announcement that works will commence shortly on the upgrade of the Public Toilets at the scenic beach.

"Contractors will be starting on the 24th June when scaffolding will be installed to facilitate works on the Public Toilets at Rossbeigh Beach. Portaloo's will be in place for the duration of works which Kerry County Council expect to take 4 to 6 weeks" stated Councillor Cahill.

"Kerry County Council is funding the project with €61,419 grant support from the Community Recognition Fund. These facilities have been in need of refurbishment to bring them up to a modern, safe standard for the many locals and visitors to Rossbeigh Beach 365 days of the year and I am delighted to see that work is now commencing" said Councillor Cahill.

"I will continue to push for the extension of opening hours throughout the year" added the Fianna Fáil man.





# DANNY HEALY-RAE TD



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## Danny Healy Rae TD - Monthly Clinics

<b>1st Monday</b>	<b>Rathmore &amp; Gneeveguilla</b>	<b>3rd Friday</b>	<b>Castleisland Area</b>
8.15 PM	Top of the Hill, Rathmore	7.30 PM	River Island Hotel, Castleisland
8.30 PM	Bridge Bar, Rathmore	8.00 PM	The Kingdom Bar, Castleisland
9.00 PM	Dennehy's Bar, Rathmore	8.15 PM	The Crown Hotel, Castleisland
9.30 PM	Richie McAuliffe's, Gneeveguilla	9.00 PM	Hughes Bar, Cordal
<b>1st Wednesday</b>	<b>Killarney Area</b>	9.30 PM	Lyon's Bar, Scartaglen
8.00 PM	Torc Hotel, Lissivigeen	<b>4th Thursday</b>	<b>Killorglin Area</b>
8.30 PM	The Village Inn, Kilcummin	7:00 PM	Golden Nugget, Fossa
9.00 PM	Old Killarney Inn, Aghadoe	7.30 PM	Galvin's Bar, Beaufort
9.30 PM	The Golden Nugget, Fossa	8.15 PM	O'Grady's Bar, Killorglin
<b>1st Thursday</b>	<b>Glenflesk &amp; Barraduff</b>	8.45 PM	Larkin's Bar, Milltown
8.30 PM	The Kerry Way, Glenflesk	9.15 PM	Griffins Bar, Castlemaine
9.00 PM	Spillane's Headford	9.45 PM	Anvil Bar, Boolteens
9.30 PM	Murphy's Bar, Barraduff	<b>4th Friday</b>	<b>Kenmare &amp; Sneem Area</b>
10:00 PM	Sweeney's Bar, Barraduff	8.30 PM	The Roughty bar, Kenmare
<b>1st Friday</b>	<b>Tuosist &amp; Lauragh</b>	9.30 PM	Riney's Bar, Sneem
9:30 PM	Sailors Bar, Killaha West	10.00 PM	Blackwater Tavern
10:00 PM	Helen's Bar Kilmacalogue	10.45 PM	O'Connor's Bar Kenmare
10:30 PM	The Lake House Tuosist	<b>Last Monday</b>	<b>Farranfore Area</b>
<b>3rd Monday</b>	<b>Knocknagoshel &amp; Brosna</b>	8:00 PM	Ulick's Bar, Farranfore
8.30 PM	O'Connor's Bar, Knocknagoshel	8:30 PM	James Daly's Bar, Farranfore
9.00 PM	Walsh's Bar, Knocknagoshel	9:00 PM	Cunniffe's Bar, Currow
9.30 PM	Kate Pat's Bar, Brosna	10:00 PM	John Hendersons, Furies
9.45 PM	Sportsfield Bar, Brosna		

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## BALLYHAR DYNAMOS FC

### LOTTO

No.s 5, 6, 23, 26. No winner of the Jackpot. 5 x €25: Kathleen Breen, Killarney. Noel Kenny, Ballyhar. Michelle McLaughlin, Furies. Emma O Connor, Headford, Killarney & Eileen Galvin, Furies. Next draw for a jackpot of €15,100 the coming weekend at Henderson's Bar, Furies. Tickets available from Bridies, Spar, Hendersons Shops & Butlers Bar. Thanks to all who support & help out with the club lotto.

### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The club's annual general meeting took place on Sunday morning last at Murt Scott Park where presentations were made by Danny Cronin, Donal O Donoghue, Stephen O Brien & Miriam O Donoghue with healthy feedback from the sizeable attendance. The club teams & coaches were thanked for their commitment over the past season with Lucy Wynne, Ryan Vickers & Ryan Quilter toging out for the county during the season. John Cronin & his team from South Kerry Development partnership were thanked for helping maintain the facility in conjunction with club officers. Those that contribute to the club financially through sponsorship, club membership, training fees, lotto sellers & subscribers were thanked and acknowledged.

Officers elected:

Presidents - Fr Padraig Kennelly, Sean Murphy & Donal Groves

Chairman - Danny Cronin

Vice Chairman - Alan Finn

Hon Secretary - Donal O Donoghue

Schoolboy/girl Secretary - Anthony Mckenna

Treasurers - Stephen O Brien & Donal Groves



*Killarney Celtic Girls who attended the Ireland vs Sweden International at the Aviva Stadium at the end of May.*

PRO - Alan Finn, Miriam O Donoghue & Maurice O Donoghue

Club Registrar - Ger Fitzgerald

Child Protection Officer - Miriam O Donoghue

Committee of John Joe Dowd, Dan Quilter, John Kelly, Dave Kelly, Donal Lyne, Maurice O Donoghue, Jerry Fitzgerald, Tim Teahan, Donal Groves & Eileen Quilter.

## KILLARNEY CELTIC

### CELTIC LOTTO

Numbers drawn 1,2,12,15. No jackpot winner. Match 3 winners received €75. Next jackpot €9,400 on Monday July 1st. Tickets available

from The Dungeon Bookshop, Amber Shop (Top of Ross Road), club members and online through clubzap.

**KILLARNEY CELTIC SUMMER CAMPS** are now open for booking through Clubzap on [killarneyceltic.ie/products](http://killarneyceltic.ie/products). The camps are fully inclusive for boys and girls aged 4-13 years. Week 1 runs from Monday July 1st - Friday July 5th and Week 2 is from Monday July 15th - Friday July 19th. The time for all days is 10am - 1pm.

### SAVE THE DATE

Saturday July 27th. Killarney Celtic will host a 7a side tournament for men and ladies.

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# KILLARNEY ATHLETIC 7 A SIDE

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## MONDAY JULY 1ST

### Pitch 1

- 6.45: u14 The Kerry Dropouts V Tyre Kickers
- 7.10: u14 Utility Trust V Furies Finest
- 7.35: U14 The Kerry Dropouts V Dazzlers Army
- 8.00: O35 Mackey's Crew V I am not running after that
- 8.25: Senior Playoff A
- 8.50: Senior Playoff C

### Pitch 2

- 6.45: U14 Dazzlers Army V The Shanty
- 7.10: O35 Tim Jones V Red Chair Recruitment
- 7.35: U14 Tyre Kickers V The Shanty
- 8.00: U14 Utility Trust V Furies Finest
- 8.25: Senior Playoff B
- 8.50: Senior Playoff D

## TUESDAY JULY 2

### Pitch 1

- 6.45: U16 Tricel Fc V Badman Tan
- 7.10: U16 Jungle Army V Rathmore Rovers
- 7.35: U16 Tricel FC V Rich Tea FC
- 8.00: O35 Red Chair Recruitment V Aghadoe Physio
- 8.25: Senior Playoff E
- 8.50: Senior Playoff G

### Pitch 2

- 6.45: U16 Rich Tea FC V Stand on Business
- 7.10: U16 Floggle FC V Snakes & Ladders
- 7.35: U16 Badman Tan V Stand on Business
- 8.00: O35 Tim Jones Butchers V I am not running after that
- 8.25: Senior Playoff F
- 8.50: Senior Playoff H

## WEDNESDAY JULY 3

### Pitch 1

- 5.55: U14 Utility Trust V Hennigan Auctioneers
- 6.20: U16 Rathmore Rovers V Snakes & Ladders
- 6.45: U14 Utility Trust V Hennigan Auctioneers
- 7.10: U16 Rathmore Rovers V Floggle FC
- 7.35: U14 Hennigan Auctioneers V Furies Finest
- 8.00: Senior 1
- 8.35: Senior 2
- 9.05: Senior 3

### Pitch 2

- 5.55: U14 the Kerry Dropouts V the Shanty
- 6.20: U16 Jungle Army V Floggle FC
- 6.45: U14 Tricel FC V Stand on Business
- 7.10: U16 Jungle FC V Snakes & Ladders
- 7.35: U14 Tyre Kickers V Dazzlers Army
- 8.00: U16 Batman Tan V Rich Tea FC
- 8.25: U14 Hennigan Auctioneers V Furies Finest
- 9.05: Senior 4

## THURSDAY JULY 4

### Pitch 1

- 6.45: U14 Semi finals
- Winner Group 1 V Runners Up Group 2
- 7.10: U14 Semi Finals
- Winner Group 2 V Runners Up Group 1
- 7.35: O35 1st Place V 4th Place
- 8.00: O35 2nd Place V 3rd Place

### Pitch 2

- 6.45: U16 Winner Group 1 V Runners Up Group 2
- 7.10: U16 Winner Group 2 V Runners Up Group 1





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#### WORKMEN'S ROWING CLUB - Cork Regatta Grand league

A selection of members who took part at the Cork Regatta Grand league last weekend  
L-R: Finn O'Neill, Aoibhinn Coffey, Sarah Coffey, Paul O'Donovan - Olympic gold medallist, Kayla Wharton, Ameile Counihan, Zac Donaldson.



#### WORKMEN'S ROWING CLUB - Cork Regatta Grand league

One of our crews at the Cork Regatta Grand league.  
L-R - Sarah Coffey, Aoibhinn Coffey.

## WORKMEN'S ROWING CLUB

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

A very enjoyable day at the Cork Regatta Grand league which took place at the national rowing centre Farran last Saturday 22nd June 2024.

Our crews are preparing well for the Killarney Regatta, at O'Mahony's Point (Killarney Golf and Fishing Club) which will take place next weekend on the 30th June 2024. All support greatly appreciated on the day.

The club is looking forward to this upcoming outing. Training continues as usual for all members.

## FARRANFORE MAINE VALLEY

5 of our athletes went to the Munster Championships in Waterford the weekend of 15th/16th. They returned with an impressive haul of 3 golds 2 silvers and 3 bronze medals plus a number of PB's

Ryan Vickers won both 200 and 800 metres (U15) on Saturday and returned Sunday morning to finish 2nd in the 100. Kevin O'Shea continued his record-breaking year setting a new championship record in the U16 javelin beating one that was set in 2005. He also won a bronze medal in the Discus.

Niamh O'Shea won a silver in the U-18 discus with her very last throw which was just outside her PB. Isaac Vickers came 3rd in the 800 with and 4th in the 1500. Conor McCarthy finished 6 in the 1500 setting a new PB. He also set another PB in the 3000 metres.

Well done to all.



Swimmers at UL with their coach Sean Farndon

## MUCKCROSS ROWING CLUB

### CORK REGATTA

The club was represented by 28 crews at the two-day Cork Regatta held last weekend at the National Rowing Centre in Farran, Cork. The club has a very successful two days of racing with five wins, five second place and three third place finishes in the finals. Congratulations to the winning crews which included our Mens J14 Quad, Mens J18B Double, Mens J16 Double, Mens J14 Quad and Mens Club 1 Double. A full results round up can be found on our Facebook page. Well done to all our crews.

### 1K CLASSIC

Best of luck to our 24 crews travelling to Leitrim this Friday ahead of Saturday's Rowing Ireland 1K Classic Regatta. The 1K Classic is the top national event for J14, J15 and Masters crews. The Irish Rowing Championships for J16 and Championship categories are scheduled for July 12-14th) at the NRC in Farran.



Daniel Cremin



Evan O'Donoghue

### KILLARNEY REGATTA

Best of luck to all our crews competing in the historic annual Killarney Regatta, taking place this Sunday at O'Mahony's Point, Killarney Golf & Fishing Club. The local regatta is Killarney's oldest surviving sporting tradition and will see rivalries renewed between the rowing clubs of the town in the traditional 'Killarney Six' lake boats. Looking forward to seeing all members past and present, supporters, friends and family. First race 9.30am sharp. Be sure also to pop by our club tent for some refreshments. Best of luck to Jane Keating representing Muckcross RC in this year's Regatta Queen contest.

## KILLARNEY SWIMMING CLUB

The Munster Swim Festival at UL on Sunday was the last gala of the season for many of our young swimmers and they had a fantastic day of swimming.



Maro Kovacevic, Samuel O'Neill, Divo Kovacevic, Kate Kissane.



Relay Team Aoife Coffey, Daniel Cremin, Evan O'Donoghue, Maria Avila.



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We look forward to welcoming visitors this summer for our fantastic programme of events.

## JUNE

Date	Time	Host	Event	Contact/Bookings
Sun 2nd	1.30 - 4.40pm	Jesse Gilbert	Session with SONAR Youth Film Group	Closed Group sinedance@hotmail.com
Thurs 13th	7 - 8.30pm	Killarney Comhaltas	Aine Murphy School of Dancing	info@themacademy.ie
Sat 15th	10 - 11am	The MACademy	Musical Workshop for Baby & Parent	info@themacademy.ie
Sat 15th	11.15am - 12.15pm	The MACademy	Toddlers Musical Workshop	info@themacademy.ie
Sat 15th	12.30 - 1.30pm	The MACademy	Musical Workshop	info@themacademy.ie
Sat 15th	1.45 - 2.45pm	The MACademy	Musical Workshop	info@themacademy.ie
Sat 15th	7 - 8pm	Grace Foley	Songs & Stories From Home & Abroad	grace_foley@hotmail.com
Sun 16th	11am - 2pm	Jesse Gilbert	SONAR Youth Film Group Short Film Production	Closed Group
Sun 16th	4pm	Dóchas Drama Group	An Evening with Joyce: Stories, Songs & Poems	064 667 0162
Sun 16th	6pm	Dóchas Drama Group	An Evening with Joyce: Stories, Songs & Poems	theartousekillarney@outlook.ie
Mon 24th	7 - 9pm	The Art House	Painting Workshop	jjlibertfilm@gmail.com
Sat 29th	10am - 5pm	Jesse Gilbert	Filmmaking Information Session	Closed Group
Sun 30th	1.30 - 4.30pm	Jesse Gilbert	SONAR Youth Film Group Short Film Production	Closed Group

## JULY

Date	Time	Host	Event	Contact/Bookings
Sat 6th	7 - 8.15pm	Killarney School of Music	An Evening of Music	info@killarneyschoolmusic.com
Fri 12th	7 - 9pm	The Art House	Painting Workshop	theartousekillarney@outlook.ie
Sat 13th	10am - 1pm	Grace Foley	Singing Performance Workshop	grace_foley@hotmail.com
Sun 14th	10am - 1pm	Grace Foley	Singing Performance Workshop	grace_foley@hotmail.com
Sat 20th	11am - 12pm	The Wise Wood Project	Wet Felting for Children	wisewoodproject@gmail.com
Sat 20th	12.30 - 1.30pm	The Wise Wood Project	Wet Felting for Children	wisewoodproject@gmail.com
Sat 20th	7 - 8pm	Grace Foley	Songs & Stories From Home & Abroad	grace_foley@hotmail.com
Sat 20th	1.30 - 4.30pm	Jesse Gilbert	SONAR Youth Film Group Short Film Production	Closed Group
Sun 21st	3 - 5pm	Me and The Moon	Open Art Studio Workshop	Closed Group
Tue 23rd	3 - 5pm	Me and The Moon	Open Art Studio Workshop	Closed Group
Wed 24th	11am - 2pm	Aleksandra Demise	Summer Puppet Workshop for Kids & Teenagers	a.present.attention@gmail.com
Thurs 25th	8 - 10pm	Aleksandra Demise	Art-iculate & Conquer Workshop for Adults	a.present.attention@gmail.com
Thurs 25th	11am - 2pm	Aleksandra Demise	Summer Puppet Workshop for Kids & Teenagers	a.present.attention@gmail.com
Fri 26th	11am - 2pm	Aleksandra Demise	Summer Puppet Workshop for Kids & Teenagers	a.present.attention@gmail.com
Fri 26th	8 - 10pm	Aleksandra Demise	Art-iculate & Conquer Workshop for Adults	a.present.attention@gmail.com
Sat 27th	11am - 2pm	Aleksandra Demise	Summer Puppet Workshop for Kids & Teenagers	a.present.attention@gmail.com
Sat 27th	8 - 10pm	Aleksandra Demise	Art-iculate & Conquer Workshop for Adults	a.present.attention@gmail.com
Sun 28th	6 - 8pm	Aleksandra Demise	Presentation Following Puppet Workshops	a.present.attention@gmail.com
Sun 28th	8 - 10pm	Aleksandra Demise	Presentation Following Art-iculate & Conquer Workshops	a.present.attention@gmail.com

## AUGUST

Date	Time	Host	Event	Contact/Bookings
Sat 3rd	7pm	Killarney School of Music	An Evening of Music	info@killarneyschoolmusic.com
Sun 4th	1.30am - 4.30pm	Jesse Gilbert	SONAR Youth Film Group Short Film Production	Closed Group
Fri 9th	7 - 9pm	The Art House	Painting Workshop	theartousekillarney@outlook.ie
Sat 10th	7 - 8pm	Grace Foley	Songs & Stories From Home & Abroad	grace_foley@hotmail.com
Tue 13th	10am - 12pm	Sorcha Trant	Creative Writing Workshop for Ages 9-13	theartsyncrasyworkshop@gmail.com
Wed 14th	3 - 5pm	Me and The Moon	Open Art Studio Workshop	Closed Group
Thurs 15th	3 - 5pm	Me and The Moon	Open Art Studio Workshop	Closed Group
Fri 16th	7 - 9pm	Killarney Comhaltas	An Evening of Music, Song & Dance	gerakinequilty@icloud.com
Sat 17th	7 - 8.15pm	Killarney School of Music	An Evening of Music	info@killarneyschoolmusic.com
Sun 18th	11am - 3pm	Jesse Gilbert	SONAR Youth Film Group Short Film Production	Closed Group
Fri 23rd	7 - 9pm	The Art House	Painting Workshops	theartousekillarney@outlook.ie



# WAVES OF DANCERS & MUSICIANS CONVERGE ON BALLYBUNION!

This year's Kerry Fleadh Cheoil Charraí, hosted once again in Ballybunion, spanned two weekends: the 10th & 11th and the subsequent weekend of 17th & 18th June. The event once again attracted the best traditional Irish dancers, musicians, and singers from across the county.

With Ballybunion bathed in sun, sand, and sea, the Tinteán Theatre was filled with set dancers and Céili dancers galore. Kilcummin Comhlats had a fantastic cohort who competed in the various dancing competitions held during the first week of Fleadh Cheoil Charraí. The following are the results achieved over the weekend:

U12 Mixed: 1st & Co Champions  
U12 Full Ladies Set: 2nd  
U18 Full Ladies Set Team Caoimhe: 2nd  
U18 Full Ladies Set Team Clíodhna: 3rd  
U15 Full Ladies Set: 1st & Co Champions  
O18 Full Ladies Set: 1st & Co Champions  
O18 Full Ladies Set Team Mary: 2nd  
O18 Full Set Mixed: 2nd  
O18 Half Set Mixed: 1st & Co Champions  
O35 Full Mixed Set: 1st & Co Champions

A very well done to all of our dancers who represented our branch so well in Ballybunion at County Fleadh over this weekend.

A big thank you to Mary, John, and Adrian from Moriarty School of Dancing for preparing our competitors so well for this weekend. Thanks also to Conor Moriarty & Conal O'Kane for the

excellent music over the weekend.

A huge thank you to parents and family members for supporting and encouraging continued participation in set dancing, and for keeping this great tradition vibrant in our community. We know that the success demonstrated above would not be possible without this support.

Attention then turned to the second weekend, and we look forward to supporting all of our competitors again in Ballybunion in music, singing, and comhrá.

Brynn McCarthy U12 Irish Singing: 1st place & Co Champion, 2nd place in English Singing  
Colm Fleming U12 Button Accordion: 2nd place  
Colm Fleming & Aoibhinn O'Connor Duet U12: 2nd place  
Mary O'Connor 12 to 15 English Singing: 2nd place  
Eoin Foley 12 to 15 Button Accordion: 1st place & Co Champion, 3rd place in Melodeon  
Michael Healy 15 to 18 Button Accordion: 2nd place & Sean Butler 3rd place  
Sean Butler 15 to 18 Mouth Organ: 1st place & Co Champion  
Michael Healy 15 to 18 Melodeon: 1st place & Co Champion, and Sean Butler 3rd place  
What a set of results. Well done to all who competed, and a special word of thanks to all the trainers and coaches. And, once again, a big thank you to all the supportive parents and families.



We congratulate those who move forward to Munster in July and wish them all well in their preparations in the weeks ahead.



Brynn McCarthy receives her shield today for winning Irish Singing in Fleadh Ceoil Chiarraí over the weekend.



Colm Fleming & Aoibhinn O'Connor 2nd place Duet U12



One of ladies sets that took part in Fleadh Cheoil Chiarraí recently



One of ladies sets that took part in Fleadh Cheoil Chiarraí recently



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## JIMMY O'SULLIVAN-DARCY

takes a look at all things sport...

### ALL IRELAND PRE-QUARTER-FINAL GAMES

I have made no secret of my contempt for their very existence. These games, and that whole group stage itself, are an artificial and frankly unentertaining elongation of the championship for financial purposes.

Mind you, the fact that I only predicted two results out of four correctly was never going to engender a feeling of fondness on my part either!

#### Galway 0-14 Monaghan 0-11

Not a great game, but consider that Galway have been making an art form out of winning these dogfights this year and that they are getting closer and closer to full strength after being dogged by injuries, and you start to wonder....

That said, I didn't really have Monaghan up among the contenders for this year's All Ireland. I still feel that they never came out all guns blazing against us, preferring to keep their powder for another day – but this was that other day, and they didn't have enough powder anyway. The first half was a dull enough affair, a point apiece after the first quarter. Monaghan were completely defensive and, unfortunately, it was paying off as Galway led by just 0-6 to 0-5 despite playing all the actual forward football, Monaghan relying on counter-attack. That will get you to this stage, but going further takes more, and Galway had that bit more that shows why they are in the last eight and Monaghan aren't. Monaghan did hit the crossbar in the second half, but Galway always looked that bit more dangerous, even if sub Damien Comer wasn't anywhere near his best. Conor McManus had two late points for Monaghan. I expect that great servant to finally hang up his shooting boots. For me he was up with the likes of Michael Murphy, Cillian O'Connor, and the Brogans as one of the best forwards in the game.

#### Derry 0-15 Mayo 1-12 (Derry win on penalties)

This was always going to be the tie of the round, and so it proved in terms of excitement, if not actual football. Mayo are perennial contenders and showed it again, always a very tough side to beat, while the same Derry side that were being hailed as champions-in-waiting during their excellent League campaign were being vilified on their way into this game. I never once believed they were as good or as bad as the headlines being written about them. I've always felt that they are too dependent on McGuigan as a scorer, but they are highly talented. I have huge respect for Mickey Harte, but he has always been an apologist for

the heavily defensive football that has been acknowledged as a huge detraction from the entertainment value of games – this one was a case in point. I suppose he got burned enough by attacking in other games this year! The start was purely an exercise in tedium as Derry dropped back into a defensive phalanx. It was working, with Lachlan Murray picking off Derry points, but my God was it boring. Derry led by 0-6 to 0-3 at the break.

Odhran Lynch got turned over on one of those reckless forays outfield by the keeper – this from an ultra-defensive team, the penny drops really slowly with some teams – and duly coughed up a turnover point. Mayo were the better side in the third quarter and Paul Conroy, rolling back the years, won a penalty converted by Ryan O'Donoghue. Mayo ahead by two points. It's cruel to say, but the reason why Dublin have lifted Sam so much more than those great recent teams from Mayo is because Dublin don't lose games from this position.... and Mayo do.

Matthew Ruane had a goal chance saved, with O'Donoghue knocking over the loose ball. Derry were still in this though, and you have to credit their dogged defiance. Heading into injury time, there was just a point in it. Mayo should have stretched that lead to two, but Sam Callinan missed....and Derry full back Chrissy McKaigue didn't.

Derry clipped over three points early enough in extra time, but Mayo managed somehow to claw it back and take it to penalties. It's no secret that I wanted Mayo to win, they play much more open football, but I already had a sinking feeling. In fairness to Lynch, when it comes to penalty shootouts, he's the best in the business and Derry were always favourites to win from there.

My heart goes out to Mayo, of course it does. There are worse teams still in this year's championship. But three times this year (Galway, Dublin, and Derry) they were in front in injury time against top tier teams, and they failed to close it out on all three occasions.

#### Roscommon 0-14 Tyrone 0-12

Straight up, I didn't even give this one much thought. Roscommon are always valiant battlers but Tyrone, while not the power that they were in recent years or anything like the physical presence of the 2020 All Ireland winners, still had forwards like Darren McCurry and the Canavans to call on. Few teams have that kind of firepower.

It turns out that in Donie Smith, Dairmuid Murtagh, Daire Cregg, and our own Conor Cox, Roscommon had plenty of firepower....and, unlike Tyrone, an attacking game plan that brought them into play. Roscommon hunted Tyrone down and just out-fought them. They were hungrier. It's rarely that simple, but 'rare'

is not the same as 'never'. Mayo died with their boots on. I wouldn't say the same about this Tyrone team. They trailed by 0-9 to 0-3 at the break and, while they did come out with a greater sense of purpose in the second half, Roscommon were resilient enough to absorb it. In the dying minutes they led by just a single point, but Daire Cregg put over the clincher.

#### Louth 1-9 Cork 1-8

I tipped Cork to win this one, but I wasn't sure. Both sides had shown more potential than otherwise (I didn't feel that either were at their best against Kerry, although I do hark back to those goal chances that Louth missed against us) and I felt that it depended on which one really showed up on the day. In fairness, I would say that both teams turned up and gave it everything they had. It was nigh on point for point throughout the first half, both sides playing fairly open football and playing it well. Cork broke the deadlock and went four clear after Daniel O'Mahony flicked Ian Maguire's pass into the net. Sam Mulroy had the last score of the half to leave Cork a goal in front.

Louth came out with all guns blazing and it felt like Cork retreated a little bit in the second half. Cork were still one point ahead when a high ball into the Cork square wasn't properly dealt with and Donal McKenny drove it to the net (sound familiar after our last game?). Chris Óg Jones levelled with two points but deep in injury time, Craig Lennon won a free and Sam Mulroy put over the winner. Swings and roundabouts...

### ALL IRELAND QUARTER-FINAL DRAW

Kerry v Derry



A repeat of last weekend's minor semi-final pairing and nobody will complain if we get anything like as good a game. We won't – that Derry minor team was fearless, and Derry have been stung a few too many times this year and have reverted to the blanket defence and counter-attack. Will it beat Kerry? I'll tempt fate and give a straight 'no'. Derry have talent, phenomenal talent. The emergence of Lachlan Murray to take some of the scoring burden off Shane McGuigan is an ominous development. They have tended to get into dogfights in recent years but they have tended to win them



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– again, if it goes to a penalty shootout, Derry will be rubbing their hands.

I don't expect Derry to leave the house unguarded. They have been caught for goals in other games and they know just like you and I know that Jack O'Connor and co. will have been paying attention. Derry beat us in the National League but even back then I felt that they were needlessly burning energy that they would need later on. Bringing lads back from a holiday after winning the Club All Ireland to beat an experimental Kerry by a single point in the second game of the National League? That's a sledgehammer to crack a walnut.

I may be a little over-confident. After all, I don't feel that Kerry have really faced any top team yet and peak Derry is definitely a top team. A lot will depend on us being able to slow down that rapid Derry counter-attack – yes, hypocritical as it may sound, I'd do to Derry what they want to do to us. A few high balls down on David and Seanie – I want Kerry keeping a few bodies up top all the time; Derry will be hoping we don't do that – will keep them honest. I don't need it to be our main threat, I just need Tyrone to be wary of it. I also don't want us trying to run our way through tackles. Stretch them on the run and yes, hideous as it is to watch, let's recycle and see how they like chasing it. Kerry should certainly be winning this one. Derry, with the best will in the world, have to be feeling that hard game against Mayo in their legs. If they beat us at this stage, then we didn't deserve to be in the conversation about Sam Maguire anyway.

#### Dublin v Galway

Dublin didn't look impressive against Louth in the Leinster Final. They were, if anything, lucky to get out of the Mayo game with a draw. In short, they haven't remotely looked like the force of old.

I think we all know that Dublin have been doing the exact same as Kerry, timing their run. I don't think they are the force of old, but I don't think anybody else is either and they still have the likes of Fenton, O'Callaghan, Kilkenney, Basquel. Neither Mannion or McCaffrey are the power they were – do you want to meet either of them in full flight? I expect an ever-improving Galway, who have been hampered all year by injuries, to put up a really good battle. In fact, I expect the scores to be very close with ten minutes to go. But realistically, anything other than the champions progressing would be a huge shock here.

#### Donegal v Louth

I don't think that Donegal are quite the powerhouse they are made out to be. That's not suggesting that they are a bad team or taking away from the almost miraculous transformation wrought by Jimmy McGuinness. On paper that was the tightest Ulster championship of all time. On grass Donegal met and scalped every big gun that came their way. You can't say that they have sauntered to a quarter-final, but they haven't hit any major hurdles, and that speaks loads about their quality considering the teams they have met. Louth beating Cork can't be described as a

massive shock, but they feel more like an over-performing Division Two side than genuine giant-killers and I can't see them living with Donegal's physicality and pace.

#### Armagh v Roscommon

I've said it previously. Armagh are my dark horses. People seem to forget how they have been there or thereabouts for the past couple of years, coming out on the wrong side of some very close games. They have the footballers – in fact, they are a team that I believe would profit hugely by casting off that heavily defensive straitjacket. Discipline is an issue, they always seem to have a kind of martial mindset (that refusal to come out in a reasonable time after the break in their last game being a case in point let alone the amount of schmozzles their players have been involved in in recent years). To me, a winning mindset is a different and more focussed thing. But in a pure football match I genuinely think that they are as good as anyone. No disrespect to Roscommon, who earned their right to be here the hard way, but I can't see them staying with Armagh.

### HEARTBREAK FOR KERRY MINORS IN FINAL FOUR

#### All Ireland Minor Semi-Final Derry 1-13 Kerry 1-12

The Kerry minors had cruised comfortably – arguably, even a little too comfortably – through the smooth waters of a Munster campaign and dismissed the relatively tame challenge of Roscommon in the quarter-final without ever needing to check fuel reserves. Derry, who had always been among the hottest of favourites to retain their minor title from last year, was always going to be a different proposition, and so it proved. In the end the Ulster champions had just a little too much in the tank and deservedly shaded a titanic struggle, but Kerry left nothing behind them on the pitch and could walk off with their heads high.

Particular credit had to be given to Kacper Robak between the sticks. It doesn't detract from all Kerry's magnificent efforts elsewhere on the field to say that without the heroics of the goalkeeper, it would all have been to no avail and this game would have been over long before the final whistle. He was superb from start to finish – and it says a lot about Derry's quality that he had to be at his very best all through. He was in action right from the throw-in with a fantastic double save from Jack Sargent (man of the match by a country mile) and Ruairí Biggs on the rebound.

Both teams were lightning out of the blocks. Kerry picked off the first score, Michael Horan gathering a good ball from a tightly marked Ben Murphy and cleverly fisting over. Another good run by Gearóid White saw Pádraig Haran pick up an early yellow card – in game played at this pace, that's a lot to carry for over fifty minutes.

Kerry paid a big price for a momentary lapse. Caoimhín Hargan very deftly robbed Éanna Murphy and found Luke Grant along the end-line, who drew the defence before passing

across for Dylan Rocks to smash home.

Kerry responded instantly, Seán Ó Cuinn finding Ruadhan Donovan, whose long range effort was neatly tipped past the keeper by Eoin O'Flaherty. Kerry were missing their outstanding midfielder Killian Dennehy, arguably the campaign's best player behind Gearóid White, but O'Flaherty proved to be a more than adequate replacement.

Dara McGuckin drew Derry level. Kerry were dominating possession at this stage, but wides were proving costly in a game where opportunities were hard-earned, the worst of them a very uncharacteristic miss of a bread-and-butter free by Ronan O'Carroll after Horan was fouled. It's unfortunate, but the reality is that no team can afford to leave chances like that behind them in a game of this magnitude. Gearóid White did put Kerry into a 1-2 to 1-1 lead after a foul on Jack Joy.

Derry's half back line was always a problem for Kerry – they were superb – and Luke Grant combined with Cathal Ó Mianáin to split the posts. Éanna Murphy nudged Kerry back in front but Jack Sargent replied with an absolutely superb point from distance.

A foul on Ben Murphy (let us whisper it; I thought it was a harsh enough call) saw Gearóid White put Kerry back in front. Kerry were beginning to inch ahead in their personal duels now and hit a purple patch. Points from Kerry midfielder Ben Murphy and Eoin O'Flaherty pushed Kerry clear and Gearóid White added another free to make it 1-7 to 1-3. However, it was Derry who closed out the half stronger, Ruairí Biggs pouncing on a ball spilled by Kacper but the keeper more than made amends with another point blank save and somehow deflecting Jack Sargent's follow-up for a '45. Sargent kicked that one himself; a brilliant effort that bisected the posts perfectly.

#### Half-time Kerry 1-7 Derry 1-4

Eamon Young curled over another superb point for Derry on the restart and added a free won by the impressive Luke Grant. Ger Dillon slotted another free won by Sargent, who was central to all of Derry's play. 1-7 apiece.

Jack Joy fired over with his left leg to nudge Kerry back in front. Ben Murphy laid off to Stacks' clubmate Gearóid White, who jinked past three players before cutting back to take his point.

Kerry had their purple patch in the third quarter; it was starting to feel like Derry's turn. Turlough McHugh set up Dylan Rocks for another piledriver at the Kerry goal, but once again Kacper Robak made an athletic save. Jack Sargent drove over another free from long distance. Substitute Cody Rocks added another and it was all square again, 1-9 apiece.

Gearóid White edged Kerry in front again but Derry, with Sargent imperious, were definitely beginning to take control. Eamon Young pointed a free and Ger Dillon notched a beauty. Dylan Rocks pounced on a stray kick-out to punish Kerry and put Derry 1-12 to 1-10 in front – it could have been worse if he had gone for goal.

Good work by Ben Murphy saw Joey McCarthy nail a free from long distance to trim the lead back to a point. Jack Sargent calmed Derry's



nerves with a point.

Two between them, but Kerry were still fighting hard for this. Cian Mac Gearailt was denied a point by a superb block by Cathair McBride. Aodhna Ó Beaglaoich kicked one last point for Kerry to take the game down to the wire. Kerry had one last kick-out to take it into extra-time, but it was the outstanding Sargent who rose highest to claim it and secure their return to the All Ireland Minor Final.

No begrudging the winners. Derry were the better side and justified their heavy favourites tag – but no-one could have asked for any more of Wayne Quillinan and his players. Minor teams can far too often be defined by success, especially with Kerry's recent record, but this is as good a Kerry team as I have seen any time over the past decade and I have no doubt that many of these players will be seen at higher grades.

Derry, meanwhile, will face Armagh in an all-Ulster Minor Final.

Derry: Jack McCloy, Pádraig O'Kane, Ronan Canavan, Pádraig Haran, Luke Grant (0-1), Cathal Ó Mianáin, Dara McGuckin (0-1), James Sargent (0-3, 2f), Cathair McBride, Eamon Young (0-2), Turlough McHugh, Caoimhín Hargan, Ger Dillon (0-2, 1f), Ruairi Biggs, Dylan Rocks (1-0). Subs Cody Rocks 0-2 (for Ruairi Biggs, 35mins) Caoimhan McNally (for Pádraig Haran, 38mins). Kerry: Kacper Robak, Fionnan Ryan, Michael Lynch, Ruadhan Donovan, Seán Ó Cuinn, Aodhna Ó Beaglaoich (0-1), Gavin O'Keeffe, Ben Murphy, Eoin O'Flaherty (1-1), Gearoid White (0-5, 4f), Joey McCarthy (0-1), Éanna Murphy (0-1), Jack Joy (0-1), Ronan Carroll, Michael Horan (0-1). (Subs Ryan O'Driscoll (for Ronan Carroll, 43mins), Cian Mac Gearailt (for Éanna Murphy, 51mins) David Sargent (for Fionnán Ryan, 53mins) Donncha O'Sullivan (for Seán Ó Cuinn, 59mins).

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## LADIES ALL IRELAND QUARTER-FINAL DRAWS

### Kerry v Meath

Yeah, not really the draw we wanted. Meath lost to Armagh by a point in the group stage (the same Armagh who had three points to spare over us in the League Final) before seeing off Tipperary to take the second spot. This is one of the toughest quarter-final draws, no question about that. Meath won two of the past three All Irelands and are a huge threat to anybody. Emma Duggan, Monica McGuirk, Meadh Byrne, Marion Farrelly, Megan Thynne, Máire O'Shaughnessy....Meath have a lot of quality and experience to draw on. Fair enough, it sounds like Vikki Wall is still occupied with rugby despite not making Ireland's Olympic squad (I certainly hope so; that would be a scary twist if she lined out!) but Meath have had the upper hand on Kerry in recent years. Meath are a running team, which doesn't always suit us. We have a plethora of riches in the forward line, we will have players on the subs bench who would be starting on any other team, but a lot depends on our support runners in the middle third. I think we'll shade it, but if Meath get the likes of Emma Duggan in space, make no mistake, they will happily pick us off.

### Cork v Waterford

We had a poor display in that draw against Donegal in Ballybofey, and I expected Donegal to beat Waterford with a bit to spare. Waterford are an unpredictable enough outfit. It sounds (I didn't see the game) like they fully deserved to beat Donegal. Can they beat Cork? The Rebels are certainly not the powerhouse they were,

with the likes of the O'Sullivan sisters joining their long list of retirees, but they are still a formidable outfit and I expect they will be a step too far for Waterford again. Cork made last year's semi-finals; I expect them to do the same again.

### Armagh v Mayo

Armagh are the story of the year and the reigning league champions. Mayo have had a good year, despite that group loss to Dublin, and the general consensus is that Liam McHale has done a very good job. They have serious firepower in the likes of Lisa McCafferky and Maria Cannon. Have they enough to stop Armagh? Honestly, I can't see it. Aimee Mackin has to be the current favourite for Footballer of the Year and McCoy, Coleman, Henderson? I can't see Mayo holding that and I can't see them stopping Armagh's rugby league style driving pace (we couldn't stop it either). You'd have to fancy Armagh here.

### Dublin v Galway

Galway are always game and will give anyone a battle. But Dublin are the reigning champions for a reason and in Hannah Tyrell, Carla Rowe, Lauren McGee (I believe she would have retired if she didn't think Dublin were on course for another All Ireland), Jennifer Dunne, Sinead Goldrick....no, anything other than a Dublin win would be a huge surprise here.

### Semi-finals

Winner QF 1 v winner QF 3  
Winner QF 2 v winner QF 4

## KERRY GUARANTEE QUARTER-FINAL BERTH Intermediate Camogie Round Five Kerry 3-13 Carlow 1-10

After suffering their first loss of the Intermediate Group Stage last weekend to Kilkenny, Kerry needed to get their campaign back on track against a hungry Carlow side who were well in the running for a play-off spot themselves. It was the home side who made the better start, a lively Ruth O'Connor splitting the posts. Jackie Horgan added another after Sara Murphy made



a great burst out of defence before laying off to Laura Collins, who in turn fed Horgan – that trio have soldiered together in many battles like this!

Carlow centre forward Aibha Kiernan slotted over a fine point herself but Roisín Quinn replied in kind, Quinn was one of three starting changes to Kerry's named team along with Ciara O'Sullivan and Ellen O'Donoghue, and all three fully justified their selection with very good displays.

Disaster struck early for Kerry as Kiernan found Holly Wall, who launched a hopeful punt from distance that somehow slipped into the net. 1-1 to 0-3, and Kerry suddenly on the back foot. If anything, though, it only spurred them on. With the likes of Rachel McCarthy, Sara Murphy, Ruth O'Connor, Ann-Marie Leen, and especially an imperious Niamh Leen all getting stuck in, Kerry began to take control on their home ground. Laura Collins and Ellen O'Donoghue pointed. Jackie Horgan, despite clearly showing the effects of a late and heavy hit, was directing proceedings out around the middle and Kerry's young forwards were beginning to thrive in that space. Amy O'Sullivan clipped over off her left and added another after good work by Ellen O'Donoghue.

Carlow were playing well themselves but just couldn't contain Kerry and things got worse for them very fast. Amy O'Sullivan had cleverly drifted behind the last defender when Kate Lynch sent in a superb long ball to her hand, and with Amy one-on-one with the keeper, there was only ever going to be one result. 1-7 to 1-1. Just three minutes later Jackie Horgan sent in a similar ball, and even though the defenewere better prepared, Ellen O'Donoghue and Amy O'Sullivan combined to set up an incoming Kate Lynch for goal number two.

Carlow did finish the half strongly with points from Ciara Kavanagh, Eleanor Treacy ('45), and an impressive Rebecca Kelly, but Ellen O'Donoghue had the final say with a point before the whistle.

**Half-time Kerry 2-8 Carlow 1-4**

Straight from the throw-in, Ann-Marie Leen was on hand to stretch Kerry's lead. Patrice Diggin had come on at half-time and, even if not perhaps restored to full power yet, she is still a potent threat and quickly won a free. Jackie Horgan played it short to Patrice (that pair need no introductions either!) and the umpire was reaching for the white flag again.

Carlow had brought on an experienced player themselves and Kate Nolan wasn't long making an impact herself, winning a free converted by Eleanor Treacy. Good pressure by the Kerry forwards saw Carlow over-carry in their own defence, with Jackie Horgan slotting the resultant free to put Kerry 2-11 to 1-5 ahead. Rebecca Kelly and Caoimhe Coady were hurting Kerry down along the wings, and Kelly popped over a fine score for Carlow. They came raiding again but were stymied this time by a brilliant interception from Niamh Leen and the move ended in a Kerry point for Kate Lynch.

Carlow certainly weren't giving up here, with Rebecca Kelly winning another free for Eleanor Treacy and Kate Nolan hitting a great point from play.

However, with Carlow understandably pushing forward as much as possible, Kerry launched high ball down on top of Laura Collins just outside the Carlow square. She had two defenders rising with her, but Laura was always going to win that ball and she swivelled to give the goalkeeper no chance. 3-12 to 1-7, and there wasn't time enough left for Carlow to come back from that one. Not that they didn't try, adding two more points from Rebecca Kelly (f) and Caoimhe Cody, but Ruth O'Connor found Patrice Diggin for a spectacular long distance point to seal and emphatic and hard-earned Kerry victory.

Kerry have a break now (badly wanted by all teams, I would think) before facing Meath in the last round. Kilkenny look almost certain to pip them to the top of the group and the semi-final place, but Kerry have already done enough to ensure that they will be in the draw for the quarter-finals.

Kerry: Aoife Fitzgerald, Rachel McCarthy, Niamh Leen, Ciara O'Sullivan, Roisín Quinn (0-1), Sara Murphy, Aoife Behan, Caoimhe Spillane, Ruth O'Connor (0-1), Laura Collins (1-1), Kate Lynch (1-1), Ann-Marie Leen (0-1), Amy O'Sullivan (1-2), Jackie Horgan (0-2, 1f), Ellen O'Donoghue (0-2). Subs Patrice Diggin 0-2, 1f (for Caoimhe Spillane, half-time), Amy McCarthy (for Jackie Horgan, 44), Áine O'Connor (for Aoife Behan, 54), Niamh Quinn (for Ann-Marie Leen, 57), Norette Casey (for Ellen O'Donoghue, 59)

Carlow: Catherine Kavanagh, Niamh Canavan, Rachel Breen, Gillian Doyle, Michaela Donoghue, Anna Breen, Mairead O'Shea, Caoimhe Coady (0-1), Eleanor Treacy (0-3, 1'45, 2f), Eva Sinnott, Aibha Kiernan (0-1), Rebecca Kelly (0-3, 1f), Ciara Kavanagh (0-1), Anna Murphy, Holly Wall (1-0). Subs Kate Nolan 0-1 (for Anna Murphy, half-time), Sarah Sheehan (for Aibhe Kiernan, 44)

Referee: Karol Collins (Galway)

**NO JOY FOR KERRY IN FIRST CUP FINAL**  
**Munster Senior Cup Final**  
**Waterford 2 Kerry FC 1**



One team has been struggling in the bottom half of the First Division table, albeit having shown that they are well able to compete at that level – whereas the other is flying remarkably high in the Premier. To be honest, while Kerry FC's huge improvement on last year – and they

have become a far more resilient side overall – has been very pleasing, Waterford are the surprise package of the year. I thought that they were dependent on a phenomenal striker for their success last year. Frankly, I expected Galway to thrive at Premier level and Waterford to make a rapid return to the lower division – shows what I know, I suppose.

Kerry gave as good as they got here in a well-contested game where neither side was quite willing to go all-out for the first half. Both sides looked assured but cautious, more wary of making a mistake that committing to a breakthrough. To be fair, Waterford were clearly more focussed on the business of the league. They didn't even bring their big guns here, let alone send them out blazing, fielding more of a reserve side. Bit of a surprise to me; I'd have thought that the opportunity for silverware would count for far more 0- it certainly did on our side, and quite rightly.

Waterford made the sharper start, Aaron O'Sullivan having to stretch to knock away an ambitious bicycle kick by Gbemi Arubi. Just two minutes later Connor Evans was just inches away from a dangerous Arubi cross. In fairness, Waterford were well on top in midfield, leaving Kerry struggling to create even half-chances. However, the blues weren't getting much change out of Kerry's composed defence and were just lacking a bit of precision in that final ball. Aaron O'Sullivan was definitely the busier of the two keepers, but there wasn't anything I'd really call a wasted chance. Kerry could be well pleased with their first forty minutes, slightly under the cosh but coping with it admirably.

The goal that arrived....was a bit of a killer. A Kerry attack was cleared with a sweeping left leg punt as far as Ethan Kos. It's easy to say that he should have taken a first touch before knocking it back to his keeper – hindsight's all very well. Kos attempted to sweep it back to O'Sullivan with his first touch – bread and butter for one of the most consistently reliable players in Kerry's panel – and unfortunately the touch was just off kilter. Connor Evans swooped on the loose ball straightaway – credit the predatory instincts – and raced in before sliding it past the hapless O'Sullivan and into the net. To be honest, a bad goal to give away just before the break.

Waterford had the first two chances of the second half and looked like they were getting close to a second goal. However, Kerry began to assert themselves a bit more around the middle and start to push, a bit more willing to pass forward or even take their man on. In fact, just five minutes into the half Ronan Teahan showed a lovely bit of skill to turn and open space for a lovely cross to Kennedy Amechi. He couldn't get his full body behind the header and it was easily gathered by the keeper in the end, but it was clear evidence of real quality and real ambition on Kerry's part.

The goal that Kerry craved arrived just a minute later and it was one of those that looked simple but most definitely isn't. A perfectly weighed ball in for Nathan Gleeson to run onto and an instant cross for an immaculately timed Ryan Kelliher finish. Like I say, it looked simple, but that kind of co-ordination takes a lot of work on



the training ground.

Both sides had chances from then on, with Kerry giving as good as they got, but there wasn't anything that I'd call a chance missed, more half-chances that were mopped up. It looked like it was going to take something special to make the breakthrough.....and so it did.

With just ten minutes left on the clock Waterford

played it back, made a quick little burst out of defence, and laid off to a diminutive Calum Costello. The teenager was making his senior debut for Waterford, and he picked his moment, cutting inside to carve open a fraction of space and launching a sudden thunderbolt that evaded O'Sullivan at full stretch to nestle in the bottom left corner.

Kerry pressed but couldn't muster an equaliser

and the Munster Senior Cup went Waterford's way, but Conor McCarthy and his team will at least be proud of the battle they put up. They certainly weren't overawed by either the occasion or the opposition and it bodes well for the future. For now, though, it's back to the drawing board and the First Division grind.

## Great Southern Killarney Partner again with the Ring of Kerry Cycle

Great Southern Killarney continue their longstanding support of The Ring of Kerry Charity Cycle again as one of the main partners for this year's event, taking place on July 6th.

Now in its 42nd year, the cycle takes place along the scenic 170km Ring of Kerry route and supports a wide variety of worthy causes throughout the county, with Great Southern Killarney cycling on behalf of Brú Columbanus this year.

As well as continuing to support as a partner, Great Southern Killarney have their own milestone to celebrate. Speaking on the partnership, Michael

Jacobi, the Managing Director of the Hayfield Family Collection, said, ' We are delighted to support The Ring of Kerry Charity Cycle again this year. This year's cycle shares a wonderful synergy with Great Southern Killarney, as the hotel celebrates 170 years in business this July, tying in perfectly with the 170kms of the route. The Ring of Kerry Cycle is always a great day out for everyone involved and we are grateful for the great work of the organising committee and all the volunteers to make this such a memorable day for so many people each year. A number of our team are training hard at the moment, and we look forward to seeing everyone out there on the day!'



Pictured from left: John Rice ROK, Michael Jacobi, Managing Director Hayfield Family Collection, Garry Galvin ROK and Sean Cooney, Group Marketing Manager Hayfield Family Collection

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## FOSSA

### LOTTO

The numbers drawn on 23/06/2024 for a jackpot of €3,300 were 8, 10, 13, 19. There was no jackpot winner. The €40 consolation prize winners were; Anne Marie Sugrue, Online; Lorraine Friel, Online; Chloe McCarthy; Eileen Moriarty; Niamh Collins. Tickets are available from our sellers and can also be bought online with the following link <https://fossagaa.clubforce.com/products/lotto/fossa-gaa-club-lotto>

### COUNTY LEAGUE DIV 2

The senior team completed their county league campaign with an away trip to Kenmare on Saturday evening. Fossa started brightly with scores from Harry Buckley and Emmett O'Shea before they were awarded a penalty in the 18th minute which Emmett O'Shea scored. Fossa led 1-05 to 0-03 at this stage and they looked comfortable, unfortunately they conceded two goals before half time to allow Kenmare back into the game and trailed, 1-06 to 2-06 at the break. Fintan Coffey and Emmett O'Shea scored two quick points on the resumption of play but Kenmare had too much for them after that and closed out the game with a third goal in the 22nd minute to run out winners, 3-16 to 1-11.

Overall, it has been a brilliant year for this team in their first season in Division 2, they have been well able for the step up and were not far off being in the running for promotion to Div 1. Players and management can be very proud of their progress and will look forward to the upcoming Intermediate championship. Thanks to the team sponsor, The Golden Nugget who have been very generous sponsors over the years and to the supporters who have travelled the county all year long.

### CO LEAGUE DIVISION 6

#### Fossa B 1-10, Dr Crokes C 1-10.

After 10 rounds of the Co League, Fossa senior B team, with 7 wins and 3 draws, won Div 6 of the Co League and are promoted to Div 5 for next season. Trailing at half time to Dr Crokes, 0-6 to 0-4, and conceding a further 1-2 early in the 2nd half, to go 7 points down, it was not looking good. However, a storming last 15 minutes saw us scoring 1-6 to go a point ahead going into injury time, only for Crokes to get an injury time point to draw level, the draw was enough to secure promotion. Fintan Coffey had a magnificent game scoring 1-5 from play and further points were added by Kevin McCarthy, Cian Doyle, Mark Donnellan, Ted O'Gorman and Dan O'Keefe.

#### Fossa B 3-11, Milltown B 0-7

Fossa B kept up their winning ways with a win over Milltown B in the last round of the Co League. A massive performance from Kevin McCarthy who scored 1-8, and further goals from Mark Dennehy and Richard Wallace paved the way for the win.

### U-12 GIRLS

Well done to all the U12 girls for the great effort by them in their match up with Dr Crokes.

There was plenty fight in them against a strong Crokes team and they're showing good improvement with each game played. Thanks to our young refs for their good management of

the play and the Crokes squad and coaches for the good games.

### UNDER 13 BOYS

#### East Kerry League Round 1 Fossa 3-04, Glenflesk 5-12.

In a sun drenched Fossa, our U13 boys kicked off their East Kerry campaign with a most difficult assignment against a fancied Glenflesk outfit.

Fossa started in a whirlwind fashion scoring 2 cracking goals from their impressive midfielders Gerry Moroney and Donnacha Coffey and the goals were quickly followed by a pointed free by Ross Cronin. This put Fossa firmly in the driving seat mid-way through the opening half. But, unfortunately the visitors hit a purple patch approaching the short whistle with their towering marksman Dara O'Sullivan shooting 2-02 in the blink of an eye to leave the half time score Fossa 2-01, Glenflesk 2-02.

Glenflesk started the 2nd half in a blistering fashion scoring two further goals and a few points to build up a commanding lead. However, Fossa responded well with another superb goal by Donnacha Coffey and Gerry Moroney kicked 3 points to leave only 4 points between the teams with 10 minutes to go. Glenflesk found an extra gear however and ran out worthy winners in the end. Well done to both sets of players for a most sporting game and to referee, John O'Neill from Spa who applied the rules in a sensible fashion. Next up for our U13's is an away game against Currow on Sunday 7th July.

### RACE NIGHT

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

You can sponsor a Horse, Jockey & Trainer for a Night at the Races by submitting your entry using our online booking form here - <https://forms.gle/pDR4A3uTz9vhHrYVA>

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Be sure to sign up now - if you're not in, you can't win!

### SYMPATHY

Deepest sympathy is extended to Bridie and the Doyle family of Fossa Cross on the death of Michael Doyle. May He Rest in Peace.

Sympathy is also extended to Cathy and Paul Nagle and family on the death of Cathy's mother, Eileen Healy, Currowross, Currow. May She Rest in Peace.

## KILLARNEY LEGION GAA

### SENIOR MEN

Our Senior Men rounded off their County League with a valuable win over Glenflesk at the East Kerry venue. A positive result was imperative to guarantee our top flight status and early scores from Will Shine, David O Sullivan, Darragh Lyne and Peter McCarthy set an early tone. The home side bounced back and it needed an Eoghan O Sullivan score to draw level. The defining

score of the half came when Peter McCarthy pounced on a loose ball to give a 1-9 to 0-7 half time advantage. Glenflesk, shorn a few regulars, struggled to get any foothold in the second half and further points from David O Sullivan, Cian Gammell, Rob Leen and Micheal Devlin put the seal on a 1-14 to 0-8 win. That coupled with Spas impressive win in Dingle saw the West Kerry side join An Ghaeltacht and Milltown Castlemaine in the drop. The first round of the Intermediate Championship sees a repeat of this game and both sides will be expected to be considerably stronger for that joust. A speedy recovery is wished for Billy McGuire, Will Shine, Podge O Connor and Eoghan O Sullivan who picked up knocks in the game. As it stands with Austin Stacks, Beaufort and Glenbeigh/ Glencar all promoted to the top division, there will be eight Intermediate clubs in the top flight.

### U14 GIRLS

Our U14 girls qualified for the County League Division 3 Final by virtue of a good win over Scartaglen in Direen during the week. From the starting whistle, the girls went out strong and demonstrated their attacking efficiency as they settled into the game nicely. Showing great team work and a ferocious work rate, we entered the half on a scoreline of 1-6 to 1-0 in favour of Legion. With the wind at our backs, the girls' confidence grew, and more scoring chances from long range were taken that led to victory. Thank you to the ref, John Purcell, and to Scartaglen.

Later in the week they were crowned County League champions defeating Laune Rangers in a humdinger of a final in John Mitchels on Sunday evening. Playing against the wind in the first half, scores were hard to come by but a resilient rearguard action saw then only two points in arrears at half time, 1-5 to 1-3. With the advantage of the wind for the second half, the girls upped their intensity. A quick goal to start the half, shifted the momentum while the work rate never waned. Laune Rangers though remained in the game but couldn't find a way past the defence, who held them to only one point in the second half. The girls held out for a tremendous well deserved victory on the final score 3-7 to 1-6.

### U10 GIRLS

A sun soaked Direen was the venue for the visit of our near neighbours Spa for our u 10 girls Go Games on Wednesday evening last. Two very competitive and evenly matched games were played out with both teams fielding 19 players each. Big thanks to John Keane for taking up the whistle at short notice. Thanks to Spa for visiting and producing two good sporting games. The improvements from week to week from the girls is very noticeable and training continues Saturday morning at 10:30.

### U12 GIRLS

Our U12 girls travelled to glorious Gallarus on a summers Tuesday evening for games against Corca Dhuibhne. All girls played 4 quarter games showing great skill and good team work. Big thanks to the parents who travelled.

### FEILE

The very best of luck to our team and management as they head to Tipperary to take part in the U15 National Feile competition,



which takes place on Saturday June 29th.

### UNDER 9 BOYS

Our Under 9 boys travelled to Tralee on Tuesday evening to take on the Na Gaeil boys. Twenty three boys played four games each, with great skill and teamwork on show in all games. Thank you to Na Gaeil for hosting and to the young referees for doing a fine job.

### U11 BOYS

Our U 11 boys continued phase 2 of their County Go Games with a trip to Kenmare last Thursday evening. Our hosts provided a good stern test for our boys who took some time to get into their stride. Kenmare, to their credit, had two very good, well-balanced teams and played a good fast brand of football, which led to good games with excellent scores being taken by both sides. Thanks to Kenmare for hosting us and to their two young referees who were excellent at officiating. On Thursday, we play our final game of this phase of games when we visit Beaufort.

### U13 BOYS

The U13 Boys commenced their East Kerry League campaign with a double header in Spa. The Green team had a belter of a game, going down narrowly to Spa in a goalfest. The White team held sway for the majority of their game to run out comfortable winners.

### U14 BOYS

Our U14 boys were defeated on Friday evening by Firies in Farranfore in the last round of the East Kerry League. Firies led by 4 points at the break and despite a good effort the boys could not close the gap sufficiently in second half. Thanks to Firies for a good game and well done to them on a deserved win.

### U15 BOYS

A good win for our U15 boys in the first round of the East Kerry league on Wednesday evening against Keel/Listry in Listry. The boys lead by 1-8 to 1-3 at half time. Keel / Listry closed the gap to 2 points early in second half but from there onwards the boys produced a commanding performance defending well and working some great scores. Thanks to Keel/Listry for a good sporting game as always. Final score Killarney Legion 4-20 Listry 3-8

### FLAG DAY

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

### SPEEDY RECOVERY

Everyone in the club are glad to hear that Alan Scannell, our U15 player, is making a great recovery from an unfortunate accident in the last few weeks, recuperating both in hospital and at home. It was great to see him attend the U15 game during the week and no doubt he is showing great character with his resilience.

### LOTTO

Results Monday June 17th. Numbers were 7, 8, 13, 15. Bonus No 2. No Jackpot winner. Match 3s / Lucky Dips: 1. Eimear Scannell 2. Pat O Sullivan 3. Brid McGillycuddy 4. Donie Fleming 5. Kate Griffin.



Killarney Under 15 Féile team who participated in Regional Féile Finals in Roscommon last Saturday

## EAST KERRY NEWS

### MD O SHEA SPONSORED EAST KERRY U15 ROUND 1 RESULTS

#### Division 1A

Dr Crokes 1:16 Spa 4:7, Keel/Listry 3:08 Legion 4:18

#### Division 1B

Kilcummin 3:09 Firies 3:05

#### Division 2A

Beaufort 8- 09 Gneeveguilla 2- 08, Fossa 5-20 Currow 2-7

#### Division 2B

Rathmore 6-17 Scartaglen 2-7

### ALL IRELAND FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

Good luck to the Kerry team in the All Ireland quarter finals next weekend.

## DR. CROKES NOTES

### SFL DIV. 1

#### Dr. Crokes 2:19 Rathmore 1:11

Our senior footballers made it 11 wins from 11 in the SFL on Sunday last after overcoming Rathmore in Lewis Road. This was a massive team performance, with 10 different players getting their names on the scoresheet. First half goals from Mark O'Shea and Cian McMahon ensured that we took control of the game from early on. Leading 2:09 to 0:06 at half time it was always going to be a difficult task for our opponents. Captain David Naughton accepted the County League trophy at full time.

**ACADEMY** continues every Saturday morning, for boys and girls between 4 and 11 from the Killarney area. Hurling from 10-11 and Football from 11:15-12:15. Fun and friendship guaranteed. Bring a friend.

**LOTTO** took place June 24th Numbers drawn were 4, 9, 17, 18. Jackpot of €8,000 was NOT WON. 12 patrons matched 3 numbers and receive €35 each. Jackpot for draw on July 1st will be €8,300. Play online by following the link below and follow instructions attached [https://play.clubforce.com/play\\_newa.asp?ll\\_id=734#Anchor](https://play.clubforce.com/play_newa.asp?ll_id=734#Anchor)([https://play.clubforce.com/play\\_newa.asp?ll\\_id=734#Anchor](https://play.clubforce.com/play_newa.asp?ll_id=734#Anchor))

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### BINGO

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

**CONGRATULATIONS** to Olamide Smith who won a silver medal at the National Championships in the long jump at 4.6 metres. **CONDOLENCES** to Mella and all the O'Connell Family on the passing on Neilus. Ar dheis Dé go raibh a anam.

### NOTES

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

## KILLARNEY CAMOGIE CLUB

### REGIONAL FÉILE 2024

Our Under 15 team made their way from a sunny Spa last Saturday morning shortly after 5.30am for the long trip to St Aidan's GAA Club in Ballyforan, Co. Roscommon. A breakfast stop in Ennis on the way up was a welcome stop. They met up with teammates in Ballyforan who had travelled via car and received their new Féile tops & shorts.

They played 3 group games v Tooreen Camogie Club (Mayo), Pdraig Pearses Camogie Club (Roscommon) and Drumgoon (Cavan), resulting in 2 losses & 1 win. This qualified us to play in the Shield semi final v Markievicz of Donegal but unfortunately this resulted in a loss on a scoreline of 2-03 to 4-02.

Fantastic performance by all players and we are very proud of every single one of them. Thanks to our coaches and mentors Claudia O'Donoghue, Kate Lynch and Jerry Cronin for all their hard work preparing the girls for the competition. Thanks also to our chaperones & score updater - Mary Rose Clifford, Lorraine McDonnell, Miriam Harty, Jacinta Dineen, Catherine Hickey and Elaine Murphy

It was a long journey home, broken up by a dinner stop in Bunratty and it was a day to rest and recover on Sunday for everyone. Congratulations to Tralee Parnells and Cillard Camogie Clubs on their involvement in the





National Féile competitions in Wexford. Cillard won out the Cup Competition in their Division, while Tralee lost out in their Division Cup Semi Final. Fantastic to see 3 Kerry teams competing on a national/regional basis.

**UNDER 12**

Our Under 12's will be participating in Camán

to Munster in TUS Gaelic Grounds in Limerick on 17th July. This is a big year for the Camogie Association as we celebrate the 120th Anniversary of the Association. As one of only 4 Kerry teams selected, we are very privileged in the fact that once we participate in this blitz, we will be eligible to enter the draw to attend

Camán to Croker in 2025!

**KERRY SENIORS**

Well done to the Kerry senior team and management, especially Kate Lynch and Áine Devlin, who had a win v Carlow in the Intermediate Championship last weekend on a scoreline of Kerry 3-13 Carlow 1-10.

# Killarney Legion U15 Ladies Heading for Feile

The Killarney Legion U15 Ladies are on the road this Saturday when they travel to Moyle Rovers GAA in Co Tipperary for the Regional Feile finals 2024.

On the back of winning the Kerry Feile competition in May, they now advance to the Regional Finals where they will represent Kerry against teams from Limerick, Wexford, Westmeath, Cork, Kilkenny, Tipperary and Waterford.

The past few weeks have been very busy fundraising for the event; a club bingo night was a huge success which was followed by the clubs annual u10 girls blitz during which a monster bake sale was held and very generously supported by all the visiting teams. The club also embarked on a Re-Turn to Feile initiative, whereby members were asked to donate their plastic bottles & cans so the club could benefit from the Re-Turn refund.

Ladies chairperson Ted Healy commented, 'as soon as our young ladies secured the County title, plans were afoot as to how we could fundraise the adventure. We concentrated on how we could self fundraise for the event with as much responsibility on the playing members as possible - we felt it was important for them to take ownership of it and that it would mean more to all in the long run.'

Of course such events do not run themselves and would not have been possible but for the hard work of a few volunteers behind the scenes pulling it all together.

'The club bingo night was a great occasion with young and old taking part on the night in what was a tremendous social evening for all. The following morning saw our annual u10 girls blitz taking place at which a monster bake sale was held - this proved a real hit with all and was very successful. We are very very grateful to all



Front Row (L to R): Holly McLoughlin, Eimir Kearney, Grace O Shea, Liadan Coleman (c), Kate Fleming, Sophie O Shea, Mary Pierce, Esme O Sullivan  
Back Row (L to R): Emily O Neill, Isabelle Doyle, Sophie Duke, Molly Cronin, Emily O Shea, Kate Pierce, Lauren MacSweeney, Claire Lyne, Madison Angland, Lillian Slattery  
Missing from pic: Ali Bowler, Sinead O Leary, Aitanna Bowler, Sadbh O Brien & Sophia Sharma

our sponsors who very kindly got behind our events in donating prizes for our bingo night and indeed to all who contributed delicious home baking to our bake sale.'

He added, 'It has been great to see the club get behind this group of young women to ensure Saturday is a day that will live long in the memory.'

The team were presented with their new Feile gear at training on Tuesday night where the excitement was palpable.

The group, who play at both u14& u16 level in the club, have been looked after this year by Ted

Healy, Kieran O Shea, Donal O Leary, Timmie Joe Fleming, John Bowler, Shane MacSweeney, Sharon O Shea and Noelle O Brien. The team is being captained by full back Liadan Coleman. Killarney Legion's Social media channels will be busy providing updates on the teams progress throughout the course of the day.

The team bus departs Killarney at 7am Saturday morning when the adventure continues.

Firies National School students Christopher Brosnan, Conor Redmond and Diarmuid Fitzgerald who attended a showcase event for the Weave project in Killarney this week.





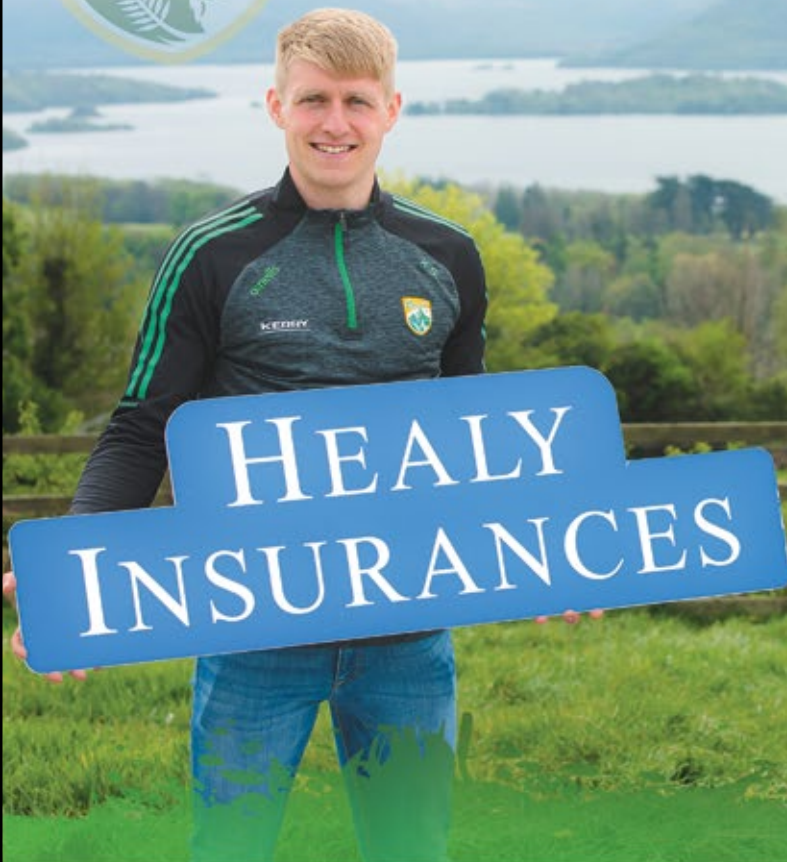
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**Please be advised that lower side of New Street Car Park will be closed for parking from 7am on Friday July 5th until Midnight, Saturday July 6th.**

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Field, Cleeney, Tralee Road (kind permission of Micheál O'Shea) and the HSE field off the Killarney Bypass (kind permission of the HSE) from 5am to 8pm, Saturday, 6th July. All cyclists are being asked to use these facilities to ensure smooth traffic flow and ease congestion during this time.

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Saturday 6th July, Mission Road will be closed to traffic from 5am to 9am and from 11.30am to 8pm and Beech Road will be closed to traffic from 5am to 9am and 12noon to 8pm. Please obey the stewards and follow the extensive diversion routes.

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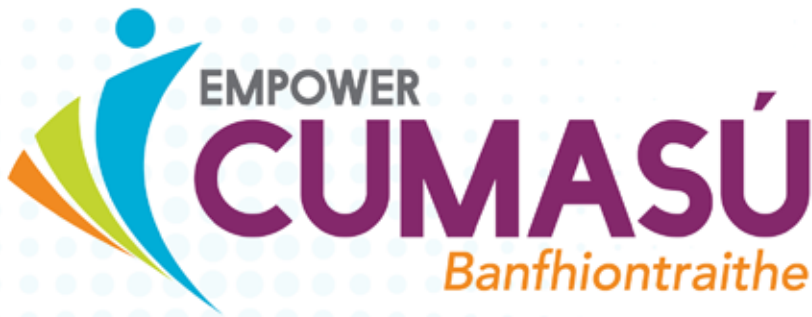
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**KILLARNEY TIDY TOWNS COMMITTEE,** Midsummer message for all regarding tidy towns, please keep up the good work painting, planting and picking up litter, judging is on going, thanks to all for a great display. Volunteers please assemble at the bottle bank in the High Street Car Park, Monday at 6pm. Killarney is looking good.



*A Word of Victory*

*"Do not gloat over me, my enemy! Though I have fallen, I will rise. Though I sit in darkness, the LORD will be my Light" (Micah 7:8).*


Welcome back dear student, this is such a beautiful promise. People deal with failure all the time. Things don't work out like we hoped they would, or we make mistakes and fall into sin - falling short of God's Glory (Romans 3:23). And the enemy is waiting there to oblige with plenty of accusations, shame, condemnation, guilt, or disappointment - to bring total defeat. God is not as interested in our failure as He is in our response. We must get back up. Quitting and giving into defeat is not an option. When it involves sin there is a danger that pride will not want to admit it, but when we do the Lord our Redeemer is ready to forgive. "The people sitting in darkness have seen a Great Light, and those living in the land and shadow of death, to them Light has dawned" (Matthew 4:16). This was speaking of Yeshua - Jesus, the Messiah coming to rescue His people. How He accomplished this was through living a sinless perfect life as one of us, and dying a horrible death to pay for all mankind's sin with His Blood (Isaiah 53:1-12). The 'darkness and land of the shadow of death' is symbolic of the dungeon that sin, failure or discouragement throws one into. Without Jesus' sacrifice and the Father's Covenant of Love we would have been lost forever with no hope of redemption.

Hopelessness and negativity are key aspects of darkness. Without light nothing is visible and depression reigns. The 'Light of the World' Jesus quenched and overcame the darkness that separated us from God. "...Light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it" (John 1:5). The greatest darkness is being separated from our Loving Father Who created us. The parable Jesus told of the prodigal son is not so much about the wayward son, his sin and foolishness, but more about the Faithfulness of his father. The son represents you and me, and his father represents God (Luke 15:11-32). The son woke up one day so hungry and broken that he longed to eat some of the pig's slop – then had a lightbulb moment. He remembered how the servants in his father's house were well looked after, not like the situation he now found himself in. This is a beautiful telling of the story each one of us has experienced. The circumstances may be different, but the result is the same – without the Hope of Salvation from our Heavenly Father God, we were all done for.

Darkness is a lonely and isolated place to be in. It feels depressing and never ending. The prophet Zechariah wrote this about the Promised Saviour and Coming King Jesus five hundred years before His birth "...because of the Covenant I made with you, sealed with Blood, I will free your prisoners from death in a waterless dungeon" (Zechariah 9:11). Friend, no matter what's going on or what has happened, know this: God is for you, He is not against you. Just because some things haven't worked out doesn't mean you are no good or hopeless. You must not give up – instead LOOK UP! Pray... Lord Jesus, you know all about my situation. Please help me to come out of darkness - shine the Light of Your Love into my heart for You are my Saviour, my Deliverer, and my Lord. I renounce all sin, fear, hopelessness and defeat. Fill me with Your Strength and heal my life. I will never quit in Jesus' Name, amen!

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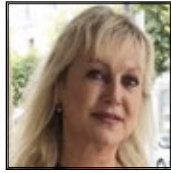
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If we could have you back again.*

Loved, missed and remembered  
always by your wife Mary, son John,  
daughters Ann-Marie and Geraldine,  
daughter-in- law Niamh, sons-in-law John  
and Daniel and your 5 grandchildren.

**THE MIRACLE PRAYER**

Dear Heart of Jesus in the past I have  
asked many favours. This time I ask you  
this special one, (mention favour).  
Take it dear heart of Jesus and place it  
within your own broken heart where  
your Father sees it.  
Then in his merciful eyes it will become  
your favour not mine.

Amen.

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

M.B

**ST ROCH PRAYER**

Prayer TO Avert Contagious Maladies.  
O' Most Merciful God who through  
an angel promised St Roch whoever  
would invoke his name should  
be preserved From pestilence &  
contagious diseases. Grant that  
through his intercession we may be  
preserved from all dangers both of  
Soul & body. Through Christ Our Lord  
Amen St Roch Pray for Us.  
Feast 16 August.

**JESUS**

May your Sacred Heart Lord Jesus, be praised,  
glorified and honoured throughout the whole  
world now and forever. Repeat this 3 times.



**KILLARNEY CHRISTIAN GROUP**

*Paul & Nuala O'Higgins*



Everyone Welcome

**MEETING**  
AT FOSSA COMMUNITY CENTRE  
FOSSA, KILLARNEY, V93 FC 9F.  
**SUNDAY JUNE 23RD.**  
AT 11.30AM.

**IN MEMORIAM**

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IN LOVING MEMORY OF

**CHRISTINA MCSWEENEY (NÉE COLLINS)**



LEAM, GNEEVEGUILLA AND COUNTESS GROVE, KILLARNEY WHO DIED ON 30TH JUNE 2023.

As we lovingly remember Christina on the first anniversary of her untimely passing, we, the McSweeney family would like to express our sincere gratitude to all who offered their sympathy and support at such a difficult time. To all our relatives, friends and neighbours who attended and helped at the house, joined us in prayer, commiserated with us and brought food and refreshments, we thank you very much. To the many people who came to the wake, requiem mass and burial, especially those who travelled long distances, your presence was very much appreciated and we thank you all. To those who sent mass cards, floral tributes and messages of condolence, your kind words offered us great consolation.

Thank you to Fr. Pat O'Donnell and his co-celebrants for such a beautiful mass; Fr. Tom Looney, Fr. Pádraig Walsh, Fr. Jim Lenihan, Fr. Niall Geaney, and Deacon Thady O'Connor. Thank you also to Joan Collins and Sheila McSweeney for the poignant and heartfelt music and to Donie O'Connor, sacristan.

To funeral directors Seán O'Mahony and Christy Crowley who made such a difficult time as manageable as possible with their great care and attention to detail; thank you so much for going above and beyond for us. Thanks also to O'Keefe's funeral home, the gravediggers and to the Parish Office staff.

Gneeveguilla GAA Club and Kingdom Catering provided hospitality afterwards which Christina herself would have been proud of and we are very grateful to you all. Thanks also to the ladies committee at the club for the refreshments after the month's mind mass.

To the staff at the Bons Secours and Kerry University hospitals who all did their utmost for Christina, as well as G.P. Dr. Anita O'Sullivan; thank you all so very much indeed for the help and consideration you always gave.

We would also like to thank Fr. Teddy Lenihan, chaplain at UHK, who offered us deep comfort as we bade farewell to a most deeply loved wife, mother, grandmother and sister.

Christina is profoundly missed and will always be lovingly remembered by us; we will carry her in our hearts forever.

To all of you who have given us so much support in a time of great need, go raibh míle maith agaibh go léir. Please accept this acknowledgment as a sign of our heartfelt appreciation.

The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass has been offered for your intentions.

**1ST ANNIVERSARY MASS**  
Friday, 5th July at 7pm in the Church of the Holy Rosary, Gneeveguilla.

**THANKSGIVING**

For favours received from Sacred Heart of Jesus, Our Lady of Lourdes, St. Bernadette, St. Martin De Porres, St. Roch, St. Padre Pio, St. Michael the Archangel, St. Perigrine for many favours received and that includes health.

**NOVENA TO SAINT THÉRÈSE**

O Little Therese of the Child Jesus please pick for me a rose from the heavenly garden and send it to me as a message of love.


O Little Flower of Jesus, ask God to grant the favours I now place with confidence in your hands (mention your special prayer request here)

St. Therese, help me to always believe as you did, in God's great love for me, so that I may imitate your "Little Way" each day.

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*Mom*

*When God was making mothers,  
He must have made a fuss.  
He spent a lot of time on one  
And gave that one to us.  
Of all the gifts in life,  
However big or small,  
To have you as our mother  
Was the greatest gift of all.  
Because you were so special,  
No words could ever say  
How much we love and miss you,  
Each and every day.*

Sadly missed and lovingly remembered by your husband Denis, children Adrian, Brian, Elaine and Marie and son-in-law Alex.

*Nana*

*If flowers grow in Heaven Lord  
Then pick a bunch for me,  
And place them in my Nana's arms  
And tell her they're from me.  
Tell her that I love and miss her  
And when she turns to smile,  
Place a kiss upon her cheek  
And hold her for awhile.*

From your loving granddaughters,  
Ellie and Grace.



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