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First Flutter...Lauren Kiely, left, Aoife Scanlon and Fiadh Driver, at The Killarney Races May Festival, on Sunday afternoon in Killarney. Photo: Valerie O'Sullivan



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Welcome to this week's Killarney Outlook!

It's a busy one with plenty of news, photographs, sport and of course fantastic offers from our loyal advertisers.

It was a sad week in Killarney as the town said fare well to one of its favourite sons, thousand took part in Nathan's Walk - Darkness Into Light and it's time to saddle up for Down Syndrome Kerry.

Killarney National Park are on a Bioblitz mission, Killarney Legion held their club awards night and Anne Lucey asks why Dinis Cottage isn't opening this year.

Killarney Race Company held their first festival of 2024, Spa Set Dancers are crowned All Ireland champions and it's First Holy Communion Season in parishes around Killarney.

Killarney Community College Students are hitting our screens, Castleisland students are national winners and St Brendan's handball team are off to Sweden.

Jimmy takes a look at all things sport, we have all the club news from around the town and the pressure is on for our local politicians in the run up the the local and European elections.

Hope you all enjoy this week's Killarney Outlook!

Aisling Crosbie



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Peggy having a snooze after her weekly fix of the Killarney Outlook captured perfectly by Frances Healy.

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# Shaq was as Killarney as it gets

here was shock and utter disbelief at the news of the sudden passing of one of the town's much loved sons, Caoimhin 'Shaq' O'Donoghue.

It's fair to say that Caoimhin who was 49 years old, was one of the most popular but unassuming guys in Killarney.

He was deeply involved in sport, Basketball with St Paul's and Football with Dr. Crokes and was a huge asset to both clubs.

Shaq was a true sportsman, having played at all levels underage with Dr. Crokes, becoming a selector and ultimately training the Ladies Team.

St. Paul's Basketball club was also very close to Shaq's heart and along with his brother Cormac, they brought the team back to National League levels.

A friend for many years of Shaq's Paul Kennedy took to social media to share his memories of his friend.

"I first came across Shaq when as a young footballer come basketballer back in the 90's, I with my young teammates Ken Mac, Dec Madden, Paul Griffin from Fossa school took on the Harlem globe trottering town teams from Ardshanavooley, Moyeightragh, Woodlawn, Pinewood in the town league that used to be held in St Marys Parish Hall. Shaq even then was a larger than life figure, refereeing games, coaching teams, central to the whole ethos of what was great about the town league, bringing young people together, enjoying the rivalry between the estates of the town, and especially the town versus country school banter. His presence demanded respect but at the back of it all was genuine character that everyone warmed too and the platform of the town league meant that many players of



Biker friends lead the funeral cortege of the late Caoimhin O'Donoghue past a guard of honour from St. Paul's Basketball Club and Dr Crokes GAA Club at St. Mary's Cathedral, Killarney on Tuesday. Picture: Eamonn Keogh



The funeral cortege of the late Caoimhin O'Donoghue with a guard of honour from St. Paul's Basketball Club and Dr Crokes GAA Club at St. Mary's Cathedral, Killarney on Tuesday. Picture: Eamonn Keogh

our generation from the various schools were encouraged into the St Pauls family through people like Shaq, James Weldon, Swish and BuBu", Paul said.

A familiar face at the door of many establishments in Killarney including Mustang Sally's, he had a great way with young people who were venturing on the social scene for the first time. His empathy made sure that if needed, he was always there to ensure they enjoyed their night on the town safely.

In recent years, Shaq took up the post of Porter in the Killarney Park Hotel, a role at which he excelled, greeting visitors from all over the world and making sure they saw Killarney at its best.

Shaq will be greatly missed by his mother Margaret, sister Sheena, brothers Shane, Cormac and Timothy, sisters-in-law Geraldine, Siobhan and Nicola, his nephews Timothy and Blake, nieces Seodhna, Béibhinn and Muireann, his aunts Tess Hickey and Eileen Miller, godchild Sebastian, relatives, neighbours, his work colleagues in Killarney Park Hotel and a wide circle of friends.

He was laid to rest in Aghadoe Cemetery following Requiem Mass on Tuesday.



The funeral cortege of the late Caoimhin O'Donoghue with a guard of honour from St. Paul's Basketball Club and Dr Crokes GAA Club going through Killarney town on Tuesday. Picture: Eamonn Keogh



The coffin of the late Caoimhin O'Donoghue is carried by his former St. Paul's Basketball Club teammates and friends Shane Horgan, James Weldon, Brian Clarke and Niall 'Botty' O'Callaghan at his removal from O'Shea's Funeral Home to St. Mary's Cathedral. Picture: Eamonn Keogh



The coffin of the late Caoimhin O'Donoghue is carried by his former Dr Crokes GAA Club teammates and friends Mike Cooper, Pat O'Shea, Mark Cooper and John Keogh at his removal from O'Shea's Funeral Home to St. Mary's Cathedral, Killarney on Monday evening. Picture: Eamonn Keogh



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## NEWS

## Caoimhín O'Donoghue RIP

Eamonn Keogh reflects on the reaction to the sad passing of a larger-than-life personality

Moving and emotion-charged tributes continue to pour in for the late Caoimhín O'Donoghue, the charismatic and dedicated Killarney sportsman who was laid to rest in Aghadoe Cemetery on Tuesday.

The very popular 49-year-old Ardshanavooly man passed away in University Hospital Kerry following a brief illness.

The outpouring of grief, glowing online tributes and fond memories expressed following his passing included several from his former team-mates and club colleagues with St Paul's Basketball Club and Dr Crokes GAA Clubs which were both very close to the heart of the man affectionately known as Shaq which was linked to comparisons to American basketball legend Shaquille O'Neal.

Former teammate in both codes and lifelong friend Brian Clarke, who played with Caoimhín on underage and senior teams, remarked: "Shaq cheered up each person he met along his path in life. His likes are so seldom to be found – just a pure, down to earth Killarney treasure".

Another close friend and former teammate, Niall O'Callaghan, said Caoimhín was a marvellous person, so positive and great fun and his loss is just devastating. He said he has so many happy memories of Caoimhin from all the basketball trips they went on in Ireland and abroad.

Niall also recalled a famous night when there were "two Shaqs in the house".

That momentous occasion was in 2008 when Niall, Caoimhín and former Gleneagle Lakers coach Mark Scannell were in Phoenix, Arizona to see the Phoenix Suns play an NBA game and the great Shaquille O'Neal was playing that night.

Another great pal and former teammate, James Weldon, who is head coach with the Ireland senior women's team, described Caoimhín as an

#### incredible man.

"He loved to chat basketball at any opportunity and was so insightful on how he thought about the game and life in general," he said.

"He connected with players as a coach because of his brilliant skill of reading and understanding of people that he inspired," James added.

"Shaq connected with people because he was a genuine person who cared, listened and wanted what was best for everyone".





Former All-Ireland winning Kerry senior football manager and Dr Crokes coach Pat O'Shea, who also played national league basketball with Shaq, described him as an extremely knowledgeable sports coach and an equally talented player.

"A gentle giant, he was a friend to everyone," he remarked. Pat said Caoimhín was taken way too soon but he will never be forgotten and it was a privilege to have known him as a friend.

St Paul's Basketball Club Chairman, Paul Sheehan, who coached Caoimhín from a young age, said everybody was devastated to hear of his untimely passing.

"Caoimhín served the club in so many roles with distinction, as a player, coach and officer, and he will be greatly missed," Paul said.

Former St Paul's national league and superleague coach Joe Coughlan, who travelled from Galway for the funeral, described Caoimhín as a lively, affable, engaging and relatable man.

He added that Shaq had such a fabulous presence and was even larger-than-life in all things.

"St Pauls were blessed to have him for his volunteering and his commitment and as a player," Joe said, adding that he loved coaching Caoimhín as his spirit was immense.

American basketball coach, Matt Vaughn, who spent the 1992-93 season in Killarney, said he had fond memories of a young Caoimhín and it was a pleasure to meet him again when he returned on a trip in 2014.

"He always had a big personality to go with Shaq-like size," said Matt.

American player Billy Gilligan, from the Gleneagle Lakers team of 2001-02, also expressed his sadness and said Caoimhín always treated him so well during his time in Killarney.

Kerry GAA Chairman and fellow Dr Crokes clubman, Patrick O'Sullivan, remarked that Caoimhín was a gentle giant who never had a bad word to say about anyone.

He described him as a great clubman and a nice guy who never forgot who his friends were.

Former Mayor of Killarney and neighbour, Seán O'Grady, described Caoimhín as a great ambassador for Killarney who has gone on



Delight as Caoimhin and his brother Cormac bring St. Paul's to National Level. Photo: Eamonn Keogh

#### much too soon.

"He was a neighbour's child from Ardshan who was raised on the front field with his sister, brothers and all of our children and who was spoken of in glowing terms by all, then and since.

"He will remain in our hearts forever. A giant of a man in every sense of the word," Seán added.

Former GAA President Seán Kelly MEP said he was so sad to learn of Caoimhín's death and he had the privilege of teaching him in St Brendan's College over 30 years ago.

"Caoimhín was a lovely guy with a heart of gold," said the MEP.

Chicago native, basketball coach and author Rus Bradburd, who led Tralee Tigers to a superleague title in 2004, said he knew and liked Caoimhín during his time in Kerry and expressed his sadness at the terrible news and huge blow felt following his loss.

The son of Margaret and the late Timmie O'Donoghue, Caoimhín is survived by his mother, brothers Shane, Cormac and Timothy, sister Sheena, sisters-in-law Geraldine, Siobhan and Nicola, his nephews Timothy and Blake, nieces Seodhna, Béibhinn and Muireann, aunts Tess Hickey and Eileen Miller, godchild Sebastian, relatives, neighbours, his work colleagues in Killarney Park Hotel and a wide circle of friends.



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## DEVESTATING FLOODS HIT KENYA

Following a highly successful table quiz at the end of last month, the team involved in Kenya Education Project would like to sincerely thank all who supported their recent fundriaser on April 24th.

"It was a very successful fundraising event , enjoyed by all. We would like to thank all the Business people in Killarney who sponsored prizes for the raffle and winning participants. This support is so generous and greatly appreciated", Eddie Sheehy told Killarney Outlook.

Since Mid March Kenya has experienced huge volumes of rainfall on a daily basis resulting in terrible hardship for people living in many parts of the country. Many rivers have burst their banks , resulting in catastrophic flooding, loss of life and destruction of property. Families living close to rivers have been evacuated to higher ground where there is little support to obtain an alternative home or shelter. People are left without shelter food or bedding. It is those most vulnerable who are most at risk with few choices facing a bleak uncertain future trying to reconstruct their lives.

"In Embulbul Village, where the Kenya Education Project is based, homes have been flooded with water seeping through the earthen floors increasing the risk of sickness and infection. The already poor sanitation facilities are over stretched leaving people at risk of further sickness", Eddie added.

The Kenya Education Project has provided money for some needy families, especially newborn babies and young children trapped in their homes by rising flood waters.

ntrepid Arctic Explorer Kevin Leahy from Killarney - winner of Montane Arctic Spine Race in February this year is embarking on another expedition, this time it's the Eats & Beats Festival 2024.

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The popular music, food and arts festival Eats + Beats back and this year, nature is reclaiming the spotlight. Nestled amongst the fields and woodlands of Dunloe Killarney, and surrounded by the majestic Macgillycuddy's Reeks, festival organisers The Killarney Folk Collective are getting ready to throw the wildest outdoor party of the year. Having secured one of the most scenic festival locations in the country, early bird tickets sold out within weeks and the team behind the event are expecting big crowds to flock to Dunloe, Killarney, on Saturday, August 4th.

Kila, Two Time Polka Megatrad, Cait Ni Riain, Steve 4D, Kev O'Leary, Archive, Captain Birdsong are just some of the exciting and eclectic musicians already announced, with more big music announcements expected soon. With 12 hours of non-stop music and arts entertainment, food vendors like The Hungry Donkey, The Black Sheep Coffee, and Muckross Ice Cream promise to keep festival goers fueled throughout the day and night.

Renowned Irish music acts already announced include Kila, Two Time Polka Megatrad, Cait Ni Riain, Steve 4D, Kev O'Leary, Archive, Captain Birdsong, Two Time Polka for a day of fantastic tunes. Crowd favourites like The Hungry Donkey, The Black Sheep Coffee, and Muckross Ice Cream will return, alongside exciting new vendors offering a delicious selection of local fare with alcohol also available for purchase at the event. Alongside the music, attendees can expect a variety of captivating performances and artistic installations.

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illarney National Park are on a Bioblitz mission and the highlight of this year's Biodiversity week in Killarney National Park is a friendly competition with our fellow European nature sites and reserves - The Natura 2000 Bioblitz - your mission with family and friends, is to help identify and record as many species in Killarney National Park as possible. On Saturday 25th May, Muckross School House, will be open from 10.00am -3.00pm. Various identification walks will take place throughout the day. Conservation Rangers, Ecologists and nature experts will be on hand to help identify your findings. No booking is required. Using the Obsidentify app https://observation. org/apps/obsidentify/

At any time between 18th & 26th May 2024 (whether fishing, hiking, jogging, cycling, kayaking, or strolling) simply record what you see. All your scans in that period will count for the EU-wide Natura 2000 Day **BioBlitz!** 

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Killarney National Park Biodiversity week kicks off next Wednesday 22nd May with two guided nature walks, both beginning at 10.00 and again at 1.30pm

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Thursday 23rd continues with a Pop-up Biodiversity Display centred at Muckross House Courtyard - presented by Killarney National Park Education team. No Booking required.

Friday evening it's all about the nocturnal animals with a nature ramble meet at Knockreer Demesne at 9.00pm - booking is essential.

For scanning QR Codes go to Killarney National Park Facebook Page @ killarneynationalpark

## What a difference some paint makes



A fabulous makeover of these business premises on Main Street are sure to catch the judges eye when they are judging the 2024 Tidy Towns Competition. Premises in the town who are planning a paint job over the next few weeks are being encouraged to use vibrant colours to enhance their properties in the run up to the judging.



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## It's the talk of the town...

With Anne Lucey

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



#### Ode to Dinis

Dinis Cottage is not to reopen this year. The news comes by way of a posting on the National Park Facebook site :"Dinis Cottage Tea Rooms are closed for the Season". In blue and red large writing - in case anyone might miss it.

But this column can announce attempts at a reprieve, having been onto NPWS headquarters in Dublin.

The Dinis tea rooms has been a treasure and a service to the public from Victorian times. All those who ran it are held with particular fondness. There is shock.

Communications has never been a forte of the national park, it has to be said.

I sometimes wonder about the underlying attitude and if there is not still a little colonial style "hauteur" towards the local hoi polloi by the park?

"Dinis Cottage Tea Rooms will be closed for the remainder of the season for maintenance works to be carried out. We apologise for any inconvenience caused," is the preface.

Underneath is the banner with a picture of the Meeting of the Waters - not even

bothering to put up the cottage.

Is this blunt message good enough? I have been going through old newspaper archives in the Killarney library for research and there is a certain similarity with the landlord class of 200 years ago. In 1842 "on the mountains and moors of Mangerton part of the estate ...the lands are poisoned and strictly preserved," was the notice in the Kerry Examiner the week of August 16th. This was by the Earl of Kenmare. Warnings in 1844 about trespass. Blunt!

Two centuries on little seems to have changed.

What "maintenance" exactly? Over 600,000 euro was put into Dinis Cottage just 18 years ago.

I am not the only one annoyed.

"Surely someone would have taken a concession to run a 'horsebox' type of service?" Bernard O'Shea comments. Perhaps a better suggestion comes from Gillian O'Sullivan - get the Trustees of Muckross House to run Dinis."Why can't the restaurant at Muckross House run this at least for a couple of hours each day?" she said. With help from the fine new jeeps the rangers have, the Trustees - who it seems are no longer cash strapped either - could easily ferry staff, grub and all to and from Dinis for a couple of hours each day, it strikes me.

Meanwhile, Dublin tells me they will do all they can to have Dinis open for the season. But who will run it remains the question.

#### **Drug Driving**

What was the last meeting of the Kerry Joint Policing Committee in Tralee on Friday

heard how cocaine now accounts for almost half of all seizures by the Kerry Divisional Drugs Unit, and it is in use across all cohorts of society.

Intimidation by drugs' gangs because of drug debt was very much under-reported in Kerry, and huge sums of money were being made in drug dealing.

In 2023 drugs to the value of Euro 600,514 were seized by the Kerry Divisional Drugs Unit one of the most successful units in the country and cannabis accounted for 54 per cent of this, followed by cocaine at 43 per cent.

Driving under the influence of drugs is also growing and now over one third of all driving under the influence detections relate to drugs.

Drugs stay in the system longer and so people are caught days after weekend intake is the suggestion.

Reading between the lines, cocaine use is now quite openly taking place and this is something I have seen in court sittings myself in videos of night club assaults and such.

People are going into toilet cubicles in twos and threes and surely bar owners and nightclub operators can spot this?

Businesses were urged by ClIr Niall O'Callaghan to open the doors to gardai and report any drug use they see. The underbelly of the cocaine racket is the money that is being made and the amount of debt people are getting into because of using it. Drug dealers were intimidating whole families and some dealers were likely to be making as much as 50,000 euro a week , the meeting was told.

#### Southern Display of Aurora Borealis a sign from on high?

The Northern Lights or aurora borealis were spectacular last week. But it's not all spectacle: danger looms. The solar storm comes from the sun shooting fired particles at earth. Someday soon satellites and every other device we and Elon Musk have up there may be shot out and then where will we be darkness and lack of global communication and computers crashing. I could not help thinking of the writers of the Annals of Inisfallen and the Anglo Saxon Chronicle and what they would have made of it. In ancient Greece - where solar effects were clearly understood, though not the causes, there would surely be a fight of the Gods with Helios drawing his chariot too soon across the sky, perhaps.Or getting into a fight with Apollo of the moon maybe!

We will doubtless say global warming. But does the cause really matter? Is it not the effects that are the important thing?

Here in 10th century Killarney or in Sussex we surely would have seen the hand of God or a sign of the end of the world was nigh. Humanity had strayed so far into arrogance and vanity, and self-absorption, it was being frightened into awe again would be the thinking.

The Anglo Saxons and indeed the Elizabethans had a horror of "oferhyggd" - thinking too much of one self and being too proud and arrogant. Unusual weather events like last week would be seen as a reflection of the hand of God on humanity.



The celestial light show... as colours collide, cloud and skies cleared to make way for a once in a lifetime aurora borealis - the northern lights, which lit up the night sky at Ross Castle, Killarney National Park. The event was enjoyed by everyone across the Country and much of Northern Europe. Photo: Valerie O'Sullivan





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## KCC STUDENTS CHOSEN FOR NEW EDUCATIONAL VIDEO

ast Friday the Killarney Community College was selected by the Department of Education to interview a number of junior and senior cycle students and record a maths and English class in preparation for the launch of a new digital literacy strategy which will be launched by the Minister of Education this month. Footage from the film crew's visit will be used as part of a promotional video for said launch.

The school was selected after a recent English inspection was commended for their use of digital, literacy and numeracy strategies incorporated by teachers in their classes and lessons. Principal Stella Loughnane noted that "the fact that our school was chosen for the promotion of the new digital strategy is testament to the quality of teaching and learning currently taking place within our classrooms".



Students Sarah McCarthy, Ronan McKeon, teacher Lorraine Crowley, Ella Moynihan and Oscar Lovett who were interviewed by the Department of Education's film crew.



The Office of Public Works has announced that Sceilg Mhichíl has reopened to public visitors last Saturday, 11 May 2024. Access to the site is dependent on favourable weather, sea, and island conditions.

Kieran O'Donnell, T.D., Minister of State with responsibility for the OPW said, "I am very pleased to announce the reopening to visitors of this unique world heritage site for the summer season. Sceilg Mhichíl is one of Ireland's most iconic landmarks and plays a significant role in the local rural tourism economy. The reopening of this UNESCO World Heritage site to visitors for the summer season takes place this weekend. Soak up the awe inspiring surroundings and have a safe and enjoyable visit".

The magnificent heritage site is one of only two UNESCO World Heritage Sites in the Republic of Ireland. The summit of this aweinspiring rock off the Kerry coast is St Fionán's monastery, one of the earliest foundations in the country. The monks who lived there prayed and slept in beehive-shaped huts made of stone, many of which remain to this day. Today, it is home to a fantastic profusion of bird life. Little Skellig is the second-largest gannet colony in the world.

It is recommended that anyone planning a visit to the Sceilg Rock should view the Skellig Michael Safety Video prior to booking a visit to the island as you will be in a better position to judge your suitability for this type of visit.

Booking details can be found at https://heritageireland.ie/ places-to-visit/skellig-michael/

Visitor queries can be addressed to opwskellig@opw.ie

#### Delicioso! Spanish Students Sizzle with Local Chef

In a flavourful fusion of culture and culinary artistry, 2 nd and 3 rd year Spanish students from Killarney Community College recently had the unique opportunity to delve into the secrets of pizza making with a seasoned local chef from Tango Street Food, Killarney. This immersive experience not only ignited their passion for gastronomy but also fostered cross-cultural exchange, gave students an opportunity to practice the language and experience hands-on learning. Led by Chef Facundo Rodulfo and his partner Pamela Neumann, renowned for their mastery of traditional Argentinian cuisine, the students embarked on a journey through the tantalizing world of pizza preparation. From kneading the perfect dough to selecting the freshest ingredients and mastering the art of the perfect bake, every step was a lesson in precision and passion.

Sceilg Mhichil Reopens for the 2024 Season





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## NEWS

## The kettle is on ....

## NEW KITCHEN DONATED TO KILLARNEY VALLEY CLASSIC & VINTAGE

ast week the Killarney Valley Classic and Vintage Club got a new kitchen unit to use in their Vintage shed.

The units were donated by Leanes Kitchens Killarney and then went to the Killarney Community School where the students put the finishing touches on them under the watchful eye of their Woodwork teacher.

"Students Konrad Apolls and Viva Kravchenko along with their woodwork teacher Shane Flemming put the units together and made them on castors so it can be moved if needs be", Tom Leslie from the club told Killarney Outlook.

"We are delighted with the donation but also having something that the wider community were involved in. This will be useful for our weekly meetings on Thursday nights where we are currently working on a Ford tractor and very soon a new restoration will be announced", Tom added.



Picture are from left: Tom Wharton, Denis O Sullivan, Paddy Lawlor, Mike Murphy, Konrad Apolls, Viva Kravchenko, Alan O Sullivan, Tom Leslie, (chairman) Shane Flemming, (woodwork teacher) Ms. O Leary (deputy principal)

## VICTIM THANKS THE GARDAI

Andrea Bartlett, the lady who was mugged on Port Road in Killarney on April 22nd has issued a thank you to An Garda Siochana. 'My husband, Bill and I, want to acknowledge the tireless effort of the Killarney Gardai in investigating and locating the man who mugged and injured me on April 22 on Port Road. They have successfully identified and arrested a suspect. We are grateful

Andrea Bartlett, the lady to the Gardai for their who was mugged on Port experienced, professional and compassionate help 22nd has issued a thank in this matter. Killarney you to An Garda Siochana. 'My husband, Bill and I, want outstanding police force", to acknowledge the tireless she said.

Andrea and her husband Bill had celebrated their their 54th wedding anniversary at Kitty O'Se's Seafood restaurant on the evening of April 22 just before the attack.





The event was always renowned for getting great advice on the Agri topics of the day as well as a window into modern developments taking place in all aspect of Agriculture and country living.

- This year's event is taking place on
- Wednesday May 22nd on their site in Castleisland.
- The extending of the yard area will allow more space to be given over to even more exhibitors, ensuring all areas of agriculture, and rural life will be showcased on the 22nd.
- There will be experts on hand to advise on Calf Rearing, Grassland management, Weed control, Drainage, Fencing, Shed and Yard Layouts as well as bee keeping, and helpful health advice.
- As well as the great advice, you will be ensured of great deals, great food, great craic and free entry to the many spot prizes that will be available on the day.
- All that is asked is your attendance and if at all possible, to make a small contribution to our chosen charity Pieta House.



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# Killarney Legion GAA Club Awards Night

The Clubs best and brightest in 2023 were honoured in the McShain Suite in the salubrious surroundings of the Killarney Plaza Hotel on Friday night last. Heading the list of Award winners was Donal O Donoghue , who received the Cooper Cup from Michelle Cooper Galvin. The Clubperson of the Year was a worthy recipient, the honour could be given to him any number of years. He spoke passionately and urged everyone to continue to work together to help the club going forwards.

The Mothers and Others Group have brought a new lease of life to the club and they were rightly acknowledged on the night also. Eoghan O Sullivans form in 2023 saw him honoured as the Senior Player of the Year, receiving the John O Grady. Kate McCarthy was the winner of the female equivalent, with her leadership cited as a key factor in the decision. All rounder Aine Devlin was the Ladies Young Player of the Year, another earmarked for a bright future. Jamie Alade's eye-catching form , especially in the latter part of the year, saw him awarded the Jim Trant Memorial Trophy for Young Player of the Year.



The Senior B team management nominated Sean McCarthy as their main man in 2023, a well deserved honour for the affable Mill Road man. The Senior B Young Player of the Year stayed out that neck of the woods with Dan Carroll earning recognition for his consistent displays. Speaking on the night Club Chairman Dave Randles thanked the Social committee led by Brita Hegarty for their effort they put into organising what was a hugely enjoyable and successful night. He too urged the club membership to continue to put their shoulders to the wheel, with a special emphasis on the social side of the club.

Many thanks to the Killarney Plaza Hotel for their hospitality and Fear an Ti Brian Looney who kept the night flowing in his inimitable style. DJ Aidan Kiely provided all the entertainment after the nights formalities were concluded.



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## NEWS



Atalya pictured at Maxi Zoo, which is opening a new store in Killarney, its second in Kerry. Photo: Barry Cronin

# MAXIZOO TO OPEN KILLARNEY STORE

Maxi Zoo is putting the finishing touches to its new Killarney Store. The new store in Killarney boasts a state of the art grooming salon and aqua area. The shop at Deerpark Retail park is in addition to Maxi Zoo's Tralee store, and is expected to be staffed by 11 people.

A weekend of celebrations is planned at the new Killarney store from Friday May 24th. On Saturday and Sunday, May 25th and 26th, families and their four-legged friends can expect a variety of in-store activities, including face painting, balloon modellers, a live in-store DJ, giveaways and goodies, plus 20% off everything across the weekend exclusive to the Killarney store. The red carpet will be rolled out for a 'Pupparazi and Cat Walk,' where shoppers can parade their pets and take some photos.

The newly opened store in Killarney will see 11 dedicated staff members added to Maxi Zoo's workforce, contributing to the company's overall employment of over 350 staff in Ireland.

Maxi Zoo has been actively engaged in supporting various animal charities across Ireland since its establishment, raising hundreds of thousands of euros through numerous campaigns.

## KERRY HOTELIER JOINS TOURISM IRELAND at luxury promotion in Florida

The Muckross Park Hotel & Spa in Killarney attended Tourism Ireland in promoting the island of Ireland as a luxury destination at the 11th annual Luxury Travel Advisors (LTA) ULTRA Summit in Florida this week.

LTA ULTRA Summit is a three-day event attended by travel advisors from the United States who specialise in high-spend luxury travel. It's an invite-only event involving a programme of bespoke one-toone appointments – offering an excellent opportunity to meet and do business with the luxury travel buyers.

Alison Metcalfe, Tourism Ireland's Head of North America, said: "This week's LTA ULTRA Summit in Florida is an excellent platform for Tourism Ireland to promote the superb luxury tourism offering available in Kerry and right around the island of Ireland, including our castles and luxury resorts. Our aim is to raise awareness of Ireland as a luxury destination among the travel advisors in attendance and to secure a greater share of their valuable business for 2024 and beyond."



Picture shows Sarah Hamilton, Tourism Ireland; and Garrett Power, Muckross Hotel & Spa, at the Luxury Travel Advisors (LTA) ULTRA Summit in Florida.

## Handballers are Sweden Bound

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St Brendan's Handball team Dara Mvers, Oisin Walsh, Ben Kavanaah, Derek O'Gorman, Conor Lynch, Kenneth O'Meara, Ryan Twomey (back from Fionn Doyle, Mark Brosnan, left) Conor O'Mahony, Jack Spillane, Jack Hallissey, Daniel Cronin, Sean Kiely and Dara O'Sullivan with Principal Sean Coffey, teachers and team managers Coramarie Kelliehr and Margaret Ann Kehoe on their way to Partille Cup who will participate at the World Finals of Olympic Handball in Gothenburg, Sweden from the 1st to the 6th July. Missing from photo Garvan Collins, Sam Clerkin, Connie Moore and teacher team manager Mairead Hodgers. Photo by



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Chairman of Killarney Racecourse Billy O'Sullivan, and race director, Terence Mulcahy meeting a selection of the Rose of Tralee Kerry Rose Entrants 2024, at The Killarney Races May Festival, on Sunday afternoon, in Killarney. **PHOTOS: VALERIE O'SULLIVAN** 





Chairman of Killarney Racecourse Billy O'Sullivan, meeting some of the Rose of Tralee Kerry Rose Entrants 2024, Emma Browne, Lorraine Lawlor, Debra Carty, at The Killarney Races May Festival, on Sunday afternoon, in Killarney.



Richard Ferris with his Daughters Molly and Hannah Ferris, his Mother Mary Ferris, and Cousin, Suzanne O'Sullivan.







Michael Kenny looking dapper at The Killarney Races May Festival, on Sunday afternoon.

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# It's time to Saddle up for DOWN SYNDROME KERRY

Killarney Cycling Club are saddling up for Down Syndrome Kerry on Saturday, 15th June, 2024 for this year's Three Peaks Challenge.

The event, which is the only one day cycle event Down Syndrome Kerry is associated with this year, promises to be a fabulous day of cycling and fun!

With plenty of laughs and refreshments along the way, there are two routes available; 100km or 75km, to meet all abilities, covering some of the most beautiful landscapes in Ireland.

This is the perfect warm-up for anyone thinking of doing the Ring of Kerry cycle this year or anybody looking for a really well run sportive with great craic guaranteed.

The 100km route challenges the stronger cyclists and the 75km route gives cyclists the chance to become familiar with Moll's Gap which is part of the Ring of Kerry route.

The cycle sets out from Killarney, heading out the Cork Road. The 75km route (one peak) turns right at Loo Bridge for Kilgarvan and onto Kenmare, while the 100km route, (three peaks) heads over the county bounds to Ballyvourney, onto The Top of Coom and then Kenmare. Both routes continue on over Moll's Gap, passing through the picturesque Ladies'View and back into Killarney, where all participants will be treated to a burger and drink at the finish line.

All cyclists who register online will be entered into a raffle for some great spot prizes kindly donated by our sponsors, winners collecting their prize at the finish line.

Down Syndrome Kerry's goal is to help people with down syndrome to make their own futures as bright and independent as possible by providing them with education, support and friendship every step of the way.

Funds raised from this cycle will help Down Syndrome to continue to provide vital services such as speech and language therapy, occupational



Pictured at the launch of the Three Peaks Challenge are Kevin Murphy Chairperson Killarney Cycling Club, Niamh Cronin and James Doyle Down Syndrome Kerry, Denis Cronin, committee member Down Syndrome Kerry and Fiona, Anne Marie and Lisa, members of Killarney Cycling Club

therapy and job coaching to their members.

As Down Syndrome Kerry do not receive any government funding, they are totally dependent on your support to continue to make these services available to those who need them.

You can register for the cycle which is €40 for Cycling Ireland members, €20 for accompanied under 16's on event master:- https://eventmaster. ie/event/dW04CnGSwV

Further information available through .....

https://www.facebook.com/DownSyndromeKerry/ and

https://killarneycyclingclub.com/three-peaks-challenge/ We thank you whole heartedly for participating and we look forward to a challenging but most importantly, FUN event on June 15th.



**Photos: Dylan Clifford** 



Congratulations to Ger Fleming and Caroline Riordan who got married in The Killarney Heights Hotel recently. **24** | **17**,05,24





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# SPA SCOR SINSEAR SET DANCERS ARE ALL IRELAND CHAMPIONS

ongratulations to Spa Set Dancers who were crowned All Ireland Senior Scór Champions 2024 for the second year in a row. Our talented troupe defended their title.

Well done mentors Triona and Mairead Mangan. Dancers Liam Spillane, Gary O'Sullivan, Kianan O'Doherty, Darragh Brosnan, Aine Brosnan, Meghann Cronin Anna and Katie O'Connor. A special mention to our scor officer Michael Aherne who works hard behind the scenes. The All Ireland was held at the INEC, Killarney on Saturday 10th May. This was nearly the same team that defended their title except for Darragh Brosnan who received his first senior title. In fact Darragh is the holder of the current Scor na nOg All Ireland title. A huge achievement for such a talented young dancer. The other seven dancers are the holders of their second Scór Sinsear Rince Seit title.. This is not overnight that these titles were achieved as they've been dancing with the Mangan School of Dancing from the tender age of 4 years of age. The last three years East Kerry are the holders with Gneeveguilla winning in 2022. Spa won their first last year after a famine of fifteen years. The Mangan sisters are the holders of 23 All Ireland titles. Triona has eleven and Mairead with a very impressive and probably a record in Scor. They are also mentors of 8 All Ireland titles (2 Senior Scor, 1 Rince Foirne and 5 Rince Set. There is one set of sisters Anna and Katie O'Connor and one of cousins Liam Spillane and Gary O'Sullivan.

This is Spa's fifteen title in Scór Sinsear with fourteen in dancing. Solo singing, Siobhan O'Brien 1990, Rince Foirne 2002, 2003, 2004, 2007, 2010, 2012, 2016, Rince Seit 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2023 and 2024.



Front: Áine Brosnan, Meghann Cronin, Anna and Katie O'Connor Back: Mentor Triona Mangan, Liam Spillane, Kianan O'Doherty, Darragh Brosnan, Gary O'Sullivan and Mentor Mairead Mangan.



Aine Brosnan with her parents Mags and Mike.









Front: Áine Brosnan, Meghanr Cronin, Anna and Katie O'Connor Back: Mentor Triona Mangan, Liam Spillane, Kianan O'Doherty, Darragh Brosnan, Gary O'Sullivan and Mentor Mairead Mangan.





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Over 3,500 people gathered at Killarney Racecourse in the early hours of Satuday 11th May to remember Nathan Carroll and to walk from Darkness Into Light in his memory and in aid of Pieta House.



Nathan's mum Marie was absolutely delighted with the turnout.

"We are so grateful to everyone who turned up for the walk this year, it was lovely to see so many familiar faces along with the new ones", she told Killarney Outlook.

"We want to thank everyone who helped out on the night, the volunteers, the sponsors, The Sheehan Group, JM Reidy's Daly's Super Valu,Tesco Killarney, Irish Health Food, Killarney Racecourse, OPW, Order of Malta, Flesk Valley Rowing Club and Dan Divane who did the video again this year", she added.

# THOUSANDS WALK FROM DARKNESS INTO LIGHT IN MEMORY OF NATHAN



Some of the crowd at the racecourse before the walk.







Cathal Walshe with the First registrations for Nathan's Walk, the Pierce Family.



All smiles for the camera at Nathan's Walk.



The members of Flesk Valley Rowing Club who participating in the Darkness Into Light event in support of Nathan's Walk on May 11, 2024.



## FLESK VALLEY ROW FROM DARKNESS INTO LIGHT

In the early hours of May 11th 2024, the members of Flesk Valley Rowing Club took to the waters of Lough Leane in support of Nathan's Walk and Pieta's annual Darkness Into Light fundraiser.

It was a unique and special morning on the Flesk Valley shore as crews made their way in darkness from Castlelough Bay to the Cow Island, before returning in the early dawn to a welcome breakfast on shore. When all boats had returned safely to shore, the club took some time to pay tribute to the wonderful work of the O'Carroll family who started Nathan's Walk in Killarney 13 years ago, in memory of their son Nathan. The club reflected on the Darkness Into Light message of solidarity and hope, and remembered in silence loved ones lost. The club especially remembered Caoimhín O'Donoghue, brother of committee member Timmy, who passed away last week. The club would like to thank the O'Carroll family for their encouragement in undertaking this event, and all of its members and parents for supporting the row and donating to the Pieta cause. A special word of thanks to our committee members for organising everything, especially Richie Leane for providing lights on shore and Catherine O'Sullivan for organising breakfast.

ers of Hesk Valley Rowing Club who participating in the Darkness Into Light event.



Flesk Valley Rowing Club participating in the Darkness Into Light event in support of Nathan's Walk on May 11 2024: L-R Cliona Moynihan, Amy Healy, Kate O'Leary, Clodagh Doolan, Cliodhna Sweeney, Ellen McCormack, Nell Moore and Tara Bowler.



The members of Flesk Valley Rowing Club who participating in the Darkness Into Light event in support of Nathan's Walk on May 11, 2024.









NEWS

# "Chill & Cath-up" in the Pergola at Kayne's

This May, Killarney is set to unveil something new, exciting, and refreshing. Kayne's Bar & Brasserie on Muckross Road, a beloved spot, is upping its game with a fresh Chill-Out vibe in its pergola and patio area for the summer. Eldrige Colaco, the new F&B Manager of this family-run establishment, promises to bring flair to Friday and Saturday nights on Killarney's Golden Mile.

Launching on May 17th & 18th, Kayne's Pergola will become your goto spot for unwinding, post-work drinks, catching up with friends, and simply having a great time on weekends. It's a warm haven for relaxation and socialising this summer, whether you've had a hectic day at the office, been working from home, or want to kick off your weekend in style.

The Pergola's "Chill & Catch-up vibes" theme takes centre stage, creating a laid-back atmosphere where guests can relax and enjoy. With a soothing colour scheme, comfy seating options like couches and bean bags, and soft lighting, the setting is perfect for winding down.

A highlight is the return of live DJ entertainment every Friday and Saturday from 8 p.m. adding a trendy, vibrant, and thrilling ambience to the area; setting the mood for an evening of unwinding and escape from the pressures of daily life.

For just €29 per person, guests can indulge in our "Pergola Bubbles & Bites" offer, featuring three glasses of prosecco and delicious canapés crafted by our Executive Head Chef Carolyn Clancy Foley. Plus, take advantage of our launch promotion where the sixth person is free with a booking of 5 for our "Pergola Bubbles & Bites" packages, perfect for celebrating milestones or treating your bestie.

The first of many exciting summer offerings from Eldrige & the experienced team at Kayne's is the "Chill & Catch-up" at the Pergola event. Alongside hosting special events and serving daily cuisine until 9 p.m., Kayne's Bar & Brasserie remains the summer hotspot in Killarney for those seeking a casual yet sophisticated atmosphere, meeting friends, and relaxing under the pergola.

While reservations are necessary for our Pergola Bubbles & Bites, walk-ins are welcome for all our chill-out and catch-up events.

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Eldrige Colaco, the new F&B Manager

## Sheahan's family business acquires The Porterhouse

A landmark Killarney building which houses a hugely popular restaurant has changed hands.

25-26 Plunkett Street has been bought by Sheahan's family business who have been leasing the property and running The Porterhouse restaurant since 2011.

It was previously an electrical goods store before it was transformed and became home to the busy casual dining restaurant.

"We would like to thank the O'Leary family for their support over the years. This is a very exciting development for us and we look forward to continuing to build on the success of the business," said Sinéad Sheahan. There are close on 60 people employed in The Porterhouse and a recruitment campaign is currently underway to grow the team for the busy 2024 summer season.

The Sheahan family has recently celebrated four decades in the hospitality and retail business, currently employing over 400 people locally.

The family acknowledges that the success has been possible because of the very passionate and talented teams involved in each facet of the business.

"We are grateful for our dedicated team, many of whom have been working with us since the beginning of The Porterhouse," Sinéad said.

"I would like to acknowledge the hard work and commitment of our general manager Edward O'Donoghue, floor manager Trish O'Donoghue and head chef Tadhg Corkery, as well as our wider team who have contributed to making The Porterhouse what it is today.

"We are also so grateful to the local people who have been loyal customers and we appreciate their support," Sinéad added.





Sinead Sheahan (centre) with general manager Edward O'Donoghue and floor manager Trish O'Donoghue



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#### I've no babysitter how can I start backexercising?

This one goes out to all you new moms. First off all I can say is I know how u feel as I have been there before. For me it wasn't so much I didn't have a babysitter it was more the guilt of leaving her and going off exercising which I felt may have been selfish of me. I think a lot of new moms can relate to this. So look whatever your situation here are my top tips of how to get some kind of exercise in when you are recovering post natal after having your bundle of joy.

• Step 1 is get out walking and out for fresh air. Once you have been given the all clear it time to bring your little one out into the world. Wrap them up and pop on your runners and get moving. Start small and build up weekly. Understand you will not be able to do as much as you did previously but you will get there. Don't push yourself too hard but do start and stop making excuses. Baby needs a strong moma so it's important you start strengthening.

 Step 2 Kegal exercises and pelvic floor work can be done anytime anywhere so start getting consistent with these simple exercises and I promise you won't regret. Plan at certain times of the day eg baby nap times or feeding times so you don't forget.

• Step 3 Start with simple body weight training such as Squats, bridges, push ups on knees, leg extensions, side leg lifts and lunges if your able. They can be done a few times a day while kettle is boiling or while baby naps. Again plan and fit into your babies daily routine

• Step 4 Start adding resistance. I had 2 kettlebells at home that I swore by. When I could I started adding them into my body weight training adding in deadlifts, press, rows, and squat holds.

• Step 5 start rehabilitating your core with Pilates specific for post natal or exercises designed specifically for new moms. We run regular Post Natal Rehabilitation courses at B Well where you can bring baby along to so check them out.

• Step 6 Find exercise classes that you can bring baby along to. A lot of gyms offering this service now. B Well has a Mommy & Me class where you can bring baby along to and we offer free childcare for toddlers too. We even have mom and baby yoga classes too.

• Step 7 If leaving the house isn't an option cause maybe you have other kids at home or no transport then go online and find excuses specific for post natal and your ability and level. Start small and build on it.



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#### COMMON EYE CONDITIONS

#### Glaucoma

Glaucoma represents a number of eye conditions where the optic nerve at the back of the eye is damaged. It is often asymptomatic and is often linked to raised pressure within the eye.

When the nerve is damaged, it starts to cause problems with peripheral vision and, if left untreated, can cause permanent damage. Cataract

A cataract happens when either all or part of the lens in the eye becomes cloudy. There are different types of cataract, but the most common is age-related cataract.

Cataracts are very common, being the main cause of impaired vision in the world. If left untreated they can lead to partial or total sight loss. Cataracts are very easily diagnosed

## by optometrists.

Age-related macular degeneration Age-related macular degeneration (AMD) affects the central part of the vision and is caused by damage to the macular region of the eye, which is the part of the retina that provides high-resolution, central vision.

There are two main types of AMD - dry and wet. AMD is the most common cause of sight-impairment that affects older people.

#### Dry Eye

Dry eye syndrome is a common condition that occurs when the eyes do not produce enough tears or they evaporate too quickly.

Dry eye can lead to the eye becoming red, swollen and irritated, and in certain cases cause considerable discomfort for the sufferer. In very rare cases dry eye can be a sight threatening condition.

#### Red eye

Red eye comprises a number of conditions such as conjunctivitis or burst blood vessels in the eye and are usually nothing to be unduly concerned about.

However, if the eye is painful this could be a sign of something more serious such as iritis (inflammation) or acute glaucoma.

While the majority of red eye conditions are short-term issues, they could be a symptom of other more serious conditions, such as acute glaucoma which is medically urgent and could result in loss of sight in that eye.

#### Watery eye (epiphora)

Watery eye is a condition that is usually caused either by tears not draining correctly from the eye or, paradoxically, as a result of an underlying dry eye condition which results in irritation.

This can cause blurred vision, sore eyelids, swelling and vision impairment. Severe cases of watery eye can cause significant discomfort for sufferers.

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



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Where's Watty

A male tabby cat named Watty is missing in Killarney and his owner is asking for the public's help in finding him. Watty is three years old and went issing from the Park Road area near Supervalu on April 22nd.

If you know where he is contact Aisling O'Mahony on 087-3475690

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## NEWS



Pictured from left is Laura Leahy( Business studies teacher & Enterprise Co-ordinator) Emma Horgan, Ellie Horgan Bláithín o Rahilly and Teresa Lonergan (Principal)

## NATIONAL STUDENT ENTERPRISE AWARD for Castleisland Community College students

Castleisland Community College 2nd year students, Ellie Horgan, Emma Horgan and Bláithín O Rahilly won the Intellectual Property Award in the Intermediate Category of the National Student Enterprise Awards.

The IP award involved the students being judged on their understanding of IP for business and how they considered the IP issues in relation to their own student enterprise. For example, how a team researched the uniqueness of their brand, identified IP rights owned by others that they need to request permission for and if and how they looked into how to protect their own IP for their student enterprise.

25,000 students entered the Student Enterprise Award this year and the top 81 students reached the National Student Enterprise Final which took place in Mullingar. Having won the Kerry Enterprise Intermediate Award Category and Duais na Gaeilge, Léine Lúfar represented Kerry in the national final. This is the second year in a row for the students to win a National Student Enterprise Award. Last year they won the Kerry Enterprise Junior Award Category and Duais na Gaeilge and they went on to represent the county in the national final where they were awarded 3rd place.

'Necessity is the mother of invention' and when Ellie Horgan noticed her grandfather having difficulty tying his shirts, she designed a shirt that solved the problem. The shirt has discreet, magnetic buttons on the inside, thus making it easier to close. 'We are immensely proud of these entrepreneurial students and their teacher/mentor Laura Leahy who has guided them on their road to success', stated Teresa Lonergan (Principal).

St Brendan's Transition Year students (front from left) Ryan Brady, Julian McLellan Shanon, Sean Pierce, Colm O'Brien (seond row from left) Sam Clerkin, Shane Doolan, Harry Blythe, Diarmuid O'Donovan, David Burke and Adam Casey with TY Co-Ordinators teachers PJ Lucey and Eimear Buckley presenting a charity cheque for €1000 to Shaun McSweeney and Kathrina Breen Irish Cancer Society proceeds of the 5K Run through the National Park at St Brendanb's College Killarney. Photo by Michelle Cooper Galvin





Fossa National School pupils Cian Vaughan, Scott O'Sullivan, Robyn Kennedy, James Moloney, Marielle Nomikos, Keelan Swarbrick, Holly Engel, Cillian Cryan, Lauren Kiely, Kayden O'Neill, Adam O'Donnell, Cillian Murphy (second row from left) Charlie Horan, Omphile Schreurs, Patryk Golebicki, Aoife Scanlan, Tadhq Lucey, Sadhbh O'Sullivan, Michael Breen, Danielle Griffin, Ryan O'Shea, Freya Collins, Hugo O'Doherty, Jack Looney, William Bleakley (third row from left) Lev Kozhevnikov, Class Teacher Claire Griffin, Aoife O'Sullivan SNA, Niamh Collins, Mark Fee, Cara Brady, Conor Fee, Fiadh Driver, Joseph Cronin, Sadhbh O'Reilly, John Larkin, Teacher Jason Culloty (back from left) Special Class Teacher Aisling Mahony, Maureen Fleming SNA, Jackie Coffey SNA, Mary Theresa Doyle SNA, Teacher Aoife Doody and Sharon Dennehy SNA at Prince of Peace Church, Fossa on Saturday. Photo by Michelle Cooper Galvin

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#### GLENFLESK

#### **CONDOLONCES**

Our sypmathy is offered to the family of Neil Doherty, Foiladown. In the early days of Glenflesk GAA when the club had no field, his father Peter gave the club the use of his field.

We also express our sympathy to the family of Jimmy Gleeson, Curraglass. May they Rest in Peace.

#### >FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Big congratulations to all the boys and girls from Glenflesk parish who made their First Holy Communion in St Agatha's Church on Saturday 11th of May.

## >CREDIT UNION SENIOR COUNTY LEAGUE DIVISION 5B

#### Glenflesk 2:14 Dr Crokes 2:14

A gripping contest, as Dr Crokes and Glenflesk couldn't be separated and both went away with a point apiece, on a perfect evening for football in Dr Croke's GAA Grounds.

The hosts dominated early, scoring 2 goal's in the first 5 minutes. Glenflesk were reliant on the superb free taking of Danny Lucey for their initial score's, firing over 2 brilliant long range efforts in quick succession. Michael Mullane also got a fine individual score. Glenflesk got a much needed goal midway through the half. Darragh Fleming blasting an unstoppable shot to the net. After their initial shocking start, they headed for the dressing rooms still very much in the game. Callum Cronin's superb run through the middle of the Crokes defense saw his shot barely clear the crossbar. David Connor then added another fine point after breaking free from defense. Glenflesk were then awarded a penalty, with Lucey being the man upended. He took the responsibility himself, firing low and hard the net. The game had taken a point nature now, and the scores were level as the game entered injury time. Jamie Moynihan put Glenflesk ahead again with a well worked team score, but Crokes equalized with their last attack, and a hectic hour of football had produced no winner. Once again Glenflesk had shown their ability to recover from a slow start, as happened against Laune Ranger's. This was another very good performance, with lots of player's looking in good form. The competitive nature of fighting for places for the rest of the year can only be good for the Club.

Thanks to Michael Healy for the Match Report.

>UNDER 7s BOYS / UNDER 8 GIRLS welcomed Kilgarvan to Barraduff Community Field for their first Go Game of the year. There was great skill and effort on display by everyone.

#### >UNDER 11S

Hosted Spa in Glenflesk and both sides showed terrific football on the night.

#### >UNDER 13s

A fantastic team performance in Dingle. A well fought battle against a physical Dingle side going in at half time with a one point lead. Our boys

then produced a determined and skillful 2nd half and ended up winning on a score line of 5-5 to 5-15.

#### >Under 15s Feile

A great night of football in Glenflesk, as the hosts, Spa and Kenmare Shamrocks, battled out in the U 15 Feile. In the opening game, Kenmare struck for 2 quick early goal's. Glenflesk/Kilgarvan worked their way back into the game though, and a strong second half performance would lead them to victory. In game 2, Spa and Kenmare were level at a goal each at half time. It was Spa who pushed on after the break though, to claim victory, and set up a winner takes all clash with Glenflesk/Kilgarvan. After a nervy opening to the final, Glenflesk/Kilgarvan took control and went in with a 3 points to 1 lead at the break. Spa powered back strongly, drawing level as the final minutes approached. A late Glenflesk/Kilgarvan goal proved crucial, and they held on to advance to the next stage.

Well done to all 3 teams who produced brilliant quality and entertainment for the large crowd present.

#### >HURLER OF THE YEAR

Congratulations to Luke Crowley on being named the Rathmore Senior Hurler of the Year 2023.

#### ≻KERRY MASTERS

Well done to the Glenflesk contingent of Jerry Kennedy, Shane Dennehy, Gary O'Donoghue and Donal O'Sullivan who were part of the Kerry team who beat Cork on a scoreline of 0-9 to 0-6 in Kanturk.

#### >KERRY UNDER 20s

All the best to Emma Dineen and the Kerry Ladies as they take on Cork in the Munster Final on Saturday. Best wishes to Darragh Roche and the Kerry team against Monaghan on Saturday also.

#### ►LOTTO

There was no winner of Glenflesk Lotto which took place on 29/04/24 in Glenflesk Hall. Jackpot €8,600. The numbers drawn were 1, 7, 8, 11. Consolation Prizes of €50 1) Padraig O'Leary, Coracow. 2) Joan O'Leary (Sellers Prize). 3) Daisy McGillicuddy, Ironmills. 4) Jimmy Jin Healy, Kilgarvan. Next draw will take place in Glenflesk Hall on Monday 13th of May 2024. Thank you to all who support our Lotto and to our sellers.

#### **>WORLD CHEERLEADING COMPETITION**

Local girl Alicia Heapes came 3rd in the in the World Cheer Competition in Florida! Congratulations on your huge achievement.

#### >NOTES

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



Basketball students from Presentation Secondary School Milltown pictured receiving a new set of training gear from their sponsor 'Your PC' at the school this week. Included at the presentation are, front row L-R: Saoirse Dinham, Lauren O'Sullivan, David Keane (Your PC), Meabh Kennedy, Warren Gleeson, (Your PC) Rachel Enright, Ava O'Donoghue and Ciara McClure. Middle row L-R: Eimile Clarke, Alison Bartley, Ellen Foley, Leah McCarthy, Eimear Corbett, Aisling Quirke and Chloe O'Sullivan. Back row L-R: Eimear O'Sullivan, Ms Niamh Guerin, Ms Laura Donnellan and Orla Curran. Photo Don MacMonagle



Fossa National School student, Danielle Griffin who made her First Holy Communion at the Prince of Peace Church Fossa.


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#### ≻KILCUMMIN CCE

**Fleadh Cheoil Chiarraí 2024:** Kilcummin CCÉ wish all of our competitors in this year's Fleadh Cheoil Chiarraí the very best of luck. Fleadh takes place again in Ballybunion this year with dancing competitions on the weekend of 8th/9th June and music, singing, storytelling and comhrá competitions on the weekend of 15th /16th June. For timetables and a full programme of events, to include street entertainment, see www. kerrycomhaltas.ie

#### **>KILCUMMIN RURAL DEVELOPMENT OFFICE**

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#### TRIP TO KNOCK

Parish Pilgrimage to Knock will take place on Saturday 15th June, leaving Kilcummin village @7am. Food/refreshments in Gort (optional). For booking please contact Kilcummin post office.

#### >LECTIO DIVINA

Lectio Divina is a traditional practice of scriptural reading, meditation and prayer. It promotes communication with God and increases knowledge of God's word. Meetings take place on Wednesday evenings from 7-8pm

in the Parish Centre. For further information please contact Teresa Kerins on 087 7457750.

#### **>KILCUMMIN GAA**

**ALL IRELAND U-20:** Best wishes to Dara O' Callaghan and the Kerry team in the All Ireland Final this Sunday.

**FIXTURES THIS WEEK:** Saturday 7.30pm: Credit Union Co League Div 1 away to Glenflesk.

Friday 7.30 pm: Credit Union Co League Div 6 A away to Legion.

**LOTTO:** There was no winner on Monday 6th May2024 of the Jackpot for  $\in$ 11,000. Numbers drawn were 01,06,15,18. Consolation prizes of  $\in$ 50 went to Johnny & Phil Doolan, Ava, Dean & Zach Moynihan, Eoghan Moriarty, Dingle, Kevin Stagg. The next draw will be on Monday 20th May for Jackpot of  $\in$ 11,250.

## >MASTERGEEHA FC

**LOTTO**: There was no winner on Friday 10th May 2024 of the Jackpot for  $\in$ 11,000. Numbers drawn were 01,02,18,22. Consolation prizes of  $\in$ 50 went to John Daly, Pinewood; Donie O'Connor Mileen; K.O'Donoghue c/o J. Kerins; Joan Cronin, Knockmanagh. The next draw will be on Friday 17th May for Jackpot of  $\in$ 11,200.

## >KILCUMMIN COMMUNITY GAMES

Kilcummin Community Games Track & Field Events (U8-U16) and fun race for tiny tots will take place on Tuesday 4th June at Killarney Valley AC. Registration from 6.30pm, first race begins @ 7pm. Entry fee €2 per athlete, and athletes must reside in Kilcummin Parish to participate. For more information on events please see our Facebook page.

#### LISTRY

### **≻LOTTO**

Numbers drawn 5, 8, 17, 21. €100 Richard Connelly, Ballybrack. €50 Lyno. €50 Sean Kelly. €25 Thomas Courtney, Malmo (OL). €25 Lou Quirke, Laharn 19/05/24 jackpot €3,750 > SENIOR

Best of luck to our senior team and management who play Churchill in

#### ≻U13

Both U13 teams are away to Dr Crokes next Sunday 19th May 5.30 and 7pm.

# ≻U11

Our U11 team travel to Gneeveguilla Friday 17th May at 6.30pm for the last game of phase 1 of the county league .

# BEAUFORT

#### **>FIXTURES**

Senior men will be away to Glenbeigh/Glencar in Division 2 and home to Kenmare Shamrocks in Division 6B, Co League next weekend.

# ►RESULTS

Scartaglin 4.12 Beaufort 3.04 in round 6, senior ladies Donal Curtin Cup. Castleisland 1.07 Beaufort 2.13 in U13 Boys Co League.

Beaufort 6.15 Dr Crokes 5.10 in Minor Ladies Co League

Alman park Saturday 18th May at 7.30pm.

## >LOTTO

There was no winner of Beaufort G.A.A. Club lotto jackpot of €3,600 on Sunday, 12th May. Numbers: 3, 8, 18, 21. Consolation Prizes: €80 Ger. Doyle, Carnahone, €50 Deirdre Sheahan, Gap of Dunloe, James O'Shea, Shanacloon, O'Brien family, Killoughane. The next draw for a jackpot of €3,800 will be on Sunday, 26th May. Thank you to everybody for supporting the lotto. Tickets are available from usual sellers, shops, and public houses and online at www.beaufortgaa.com.

Please note that online lotto closes at 7pm ondraw night. Any tickets purchased after 7pm are entered into the next draw.

Thank you to everybody who support the lotto and our lotto sellers. >MINOR LADIES

Our minor ladies had their third game of the county league Tuesday May 7th in Beaufort against Rd. Crokes. It was a tremendous performance from both sides. After a tough first half Beaufort led on a score line of Beaufort 3:06 - Dr. Crokes 2:06. Both teams worked immensely hard and never gave up. The game ended with a win for Beaufort on a score line of Beaufort 6:15 Dr.Crokes 5:10.

#### >MEMBERSHIP

Beaufort G.A.A. Club membership is now due. Gym and facilities



At the Kingdom County Fair at Ballymacthomas, Tralee is Neil Blennerhassett, Beaufort Killarney with his belgium blue heifer at the cattle show event. Photo By : Domnick Walsh © Eye Focus LTD

membership is also available. Please contact Patie 087 2515311. > LGFA MEMBERSHIP is also necessary for playing Ladies and Girls football. For more information, please contact Sue 086 2632219. > BEAUFORT GAA CLUB SUMMER CAMP will be held on the week of 8th to 12th July in Beaufort GAA Club complex. For more information, please contact Mary 086 0640065 or Tara 087 6032774

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# RATHMORE GNEEVEGUILLA

## **SCRAP COLLECTION**

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#### **≻SHARE THE BUCKET**

Gneeveguilla Community Facility Group reminds you that Share the Bucket takes place weekly. The draw is every Friday evening in Teach Fáilte @8.30 pm and can be viewed live on our Gneeveguilla Community Facility Group Facebook Page. This week's jackpot was  $\leq 205$  and the winner was Mary Crowley.Tickets cost  $\leq 2$  each or 3 for  $\leq 5$ . 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.

### **≻KNOCK**

There will be a bus to Knock from Gneeveguilla on Saturday June 1st for the All-Ireland Rosary Rally which had an attendance of 10,000 last year. Please contact us on (087) 9720767/ (087) 1249461/ (087)7853706 if you want to travel.

#### >DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

May 27th: 8p.m Mass in Beheenach Cemetery. Specially remembering Pa Joe O Sullivan

May 28th: 8p.m Mass in Kilquane Cemetery. Please note changed from 29th

May 29th: 8p.m Mass in Knocknagree Cemetery

May 30th: 8p.m Mass in Nohoval Cemetery

June 5th: 8p.m Mass in Gneeveguilla Cemetery

June 7th: 8p.m Mass in Shrone Cemetery

June 10th: 8p.m Mass in Rathmore Cemetery

June 17th: 8p.m Mass in Old Chapel Cemetery

June 21st: 7.30p.m Mass on Token Fire Mountain.

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The Rosary will be recited at Tureencahill Grotto nightly at 8pm for the month of May. All welcome

The Holy Rosary will be prayed at the Grotto Gneeveguilla Village from Thursday to Sunday @8pm during the month of May. Tuesday & Wednesday will be in the Church. Wednesdays Rosary will be live streamed.

**RATHMORE GAA AWARDS NIGHT** held on Saturday last in Bridge Bar. Great night had by all. Congratulations to Alan Dineen players of year, Hurler of year Luke Crowley & Seamus Cronin, club merit award winner. Congratulations to everyone who got their medals



The Kingdom County Fair took place last weekend at Ballymacthomas, Tralee. John Joe Rahilly from Rathmore at the Sheep show event with his 13 prize winning awards from the Sheep Show. Photo By : Domnick Walsh © Eye Focus LTD

#### >RATHMORE GNEEVEGUILLA COMMUNITY GAMES

Congratulations to our U12 Girls football team who won the Community Games County final against Listowel last Sunday. They met Abbeydorney in the semi-final and went on to play Listowel in the final. They won their final which was 6 consecutive wins on the day, a great achievement for this team of players. They will now go on to represent Kerry at the Munster Competition.

Well done to all the team and to their coaches Derek Moynihan, Donie O'Connor, Miriam Moynihan and Barry O'Leary.

Congrats to the following players: Laura Breen, Eve Cleverly, Caoimhe Darmody, Aisling Fenton, Sinead Hurley, Abbey Kissane, Ava Knee, Eabha Moynihan, Ruby Moynihan, Saoirse Murphy, Mairead O'Leary, Makayla O'Leary, Clodagh O'Connor, Olivia O'Connor, Aoife O'Donoghue, and Olivia Olszok.

>CLLR MAURA HEALY RAE HAS ALLOCATED €1,200 for the supply and installation of a public light on ESB pole at Station Road, Rathmore.

#### >NOTES

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

Written by: Leanne Cronir

SPA

# >ALL IRELAND SENIOR SCOR

Congratulations to our set dancers crowned All Ireland Senior Scór Champions 2024 for the second year in a row.Well done mentors Triona and Mairead Mangan. Dancers Liam Spillane, Gary O Sullivan, Kianan O Doherty, Darragh Brosnan, Aine Brosnan, Meghann Cronin Anna and Katie O Connor. A special mention to our scor officer Michael Aherne who works hard behind the scenes.

#### **>FIXTURES**

Men's Division 1 - In Round 6 of the Credit Union SFL Division 1 we travelled to Strand Road to play Kerins O'Rahillys on Friday last. After being reduced to 14 men in the early stages of the game our senior side fought hard but unfortunately narrowly lost on a FT score KOR 1-08 to Spa 1-06. In Round 7 of this competition we will play Legion on Friday 17th May at 7.30pm in Spa

Men's Division 6 - John Mitchels (B Team) will host our division 6 Spa side in Round 7 of the Credit Union SFL on Sunday May 19th at 1pm

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Maria Breen, Principal of Tiernaboul National School presenting a cheque for  $\in$ 360 to Breda O'Donoghue and Mark Treyvaud who accepted it on behalf of Down Syndrome Kerry, which was the proceeds of 'Odd Sock' day in the school to mark World Down Syndrome Day recently. The student council at the school organised the odd sock day and served hot chocolate to all the students and donations were collected on the day for Down Syndrome Kerry. Also included in the photo are class teacher Karol Fleming and students Lily O'Leary, Noah Murphy, Jessica Trayvaud, Niamh Foley and Aoife Foley.

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# **KILLARNEY GOLF CLUB - LADIES**

## COMPETITION

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Back Nine

2nd: Sinead Galvin (21) 40pts Best Gross: Anne Moynihan 30 pts 3rd: Mary A Cronin (19) 39pts Back Nine

4th: Sharon Ormonde (14) 39pts

5th: Anita O'Sullivan (37) 38pts Back Nine

**NEXT FIXTURE** will be Captain's Charity weekend 18th & 19th May 2024 team of four event contact reception to book tee time.

# **BEAUFORT GOLF CLUB**

Beaufort Golf Club was in beautiful condition at the weekend as the ladies soaked up the sun and enjoyed playing a fourball betterball competition.

This weekends competition was kindly sponsored by Mr. Tim O' Sullivan – Kerry Accommodation.

Congratulations to our prize winners.

1st: Laura Furlong and Marian Kerrisk, 42 points 2nd: Karen Tess and Hannah Moynihan, 39 points

3rd: Stephanie Lane and Mary O Shea, 38 points

# ROSS LADIES GOLF CLUB NOTES

9 & 18 hole Single Stableford qualifying Competition Saturday 18th May

Tee times from 10.00am. Enter via the ClubV1 app. All Members welcome

# WEDNESDAY MORNINGS MEET & PLAY

Meet and play every Wednesday morning. Meet in the Club House 10.30am tee off 11.00am. All members welcome.

#### GOLF LESSONS

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# **DEERPARK PITCH & PUTT CLUB**

#### **MUNSTER MATCHPLAY**

Our Commiserations to Damien Fleming on his defeat at the last hole to Tralee's Jason Cregan in the Munster Senior Gents Matchplay Final in Cunnigar last Sunday afternoon. It was a close contest all the way and both men deserve great credit for being the first two players from Kerry to contest a Munster Senior Gents Matchplay Final this weekend.

We congratulate Jason on retaining his title as well as securing his place in the National Matchplay Finals on the June Bank Holiday Weekend.

## **SUNDAY DRAWS**

Three Player Team, Two Scores Count Each Hole-Nett: Gearoid Cronin, Sean Ashe & Sean O'Brien 86, Gross: Connie O'Sullivan Jnr, Bobby Kelly & John Murphy 101 and Hole-In-One: Bobby Kelly (9th Hole).

### CLUB STROKEPLAY

As of today (Friday) this event is still in progress and will continue until Sunday with the last card at 4pm. We advise club members to check club text service and social media for updates throughout the weekend.

# COURSE CLOSED

Please note that the course will be closed for the day from Saturday lunchtime due to the staging of the Kerry v Monaghan game in Fitzgerald Stadium the same day.

**CONGRATULATIONS** To Joey McCarthy on his involvement in the Kerry Minors' win over Cork in the Munster Final on Monday night. **DEEPEST SYMPATHIES** 

#### DEEPEST STIMPATHIES The Club offers its condole

The Club offers its condolences to the family of Charlotte Casey (nee Horgan) on her recent death. We also offer our condolences to the family and friends of Caoimhin 'Shaq' O'Donoghue on his sad passing. May they Rest in Peace.

# KILLARNEY GOLF & FISHING CLUB (MEN'S)

PROFESSIONAL'S PRIZE MAY MONTHLY MEDAL - SINGLES STROKEPLAY PLAYED ON MAHONY'S POINT; SATURDAY 11TH & SUNDAY 12TH MAY 2024

Winner: Derek Kelly 60 (26) 2nd: Paul O'Donoghue 66 (20) Best Gross: Donal Considine 72 (1)

### Category 1

1st: Peter Walsh 68 (4) 2nd: David O'Donoghue 69 (5) 3rd: Derry McCarthy 70 (8) bk9

Category 2 1st: Cian O'Connor 67 (12) bk9 2nd: Peter Brunner 67 (15) 3rd: Enda Prendergast 68 (14) bk9.

#### **Category 3**

1st: John English 66 (19) 2nd: Jerry Hickey 67 (19) bk9 3rd: John Horgan 67 (18) Category 4

1st: Kevin Breen 67 (24) 2nd: Teddy O'Sullivan 68 (30) 3rd: Sean Devane 69 (24).

# **CAPTAINS' CHARITY WEEKEND**

This weekend Sat 18th & Sun 19th May In aid of Killarney Community First Responders and Comfort For Chemo. TEAM OF EVENT; on Mahony's Point Open to members & visitors (€50 per person) Max H.I - Men 24 & Ladies 31 BRS is open for entry, or call 064 6631034.

# **BEAUFORT GOLF CLUB (MENS)**

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1st: Pat Meehan & Ger Lacey 48pts 2nd: Kevin Mitchell & Ger Griffin 47pts 3rd: Pat Quill & Aaron Quill 46pts (back 9) LADIES

1st: fiona Mann & Anita Lynch 40pts



Jason Cregan (Tralee, Winner) and Damien Fleming (Deerpark, Runner-Up) pictured with Pitch & Putt Ireland President Mark Keohane at the Munster Pitch & Putt Matchplay Championships in Cunnigar, Dungarvan, Co Waterford last weekend. The Kerry duo were the first from the county to ever contest a Munster Senior Mens Matchplay Final.



The Outlook Publications Race of €15000 was won by UXMAL, trained by Joseph Patrick O'Brien, owned by Flaxman Stables Ireland and ridden by Jockey Dylan Browne.

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# 4TH & 5TH MAY - SINGLE STABLEFORD WHITE TEES SPONSORED GENFITT MAYO LTD

1st: Niall Roche (24) 38pts 2nd: Jim O'Leary (18) 37pts (back 9) 3rd: Padraig G O'Sullivan (7) 37pts 4TH & 5TH MAY - SINGLE STABLEFORD YELLOW TEES SPONSORED GENFITT MAYO LTD

1st: John Bowler (19) 39pts 2nd: Tony O'Connor (30) 37pts UPCOMING FIXTURES 18th/19th May - Single Stableford - Sponsored by Ernest Park Construction

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# DEPUTY DANNY HEALY RAE RAISES CONCERN ABOUT MIGRATION ISSUES IN DAIL EIREANN

Deputy Danny Healy Rae has said he is glad that the Taoiseach Simon Harris and the Government appear to be doing a U-turn in relation to the migration issue and appear to be listening to my concerns about the way our tax payers money has been squandered. "I have been raising this in Dáil Éireann for almost 2 years and again last Wednesday through my leaders question", he said.

"Nobody objects to people coming here if they are genuinely distressed or genuinely displaced in their own Countries and have a genuine reason for coming here, and if Ireland is their first destination after leaving their own Country. Many of them appear to be coming

here after trying 2 or 3 Countries before coming here. We cannot continue to house people in hotels, paying them full social welfare and getting all the benefits and actually being fed as well.

We must remember that we have an awful lot of homeless people in Ireland and in Kerry and at the present time we do not even have a homeless centre in Killarney. Imagine that !

This has adversely impacted our Tourism in the County of Kerry especially in Killarney.

There is no objection to anyone coming here to work if they have the proper work visas and the necessary documents required", Deputy Healy Rae said.



# HOUSING ISSUE A MAJOR CRISIS IN KILLARNEY

Cllr. John O'Donoghue has said that the one issue coming up repeatedly on the doorsteps is the issue of housing. The crisis Ireland finds itself in is well documented and it is felt as acutely in our area as anywhere else in the country. The skewed policy of successive Governments to hand the building of houses to private developers has backfired spectacularly to the extent that many young couples, despite both working full time, still cannot afford a mortgage, often due to crippling rental payments. Our homeless figures are also a scandal, particularly in relation to homeless figures for children. There are a number of schemes to help first time buyers purchase a house, but in an economy where demand far outstrips supply, this serves to drive prices up which compounds the issue. We regularly hear of how the Government is spending record amounts of money on housing, but this is merely an attempt to play catch up on the failure of Government after Government to properly address the issue. In Killarney the issue is magnified by the fact there is little housing available within the town, while out in the countryside due to much of the land being designated as being an area under significant urban pressure where planning permission is very



difficult to obtain. A case of not being allowed to build in the countryside unless you fit a very strict metric, and nowhere to ao in the town which is a ludicrous situation. And all the while St Finan's and its surrounding 20 or so acres of land in the centre of the town sit idle because bureaucratic red tape allows the HSE to act like a private estate agent, willing to sell only to the highest bidder. The notion that the Council and the HSE are two unrelated entities is nonsensical when you consider both are using the public money raised by the tax payer. It should be handed over immediately to The Council to allow them to proceed with developing the land. While the Local Authority, Kerry County Council's hands are largely tied by national legislation, it is vital we continue to call upon the Government to formulate, and more importantly adhere to, a viable housing policy which will serve the people of Killarney and East Kerry.

# CLARITY ON ROAD FUNDING

Cllr. Brendan Cronin has encountered some confusion in the public domain regarding the locations of the funding allocated for the N22 by the TII for works in 2024 and in this week's Killarney Outlook he is informing the public of the situation.

" The TII have allocated funding to Kerry County council for 3 specific locations on the N22 Fossa road as follows,

1. €1 million euro from the Golden Nugget Junction to the Gap Cross for construction of traffic calming

measures, 2 pedestrian crossings and complete road resurfacing.

2. €240,000 allocated for road resurfacing from Laccabane Village towards Liebherr's Factory.

3. €350,000 allocated for road resurfacing from Killalee towards Beaufort Bridge Junction.

This funding is badly needed as the surface of this very busy road has deteriorated at these locations and the construction of the pedestrian crossings, particularly at Fossa NS is long overdue."

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- I will continue to lobby for social and affordable housing and greater assistance for first-time buyers
- I have already engaged with senior HSE Forum officials regarding the requirement for a patient-first approach to health services with a very clear need for a properly resourced minor injuries clinic in Killarney

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- I will continue to strongly advocate for positive and crucial mental health initiatives in the Killarney Municipal District
- I will seek the required funding for our local and regional roads and to improve safety at dangerous junctions.
- I shall continue my work with community and sporting organisations to ensure they can reach their goals with proper funding and greater support

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# SOME OF MY PRIORITIES INCLUDE:

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As Killarneys population grows, we need a Dedicated A&E in our town. With the new community hospital nearing completion, I will work to see St. Columbanus and Killarney Community Hospital Sites serve as a new A&E base for our town.

The redevelopment of the Áras Phádraig must progress as the funding has been allocated. KCC management needs to ensure this redevelopment commences, along with the development of a multi-story car park in Killarney.

 St. Finan's Hospital site must be redeveloped to Supply Social & Affordable Housing for local Kerry families.

■ Ensure that the €50,000 secured for new road safety signage and lining approaching Two Mile Community NS will be completed during summer holidays.

●Following numerous representations, Fossa road safety improvement works (Golden Nugget to Gap Cross) have been allocated €1 million in funding, including a crucial Pedestrian Crossing at Fossa NS. If re-elected, I will ensure that this vital project is undertaken without delay.

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# CALL FOR COUNCIL TO REPAIR DROMKERRY ROAD

Cllr. Brendan Cronin has requested the Killarney MD roads Department to carry out emergency repair work on the Dromkerry Road Fossa which has seriously deteriorated and is in very poor condition, particularly adjacent to the Crohane Pump house, where there is now a high risk of damaging the underneath of cars as the road has gone down on both sides and cars

are hitting the centre of the road, because of its bog foundation. There is substantial funding set aside by KCC for road upgrade work which is to be done when Irish Water have completed the major water mains replacement that they want to do along this road, however emergency repairs must now be undertaken by the council for the safety of local residents.

# Every Local Authority needs a 'Derelict Housing SWAT Team' to increase CPOing of derelict houses - MEP Kelleher

- Councils that meet or exceed agreed targets should be rewarded by the State -



"Every Local Authority (LA) needs a dedicated 'Derelict Housing SWAT team' to speed up the process of CPOing houses and buildings that are being left derelict by absentee or disinterested property owners," says Fianna Fáil Ireland South candidate, Billy Kelleher MEP.

"Over recent months, but especially in recent weeks on the campaign trail, I have been disturbed by the number of properties in our towns, villages and in the countryside that remain derelict or vacant.

"Property owners who consistently allow their buildings to become derelict are engaging in societal vandalism.

"While I know that housing isn't a competence of the EU, I cannot ignore this issue as I criss-cross the constituency and speak to voters and city and county councillors.

"Housing Minister O'Brien TD has put in place many supports to help those who buy these types of properties. However, our Local Authorities need the resources, funding and expertise needed to actively CPO derelict properties that are not being put onto the market by owners.

"The carrot is being offered by the Government but it's really time for the stick now.

"These SWAT Teams would have the legal, engineering, planning and administrative expertise to follow the process until the very end.

"While all our Local Authorities have property units that are nominally responsible for Compulsory Purchases, I don't think this essential process is being prioritised.

"All LAs should have targets for the number of CPOs per year. Councils that achieve or exceed targets should also be rewarded by the State.

"We quite simply have too many derelict homes. They are being left idle, to fall into rack and ruin by owners who either don't care about the property, don't have the money to refurbish them or who are waiting to demolish them when they collapse in on themselves.

"The upshot is possibly tens of thousands of potential homes in our towns, villages and rural communities being left idle when we have a housing crisis on our hands.

"Targeting the low hanging fruit i.e. providing grants to people who buy derelict homes is paying dividends. It's now time to put in place the teams that can follow through on the necessary process to bring this other sector of our housing stock back into use for the common good," concluded Kelleher.

# Minister Foley welcomes over €1.4m in grant funding to support sports clubs across Kerry

Minister for Education and Kerry T.D, Norma Foley, has welcomed the allocation of €1,431,166 in grant funding to support sports clubs across Kerry.

The funding was announced today by Minister of State for Sport, Physical Education and the Gaeltacht, Thomas Byrne TD, as part of a record total overall allocation of  $\in 26$  million in equipment grants nationwide under the latest round of the Sports Capital and Equipment Programme ('SCEP').

Minister Foley said: "It is wonderful to witness the dedication and hard work that club members and volunteers across Kerry invest every week

CLLR. MAURA HEALY RAE has asked again and had a notice of motion previously with Kerry Co Council to take into consideration the family tradition of Jarveys in the Killarney Area and to allow the transfer of a jarvey license from one generation to the next, from one family member to another when a person retires or dies, Cllr Healy Rae also asked the Council to confirm if there is a waiting list for jarvey licenses, the reply she received was under the "Bye-Laws regulating the operation of Horse Drawn Hackney Carriages 2010" the issuing of a licence requires Kerry Co Council to have regard to Bye-Law No. 5, 9, 10 and 11. Bye-Law 5 states "in the event that an existing licence holder should cease to hold his/her licence, then it shall automatically revert to the now being acknowledged with this grant funding from Government.

"The grants will be instrumental in supporting clubs with crucial equipment and enhancements, like pitch renovations and acquiring gym gear.

"I wish to extend my sincerest appreciation to the volunteers and club members throughout our county for their invaluable contributions to our communities' well-being.

"The grants announced today reflect the priority Government places on encouraging and facilitating sporting participation and excellence across the country."

. . . . . . . . . . . . . Council" Bye-Law 9 relates to holders of a licence and renewal of that licence. Bye-Law 10 details the requirements on all applicants for licence issuance. Bye-Law 11 states "where the number of applications for a licence exceeds the number of licences determined by the Council the allocation of licences shall...be determined by lot "Kerry County Council is not permitted to operate waiting lists for the issuance of Jarvey licences.

This review is going on a longtime and Maura Healy Rae states that this is a serious issue affecting many Jarveys who have been in contact with her and to date the review hasn't taken place, if re-elected on June 7th she promises the Jarveys that she will continue to follow up on this issue with Kerry Co Council





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- Footpath repair works in several estates in Killarney
- Provision of new and upgrading of existing public lighting
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# **MUCKROSS ROWING CLUB**

Muckross RC continued a busy regatta circuit last weekend with crews competing in the Lough Rynn Grand League Regatta in Leitrim on Saturday last, May 11th. The event was limited to crews racing Division 1 and 2 categories (from Junior 16 to Senior). Muckross scooped four gold medals, placed second in two categories and third in two more events. Mens Club 1 Single 1st: Marko Tot. Mens J18A Double 1st: Daniel Fleming, Ian Coffey. Mens Club 2 Quad 1st: Harry Bolger, Cillian Leslie, Jack Donnelly, Diarmuid Murphy, Jenna Coffey (cox). Womens J16 Double 1st: Muireann O'Donoghue, Jenna Coffey. Mens J18B Quad 2nd: Sean O'Donovan, Gearoid O'Connor, Max Coyne, Jack Murphy, Reailtin O'Donoghue (cox). Womens J18B Quad 2nd: Muireann O'Donoghue, Jenna Coffey, Angelina Kenny, Jane Keating, Reailtin O'Donoghue (cox). Womens J18A Quad 3rd: Khim Fleming, Rachel Fuller, Eva Stack, Aine O'Sullivan. Mens J18B Double 3rd: Max Coyne, Jack Murphy. Womens J18B Double 3rd: Jane Keating, Angelina Kenny. Mens J18B Double 5th: Harry Bolger, Jack Donnelly. Mens J18A Quad: Daniel Fleming, Gearoid O'Connor, Cillian Leslie, Ian Coffey. Congratulations to the medal winners and well done to all our crews. Thanks to all our coaches and parents who made the journey and to Niall O'Donoghue, who towed the boat trailer to and from Leitrim.

#### LEE REGATTA

Best of luck to the 45 Muckross crews competing in the Lee Sprint Regatta in Cork city this Saturday!

### **UPCOMING**

Dublin Metro Regatta, Sat May 25th, Blessington; Bantry Regatta, Sat Jun 1st, Reendonegan Lake. Munster Branch Regatta, Sat Jun 8th, NRC. Cork Regatta, Sat Jun 22nd, NRC.

# **FOSSA BRIDGE CLUB**

Fossa Bridge Club Members played in Club President's (Phyllis O'Regan) Priize over two weeks, Thursday May 2nd and Thursday May 9th. There was a big entry of players competing for the President's Prize.

Phyllis presented the prizes in the President's Room, Killarney Golf Club. Members then enjoyed a wonderful meal and afternoon in the Clubhouse.





#### Results

1st and Best Gross: Ursula Daly and Ciaran Broadbery

2nd: Anne Looney and Maura G. Moynihan 3rd: Pauline Lyne and Horst Rosler 4th: Finola Spillane and Ger Foley 5th: Karen O'Keeffe and Imelda Healv 6th: Miriam McFarlane and Teresa Burke 7th: Tim Corcoran and Mai Corcoran 8th: Anne Clerkin and Patricia Lynch Session One: Hanneke Nieman and Don O'Sullivan

Session Two: Evelyn O'Leary and Mary Murray

# **KILLORGLIN RC**

# LOUGH RINN REGATTA

The Lough Rinn regatta presented a blend of weather conditions for participants to contend with. The day began well, with calm water greeting our rowers. Among them were Kieran McHugh, the Women's J16 quad comprising Sadhbh O'Sullivan, Fia O'Gorman, Freya Doyle, and Chloe O'Sullivan, coxed by Kate McMahon, as well as the Men's J16 double featuring Noah O'Flaherty and Joe Horan, navigating their respective heats and all advancing to the A finals in the late morning. Kieran secured 3rd place in the Men's Club 1 single sculls, while both the Women's J16 Quad and Men's J16 double emerged victorious in their races, with the Women's quad finishing a remarkable 21 seconds ahead of St Michael's in second place. As the afternoon unfolded, varying weather conditions emerged, with gusty winds prompting organisers to cancel the Women's Junior and Men's Division 2 single sculls events, affecting competitors such as Sadhbh, Kieran, and Cian Hynes.

In the heat of the women's Division 1 double sculls, the two Women's Junior doubles comprising Fia O'Gorman and Chloe O'Sullivan, alongside a crew featuring Kate McMahon and Freya Doyle, finished a mere 2 seconds apart, both securing places in the B final.

The Men's J16 quad, consisting of Joe Horan, Noah O'Flaherty, Rory Barry, and Jerome Murphy, coxed by Cian Hynes, clinched 3rd place overall in their event, trailing 6 seconds behind the winners from Cumann Rámhaíochta Choláiste na Coiribe rowing club.

Overall, it was a day marked by enjoyment and remarkable success for all participants. Looking ahead, Lough Rinn will serve as the venue for the National Junior Championship Regatta later this year, and anticipation is high for our return to Mohill in early July.

Our next destination? The National School Regatta, set on the prestigious 2012 Olympic course in Eton, London, UK. Anticipation is soaring!

# **KILLARNEY VALLEY ATHLETIC CLUB**

The Kerry County Senior and Master Track & Field Championships was held in Castleisland last Sunday. The Club had both a Men's and Women's Senior Team competing on the day. The Killarney Valley AC Women's Senior Team, led by Captains Madie Wilson Walker and Selina



Winners - Womens Junior 16 Double - Lough Rynn Regatta 2024: Jenna Coffey, Muireann O'Donoghue, Muckross RC.



Winners - Mens Junior 18A Double - Lough Rynn Regatta 2024: Daniel Fleming, Maurice Coffey (coach), Ian Coffey, Muckross RC



Winners - Womens Junior 16 Double - Lough Rynn Regatta 2024: Jenna Coffey, Muireann O'Donoghue, Muckross RC.

# SPORTING FOCUS



Team Captains Eoin O'Reilly and Oisin Lynch receiving the Quill Cup from Kerry Athletics Chairman Martin Fitzgerald.

Selina Collins and Madie Wilson Walker receiving the Christina O'Shea Cup from Christine's family at the weekend.

Collins received the Christina O'Shea Memorial Cup. Congrats and Well done to all athletes involved, Anna O'Shea, Mollie O'Riordan, Dara McCarthy, Hanna Hryhoreva, Grace O'Meara, Hannah Collins, Krystyna Paliy, Christine Cooper, Amy Garvanovic, Maureen O'Shea, Ellie O'Shea and of course our 2 captains Madie Wilson Walker and Selina Collins.

The Senior Men's Team, led by Captains Eoin O'Reilly and Oisin Lynch won The Quill Cup for the 3rd year in a row. Athletes involved were Cian O'Brien, Oisin O'Regan, Dominik Wasila, Dylan Manning, Bartek Zglinski, Eoin O'Reilly, Naoise Daly, Jehven Kubanov, Noel Rice, Derek Pyne, Keelan Veerasoo, Dara Looney, Tomas Griffin, Sam Griffin, Stan Garvanovic, Alan Delaney, Tim Horgan, and Jordan Lee.

In the Master Category, Niall Byrne won the M40 3K, Orla Nic Suibhne received silver in the W60 3K and Yarslav Paliy received bronze in the M45 3K, silver in the 100m and gold in the 400m.

Our Summer Camps are back this year with 4 weeks to choose from .. July 8th – 2nd August. Our Multi activity camp is for kids aged 5-12 years. Book on our website to avoid disappointment.

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

# **FOSSA ROWING CLUB**

Fossa Rowing Club would like to invite everyone to the naming and blessing of our five new boats. On Sunday 19th May at 11am at the Old Church in Fossa. It would be great to meet up with friends old and new. Refreshments provided.

# WORKMENS ROWING CLUB NEWS

An early start for our rowers last Saturday morning for Darkness Into Light.

Our rower took to the water at 4.30am and rowed into light while our local community took part in the walking for 'Nathan's Walk' -Darkness's into light from the Race Course.

Fantastic weather over the weekend again which enabled our crews to get on the water with near perfect conditions.

Best of luck to all our rowers who will be taking part in the Lee Regretta this weekend in the Marina, Cork.

Training continues as usual for all members.

# **KILLARNEY SWIMMING CLUB**

15 Killarney Swimming Club Swimmers competed at the Munster Long Course Championships at UL from Friday to Sunday. 5 swimmers made it into finals in various events: Cathal Mackey, Ella Cremin, Aoife Coffey, Evan O'Donoghue and Aoibhinn Heinemann. Medalists:

Evan O'Donoghue, 1st 100 Butterfly, 3rd 200 IM Ella Cremin, 1st 200M Butterfly

Aoibhinn Heinemann, 3rd 50 Free

Aoibhinn, Ella, Cathal and Sarah Quirke achieved qualifying times for Summer Nationals which will take place in July.

# KILLARNEY RFC NEWS

Our AGM has been set for Wednesday the 29th of May and will take place at Ross Products, located on Ross road, starting at 7:30pm. All welcome. Please spread the word.

# WELL DONE GIRLS

Well done to Eliza O'Sullivan, and Keelin O'Shea of our U16 girls squads and Fia Whelan, Ava O'Mally and Emma Dunican of our U18 girls who were selected for Munster for the U16 and U18 Interprovincial 7's tournament taking place last weekend and next weekend in Dublin. Best of luck to the girls and congratulations on the selections.

#### **GIVE IT A TRY**

Our Girls only Give it a Try programme aimed at getting girls playing rugby runs every Tuesday at Aghadoe at 7pm and new players very



Club President Phyllis O'Regan presenting her President's Prize to Ciaran Broadbery and Ursula Daly with Members of Fossa Bridge Club.

# SPORTING FOCUS



Killarney Swimming Club member Ella Cremin, 1st 200M Butterfly

Killarney Swimming Club member Aoibhinn Heinemann, 3rd 50 Free



Killarney Swimming Club member Evan O'Donoghue, 1st 100 Butterfly, 3rd 200 IM



Lexie Griffin (12) from Fossa is a member of Kngdom swimming club. Last weekend in the Munster long course championship Lexie won: 2nd 100m backstroke, 2nd 200m backstroke, 2nd 100m freestvle

welcome. For details simply come along or give Ger a call on 087-1240365.

# MUNSTER RUGBY SUMMER CAMPS

The Munster Rugby Summer Camps return for Summer 2024 at 24 venues around the province and this year will take place at Aghadoe between Monday the 22nd of July and Friday the 26th of July. Open to boys and girls aged between 6 and 12 years of age, the camps are brilliant fun and take place each day between 9:30am and 1pm. The cost is €80 per child and there's a discounted rate of €70 for additional children from the same family. Each participant will receive an official Munster Rugby Summer Camp Pack comprising of Adidas Summer Camp t-shirt, draw-string bag, and mouth guard. Each camp is run by fully accredited IRFU Mini Rugby coaches and these camps are great fun for all the kids. Check out our club socials for more or Munster Rugby.

# FARRANFORE MAINE VALLEY

The county juvenile athletics championships took place in Castleisland on the 5th and 6th of May. The standard was exceptionally high this year with medals being very hard to come by. We had a good few medal winners and well done to all those who competed Elliot Lyne 2nd in the Long Jump Fiadh White 3rd in the U-9 Javelin Cathal O'Connor ran a storming race to win the



WORKMEN'S ROWING CLUB - Darkness Into Light in Aid of Pieta House. A big thank you to some of our rowers who took part over the weekend.

600 metres by over 5 seconds. Lauren Fleming finished 3rd in the 60 metres Timothy Madden had a fine throw in the Shot put to finish 3rd. Ryan and Isaac Vickers 1st in the 800

Conor McCarthy 1st 1500 and 2nd in 800 Roisin Daly 1st 200, 2nd 100. Niamh and Kevin O'Shea 1st in the discus We also had fine performances from Ethan Madden, Darren Foley, Ethan O'Sullivan, Jack O'Callaghan, Tadhg Mannix, Joseph Breen, Daithi Fleming, Lauren O'Sullivan, Shona McLaughlin, Hazel Culloty and Emily O'Dowd even though they just finished outside the medals

Our relay teams also did us proud Girls U-10 Relay Girls U 12 relay Boys U 11 relay Boys u 13 relay



Killorglin Rowing Club members Men's J16 double: Noah O'Flaherty, Joe Horan



Killorglin Rowing Club members Women's J16 quad (I-r): Sadhbh OSullivan, Fia O'Gorman, Kate McMahon, Freya Doyle and Chloe O'Sullivan



Killorglin Rowing Club members competing at the regatta

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# **BALLYHAR DYNAMOS FC**

#### LOTTO

No.s 5, 8,13, 24. No winner of the jackpot. 5 x  $\in$ 25: Kathleen Breen, Killarney. Mary Groves, Ballyhar. Bernadette Cooper, Ballyhar. Rachel O Connor, Headford, Killarney & Ray Hoctor, Firies. Next draw for a jackpot of  $\in$ 14,800 will take place on Sunday next 19th May at Butlers Bar, Firies. Tickets available from committee members, Spar, Bridies & Hendersons shops & Butlers Bar. Thanks to all who support & Help out with the club lotto.

## TEAMS

The Club seniors bowed out of the Reserve cup at the quarter final stage following there 6-2 defeat away to Lenamore FC. The game was tied at 2-2 on 65 minutes thanks to goals from John Power & Declan O Connor. All played well with Trevor O Shea, Mike O Sullivan, Dan O Shea, Ger Fitzgerald, Robert Kelly, Luke Henderson, Patrick O Connor & Daithi O Shea being the pick of the bunch. Thanks to Danny & the players for their commitment throughout the season.

## **TEAM OF THE WEEK**

Well done to Brendan Allman on being selected on the Kerry schoolboy team of the week following some impressive u14 outings. Ryan Vickers was amongst the goal scorers in St Brendans College 1st year Munster final soccer victory during the past week. Well done Ryan.

# **KILLARNEY CELTIC**

# **CELTIC LOTTO**

Numbers drawn 2,9,13,22. No jackpot winner. Match 3 winners received  $\in$ 30. Next jackpot  $\in$ 8,200 on Monday May 20th. Tickets available from The Dungeon Bookshop, Amber Shop (Top of Ross Road), club members and online through clubzap.

#### GREYHOUND BAR CUP SEMI FINAL Killarney Celtic 2-1 Killorglin AFC Padraic Looney, Lee Downing

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Celtic A advanced to another Greyhound Bar Cup after coming from behind against Killorglin. Celtic found themselves 1 down but Padraic Looney brought the teams level after 28mins. 1-1 at the break. There were no further goals until Lee Downing scored in injury time to send



Killarney Celtic U16 Boys squad winners of the 2023/24 U16 Div 1.

Celtic to another final where they will face Tralee Dynamos.

#### CHARLEVILLE CHEESE PREMIER A Killarney Celtic 2-2 Tralee Dynamos Liam Spillane, Terry Sparling

Celtic took another step towards this season's league final following a draw with Tralee Dynamos.

# **KILLARNEY ATHLETIC AFC**

## KILLARNEY ATHLETIC AFC OFFICIALLY LAUNCHED ITS ANNUAL 7 A SIDE TOURNAMENT IN KILLARNEY CREDIT UNION THIS WEEK

The competitions will take place over a few weeks with games Monday to Friday and underage games being played on our astro turf pitch. The tournament is open to all ages. Senior Ladies (over 16) Senior Men, Over 35s, and underage boys and girls from 10-16 years.

Application forms are available from the Beech Road of Killarney Credit Union and at www. killarneyathletic.com.

The entry fee for Senior Men: €200; Over 35s: €200; Senior Ladies: €150

U 14/16: €100. U10/12: €100 (this competition takes place on the 28th -29th June)

The closing date for all ages (to be returned to the credit union) is Thursday 6th June before 5.30pm

The draw will take place on Monday 10th June.

Further information is available from www. killarneyathletic.com.

#### U13 CUP SEMI-FINAL RESULT Killarney Athletic 4- 3 Listowel Celtic Eric Corcoran x3, Rory Moynihan x1

Our young Blues are through to the U13 Cup Final after a cracking game of football this evening in Ferndale.

Our boys got off to a flying start when Eric Corcoran scored after 4 mins. Listowel are a very good side, and they git a deserved equaliser near the end of the half. 1-1 at half time.

With everything to play for, both teams went on the offensive and everyone was treated to a fantastic second half of football.

Listowel went ahead to go 2-1 up but Eric scored again to bring us level. Eric scored again & completed his hat-trick, Listowel quickly equalising to make 3-3 with 6 mins remaining. The winning goal came with 2 mins remaining from Rory Moynihan when he reacted quickest inside the penalty area to slot the ball into the goal. Listowel attacked straight from the kick off and put our defence under serious pressure, but our boys held out to put us throught to the final. Thanks to Listowel for a great game.

Well done to all our boys who worked their socks off and kept fighting till the final whistle. Well done lads

We await the winner of St Brendan's Park/ Castleisland in the Final.



Lissivigeen National School presenting a cheque to Down Syndrome Kerry for  $\epsilon$ 500 which they collected on Lots of Socks Day.



The Kingdom County Fair took place last weekend. It was a fun filled weekend for all the family as 1,000's of people arrived for the Show Shay Buckley from Rathmore Kerry at the Sheep show event with his awards. Photo By : Domnick Walsh © Eye Focus LTD

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# SOCCER FOCUS

# **ANNUAL 7-A-SIDE TOURNAMENT LAUNCHED**

Killarney Athletic AFC officially launched its Annual 7 a side tournament in Killarney Credit Union on Monday 13th May.

The event will take place on Monday 24th June at the Killarney Athletic AFC Grounds, Woodlawn and its main sponsor is Killarney Credit Union.

"We are delighted to be celebrating our 45th year of the sevens and after last year's successful return we are looking forward to yet another action packed Tournament, We are also thrilled that Killarney Credit Union are once again out main sponsor. Not forgetting our under age competitions for boys and girls from U10's-U16's", Killarney Athletic AFC Chairman Donie Murphy said.

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"Killarney Credit Union is proud to be the main sponsor of this event, especially in light of its 45th year anniversary, we would like to wish the organisers and all participants the best of luck in this year's tournament" There will be a range of accolades as part of the event, the Premier and Reserve Cups, the Kieran Cahillane Senior Player of the Tournament Award will be on offer for the outstanding player on view, while The



of Killarney Credit Union and at www.killarneyathletic. Mark Murphy CEO Killarney Credit Union (fourth from left) presenting the sponsorship for the 45th Killarney Credit Union Killarney Athletic 7 A Side tournament with (from left) Martin Muldoon Killarney Athletic Club Junvenile Chairman, Noreen Landers Kly CU, Donie Murphy Chairman Killarney Athletic Club, Colette Casey Killarney Athletic 7 A Side Tournament Director and Shane Foley Killarney CU at Killarney Credit Union on Monday. Photo by Michelle Cooper Galvin

Johnny Heffernan Underage Player of the Tournament Award will also be up for grabs. Also, there will be free entry to the 2025 tournament for the Premier Cup winners.

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The draw will take place on Monday 10th June

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# **ISK ANNOUNCED AS WINNERS** of Bank of Ireland's Money Smarts Challenge



The team from Intermediate School, Kilorglin, Padraig O'Shea, Aoibhe Coughlan, Sean O'Donnell and, Conor Sowerby were presented with their prize by Munster stars Dave Kilcoyne and Jack Daly.

Intermediate School, Kilorglin has been announced as winners and runners up at this year's Bank of Ireland Money Smarts Challenge Finals. This year, the competition saw close to 1,600 students from a total of 120 schools from all across Ireland register to compete in four virtual events held across the 16th and 17th of April 2024, with four overall winners and four runner up teams emerging victorious.

The Money Smarts Challenge is part of Bank of Ireland's financial literacy programme for Second Level students. The programme, which is free to take part in, is designed to help students learn about managing their finances and to develop important financial literacy skills.

The Kerry school topped its group, receiving first prize of €3,000 for the school. The team from Intermediate School, Kilorglin, Padraig O'Shea, Aoibhe Coughlan, Sean O'Donnell and, Conor Sowerby were presented with their prize by Munster stars Dave Kilcoyne and Jack Daly.



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# PRES GIRLS ARE QUEENS OF THE KINGDOM in Student Enterprise

There was delight and excitement week at Presentation last Secondary School, Castleisland as the school welcomed home Carry Camán, the first year team who are celebrating a famous win in the National Student Enterprise Programme. Marguerite Herlihy, Seána Walsh, Lucy Matassa and Clodagh Buckley won first place in the Junior Category of the National Enterprise Final, which took place in Mullingar in Co Westmeath last Thursday. The National Final is the culmination of a year where over 28,000 students across the country participated in the enterprise programme, with 80 enterprises making it through to the National Final.

Carry Camán represented Kerry in the Junior Category, having won the Kerry County Enterprise final in the MTU in March. The team design and produce holders for players to carry their hurleys across their shoulder to training and matches. Clodagh Buckley, who came up with the original inspiration, says "Players often struggle to carry their hurleys by hand while also bringing school bags and gear bags. We wanted to find a solution to this so came up with the idea for a hurley holder". The students also tackled the issue of road safety by incorporating high-viz reflective strips on each holder. Lucy Matassa added, "We met with the Road Safety Authority, and have been distributing RSA high viz vests during our sales events". Business teacher in the school, Edward Clarke, commended the students' efforts in recognising how important it is to spread the message on road safety. "Wearing a high visibility jacket is not hugely popular among teenagers; the students are making their own contribution to solving this as people who wear high viz clothing are 300 times more visible in the dark".

Seána Walsh was the lead member on sales and marketing for the enterprise. "We tried to raise our profile as much as possible" she said. "We demonstrated our holder to the Kerry Camogie team, and to members of the Kerry Hurling and Kilkenny Camogie teams". She adds "We also got in touch with the Camogie Association of Ireland and have been taking orders from friends, students in the school, the local camogie club and also through our online order form".

Carry Camán were also recognised at the National Enterprise Final for their research on legally protecting their enterprise name and idea, winning the Intellectual Property



Marguerite Herlihy, Clodagh Buckley, Lucy Matassa and Seána Walsh with their 2 awards at the National Student Enterprise Final

Award which was sponsored by the Intellectual Property Office. Marguerite Herlihy thanked everyone who supported the enterprise throughout the year. She said "There was a lot of work involved but we made so much progress from when we initially came up with the idea last November. We would especially like to thank Walsh Colour Print and IPS Packaging for sponsoring us with supplies during our enterprise".

Mr. Clarke said the awards deserved. were very well students "The demonstrated determination, ambition and perseverance throughout the project, learning how to sew, developing a marketing strategy, and presenting their business to a panel of judges. It is not often that students volunteer to come in to school over Easter holidays but these girls did. The lessons learned and skills developed will stand to these young business professionals for life". The Carry Camán team were also featured on RTE's Six One News on Thursday evening.

Principal of Presentation Castleisland, Mr. Pierce Dargan, congratulated the team for their wonderful achievement. "What can be achieved in the space of just a few short months with the right attitude, growth mindset and will to succeed is limitless" he says. "The girls represented themselves, their families and the school exceptionally well and we are very proud of their achievements. The students have become successful young entrepreneurs and the programme has contributed significantly to their educational experience in our school. Presentation Castleisland continues to support and give opportunities



Lucy Matassa, Clodagh Buckley, Marguerite Herlihy, and Seána Walsh with their 2 awards at the National Student Enterprise Final **72** | **17**.05.24
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# PRE NCT AND DOE TESTS



# Good exam techniques will maximise your grades in the State Exams



By Billy Ryle

#### HIGHLIGHT

With the state exams fast approaching, it's time to focus on your exam techniques. By planning your approach to answering the exam papers you will perform better. Begin by highlighting your exam subjects on your personal copy of the exam timetable.

#### MARKING

The State Examinations Commission (SEC) is guickly moving to online marking. 26 Leaving Cert. subjects and 16 Junior Cycle subjects will be marked online this year. A 36-page answer book is used in all Leaving Certificate subjects where a separate answer book is required. In addition to the front cover and some instructions on page 2, the answer book has 34 lined pages. Shade in fully the circle for the subject, the level, and the language that you are answering through. Also fill in your exam number and date of birth on the front of the answer book. Specimen answer book and specimen exam paper design can be viewed at www.examinations.ie/online-marking.

#### FORMAT

Be familiar, well in advance of each exam session, with the format of each paper you are sitting. Know how the paper is presented. What topics are examined? How many questions must be answered? What styles of question can you expect on any exam paper? Familiarise yourself with the choice available on the paper. Are some questions compulsory or is there an open choice? Be careful with a paper, which is subdivided into subsections. Without prior knowledge of such a paper you could easily fail to address the relevant number of questions. Over the next few weeks, as you do past papers, and again at the exam, read the instructions carefully.

#### LEGIBLE

Write your answers in blue or black pen. Use pencil for graphs and diagrams and work neatly down the page. Write clearly and legibly. Use diagrams, sketches and illustrations if they enhance your answer. Use decent size diagrams, as they are quicker to draw and allow more detail. The presentation of your answering won't merit extra marks but a well-presented script makes a favourable impression on the corrector.

#### QUALITY

The core of any exam is the quality of your answering. The content of your answer must be relevant to the question asked. Read each question carefully before deciding which ones to answer. Tackle a good question first to settle you down. Before answering a question, list the key points around which you will build your answer. Be concise, accurate and relevant. Don't be long-winded or wordy. Waffle and repetition will not impress the corrector.

#### TIMING

Doing well in any exam involves knowing the course material but also in presenting your answers within the time allowed. Attempt the required number of questions. If you don't attempt a question, you can't possibly earn any marks for it. Be familiar with the marking scheme for each paper and work out in advance the approximate time you can spend on each question. The time allocated to each question should be in direct proportion to the marks available for that question. If you attempt the required number of questions, you have the best chance of maximising your grade in that subject.

#### **INSTRUCTIONS**

When your exam paper is handed to you read the instructions. Then spend about five minutes reading the entire paper. This preliminary scrutiny of all the questions gives you the feel for the paper. It allows you to settle down and gather your thoughts. Stick to your own preprepared answering plan and once you have made your choice of questions, start with a question you can answer well. As you warm to your task, you will be pleasantly surprised at the font of information that comes to mind, as vou need it.

#### REREAD

When you have finished answering each question, reread it to ensure you haven't omitted any part. Allow at least five minutes at the end of the exam to read back over your answers and to check your overall presentation.

#### CHECKLIST

- · It's now time to focus on your answering strategy
- A planned approach to answering leads to success
- A well-presented script makes a favourable impression
- Number your questions clearly and write neatly and legibly
- · Read the entire paper before deciding which questions you will answer
- Keep your answers concise, accurate and relevant
- · Familiarise yourself with the logistics of each exam paper
- · Be careful with a paper which is subdivided into subsections
- The time spent on a question must be in proportion to the marks for the question
- Proper allocation of time will enable you to attempt the required number of questions
- · Reread the question when you have answered it to ensure you haven't left out a part
- · Remain in the exam hall until the end of each session
- Specimen answer book and specimen exam paper at www.examinations.ie/ online-marking
- · Examination timetables are available on www.examinations.ie

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# JIMMY O'SULLIVAN-DARCY

takes a look at all things sport...

#### KERRY INTO U20 ALL IRELAND FINAL All Ireland U20 Semi-Final Kerry 0-12 Meath 0-11

I didn't really fancy a crack at The Royals too much. I know they haven't been pulling up trees at senior, even allowing for Dublin's dominance, but I grew up watching the end of Kerry's Golden Years and the start of Seán Boylan's era in Meath. A pure gentleman, Boylan, always and ever, but while those of his players that I have met in person are as sound as you could hope to meet, you wouldn't have been describing too many of them as 'gentlemen'! Meath were one of those rare teams that never gave up. You nearly had to be twice as good as them to actually beat them. And I remember their All Ireland minor victory over red hot favourites Tyrone in 2021; that featured the same kind of stubborn resilience. Tyrone seemed to think that they could grind them down but Meath just kept going and won out by a point. Nine of that minor team featured for the U20s last Saturday. And truth be told, we have to admit that Leinster is more competitive than Munster at that grade.

I haven't hidden my growing concern over Kerry at U20 level. We all, myself included, celebrated the minor five in a row (we shall always exclude the 2017 inaugural U17 All Ireland semi-final loss) and firmly expected that our long wait for U21/U20 success would soon end. Except it didn't happen. I will always feel that Kerry made a bad mistake in not releasing David Clifford and Sean O'Shea to the U20s in 2018 when we lost the semi-final to a Jimmy Hyland inspired Kildare. The issue was that they could not have played any senior championship with Kerry and remain eligible for the U20s (a well-intentioned but unworkable rule that was soon changed). I know Kerry got plenty seniors out of that U20 team, but how much further would an All Ireland have brought them in terms of confidence? Check the stats, Dublin, Mayo, and Tyrone were regularly competing at the top level in U20. Kerry were the only top table team that weren't. And I know we were winning minors, but the truth is that winning minors does not tend to impact senior success a few years later. U21 most definitely did. Always. The only exception has been the counties absolutely riven with emigration in the seventies and eighties. Other than that, you show me a team that reached three U21 All Ireland Finals, even if they didn't win any, and they will have played an All Ireland Final within the next five years. Check out the Kerry All Ireland winners of 1995, '96, and '98. You'll recognise a lot of those names instantly.

In recent years, I have been getting more and more concerned about the length of time that these players are away from their clubs and the amount of them that seem to be carrying



St. Brendans First Year 'Green' team

hampering knocks when they come out of it. I also have an issue with how conservatively Kerry are playing, at all grades. Football is primarily a negative game nowadays, and I was expecting more of the same in Semple Stadium.

After ten minutes, there were nine scores, Meath keeper Oisín McDermott had made a good save, and Cormac Dillon had seen a good free sail bare inches wide. One point in it, and I was enraptured. Long time since I've seen that kind of attacking in a football match! That's hurling tempo.

Eddie Healy, who had the proverbial stormer all through, put Kerry in front. Back came Meath, equally willing to go all-out. Shaun Leonard, who had kicked the winner in that 2021 minor final, curled over the bar. John O'Regan gathered a great through ball to slot another. Hughie Corcoran pointed from play and added a free.

Tomás Kennedy was marking the very highly rated Eamonn Armstrong and did really well on him. He had one of those tough, non-stop duels that often escape people's notice, but Armstrong never got a chance to make those incisive runs that made him such an effective player in the Leinster campaign. And when the chance came to have a pot, Tomas swung it neatly over the back spot. Darragh O'Connor, who made a few key bursts forward himself, added another. Eddie Healy got in among a thicket of bodies and unleashed a shot, but Oisín McDermott was able to gather. Daniel Kirby squared things up, 0-4 apiece.

Jamie Murphy at full forward was another danger-man for Meath. Dara O'Callaghan hadn't been able to start, meaning that Cian Lynch was shifted to full back, but I had no fears of Cian after his Corn Uí Mhuirí exploits, and sure enough Murphy was against a player as good as himself all through. And make no mistake, Murphy is a very good player. He nudged Meath back in front. Luke Crowley won a free but a great effort by Cormac Dillon swung fractionally wide and Murphy made it a two point game again, 0-6 to 0-4.

Kerry's turn to go on the attack. Eddie Healy kicked his second point. Rob Stack laid off to Ryan Diggin for a score. Again, I liked the way Diggin timed his runs all through to create space in Meath's defence. For that matter, Rob Stack showed his intelligence by holding and allowing Healy the freedom to get forward repeatedly, almost a role reversal of the games in Munster. A foul on Tomas Kennedy saw Cormac Dillon split the posts and Kerry go in front for the first time since the start of the game.

A minute later it could have been a much bigger lead. Darragh O'Connor made another great run but McDermott did well to save – Darragh could have laid it off to Luke Crowley, but those are split second decisions and I won't ever blame a player for backing himself in the moment. There's too many forwards nowadays whose first option is to recycle. Cormac had a great go at the '45, again it curled just outside the post.

Good ball into the Kerry square, but Rob Stack rose high to gather. You'd know the breeding by the way he went up to that one. At the other end Luke Crowley put Kerry up by two, 0-8 to 0-6.

A foul on Rian Stafford (Brian's son didn't have the impact on the game that I was expecting, but I think Kerry's defence had a lot to do with that) saw Jamie Murphy kick a great free from distance. Credit where it is due; that was good. That was as good a half an hour of football as I have seen in a long time. Years, to be honest.

#### Half-time Kerry 0-8 Meath 0-7

Jack Kinlough had the sides level soon after the restart. Aidan Crowley gave a good pass to Luke Crowley for him to open Kerry's second half account – again, that was a definite goal chance. Cormac Dillon put us two points ahead again.

Charlie O'Connor pointed for Kildare to make it 0-10 to 0-9, shortly before being replaced. Shaun Leonard and O'Connor were the first two players that Meath replaced – I was a little bit

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surprised as I thought both were playing well enough, but they could have picked up knocks or emptied a lot of the tank. You can't judge that kind of thing from the stand.

Scores were definitely harder to come by in the second half. That pulsating, high-octane first half had definitely taken its toll of energy reserves, but there was also the fact that both managers had rejigged slightly to shut down the channels. This was slightly more cautious football – but still far superior to the defensive turgidity too often served up nowadays. Too many teams seem afraid to lose games these days (the Ulster Final, despite being exciting on the scoreboard, was definitely a case in point), whereas as these two clearly wanted to go out and win it. There is a difference in that approach.

Cormac Dillon with a free nudged Kerry two in front, but Jamie Murphy replied. With quarter of an hour left, it was a one point game.

And scores dried up. Tomás Kennedy had a goal chance but the keeper made a superb save. Paddy Lane had another chance at goal, and once again the keeper saved it, albeit at the expense of a point. I've heard some mutterings about Kerry not being able to take their goal chances. A few people mutter that nonsense about the seniors as well. Listen, Kerry created good goal chances but came up against a superb goalkeeper. Sometimes when you add two plus two, the answer is just four. Don't be over-thinking it. Stats are a great analytical tool, but they are tools, not the entire narrative. Rob Stack rose high to fetch a dangerous punt nutrinore i ene teuri

into the Kerry square. Conor McWeeney's fisted effort at an equaliser came back off the post and crossbar, a let-off. Nerves were definitely jangling at this stage! Kerry were dropping back a bit and letting Meath come at them, trusting to their defence. Understandable in the circumstances. This was the time to shut the door rather than leave yourself open to the counter.

Jamie Murphy slotted a free. One point game. Liam Kelly with a late chance....still a one point game as it skewed off his boot. That's how tight the margins are at this altitude.

Kerry will face Tyrone this Saturday and look to end their sixteen year wait for an All Irelaand. Kerry's last U21 winning team included the likes of Tomás Mac an tSaoir, Colin O'Mahony, Mike Moloney, Shane Enright, Killian Young, David Moran, Tommy Walsh, Alan O'Sullivan, Kieran O'Leary, Brian Looney, Jamie Doololan, Mike 'Stam' O'Donoghue, Paddy Curran, Paul O'Connor, Aidan Shine O'Sullivan, and Kieran Brennan. Names to be reckoned with on any field.

Kerry will be colossal underdogs against Tyrone. Of course they will. Not only do they have players remaining from the team that won this title two years ago, they also have back-to-back Hogan winning teams to draw from. But as far as I can see, this Kerry team, like Tomás himself back in the day, always relish the underdog tag. It'll certainly be interesting!

Kerry: Michael Tansley, Maidhcí Lynch, Cian Lynch, Gearóid Evans, Charlie Keating, Darragh O'Connor, Ryan Diggin (0-1), Cian Lynch, Rob Stack, Eddie Healy (0-2), Daniel Kirby (0-1), Odhran Ferris, Tomás Kennedy (0-1), Cormac Dillon (0-4, 2f), Aidan Crowley, Luke Crowley (0-2). Subs: Adam Segal (for Ryan Diggin, 35 mins), Cathal Brosnan (for Odhran Ferris, 43 mins), Fionn Murphy (for Gearóid Evans 45 mins), Paddy Lane 0-1 (for Aidan Crowley, 46 mins), Liam Evans (for Daniel Kirby, 56 mins)

Meath: Oisín McDermott, Conor Ennis, Liam Kelly, Sean O'Hare, Eamonn Armstrong, John O'Regan (0-1), Killian Smyth, Jack Kinlough (0-1), Charlie O'Connor (0-1), Shaun Leonard (0-1), Rian Stafford, Conor Duke, Hughie Corcoran (0-2, 1f), Jamie Murphy (0-5, 3f), Rian McConnell. Subs: Conor McWeeney (for Shaun Leonard, half-time), Tadgh Martyn (for Charlie O'Connor, 43 mins), Sean Emmanuel (for Rian Stafford, 43 mins), Brian O'Halloran (for Killian Smyth, 46 mins), John Harkin (for Hughie Corcoran, 55 mins)

Referee: Thomas Murphy (Galway)

#### MINORS CLAIM MUNSTER TITLE Munster Minor Final Kerry 2-17 Cork 1-5

This was an absolutely devastating performance, and I didn't see this one coming either (my radar is badly off these days!). We had beaten Cork in the opening round, but that's about as substantial a currency as shares in that Truth Media nonsense. That game was a waste of time and ye know as well as I know that since 2019, Cork have developed a habit of keeping



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Firies, Kerry Feile Div One Champions

their full hand hidden for those meaningless earlier rounds. Kerry didn't shake the ground in dismissing Clare, apart from a last quarter where Clare had basically folded the tents after putting up a good display. Cork looked better in seeing off Tipperary's challenge. Tough one to call; I reckoned Cork could have shaded it.

Instead, they were absolutely blown away. I'm not gloating over Cork, I've never done that, and we've all seen days like this happen to our own teams. But there is no point in dancing around the truth either. Kerry were superb here. Cork won't be happy with their display, absolutely not, but Kerry's dominance wasn't because of any Cork deficiencies. Kerry were majestic.

Ronan Carroll opened the scoring aftera foul on Joey McCarthy. Cork clipped up two wides in quick succession, the second after a kick-out mix-up. But Gearóid White (those of us who watched the Frewen Cup knew how devastating he can be) doubled our advantage. Ben Murphy powered through for a point. And 'powered through' is the phrase. It was very noticeable that Cork had a blanket defence and Kerry simply danced in and out of them, threading their way through with close, controlled football and fantastic support play. The blanket defence relies on crowding forwards to force mistakes, but the Kerry players seemed to revel in exhibiting their skill set. Michael Horan made it 0-4 to 0-0 with bis left leg.

Cork finally got on the scoreboard, a good score by Danny Miskella after Cathal O'Connor made a great midfield catch. Their own kick-outs were another problem area for Cork; Kerry destroyed them around the middle.

Jack Joy was tackled just as he was about to shoot, but Gearóid White split the posts just seconds later. A brilliant run by Cooney split the Kerry defence, but Aodhna Ó Beaglaíoch stood him up well and Cork had to settle for a Ben O'Shea point. Kit was their last for a while!

Kerry took over completely. Gearóid White notched two more points either side of a great save by keeper James O'Flaherty against Jack Joy, who had coolly slipped his marker. Ben Murphy had a narrow wide, while Ruairí O'Connell flashed rocket just the wrong side of the post after being put in by Gavin O'Keeffe. Play was called back for a foul on O'Keeffe and Ronan Carroll duly slotted it. 0-8 to 0-2. Jack Joy and Ronan Carroll both had efforts drop into the keeper's hands (a little bit careless with

Fossa Feile team

the execution in both cases). Gearóid White notched another Kerry point and they had two wides.

Cork finally had their first scoring attempt in quite a while (just their fifth in total, while Kerry had nineteen) and Seán Whelton pointed. Kerry finished the half strongly, though, with points from Seán Ó Cuinn and Jack Joy, a great effort from a tight angle.

#### Half-time Kerry 0-11 Cork 0-3

Gearóid White kicked a great free to open the second half. Ronan Carroll pointed from play. Cian Cooney was denied by a great double save by Kacper Robak – obviously the Kerry forwards dominated this game, but all the defenders were well on top of their brief as well. A foul on Jack Joy saw Seán Whelton take a ten minute break – to be fair, this was a very clean game overall and there was no malice in that one either. Gearóid White pointed.

Ben Murphy burst through and finished smoothly to the net. There was over twenty minutes of normal time left to play, but you could take the bird of the spit – this goose is well and truly cooked.

Danny Miskella pointed for Cork and then they won a penalty. I'm not begrudging them with the scoreboard the way it was – for God's sake, you want any team of seventeen year olds able to leave the field with their heads high – but it really did look to me much more like Kacper Robak was the one fouled rather than the one who was fouling. I don't know; I haven't had a closer look yet. Kacper actually saved the first attempt but Miskella slotted home on the rebound.

No matter. Aodhna Ó Beaglaíoch became the seventh Kerry player to put his name on the scoresheet and Gearóid White added a free. Ronan Carroll pointed before closing out the scoring by winning and despatching a Kerry penalty.

Wayne Quillinan, like all managers, will want to pick through the video of this game and find little flaws and things for Kerry to improve on. He has his work cut out for him in that.

KERRY: Kacper Robak, Fionnán Ryan, Michael Lynch, Ruadhán Donovan, Seán Ó Cuinn (0-1), Aodhna Ó Beaglaoich (0-1), Gavin O'Keeffe, Ben Murphy (1-1), Killian Dennehy, Gearoid White (0-8, 2f), Joey McCarthy, Jack Joy (0-1) Ruairí O'Connell, Ronan Carroll (1-5, 3f, 1-0 pen), Michael Horan (0-1). Subs: Éanna Murphy (for Ruairí O'Connell, 44 mins), Cian MacGearailt (for Michael Horan, 45 mins), Eoin O'Flaherty (for Fionnán Ryan, 48 mins), Oisin Fleming (for Jack Joy, 53 mins), Ned Ryan (for Killian Dennehy, 56 mins).

Cork: James O'Flaherty, Oisín Harrington, Aaron Keane, Joe Mouret, Cathal McCarthy, Cian O'Connor, Niall O'Shea, Harry Cogan, Jack Trench, Danny Miskella (1-3), Ben O'Shea (0-1), Seán Whelton (0-1), Humphrey Canty, Cian Cooney, Dylan O'Neill (0-1, 1f). Subs: Billy Ryan (for Cian O'Connor, half-time), Daniel Mellerick (for Ben O'Shea, half-time), Ben Delaney (for Jack Trench, 40 mins), Finn O'Dwyer (for Humphrey Canty, 44 mins), Cian Ahern (for Oisln Harrington, 55 mins).

Referee: Donnacha O'Callaghan (Limerick)

#### SEM CLAIM AODHÁN O'CONNOR CUP Aodhan Ó Conchúir Cup Final St. Brendans (green) 5-13 St. Brendans (White) 2-7

The Sem made it a straight hat-trick of First Year League A Finals last Monday evening in Lewis Rd., and this one was more special tha n the most because the school actually had both teams reach the final. Last year David Clifford was up against his Uncle Fergus' Tralee CBS side, but this year the All Star was actually supervising both teams.

The Green team got off the mark almost straight away, with Hammad Atig gathering a rapid high ball and bursting through before tucking away their first goal chance straight from the throw-in. The White team seemed maybe caught a little bit on the hop by the instant pace and intensity of their compatriot opponents. The Whites had a free narrowly wide before another perfect through ball left Eoin Bennett with just the keeper to beat and he duly obliged to make it 2-0. The White team notched a point but Hammad Atiq set up Derry O'Gorman for an instant riposte. Those inchperfect long balls into the waiting attackers was always a very potent weapon and the goals kept coming. Hammad Atig scored a second for himself, corner forward Derry O'Gorman registered 2-1, and Eoin Bennett added a point to his earlier goal. By half-time the Green team led by a whopping eighteen points, 5-7 to 0-4. The White team, in fairness, could consider themselves a bit unlucky as a lot of good play went unrewarded on the scoreboard.

In fairness to the White team, they showed

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no lack of resilience or composure and, while they never closed the gap sufficiently to create much doubt about the outcome, Cian Hegarty kicked an excellent 2-2, both goals arriving in the second half. Darragh Keane did in fact have a long shot drop into the White net, but the 'five goal rule' applies at this grade, quite rightly so, and it counted as a point instead. It was also great to see both teams run their benches liberally. I would strongly argue that at this age group, it is far more important than the actual scoreline. All of these players have plenty of football ahead of them.

That leaves little enough games to complete the post primary football year. Interestingly, the First Year B League Final will be played between the two Tralee CBS teams, while St. Brendans will face Tralee CBS in the Paul Russell Cup Final (expected but not yet confirmed for the middle of next week). Gone are the days when the Sem and the Green used to basically divide all the major trophies between them in Kerry (thankfully), but the big two still appear to be the big two, even if the holy grail of Munster Post Primary Football currently and deservedly resides in Mercy Mounthawk.

St. Brendans (Green): Gerry Moroney, James O'Callaghan, Mark Corkery, Eoin Brosnan, Daniel O'Sullivan (0-1), Donnacha Vaughan, Paddy Nash, Patrick O'Donoghue, Alan Scannell (0-2), Jayden Hurley (0-1), Darragh Keane (0-4, 2f), Eoin Bennett (1-1), Callum Cox (0-1), Hammad Atiq (2-0), Derry O'Gorman (2-1) Subs: Alex Kelly, Cathal Kelly, Darragh Fleming, Kieran Moloney, Fionan O'Donovan, Ryan O'Donoghue (0-1), Micheál O'Sullivan, Jack Kelly, Tomás O'Sullivan, Conor McElligott, Darragh Lucey, Aidan Hickey, Pierce Scahill (0-1)

St. Brendans (White): Ethan Clarke, Marco Masco, Oisin Cryan, Matthew Myles, Conor Moynihan (0-1), Adam Moynihan, Tristan Murphy, Ryan Vickers, Luke Clancy, Ross O'Gorman, Cian Hegarty (2-2), Stephen Shine-Doody, Luke Rennie (0-1), Seán Lyne (0-1), Éanna Hennigan (0-2) Subs: Adam Counihan, Kevin Breen, Kade Oleksiak, Samuel O'Donoghue, Máirtín Vila, Michael Janot, Noah Ó Brosnacháin, Dean Moynihan, Fionn O'Donovan, Daniel Fennelly, Conor O'Donoghue, Colm O'Sullivan, Senan Murphy, Sam O'Shea

Referee: Muiris Ó Sulleabháin (Na Gaeil)

### FIRIES STORM TO KERRY

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Last weekend saw Kerry Coiste na nÓg host the Feile Peil na nÓg for Kerry in ten different locations all around Kerry.

#### **Division One**

Austin Stacks, Keel/Listry, Firies and Killarney Legion all qualified from their groups for the Division One semi-finals, hosted on Saturday morning in a resplendent Austin Stack Park. First up was Firies versus Austin Stacks, and to their credit both sides had great support on the day. Play was fairly even in the first half, but Stacks maybe went for goal chances when points were on offer. Despite Stacks finding the net just before the break, Firies led by 0-5 to 1-1 and added three more points to their tally in the second half while keeping their opponents scoreless.

In the other semi-final Keel/Listry led Killarney Legion narrowly at the break by 1-4 to 1-2, but each side could only add a single point each in a tightly contested second half.

That pitted Firies against neighbours Keel/ Listry in the Division One Final. Keel/Listry made the better start, with a point from Cillian O'Donoghue sandwiching two Killian Fitzgerald frees. Pádraig O'Sullivan won and converted a free for Firies but Danny Murphy and Cillian O'Donoghue made it 0-5 to 0-1. However, Pádraig O'Sullivan pointed for Firies and then burst through for an absolutely stunning goal. Killian Fitzgerald and Daniel Cronin traded scores to leave it deadlocked, 0-6 to 1-3, at half-time.

Both sides hit the post before Isaac Vickers opened the second half scoring with another Firies goal. Cade Jameson pulled back a point for Keel/Listry but Firies were beginning to take control with minors from Daniel Cronin, James Barry, and Kevin O'Shea.

Two goals between them, but Keel/Listry set to work with a will to trim that gap. Kealan Riordan notched a free and then saw a great effort blaze just over the crossbar after a great through ball from Danny Murphy. A point from Killian Fitzgerald meant that there was just a goal in it, but Firies burst clear on one last attack and a goal by Ryan Quilter wrapped up a 3-7 to 0-10 victory.

#### **Division Two**

In Caherslee, Milltown/Castlemaine qualified for the final after seeing off Ardfert by 0-5 to 0-3 in a cracking game. Finuge had a convincing margin over a game Glenflesk/Kilgarvan



#### **Division Three**

Listowel Emmets faced off against Dromid/ Waterville and a knack for scoring goals saw them through to the final. On the other side it took extra-time to separate the teams, with Ballymac's strong finish giving them a 2-10 to 2-4 over St. Senans. In the final itself, Listowel led by 0-7 to 1-0 at half-time and eventually won out on a 0-11 to 2-0 scoreline to take the Division Three title.

#### CAMOGIE U16 All Ireland Round Two Kerry 4-6 Armagh 1-8

Kerry U16s lined out in Rynagh against Armaghwith ground to make up after the opening round defeat to Kildare. The Kerry girls had plenty of early possession and Georgia Kennedy opened their account with a point. Before half time Kerry tacked on a goal by Ava Kennelly and a point each by Georgia Kennedy and Kate Maunsell. Kerry looked well in control until Armagh got a fortuitous goal from a long range free that went all the ways to the net. Armagh tacked on 2 more points before half time.

#### Half-time: Kerry 1-3 Armagh 1-5.

Kerry started the second half very smartly with a goal by Kate Maunsell to put them up a point ahead. Further points from Kate Maunsell, Abbey Boyle and Gerorgia Kennedy and a goal each by Ava Kennelly and Georgia Kennedy really put a foothold on the game to secure our win.

Kerry's defence was outstanding throughout the game, only conceding 2 points from play in the 2nd half. Goalkeeper, Emily O'Donoghue gave an exhibition in the custodian art. The work rate at midfield was phenomenal and the distribution of ball to the forwards created great scoring opportunities. As for the forwards, they were on fire. The whole team worked as collective unit and that was the platform for a morale-boosting win in style. Special mention to Killarney players Ava Moore and Shannon Murphy.

The Kerry seniors face Tipperary in the Munster Intermediate Final this Saturday in Croagh, Co. Limerick.







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#### **EAST KERRY MINOR LEAGUE**

Fossa minors had a comprehensive win over Gneevequilla on Monday evening. Gneevequilla opened the scoring but Fossa quickly replied with a brace of points from Dylan O'Meara and Cathal Breen. In the 6th minute Sam Clerkin got his first of two goals, Dara Whelton was very accurate with his kickouts and with Mark Kennelly winning the midfield battle, it ensured a plentiful supply of ball to the forwards who converted every opportunity. Dylan O'Meara and Mark Kennelly added further goals to leave Fossa leading at the break, 4-11 to 1-03. Fossa continued to control the second half with Derek O'Gorman giving a fine performance of assured defending from wing back and David Butler attacking at pace. Gneeveguilla never gave up and did score two goals in this half but Mikey Moroney added a further goal to leave Fossa comfortable winners in the end.

#### **MINOR GIRLS RD 4 COUNTY LEAGUE**

A trip to Na Gaeil for our minor girls team, we travelled with 15 players, (5 minors) for this 13 aside format competition and on a large pitch there was lots of running around for all.

A slow start and some unlucky shooting saw us behind to a physically stronger team and we went in down 1-08 to 0-4 points.

A few positional switches and fresh legs helped launch a second half revival and Fossa defended well and improved thier attacking play. A real never give up performance saw Fossa take the lead late on and the girls dug deep to close out an excellent result 3-09 v 2-10. Well done to all. **FOSSA U15 BOYS** 

Fossa hosted Gneeveguila in the Division 6 semifinal. The first half started brightly with both teams exchanging scores. Midway through the half the score line was 0-5 to 0-4 to Fossa with a wide spread of scorers. A goal and a point at the end of the first half from James O'Meara nudged Fossa ahead but Gneeveguilla fought back to leave the half time score at 1-6 to 0-7. Second half continued where the first half left off with both teams exchanging scores. Ross O'Gorman was in fine form, contributing four points on the night. The Fossa boys goaled through Mikey Moroney to open a gap but Gneeveguila fought back bravely and with a late penalty found themselves only 2 points down. However, the home team held on to win out on a scoreline of 2-15 to 2-13. Well done to the boys on now reaching a Division 6 final.

#### SENIOR DEVELOPMENT LEAGUE DIV 1 Fossa 4-11 Milltown 1-8

Fossa and Milltown served up a very entertaining game in Fossa. With both teams low on numbers,

the teams lined out at 13-aside. Fossa got off to a great start with points from Darragh O Brien, Mickey O'Dwyer and Jack Sugrue. Goals from Jack Sugrue and two from Darren Cronin gave Fossa a half time lead of 3-7 to 1-5. A fourth goal from Rocco Sheehan and points from Rocco, Jack Sugrue and Ted O'Gorman ensured that Fossa ran out comfortable winners in the end. **SENIOR LADIES** 

A return to action for the Senior Ladies after our bye last week where John Mitchells visited Fossa in the Donal Curtin Cup.

A very open 13-aside game saw both sides trade points for much of the first half and Fossa shaded it and went in at the break 0-08 v 0-06. Fossa built on this lead and got out to 0-4 at an early stage in the second half. However, Mitchells stuck at it and a well worked goal brought them back into contention. It was nip and tuck from there to the finish. There was plenty of goal mouth drama at both ends late on and with a couple of close in last minutes frees, Mitchells were looking hard for the win. Despite a very nerve-racking finish Fossa held out for a well deserved win 0-14 v 1-09. Well done to all. **UNDER 13 BOYS COUNTY LEAGUE - STAGE 2** 

#### Fossa 1-09 St Marys/Waterville/Dromid/ Valentia/Renard 4-11

Fossa commenced Group 2 of their County League campaign on home soil tonight against the very strong South Kerry Divisional side who had the pick of 5 clubs in South Kerry. Fossa were forced to field a much depleted side missing six regulars due to various reasons. Fossa started the game very well and took an early lead with opening points from Charlie O' Meara and Tristan Cryan. However, disaster was to strike on the double mid-way through the half when we lost both Gerry Moroney and Charlie O' Meara through injury, two of our most influential players. Soon after this, the South Kerry outfit would score two goals against the run of play. By half time, Fossa would trail by 0-04 to 2-06 with a mountain to climb in the 2nd half. But the Fossa lads are not ones to give up lightly and played some excellent football in the 2nd half. An early goal by Tristan Cryan gave the home side a glimmer of hope and this was followed by two well taken frees from the boot of Aaron O' Sullivan. However, this was as good as it got as the visitors struck for two late goals to run out comfortable winners in the end. The game was excellently refereed by Mike Morrissey from Kilcummin. Next up for our U13's is a home game next weekend against Na Fianna.

### **KERRY LGFA**

#### CREDIT UNION DONAL CURTIN CUP – SUNDAY 12TH MAY

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#### Division 1

Corca Dhuibhne 3-13 Cromane 4-15 Scartaglen 4-12 Beaufort 3-04

#### **Division 2**

MKL Gaels 9-15 Abbeydorney 1-08

Finuge St Senans 2-09 Clounmacon Moyvane 1-13

#### **Division 3**

Killarney Legion 4 14 Annascaul/Castlegregory 0.06

Firies 10-14 ISG 0-04 Austin Stacks 3-05 v Spa 0-07 **Division 4** Fossa 0-14 John Mitchels. 1-09. Kilcummin 1-04 Kerins O'Rahillys 2-16 Listowel Emmets 3-07 Southern Gaels B 3-07 **Division 5** Beale 0-10 -v- Dingle 1-01

FÉILE

#### Division 1

Inbhear Scéine Gaels 0-01 -v- Listowel Emmets 1-01

MKL Gaels 1-04 -v- Inbhear Scéine Gaels 1-01 MKL Gaels 1-02 -v- Listowel Emmets 1-01 Castleisland Desmonds 2-04 -v- Listowel Emmets 0-00

Group 2

Castleisland Desmonds 2-02-v- Abbeydorney 0-04

Southern Gaels 1-07 -v- Corca Dhuibhne 3-01 Castleisland Desmonds 1-03-v- Southern Gaels 1-03

Abbeydorney 0-04 -v - Corca Dhuibhne 0-01 Castleisland Desmonds 2-03-v- Corca Dhuibhne 1-03

Abbeydorney 0-02 -v- Southern Gaels 0-03 Southern Gaels 3-04 -v- MKL Gaels 0-02 Final: Castleisland Desmonds 1-02-v- Southern Gaels 0-02

#### **Féile Division 2**

Churchill 0-02 -v- Kerins O' Rahillys 1-01 Killarney Legion 1-02 -v- Churchill 0-03 Killarney Legion 2-03 -v- Firies 0-02 Na Gaeil 2-03 -v- Killarney Legion 2-01 Kerins O Rahillys 1-04 -v- Killarney Legion 1-04 Kerins O'Rahillys 1-03 -v- Killarney Legion 3-03 Na Gaeil 0-05 -v- Firies 0-00 Kerins O Rahillys 2-03 -v- Firies 0-02 Na Gaeil 0-02 -v- Kerins O'Rahillys Churchill 1-03 -v- Firies 0-01 Churchill 0-01 -v- Na Gaeil 2-01

Na Gaeil 0-02 -v- Churchill 1-03

Final: Churchill 0-01 -v- Killarney Legion 2-01

#### **Division 3**

John Mitchels 4-05 -v- Finuge/St Senans 0-00 Ballymacelligott 2-01 -v- John Mitchels 3-05 Finuge/St Senans 1-01 -v- Ballymacelligott 3-03 Laune Rangers 3-03 -v- Ballymacelligott 0-011 Feile 3 Pitch 2 Group 2

Spa 0-00 -v- Shannonside Tarbert 4-05

Laune Rangers 3-06 -v- Spa 0-00

Laune Rangers 0-05 -v- Shannonside Tarbert 1-00

John Mitchels 1-00 -v- Shannonside Tarbert 2-00 Final: Shannonside Tarbert 2-02 -v- Laune Rangers 0-01

# **KILLARNEY LEGION**

#### SENIOR LADIES

Capping off a great week for the LGFA department were the Senior ladies with a win against Castlegregory / Annauscaul on Sunday morning. The West Kerry outfit had won their three games while the home side were out to atone for their first defeat of the season in Round four to ISG. Setting about their task straight away by they took an early lead as both teams adapted to difficult conditions after a



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damp mprning. A couple of well worked goals before half-time saw the hosts lead 2-07 to 0-04 at the short whistle. The second half continued in a similar vein with Legion taking the game to the opposition. Strong running and some well worked team scores together with solid defending and goalkeeping were the order of the day in a solid performance with Legion running out winners . Final Score Killarney Legion 4-15 Castlegregory / Annauscaul 0-06.

A minutes silence was observed before throw in as a mark of respect, as one of the Castlegregory/ Annauscaul players' mother had passed away last week. We extend our condolences to the club and family.

#### **U13 BOYS**

There was a cracking game in Ballymacelligot in the opening round of phase 2 of the County League on Sunday evening. The visitors made a fast start but the home side clawed their way back into the game by half time. A see saw second half saw our boys pull through, but only just, by the bare minimum. All present were in agreement that it was a cracking game.

#### **U15 BOYS**

Well done to our U15 team who qualified for Division 1 County Final with a fine win over Keel / Listry in a game played in Listry on Wednesday evening. An excellent first half performance, executing some great scores and defending strongly throughout the pitch helped to build a 2-8 to 1-4 lead at half time. Keel/Listry started the second half strongly and scored two goals in the opening minutes of the second half to reduce the gap to the minimum. But the lad responded very well to regain control of the the game kicking some nice points and capping it off with a brilliant goal. It sets up a final date with Firies, and if the two teams recent meeting is anything to go by were in for a cracker.

Such is the vagaries of sport Keel / Listry didn't have time wait long to exact revenge, knocking out the lads in the semi final of the Feile competition in Tralee on Saturday morning. A busy Friday evening in Killorglin helped the U15s qualify for the semi final but the ball bounced the other way on this occasion. But a hectic week of football and no doubt all eyes now on the big Division 1 final.

#### U17 BOYS

A depleted U17 Boys team travelled to face County League champions Kenmare in Round 2 of the East Kerry Division 1 League. The hosts were in top form and ran out winners.

#### **KERRY MINORS**

Oisin Fleming made his first competitive start for the Kerry minors in their Munster Championship semi final win over Tipperary in Semple Stadium last Tuesday evening. A date with the auld enemy Cork awaits in the Munster Final, in Pairc Ui Rinn this Monday May 13th at 7.30.

#### **KERRY U20S**

Congrats to Brian Kelly, goalkeeping coach, and the Kerry U20s who have qualified for the All Ireland U20 Football Final, defeating Meath in Thurles. They face Tyrone in the decider.

#### **U12 GIRLS**

Our U12 Girls Green and White Teams played their final East Kerry phase 1 games last Tuesday evening against Scartaglen in Direen. There was plenty end to end action from both sides who both gave as good as they got. Thanks to Scartaglen for a spirited game and look forward to a second encounter later in phase 2 of the competition. Big thank you to our referees who officiated well

#### **FEILE U15 GIRLS**

Fossa was the venue on Bank Holiday Monday for the Division 2 Couny Féile competition. A persistent breeze was the only element that the teams had to contend with throughout the day. The girls played four short games in the group stages and had great competitive games. Kerins O'Rahillys were the opposition in the semi-final where the girls did enough to advance to the final

The final v Churchill was a rematch of the first game of the day, and another exciting game ensued. A combination of goals at one end and saves at the other end was enough to give the honours to the girls on the day.

Thanks to the referees on the day and for Fossa for hosting the tournament.

Well done to the girls for giving the supporters and coaches a great day out and coming away with the trophy on the day.

#### **U16 LADIES**

Our U16 ladies' green team played Scartaglen/

Cordal on Thursday evening in an East Kerry Division 2B final in Fitzgerald Stadium. On a lovely balmy evening conditions were perfect, albeit with a slight wind. Our Legion girls settled into the game quickly going into a four point lead before Scart/Cordal registered their first score. The first half was a tight affair until the Legion Ladies raised their first green flag of the night, three more goals before the break put them in a commanding position at half time, Legion 4-07 Scartaglen/cordal 0-05.

To Scart/Cordals credit, they came out fighting in the second with a well worked early goal. Legion duly replied and cancelled it out with a goal of their own. A few well

worked team points kept a gap between the teams, but the girls from Scart/Cordal never gave up and registered another goal before the end. Some strong running and accurate Kick passing lead to some wonderful team scores with Legion running out deserving winners on the night, Legion 5-14 Scart / Cordal 2-08. Winning Captain Eva O Shea thanked referee Jason O Brien for a good game and Scartaglen/ Cordal for a sporting match before thanking her coaches, teammates and their parents. The celebrations continued after in Four Star Pizza.

The girls break now for Junior Cert before commencing their Co League campaign.

#### **DEEPEST SYMPATHIES**

We extend our deepest sympathies to the family of well known Killarney man Caoimhin O Donoghue. His premature passing left an air of gloom over the town during the week. May he Rest in Peace.

#### LOTTO

Results Tuesday May 7th. Numbers were 13,16, 19, 26 Bonus 21. No jackpot winner. Match 3s / Lucky Dips : 1. Stella Maloney online 2. Aoife Nagle, Gortdarrig Headford 3. Patrick Pierce, Bishops Court, Ballyduff 4. Magda c/o Alan Lyne 5. Maura Maher, 2 The Lime, Ballydowney

#### **FIRIES GAA**

#### . . . . . . . . . . **U15 FEILE DIV 1**

Our U15 won the Division 1 Feile in Austin stack park on Saturday. Beating Austin Stacks in their



home turf in the presence of both Ciaran and Olivia Butler of Butlers, Firies who Firies have generously backed the ladies this year.



Firies GAA club took the opportunity to present their newly sponsored jerseys on Firies Under 13's were presented with a new set of jerseys from their sponsors O'Connor Spar

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Semi final before beating Keel/Listry in the final. Set Dancing Champions. Well done to everyone involved. **SENIOR LADIES** 

Our senior ladies were in action this morning at home against ISG Kenmare in round six of the Donal Curtin Cup. The club took the opportunity to present their newly sponsored jerseys on home turf in the presence of both Ciaran and Olivia Butler of Butlers, Firies who have generously backed the ladies this year. The ladies, enthused with their new sponsor, certainly didn't disappoint, recording a solid win in damp conditions.

OUR U13S were presented with a new set of jerseys from their sponsors O'Connor Spar Firies prior to their two county League games vs Dr Crokes. Firies won the development game comfortably and won the Division 1 B game by the minimum on a scoreline of 1-11 to 1-10. LOTTO RESULTS 6TH MAY

Numbers drawn were: 3, 9, 23, 24. No jackpot winner. James Daly, Ballyhar. Aherns Pharmacy, Syndicate Staff. Maureen Sheehan, Crag, Farranfore. Catriona McCarthy, Firies Close. Catherine O Sullivan, Farranfore Village. Next weeks jackpot €3400

### EAST KERRY NEWS

#### . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . EAST KERRY MINOR LEAGUE

#### **Division 1 Round 3**

Dr Crokes 6 - 18 Spa 1 - 14 Kenmare 6 – 15 v Legion 2 – 08 **Division 2** Firies 3 – 15 Cordal 5 - 6

#### **Division 3**

Fossa 5 – 21 Gneeveguilla 3 – 06 **Division 1 Round 5 Monday 21st May** 

Legion V Rathmore, Spa V Kenmare, Dr Crokes Bye

#### **Division 2 Round 5 Monday 20th May**

Currow V Firies, Cordal V Glenflesk, Kilcummin Bye

#### **Division 3 Round 5 Monday 20th May**

Gneevequilla V Beaufort, Legion B V Fossa, Kenmare Bye.

#### **ALL IRELAND SCOR SINSIR**

Congratulations to Spa Set Dancers on becoming back-to-back All-Ireland Scór Sinsear

#### ALL IRELAND FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

Good luck in their opening group 4 game against Monaghan at Fitzgerald's Stadium on Saturday. All Ireland U20 Championship

Well done to the Kerry team on their victory in the All Ireland Semi Final against Meath, and good luck in the final against Tyrone.

#### PRIMARY SCHOOLS SKILLS COMPETITION

East Kerry/Eoghan Ruadh boys and girls primary schools skills competitions took place over the last few weeks. The format was three players on a team. Top school and top individual progressed to the county finals. Faha NS (Patrick O Connor, Dara McCarthy, Cillian Scannell) took the East Kerry team event with a superb team effort. Gaelscoil Fathleann NS player(Max Moynihan) qualified in the individual section. Knockanes NS (Oran O Connor, Darragh O Donoghue, Darragh O Sullivan) won the Eoghan Ruadh team event. Barraduff NS player( Michael O Donoghue) gualified in the individual section.

Lissivigeen NS (Rose Lenihan, Esme O Sullivan, Shola Daly) won the East Kerry team event. Faha NS player (Sinead Curran) qualified in the individual section. Gneevequilla NS (Elaine McCarthy, Rebecca Knee, Eimear O Keeffe) won the team event. Barraduff NS player ( Orla Brosnan) qualified in the individual section. Thanks to Dr Crokes and Glenflesk clubs for the use of such excellent facilities. St Brendans College TY students provided great support to Vince Cooper East Kerry GDC and James Darmody UL work placement in the delivery of the events. Best of luck to all schools in the county fnials on Wednesday 22nd May in Austin Stack Park.

#### **KILLARNEY CAMOGIE**

#### **FÉILE FUNDRAISER**

Our Féile Fundraiser is available on Go Fund Me. Link on our Facebook page also. All donations greatly appreciated to send this wonderful group of girls to Regional Féile in Roscommon on 22nd June

#### **KERRY UNDER 16S**

Well done to Shannon Murphy, Ava Moore, their teammates and management on a great win over Armagh last weekend in the championship. Final score Kerry 4-06 Armagh 1-08 **KERRY SENIOR** 

Best of luck to Kate Lynch, Áine Devlin, their teammates and management who take on Tipperary in the Munster Intermediate Final this Saturday 18th May in Castleton/Ballyagran GAA at 4pm

#### **DR. CROKES**

#### ACADEMY

Our 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.

#### **MEMBERSHIP**

Dr. Crokes GAA Membership for the 2024 season is now open online. This is the last week for membership. If membership is not paid players will not be able to play or train with the club. https://member.clubforce.com/ memberships cart m.asp?LL ID=734&intMF ID=13281#Ancho(https://member.clubforce. com/memberships\_cart\_m.asp?LL\_ ID=734&intMF\_ID=13281#Anchor)r

**MOTHERS & OTHERS** are hosting a table guiz on Friday 24th May. Prebook tickets for a chance to win a €100 dinner voucher. Contact 086 3895230 to prebook your tickets.

**GENTLE MOVEMENT CLASSES** with Kathleen have finished for now and will return in the Autunm

PILATES classes have finished for now and will return in the Autunm.

LOTTO took place May 13th. Numbers drawn were 3, 15, 16, 22. Jackpot of €6,200 was NOT WON. 12 patrons matched 3 numbers and receive €35 each. Jackpot for draw on May 20th will be €6,500. Play online by following the link below and follow instructions attached https://play.clubforce.com/play\_newa.asp?ll\_ id=734#Anchor(https://play.clubforce.com/ play\_newa.asp?ll\_id=734#Anchor)

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# WHITE TEAM TAKE ARE PRES BLITZ CHAMPIONS

On Tuesday the 30th of April, first and second year footballers from St Brigid's took part in an in-school blitz. Despite some challenging weather conditions the girls showed great determination and perseverance throughout the day.

Teams consisted of a mixture of both first and second year students. The girls worked extremely well together and played some excellent football throughout. The white team were crowned champions on the day after

a hard fought battle with the black team in the final. Special mention to our players of the tournament:

1st year player - Emma O'Connor

2nd year player - Lauren MacSweeney

Thanks to our TY students who helped out on the day as part of there LGFA reffing course.





The white team were crowned champions on the day after a hard fought battle with the black team in the final.



Players of the tournament: 1st year player - Emma O'Connor. 2nd year player - Lauren MacSweeney

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

**OLD CLOTHES BANK** is located at the rear of the clubhouse. All clothes should be deposited in bags. Donations will help to provide valuable

funding to our club.

**BEST OF LUCK** to Charlie Keating, Maidchi Lynch and the Kerry U20s in the All-Ireland Final V Tyrone on Sunday.

**CONDOLENCES** to the family of our great friend and club member, Caoimhin O'Donoghue. Caoimhin is a former Dr. Crokes player, coach and manager. He has played a key role in our club, and his work was the foundation stone to where the Ladies' side of the club find themselves today, playing senior football. Condolances also to club president Jackie Looney and family on the passing of Jackies brother Denis (Dee) in Dublin. Ar dheis Dé go raibh a n-anamacha. **NOTES** 

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

# IT'S A FEILE FOR FIRIES IN 2024

The Firies U15 Boys were in full flow and eager to progress in the competition; authors of their own destiny as the first Firies GAA team to represent the county in the National Feile competition this summer. Played in warm conditions last weekend in Austin Stack Park, the first semi-final pitted Austin Stacks against Firies and whilst it was nip and tuck until the interval, Firies upped their strength and speed to overcome the Tralee side 0-08 to 1-01.

The final provided for a showdown against local rivals Keel/Listry, thankfully, again with strong progressive attacks, resolute defence and opportune play, Firies were crowned victors 3-07 to 0-10.

Well done to the boys who have relentlessly worked and given great commitment this year.

Massive thanks to Mike O'Shea, Stephen O'Brien, Dermie O'Mahony, Conor Henderson and Niall Donohue for providing a super training environment to allow for such success to shine.



# Remembering Connie - 5 K Walk

The Annual Connie Fitzgerald Memorial Walk will once again take place on Sunday 26th May, 2024 marking the third year of the event. Last year attracted a crowd of almost 350 walkers in memory of the popular and much loved man from Currans, who passed away in 2020 from cancer, raised €4,212 for the Kerry Hospice Pallative Care Services. The walk, organised by Connie's family will set off at 11am from Currans Community Centre and all funds raised this year will be presented to BRÚ Columbanus, who provide home from home accommodation for families of patients in Cork hospitals. The Fitzgerald family are very grateful to them for the support they received during Connie's short time in CUH. Afterwards, refreshments will be served in the Community Centre which are kindly sponsored by Lidl and Connie's former employer PST. The family are hopeful of a large crowd again this year for this special event







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Former Taoiseach Enda Kenny, an avid GAA Mayo supporter whose father Henry won an All-Ireland medal for Mayo in 1936 pictured with former GAA President and Kerryman, Sean Kelly, (FG) at the MEP's campaign launch for election to The European Parlianment in The Dromhall Hotel, Killarney at the weekend. Mr. Kelly has represented the Munster South in the European Parlianment since 2009.

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# **Unlock Your Future with Liebherr** Full Engineering & IT Scholarship available

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- Closing date for applicants: 31st May 2024.

Killarney (Ireland), May 2024 – Liebherr Container Cranes 2024 Scholarship Programme deadline is fast approaching. Building on seven years of success, the programme includes paid scholarships for students studying various engineering, IT, and automation courses. The scholarship covers tuition fees for the duration of the course, as well as the opportunity to complete work experience during summer vacations and college placements throughout the academic year. This programme offers an excellent opportunity for Leaving Certificate and college students to gain a 3rd level qualification and continue their employment with Liebherr upon graduation.

Qualifying degree courses for the scholarship include but not limited to mechanical engineering, electrical engineering, structural engineering, mechatronics, automation, business information systems, computer science, software development, and data analytics. Successful scholarship recipients will have the opportunity to work on innovative technology projects at Liebherr, contributing to advancements in the ever-changing industry.

Lisa Finn, now a graduate mechanical design engineer at Liebherr spoke about her time in the programme: "In my second year of college, I was very fortunate to have received a Liebherr scholarship for mechanical engineering. Since then, I have gained vast experience in the company's products, collaborating with engineers from all disciplines. During my time on the programme, I have completed placements in a range of areas such as research and development, simulation and analysis and product design. These placements allowed me to develop key engineering skills making me a well-rounded engineer with a wide range of experience before I ever graduated college.

The Liebherr Scholarship has been a massive advantage to me as a student and an engineer. Having all my tuition fees paid, removed a huge burden, enabling me to concentrate on my studies and extracurricular activities. Gaining practical experience during my course was hugely beneficial. It was great to see the theory of the lectures being applied to real world scenarios and to return to the new semester of college with a hands-on knowledge and a focus on industry trends. Finally, the opportunity to continue my employment with Liebherr, a globally recognised multi-national company, upon graduation was a great way to launch to my career.

I am now a graduate mechanical design engineer, working on the new portal trolley

feature of the STS cranes. The staff at Liebherr have made the transition into my current role very easy. It was nice to come back to familiar friendly faces for my first job after college. Everyone is very helpful and have extensive industry experience which they are more than willing to share. The scholarship structure brings you up to speed very quickly, enabling you to work on exciting new concepts. I would strongly encourage anyone interested in one of the scholarship categories to apply. It is a fantastic opportunity."

Current scholarship IT recipient, Luke shared his thoughts on the programme: "I was very fortunate to have been selected for the Liebherr IT scholarship programme during my second year of studying computer science at MTU. This scholarship has been an amazing opportunity with huge benefits, including the payment of my college fees, a work placement, and two years of work after I graduate.

I am now at the end of my third college year, and I have had the privilege of working in the Liebherr IT Liebherr apprentice Luke Foley department for a summer





Foley Liebherr apprentice Lisa Finn



#### How to apply

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# **Killarney for Palestine**

Since late last year solidarity groups have been establishing themselves throughout the county with regular vigils for the people of Palestine now taking place once a week in almost every big town in the county, Tralee, Kenmare, Caherciveeen, Listowel, Killoglin & Killarney.

Killarney for Palestine & Kerry Friends of Palestine have been proactive in fundraising and raising educational awareness for the plight of the Palestinians who are currently experiencing a genocide, forced famine & ethnic cleansing at the hands of the Israeli governement.

Last week hundreds of people gathered at the market cross for a memorial vigil to highlight the 14,000 innocent children brutally murdered. The Procession walked silently down New Street accompanied by fiddle player Nicole Lonnergan, to the unmarked children's famine grave in the grounds of the Cathedral. Beautiful performances from The MacAcademy childrens drama group sang "True colours" and local children walked on stage carrying images of some Palestinian children of the same age who lives were tragically cut short in this genocide. Palestinian Poems were read by Dr John Geaney & Donal o Riordan and Shinann Buckley O'Sullivan sang a heart breaking Irish lullaby accompanied

by John Buckley on the oileann pipes. With no end to a ceasfire in sight KFP are eager to keep highlighting and rasing despertaly needed funds for Gaza.

On the 22nd of May at 7.30pm Lubnah Shomali, Palestinan human rights defender from The Badil Cetre will speak about '76 years of Nakba and on going Genocide'. Tickets from eventbrite or Killarney for Palestine on instagram.

A Family Palestinian Solidarity Day Festival will take place on Saturday the 1st of June to raise funds for meal packages for displaced families in Gaza. The Day begins at 2pm & takes place in Spillanes Bar in Glenflesk~ An incredible day for all the family, for a vital cause~ there will be Palestinian themed Art workshops for kids with Tracy from The Art House Killarney, The Dingle Druid will perform a family inclusive, heart opening fire ceremony. KASI will host a community style picnic table & have african drummers, there will be a bake sale, bouncing castles, food vendors, ice cream vans & facepainting for all the kids, along with incredible musical performances & guest speakers to be announced over the next few days.

Killarney for Palestine meet every Sunday at 12pm outside the courthouse opposite the Friary & is open for everyone.







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"He will wipe away every tear from their eyes, and death shall be no more, neither shall there be mourning, nor crying, nor pain anymore, for the former things have passed away" (Revelation 21:4)

Welcome back dear student, we've all heard the phrase 'no man is an island'. It's from the poem For Whom The Bell Tolls by John Donne. He concludes.... 'Each man's death diminishes me, for I am involved in mankind. Therefore, send not to know for whom the bell tolls, it tolls for thee.' Everyone experiences death, loss, and grief at some stage. Our faith in God is an anchor that gives us hope that we will be reunited with our loved ones again one day in Heaven. The promise of no more grief or sadness is because God Himself is there. But we don't have to wait until then to live in joy and stability. Jesus said "I tell you the truth, those who listen to My message and believe in God Who sent Me have eternal life. They will never be condemned for their sins, but they have already passed from death into life, and I assure you that the time is coming, indeed it's here now, when the dead will hear My voice – the voice of the Son of God. And those who listen will live" (John 5:24-25).

Last week we saw how God speaks to us all the time – and that Jesus our Good Shepherd is constantly looking out for us. We can live in rest by knowing Him – Jesus, the Prince of Peace, the Light of the World, and the Fountain of Life (Psalm 36:8-9; John 14:27). Relationship with God through His Son Jesus will carry one through the hardest of circumstances – held together by the hope and stability that His Love brings. Just as sure as night falls and the new day dawns, God can be trusted. "For He has rescued us from the kingdom of darkness and transferred us into the Kingdom of His dear Son Who purchased our freedom and forgave our sins" (Colossians 1:13:–14). Relationship with God begins with reverence – acknowledging Who He is and worshiping Him in Spirit and Truth (John 4:23–24). As we get to know the Lord more we don't have to fear death – in fact, we get filled with Life and Hope (Hebrews 2:14–15). "Fear of the Lord is a Life-giving Fountain; it offers escape from the snares of death" (Proverbs 14:27).

Dear friend, if you are grieving or feel like you're in a dark hole there is a way to come out (Psalm 40:2). First, repent of sin and turn back to God by receiving the Lord Jesus as Your Saviour and believing in Him. Then release those you have lost to Jesus. Trust God with them until you meet them again someday and sever every ungodly soul tie to the spirit of death. Get to know God through His Word, live for Him, and let Him direct your life. Do not fear death, it's just the passage into life eternal with God for His children. Jesus has already gone before us by conquering death so that we can live with joy and face the end (when it eventually comes), knowing that He is there to greet us. If you think about it your birth was a passage into this world – you descended alone down the birth canal to breathe your first breath outside the womb. In the same way, the one passing from this life will breathe their last physical breath and go on into eternity to everlasting joy! "My flesh and my heart may fail, but God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever" (Psalm 73:26).

Bible Study & Prayer every Sunday @ 11am and Thursdays @ 7.30pm in person and on Zoom at Word of Victory Christian Fellowship Killarney - Eircode: V93V6X4.

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Church of the Resurrection 5pm - 9pm Tuesdays St Mary's Cathedral 11am – 5:45pm Wednesdays Church of the Holy Spirit Muckross 4pm—6pm Thursdays Franciscan Friary 2pm –7pm Fridays + Holy Hour Sundays @6pm

#### WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS

For those in our parish who are celebrating a significant anniversary this year, e.g. 25th,30th, 35th 40th, 45th, 50th, 55th or 60th, you are invited to renew your marriage vows at the 6.15 p.m. Vigil Mass on Saturday May 25th. Please spread the word also to those who were married in our parish and are now living elsewhere. You might kindly contact the Parish Office with the details of our Anniversary before the 19th of May.

#### DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK 2024

Killarney Parish invites you to join us on the 2nd Diocesan pilgrimage to Knock on Saturday August 24th 2024. While many families and peoples will travel by car, the Killarney Pastoral Area will be organising bus transportation to Knock to connect and celebrate with all the parishes of the Diocese. More details will follow.

KILLARNEY/SOUTH KERRY BRANCH OF IRISH CANCER Annual Church Gate Collection will be held on May 18th & May 19th at all Killarney churches.

#### FIRST HOLY COMMUNIONS

Congratulations to the First Communion Pupils to Holy Cross Mercy Ns & Presentation Monastery NS who received their Holy Communion last weekend.

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**YOUTH PILGRIMAGETO TAIZÉ, FRANCE** Sun, June 23rd to Sunday, June 30th 2024 Youth Pilgrimage to Taizé Contact Tomás Kenny, John Paul II Pastoral Centre, Rock Road, Killarney, Co. Kerry, OR email to tomaskenny@dioceseofkerry.ie For more info call Tomás on 086 368 3778

**AWARE** offer a free weekly group for people in the community who may be struggling with depression, anxiety, bipolar disorder, and mood related conditions in Tralee. Details are on Aware.ie website. This group takes place at CDP Centre, Rock Business Centre, Upper Rock Street, Tralee, Co Kerry, V92 WR9P. Times: Every Tuesday at 7pm

**OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE;** come join us for an afternoon of prayer and come to know more about our Lady's image on the Tilma, at the Parish Centre at Church of the Resurrection, Park Road, Sun19th of May 3.00pm. All Welcome.

#### SHARING GOOD NEWS'

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Anniversary Mass On Saturday 18th May, in Listry Church at 6pm.

# POWERFUL NOVENA TO THE SACRED HEART

O my Jesus, you have said: "Truly I say to you, if you ask anything of the Father in my name, he will give it to you." Behold, in your name, I ask the Father for the grace of... (Mention your Intention Here) Sacred Heart of Jesus, I place all my trust in you.



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#### Sr Attracta, Presenation Sister, sadly passed away on Wednesday morning. A poignant moment as Sr. Attracta, being the last remaining Sister stands at the main door of the Presentation Convent Killarney the day it closed as a convent on 16th November 2021. The landmark convent was built in 1875. Photo: Valerie O'Sullivan



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