

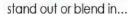
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# **NORTH KERRY** SCENE

#### EXCITING NEW INITIATIVES AT KERRY WRITERS' MUSEUM: Celebration of Creativity & Heritage

A Celebration of Creativity & Heritage Kerry Writers' Museum in Listowel is proud to announce a series of exciting initiatives aimed at celebrating Kerry's rich cultural heritage and fostering greater community engagement. With a focus on storytelling, visual arts, and public participation, these new projects will offer fresh opportunities for creatives, visitors, and literature enthusiasts to connect with the Museum in meaningful ways.

#### New Blog Launch: Share Your Voice

The Museum is launching a dedicated blog section on its website, providing a platform for local poets, writers, and creatives to share their unique perspectives on Kerry's literary landscape, culture, and storytelling traditions.

Contributors will have the opportunity to gain exposure, support cultural heritage, and promote their own work while being featured on one of Kerry's most cherished cultural platforms.

Writers are invited to submit blog posts on topics such as the influence of Kerry's landscape, reflections on literary traditions, or insights into their creative processes. Those interested in contributing can contact kerrywritersmuseumevents@gmail.com.

#### Call for Visual Art Submissions: Women in Literature Exhibition

In an exciting development, Kerry Writers' Museum is inviting visual artists to submit work for its upcoming Women in Literature exhibition.

This new permanent exhibition will celebrate the influence and contributions of female writers to Kerry's literary heritage. Artists are encouraged to explore themes related to the lives and works of these remarkable women, offering fresh interpretations through various artistic mediums.

Details of submission guidelines and deadlines can be found at: https://kerrywritersmuseum.com/kerry-women-in-literature/

#### Public Survey: Shaping the Future

As part of ongoing efforts to enhance visitor experience, Kerry Writers' Museum is conducting a short public survey to gather ideas and feedback from the community.

The survey aims to inform the future development of the Museum, ensuring that its facilities and public spaces continue to reflect the needs and interests of visitors. The initiative, led by Drake Hourigan Architects and supported by Kerry County Council under the Rural Regeneration Programme, seeks to create an enhanced experience while preserving the Museum's charm and cultural significance.

The survey takes just five minutes to complete, and participants can share their thoughts by visiting the following link: https://forms.gle/jMXkSREruvzbKQDP8

#### Looking Ahead

Cara Trant, Executive Director of Kerry Writers' Museum, expressed her enthusiasm for the museum's latest initiatives, stating:

"These exciting projects reflect our ongoing commitment to celebrating and preserving Kerry's rich cultural heritage while embracing new ways to engage with our community and visitors. The Women in Literature exhibition will shine a well-deserved spotlight on the contributions of Kerry's female writers, while our new blog will provide a fresh platform for local creatives to share their voices. We are also eager to hear from the public through our survey, ensuring the Museum continues to evolve as a dynamic cultural hub for all."

For more information on these initiatives and how to get involved, please visit: www.kerrywritersmuseum.com or contact kerrywritersmuseumevents@gmail.com.



#### LISSELTON WREN BOYS RAISE €2,110 FOR LISTOWEL HOSPICE

Lisselton Wren Boys presented a cheque for €2,110 to Listowel Hospice recently following their fundraising collection at Tomáisín's Bar and Lisselton Cross on St. Stephen's Day. A wonderful tradition for all ages.

The Listowel Hospice wish to sincerely thank all involved and Lisselton Wren Boys for their continued support.

Pictured Front: Seamus Kelly, Jenny Tarrant, Eileen Kelly, Tom Bawn, Eileen Sheey and Áine Hutcherson. Back: Pat O'Donnell, Pat Lyons, Peter Hutcherson, Jackie Hegerty, TP McNamara and Danny Carroll.

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# **NORTH KERRY** SCENE

#### CAROLINE'S DÓTERRA ESSENTIAL OILS

#### CAROLINE'S POD OF POSITIVITY

#### Welcome back to my weekly column!

I'm Caroline Horgan, your dóTERRA Wellness Advocate and I'm here to help you embrace 2025 with health, wellness, and positivity using these certified, pure and therapeutic grade Essential Oils. I'm passionate about Wellness and Aromatherapy and I offer personalised advice with easy tips to help others live healthier, happier lives – One Drop at a Time.

This week, I'm going to share some simple ways to harness the power of Wild Orange. It's an essential oil that is used very often in my home and one for all the family to use. Enjoy the read!

#### Beat the January Blues with Wild Orange

We may be approaching the end of January but for some we can feel a little dreary, however Wild Orange essential oil is a natural way to infuse your day with energy, joy, and positivity. This sweet, citrusy oil is known for its uplifting properties, helping to dispel sluggishness and brighten your mood. Here are three simple ways that I find to harness its power:

#### 1. Morning Diffusion for an Energizing Start

Start your day on a high note by diffusing Wild Orange as soon as you wake up. Its zesty aroma helps promote motivation and positivity. Add 4–6 drops to your diffuser (I like to fill my diffusers the night before so all I have to do in the morning is turn them on!) or for an extra boost, blend it with Peppermint to enhance focus or Frankincense to encourage a grounded, happy mindset.

#### 2. DIY Mood-Boosting Body Mist

A refreshing citrus mist can help you reset and uplift your mood throughout the day. In a 100ml spray bottle, combine:

- 10 drops Wild Orange
- 5 drops Lavender (for relaxation)
- 5 drops Bergamot (for emotional balance)
- Fill with distilled water

Give it a shake and spritz over your face (eyes closed!), on to your wrists, or even your pillow for an instant burst of sunshine. I also like to carry this in my handbag to have on hand when I need it most.

#### 3. Zesty Mocktail for a Refreshing Pick-Me-Up

Brighten your mood from the inside out with this simple, delicious Wild Orange Mocktail:

- 1 glass of sparkling water
- A splash of fresh orange juice
- 1–2 drops of DóTerras Wild Orange essential oil
- Ice and a sprig of mint

Sip and enjoy the vibrant, sunshine-like flavor—because even the gloomiest days deserve a little zest!

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Thought for the Week:

"Happiness is not something you find; it's something you create—one bright, citrusy moment at a time."

Happy St Brigid's Day and Enjoy the Bank Holiday Weekend.

Caroline X Tel: 087 292 1292 Caroline's Pod of Positivity

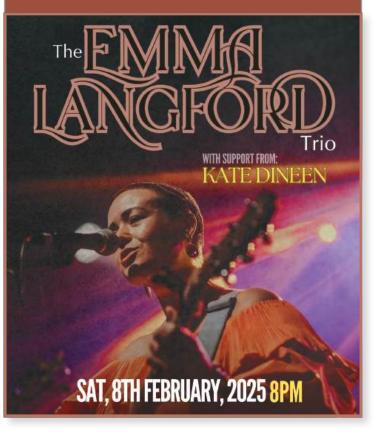
#### EMMA LANGFORD TO PERFORM AT TEACH SIAMSA THIS FEBRUARY

Teach Siamsa in Finuge are delighted to welcome Emma Langford to the North Kerry venue on Saturday 8th February at 8pm.

Emma Langford's songs offer an insight into Irish folklore, history, and many of life's universal truths; playfully blending folk, traditional and contemporary sounds and styles. With the heart-warming ballad The Winding Way Down to Kells Bay and epic anthem Birdsong she has climbed the charts, and solidified her place on the Irish and international music scene.

The artist has received multiple awards for her work, including an RTÉ Radio 1 Folk Award and the Dolores O'Riordan Bursary. She has played Ireland's National Concert Hall alongside Éimear Noone and the National Symphony Orchestra, premiering new original works inspired by Irish history. She is also a member of star-studded collective Irish Women In Harmony. Emma Langford has played to sold-out crowds across Ireland, the UK, Germany and the USA, and is touring throughout Ireland, the US, Germany and Denmark in 2025.

Tickets available via EventBrite and at the door. Price is €20





Listowel Bazaar Christmas Draw. L-R: Conor & Liam Walshe, Julie O Connor, Bill Moloney, Tim Buckley, Ed Hayes, Margaret Fitzmaurice, Noreen O Connor. 1st Prize Tim Buckley €500, 2nd Prize Christy Walshe €300, 3rd Prize Dr Julie O Connor €200, 4th Prize Ed Hayes €50. The Bazaar Group would like to thank their Sponsors: McGuires Pharmacy, McCarthy Insurance, Brodericks Bus & Taxi Service and Whelans Shoe Shop. Photo by John Kelliher

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# **REVIEWS** & INFO

#### SAN RITA WELLNESS

Welcome to San Rita Wellness weekly column...We hope all is good with you, below is our weekly column for this week.

We are nearly at the end of January and heading into a new month. The positive thing about the month of Febuary is we all notice that little extra stretch in the evenings, the buds are beginning to appear so overall it;s a sign of new life which leaves us all thinking in a more positive frame of mind.

Hope and positivity help people make better life and health decisions and focus more on long term goals

#### **Positivity vs Negativity**

#### So let's get more positive

It is well proven that "What we think, determines how we feel and how we feel determines what we do" so it does really all start with our thoughts.

#### Think back over the past week and answer these questions yourself:

What went well for you this past week? (Food choices, Activity, Weekend) How did you make that happen? (Planned ahead, Made the time) How did that help you? (Felt in control, More organized) How did it make you feel? (Happy, Focused, In Control) Will you continue doing the same for this week?

#### What are your Challenges?

We all face a challenging time, whether it's night time or the weekends etc. Think about your own challenges that you came up against recently on your Weightloss and Wellness journey.

What were the factors leading up to it? (Weather, Feeling fed up etc) How did that leave you feeling? (Sad, Stressed) How did you react? (Eat, Eat and Eat) How did you feel then? (Out of Control, Off Track)

If you were faced with the same challenges again this week How could you react differently? Would it make a difference to how you feel ?

When you find yourself struggling it's important to think positive to keep yourself inspired and to keep trying.

For example, You could look back on how far you have come from when you first started on your weight loss and wellness journey.

Recognise the changes you feel and see in yourself.

As we know nothing is ever just "Black and White" it is important to look at the "Grey" area in between.

#### For example :

Imagine you have eaten something unplanned for, it's very easy to think negatively then and say to yourself "I have ruined the day now" feel bad about it and go on to eat more and then a bad day can lead to another bad day.

So the "Grey" area in this case would be to think more positively and say to yourself "Well it's only one thing or one day, I can still pull this back "We should think and talk to ourselves like we would to a friend.

What would you say to a friend? (Start afresh tomorrow, You can do this)

Remember at the end of the day, we can be our own best friend or our own worst enemy.

We will leave you with this Positive thought.

"Don't wait until you have reached your goal to be proud of yourself, be proud of every step you take towards reaching your goal"

For extra support and for weekly accountability check us out on Facebook San Rita Wellness or sanritawellness.ie for details of our *"In Person Meetings"*, *"At Home Service"* or our *"One to One Service"* 

NB - Our weekly "In Person Meetings" take place in the Kerry Writers Museum, The Square, Listowel every Wednesday from 10am to 11am and 6pm to 7pm

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Until next week, Sandra and Rita



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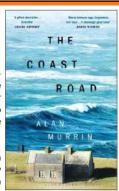
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Returning to the community to try and reclaim her old life, Colette quickly learns that they are unwilling to give it back to her. The man to whom she is still married is denying her ac-

cess to her children, and while the legalisation of divorce might be just around the corner, Colette finds herself caught between her old life and the freedom for which she risked everything. Desperate to see her children, she enlists the help of Izzy, a housewife and mother of two, and the women forge a friendship that will send them on a spiralling journey - one toward a path of self-discovery, and the other toward tragedy.

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# MCELLIGOTTS OF TRALEE OPEN NEW STATE OF THE ART KIA SHOWROOM

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This showroom upgrade is part of the Kia's new Global Store Concept and McElligotts are one of the first dealers in the country to complete construction just in time for the busy 251 sales period, which commences in January.

Both Kia and McElligotts are experiencing a huge period of growth as the brand goes from strength to strength and have now solidified themselves as a top selling car brand in both Kerry and indeed nationwide. McElligotts have been trading in Kerry since 1870 but their goal has remained unchanged by providing a customer-first, customer-focused experience, which has established them as a trusted household name in Kerry and beyond.

In recent times, this success has been recognised as McElligotts were awarded 2023 European Kia Dealer of the Year and also 2024 Irish Kia Aftersales Dealer of the Year.

The design of the new showroom, also referred to as the Kia store, splits the space into two different dimensions comprising of a vehicle display zone and a separate customer zone, each with a different spatial theme and colour scheme. The customer zone is a warm space with a minimalistic design, nothing like a traditional dealership. It consists of wooden tones and an earthy cosiness more in line with a living room rather than a showroom. Gentle lighting and woven furniture fabrics add additional warmth. Declan O'Hara, Dealer Principal of McElligotts commented: 'We are delighted and proud to be representing Kia in Kerry. Our new Kia showroom is a state of the art facility for our customers and staff alike and showcase the fantastic range of Kia vehicles in equally beautiful surroundings. We are all energised by this new facility and would welcome all people in the area to come and have a look for themselves over the coming weeks".

To celebrate the launch of their new showroom, McElligotts are offering Kerry customers great deals for 251 including Finance from 0% APR for both Hire Purchase (HP) and Personal Contract Plans (PCP), a free home charge point installation with all EVs and PHEVs and a €500 SuperValu gift card on all orders taken before Christmas. The famous Kia 7-year warranty comes standard on all vehicles also.

McElligotts offer ten new Kia models for sale including Picanto, Stonic, Ceed, XCeed, Niro, Sportage, Sorento, The new EV3 compact SUV, EV6 and 2024 World Car of the Year, the EV9.

They also offer a host of competitively priced used cars for your perusal.

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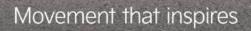




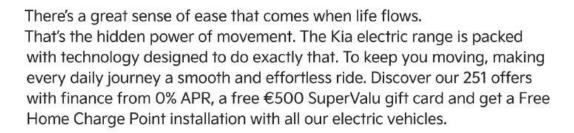
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We would like to express our deepest sympathies to Colm & Teresa O'Halloran on the death of Colm's mother Mary (May) O'Halloran of Artane, Co. Dublin. May she Rest In Peace.

#### **KILFENORA CÉILÍ BAND**

The Kilfenora Céili band are playing in the Tintean Theatre this Saturday 1st February at 8pm, doors open at 7pm. Tickets for the event are available from the Tintean website www.tintean.ie priced at  $\leq$ 32 and are also available on the night.

#### **CHARITY SOCIAL DANCE**

The Charity Social Dance that was originally scheduled for Sunday, 26th January, had to postpone due to the weather and will now take place on Sunday, 9th February at Tomáisíns Bar Dance Hall, Lisselton, from 3:00 pm to 5:30 pm, with music by Ger Walsh. All proceeds will go to Sister Concillio's Outreach Centre in Tralee and the New Life Centre in Mouana, Malawi. Admission is €10 and includes refreshments. Enjoy an afternoon of music, dancing, lively chats, and tea, all while supporting these worthy causes. Everyone is welcome! If you need a lift, please reach out to any committee member or contact Mag at 086 3750037.

Thank you for your understanding, and we hope to see you on the 9th of February!

#### ACCOMMODATION FOR SUMMER

We have had many enquiries from people looking for summer houses. If you know of any, could you please contact the Tourist Office with the details, either email Ballybuniontouristoffice@gmail.com, phone 068 25555 or text us on 089 479 8015, and leave a message or drop details through the letter box.

#### CHILDREN'S ART AND CRAFT SATURDAY CLASSES

Spring Schedule 2025, February 8th & 22nd, March 8th & 22nd, April 5th & 19th, May 3rd, 17th & 31st. Classes are from 11.30am to 1.30pm. €15 per child. All art materials are supplied. Contact Marie on 086-0664435 for further enquiries.

#### **BALLYBUNION ACTIVE RETIREMENT**

Ballybunion active retirement group weekly meetings are held in the old convent, Doon road every Wednesday. New members are always welcome to join our activities. Creative writing, theatre visits, day trips, invited speakers, yoga and most of all good company. You can contact Pat Buckley on 086 3561 615

#### **BALLYBUNION TIDY TOWNS**

Ballybunion Tidy Towns was very saddened this week to hear of the proposed sudden relocation of our Ukrainian community from The Golf Hotel.

They have helped us immensely over the last few years and have been involved in every community clean up and events. This would be a huge loss to our town and our thoughts are with them at this time.

#### SOCIAL DANCING

Social Dancing every Tuesday night at 7.30pm upstairs in the Community Centre "The Old Central Ballroom" A great night of fun and dancing including waltzing, jiving, quick set, line dancing etc. Please come along and show your support. You do not need a partner on the night.

#### ST JOHN'S CHURCH

If anyone would like to read at Mass or become a Eucharistic Minister please contact Geraldine in the parish office. 068 27102.

#### **RUN BALLYBUNION**

Will take place on Easter Saturday 19th April 2025 and early Bird Registration is now open.

Go to their newly redesigned website https://runballybunion.com and follow the links to book.

#### BALLYBUNION BADMINTON

Looking for a fun and engaging way to stay fit? Join our Badminton Club and enjoy the health benefits of playing badminton. It's a great cardio workout, improves agility and coordination, and helps relieve stress. Take the first step towards a healthier lifestyle with our club. Ballybunion Badminton takes place on Thursdays 8pm to 10pm, in Ballybunion Community Centre. New members are always welcome. If you have any enquiries please contact the Ballybunion Baseliners Facebook page. Or text 086 166 0682 strictly over 15's.

#### **BALLYBUNION MEALS ON WHEELS**

The Ballybunion meals on wheels service will be delivered 3 days a week, meals will be delivered on Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Anyone wishing to avail of delivery please contact Eileen Fogarty on 086 2234 965 or Con McCarthy on 087 418 4241. The areas covered are Ballybunion, Lisselton, Asdee and Ballylongford. The dinner will be delivered to your door by one of the men at the cost of €7 per meal.

#### **BALLYBUNION HEALTH AND LEISURE CENTRE**

Open Mon-Fri 8am-9pm, Saturday 9am-6pm, Sunday 10am-6pm, Bank Holidays 10am - 6pm. We have numerous exercise and fitness classes, which include Hydro bikes, Aqua Aerobics, Spinning.

Public Swimming lessons take place during the week and can be booked by contacting reception, for any further information please call Reception on Tel: 068-28111 or follow our Facebook page Ballybunion Health & Leisure Centre for regular updates.

#### **COMMUNITY ALERT**

The new Community Alert Scheme "See Something, Say Something" is now live. Simply text 50555 with a brief message and location of the incident. No need to include your name.

#### SCOIL ÍOSAGÁIN

Scoil losagáin, Church Road, Ballybunion would like to remind parents that they are now enrolling for the 2025/26 school year and that the closing date for all new Junior Infants is 31st January 2025. Enrolment applications are available on the school website www.ballybunionprimary.ie or by email from Catherine at office@ ballybunionprimary.ie Principal Ita Walsh and her staff look forward to meeting all the new boys and girls.

#### **KILCONLY NATIONAL SCHOOL**

Is currently enrolling for Junior Infants 2025/26. Enrolment application forms are available from the school office cillconla@gmail.com. Please enrol before 24th February 2025. Further information contact 068 27833.

#### **BALLYBUNION COMMUNITY CENTRE**

Ballybunion Community Centre has the perfect space for hosting your sports, groups, classes or parties. The following are the classes take place in the centre, Parent, baby and toddler groups, Taekwondo, Badminton, Yoga Classes, Chair based exercises, Craft circles, Dance fitness, English lessons, Indoor soccer, Drama class, Basketball, Irish language development class for kids, Gymnastics, Ballybunion Youth Club. Please contact 068-27799 or email ballybcomcentre@gmail.com for any information.

#### **BINGO BALLYBUNION**

Every Wednesday at 8.15pm in Mikey Joe's Bar Main Street. Plenty prizes to be won on the night. Single book €10, double book €13. Starts at 8.15pm in Mikey Joes, Main Street, Ballybunion.

#### **BALLYBUNION YOUTH CLUB**

Every Friday night at the community centre between 8pm and 10pm. We need the community behind us to set up a successful club and would appreciate any help as leaders, volunteers or help fundraising. Please contact ballybunion@kdys.ie

#### **BALLYBUNION LIBRARY**

Ballybunion Library Opening Hours: Tues-Sat (Inc.) from 10am-1:30pm and 2:30prn-5pm.

In addition to books, internet, Wi-Fi, printing and photocopying, we also offer the Borrow Box app, download to your device and with your library membership details, you can access eBooks, audio books, and now also, Borrow Box provides free access to newspapers and magazines. The Library now has new Acorn Age Friendly Tablets to borrow. Acorn is an age friendly smart tablet that has been designed and tested by an older adult, with a design based around ease of email ballybunion@kerrylibrary.ie 068 27615 www.kerrylibrary.ie

#### **CHAIR BASED FITNESS PROGRAM**

Class Chair-Based Exercise in Ballybunion Community Center every Tues.11.00am-12.00pm. Pay as you go classes available also, Please phone to book your chair call Martina on 087 797 3688

#### POSITIONS AVAILABLE IN COMMUNITY EMPLOYMENT

Community Employment offers paid work, Welfare support, free training courses and an opportunity to contribute to your community. Current part-time positions (19.5 hrs. /wk.) Include: Environmental Worker with Tidy Towns, Gardener/Maintenance at Men's Shed Polytunnel Ballyduff, and Ballybunion Sea Rescue Hut Caretaker.

For details, contact Rosaleen on 089-2763786 or email saothairnanabhann@gmail.com

#### **CHECKERS CAFÉ AND CRAZY GOLF**

Taking bookings for Birthday parties, clubs, groups and societies. Contact Marie on 0876415513.

#### **TAEKWONDO BALLYBUNION**

Taekwondo Classes in Ballybunion Community Centre upstairs hall, on Wednesday evening for beginners aged 5yrs+, teens and adults and on Friday evenings for beginner teens and adults. Great for confidence, balance, co-ordination, fitness, self-defense, self-discipline and its fun. - If interested please contact Michael on 087 9245637.

#### SAN RITA WELLNESS

In Person Meetings take place every Wednesday from 10am-11am & 6pm to 7pm in The Kerry Writers Museum. If you are anxious to make a start now you can join our "At Home Service" where our members love the support, motivation, accountability and also seeing fantastic results on the scales. Call us for more information. Sandra 087 6718377 Rita 087 1012174

#### **UNISLIM CLASSES**

Class every Thursday 6:45-10:15am, with a class talk at 9:30am in The Plaza Hall, Listowel. New and returning members are always welcome. Call Leader Majella on 0873844481 for more information. For this week it's free to join /re-join. Online option also available Monday 8pm.

#### **BALLYBUNION NOTES**

If you would like to include anything in The Ballybunion Notes, please forward to the email address below or send us a message to the Ballybunion Tourist Office Facebook page by 10am on Monday Ballybuniontouristoffice@gmail.com. The Tourist Office is funded by Ballybunion Community Forum and is open all year round.



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# **LOCAL** NEWS

### BALLYDUFF

#### LOTTO DRAW

The results of the weekly Ballyduff GAA Club, Lady's Walk Hurling Club and the Ballyduff Community Games Committee Lotto Draw for Tuesday January 21st are as follows: The numbers drawn were 1, 19, 28 and the Bonus Number was 2. There was no winner of the €17,800 Jackpot or the €400 Match Three. The following won the €20 Consolation Prizes – Joe Whelan, Meadow Lane; Kevin McGrath, Kilmore & Darragh Goulding, Kilmore/OnLine. The Lotto Draw takes place on each Tuesday night at the Ballyduff GAA Clubhouse. Tickets cost €2.50 each and are available at the local shops and businesses and from members of the promoting Clubs. You may also play the Lotto online at www.ballyduffgaa.com. Remember "If you are not in you can't win".

#### CHURCH NOTICES

Masses for the week:

Friday 7.00pm: Michael Morrissey – 1st Anniversary Saturday 6.30pm: February 1st; John Joe Goodliffe – Month's Mind; Mary O'Rourke; James Murphy (Cork & Lisselton); Philip Robinson.

Sunday 11.00am: February 2nd; Mass in Causeway

Ministers of the Eucharist: Rita Goulding/Anthony Doyle/ Sara Ann Ross Reader: Des Rochford

Divine Mercy Devotions: Every Sunday at 3.30pm Eucharist Adoration: Every Wednesday at 10.30am

Parish Office: is open daily Tuesday to Friday from 10.30am – 1.00pm. Please phone (066)7148404 for Appointments or for bookings of Masses, Weddings, Christenings, or any Church event.

Altar Servers: Fr. Gerard will provide training for Altar servers, boys & girls on Saturday 1st February at 12 noon in Ballyduff Church

Accord: are now seeking Marriage Preparation Facilitators. If you are supportive of marriage in the Catholic Church and have the enthusiasm to be part of the Accord team that supports couples preparing for Marriage, then Accord wishes to hear from you. Contact Aisling – 015053112 or emailmarriagepreparation@accord.ie More information on Accord.ie

Teach Siamsa: Celebrate Imbolc & St. Bridget – Folk Year special event at St. Michael's Well, Lixnaw on Sat. 1st February at 12 noon. Participants are welcome to bring a St. Bridget's cross for blessing. If you would like to make your own, a workshop will be held in Teach Siamsa at 10.30am. on the same day. Rushes provided.

A 10 week Irish language course for adults on Wednesday nights from February 5th for beginners or intermediate level learners. Advanced learners can also be accommodated. Cost  $\in$ 50. Book on Eventbrite (search Blas Beo) or check our Social Media

Masses Change: this weekend for February – Ballyduff on Saturday at 6.30pm – Causeway on Sunday at 11.00am

Pilgrimage to Medjugorje: 10th – 17th September 2025. Cork to Dubrovnik - €899. Phone – (01)6852244 or info@ joewalshtours.ie More info from Maura O'Keeffe Harcksen on (087)1517696. Spiritual Director – Fr. Francis Nolan – 0872100273

#### A THOUGHT

If you really want to do something you will find a way, if you don't, you will always find an excuse!!

#### NEWS ITEMS

All news items for inclusion in this column should be with the writer by 8.00pm on each Sunday evening. Please forward items to johnwhite330@gmail.com or phone (087)6732856.

### BALLYLONGFORD

#### WEEKLY CARD GAME: 41

starting at 8.30p.m. on Monday February 3rd, at Listowel Emmets Club House, Listowel. All are welcome and prize money of  $\rm 6500~guaranteed$  on the first night.

#### LAWPRO

LAWPRO, the Local Authorities Water Programme, works on behalf of Ireland's 31 local authorities to protect and restore good water quality in our rivers, lakes, estuaries, ground and coastal water through catchment science and local community engagement. The LAWPRO community water officer for Kerry is Bláthnaid O'Loughlin and she can be contacted on boloughlin@lawaters.ie or on 0852200571

#### WORLD WETLANDS DAY

World Wetland day is on 2nd February 2025. Wetlands play a vital role in our country's ecological health. Ballylongford is lucky to be situated in an area that hosts both coastal and inland wetlands. Would you, your school or our group like to hold a World Wetland Day event? Why not host a "Walk & Talk", bird-watching, or evening talks and presentations by your local experts. Get in touch to discuss your ideas and funding available on 085 870 9575 You can visit the website: worldwetlandsday.org.

#### AT THE PARISH HALL BALLYLONGFORD

8 week Self-Compassion and Rahanni Healing Circle Monday 9:30am - 11:00am €15 per session

Yoga Mat Session Tuesday 7pm-8pm. Sessions are €12

Gentle Stretch and Relaxation Session Thursday 10am - 11am. Sessions are €12 Places are limited so booking is essential. To book please contact Elisha on 087 343 5231

Rahanni Treatments available Wednesday mornings at Horans Health store Listowel book with Elisha087343523

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#### SOCIAL DANCING

Social dancing at the Parish Hall takes place on Wednesday evenings at 6.50pm sharp. Get your dancing shoes on for some great craic doing the jive, waltz, foxtrot, quick step and everything else! These are beginners classes but all are welcome for evenings of great fun and fitness!

#### UNISLIM

UNISLIM Class every Thursday 6:45-10:15am, with a class talk at 9:30am in The Plaza Hall, Listowel. New and returning members are always welcome. Call Leader Majella on 0873844481 for more information.

For this week it's free to join /rejoin. Online option also available Monday 8pm (unislim.com)

#### **TFI LOCAL LINK**

Please call for information on (066) 714 7002 or visit https://www.locallinkkerry. ie/ballylongford/

#### **BALLYLONGFORD NOTES**

The notes are entirely free to use for all and are for the benefit of the community to highlight notices, events, services, etc. If you would like to include something in our weekly notes, please email ballylongfordnotes@gmail.com or phone/ WhatsApp 087 930 8223. If you have trouble with electronic submissions, please call me on the above number.

Please Note: Deadline for submission is 8pm on Sunday

#### MOYVANE

#### Contact: moyvanenotes@gmail.com

#### BINGO

The weather caused havoc last week and a decision had to be made on running bingo or cancelling it but as the wind was not scheduled to arrive until 2.00am on Friday morning we decided to go ahead. No regrets. Thank you to all who braved the elements last Thursday night and if you decided to stay at home that was fine too. Hopefully this week will be a different week and we will all be back to normal again. Feel free to make the phone call if the weather is bad. 087 8555639.

#### BLOTTO

There was no winner of last Thursday night's Jackpot. Numbers drawn were: 3, 8, 17, 25.

Lucky Dips: €100:

Ectory Jup: Croot. The Roche Family, Glin Road, Moyvane. €50: Anne Fitzgerald, Sallowglen, Tarbert. €20 each: Anne D. Stack, c/o Corridan's Garage. Margaret O'Connor, "Old Forge" Glin Road, Moyvane. Kerrie Mulcaire, Ratheale. Stephanie Evans, Listowel.

#### Michelle Quirke, Abbeyfeale.

Free Tickets: Sara & Conor Cox, Listowel. Rian Brennan, Listowel. Peggy O'Hanlon, Asdee. John & Liz Brosnan, Coilagurteen. Debbie Marie Woulfe, c/o

#### Jackie Sugrue.

This week's Jackpot is €7,500 and the draw will be held at Bingo this Thursday night, January 30 at 8.00pm in the Marian Hall.

#### **SPIN THE WHEEL**

For the first time three people shared Spin the Wheel.  $\leq$ 500 was shared by Helen Roche, Listowel, Mary Scannell, Upper Aughrim, Moyvane & Celia Thornton, Kilbaha, Moyvane. They took home  $\leq$ 170 each. This week it could be you. The minimum you can win on the wheel is  $\leq$ 300 and the top prize is  $\leq$ 2,000.

#### LISTOWEL EMMETS CARD GAME

Weekly 41 card game is up and running again. It begins on Monday, February 03 in the Clubhouse. All are welcome and prize money of €500 is guaranteed on the first night.

#### MASSES FOR THE WEEK

MOYVANE

Thursday, January 30 7.00pm Anniversary Mass for Michael O'Neill. Saturday, February 01 7.30pm St. Brigid's Day. Anniversary Mass for Martin & Mary Mulvihill, Leitrim East. Sunday, February 02 11.00am Anniversary Mass for Eileen Collins, Glin Road.

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#### KNOCKANURE:

Friday, January 31 Mass at 10.00am. Private Intention. Sunday, February 02 9.30am CandleMass Day. Anniversary Mass for Hannah Keane.



Connections of Derby favourite Five O Five with bookmaker Berkie Browne at Tomaisins Bar Lisselton on Sunday night for the Clonmel Preview.

Photo Moss Joe Browne

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# **LOCAL** NEWS

### TARBERT

#### TARBERT NEWS

Contact; tarbertnews@outlook.com or telephone Patrick Lynch at 068/36117 on or before 7pm Sunday. Fan slán.

#### DEATH

The death took place of Patrick O'Regan, formerly of Dunmanway, County Cork in Boston, U.S.A. Pat, as he was known, was a regular visitor to Tarbert over the years, visiting his sister, the late Tessie Kiely, Main Street. He enjoyed walking to the Back of the Hill and swimming in Beale. In his student days he studied Medicine at UCC Cork. Along with brothers Jim and Mick Brosnan, Moyvane they won Sigerson Cup football titles with UCC. He later emigrated to the United States and became a Lieutenant Commander in the U.S. Navy. Following his funeral service Dr. Pat O'Regan aged 97 years, was buried with full military honours in Boston in the past week. Sympathy to the O'Regan and Kiely families.

#### **STORM ÉOWYN**

Thankfully there were no fatalities in the area due to Storm Eowyn described in the press as 'the worst storm in years' which caused billions of euros in damage nationally with power outages across the country. Locally we were without power from 4 am Friday until 12 noon approximately Saturday. There were some trees down on the Island road but these were removed by Kerry County Council. It was nice to see Stephen pruning Johnny Mulvihill's roses beside the Bridewell, reminding us that in the words of the poet 'if winter comes can Spring be far behind.'

#### WALK CLOSED

Micheál Lanigan advises that the John F. Leslie Woodland Walk is closed until further notice due to adverse weather conditions and for health and safety reasons.

#### **GAA PLAYERS**

Last weekend two players with Tarbert ancestry figured prominently in the opening rounds of the National League. Theo Clancy helped Dublin defeat Mayo in a very competitive game of football in Croke Park, Theo is son of Dympna Buckley formerly of Main Street. In Ennis Fionnán Mackessy, Ardfert helped Kilkenny hurlers defeat All Ireland champions Clare by two points. Fionnán is grand son of the late Joe Mackessy of Tarmons, not exactly a hurling stronghold!

#### COMPLAINING

Listening to the woman complaining on the Joe Duffy Show I thought of the old woman from Tarmons long ago and her philosophy -'I always thank the Lord, she would say, for the things I have'nt got! - a smokey chimney, a leaky roof, a contrary donkey, pains in the bones and troublesome neighbours.' Amen, say all of us!

#### ACTIVE RETIREMENT

Tarbert Active Retirement (over 55s) meet in Tarbert Bridewell every Friday between 10.30 am and 12 noon. They have different activities every week followed by refreshments. New members are welcome and now is a good time to start.

#### **41 CARD GAME**

A note from Sean Healy to say that the 41 Weekly Card game will start in Listowel Emmets GAA Club house at 8.30pm on Monday 3 February. All are welcome and a prize money of  $\notin$ 500 is guaranteed on First Night.

### LIXNAW

#### PARISH MASS TIMES

ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH: Friday 31st January, Mass at 7.30pm for Fr. Nelius O'Connor, Causeway. Saturday 1st February, Mass at 7.30pm for Pat Fahey, Ballyrehan; Sheila, William & Malachy Boyd, Irrebeg & Michael & Catherine O'Connell, Liscullane.

RATHEA CHURCH: Sunday 2nd February, Mass at 9.30am for John Joe Galvin, Gortaclohane.

IRREMORE CHURCH: Sunday 2nd February, Mass at 11.00am for Mary, Ger & Dora Scanlon, Glenoe.

#### **RECENT DEATHS**

Peggy Mulvihill (née Hobbert), Knockreagh and formerly of St. Brendan's Park, Tralee. Sympathy to her husband Brendan, her children: Brenda, Seamus, Derek and all the extended Mulvihill/Hobbert families. May she rest in peace.

Shannon Mannix, Ahabeg West, Lixnaw. Sympathy to her parents Louise & Danny; her sisters/brother: Chloe, Rebecca, Alisha Kelsey, Lily, Dylan; grandmother Noan; grandfather Dan and all the extended Mannix family. May she rest in peace.

Liam Gunn, Ballinclogher West, Lixnaw and formerly of Listowel. Sympathy to his children Kirsti and Keira and all the extended Gunn family. May he rest in peace

Karen Conway, Alameda, California, USA and formerly of Derrevrin. Sympathy to her husband Dan Abrams, her father Donie, her brothers/sisters: Marie, Joe, Ger, Mark, Maurice and all the extended Conway/Abrams families. May she rest in peace.

#### LIXNAW ACTIVE RETIREMENT

The AGM of Lixnaw Active Retirement will be held in the Lixnaw Community Centre on Wednesday 29th January at 11.00am. All new members are welcome.

#### LIXNAW COMMUNITY GAMES

We want to wish the very best of luck to the following teams competing next weekend in Moyvane and Duagh/Milltown respectively:

- The U.15 Boys Badminton team
- The U.15 Girls Badminton team

The U.13 Boys Indoor Soccer Team

Also, entries are now being taken for the following competitions: Swimming Boys and Girls (U.10 to U.16 Freestyle, Backstroke, Breaststroke, Butterfly, and Squads) Futsal Boys (U.13 and U.15) Futsal Girls (U.13) Futsal Girls (U.15) - closing date 16th February Basketball Mixed (U.11)

Please note, the closing date for entries is this Friday, 31st January, except for Girls U.15 Futsal as mentioned above. If interested, please send your entry, before the deadline, to the following email address: lixnaw@communitygames.eu

Please include the child's name, address, date of birth and particular competition. Details of these competitions can be found at www.cairncommunitygames.ie

Please note participants must reside in Lixnaw Parish. The cut-off date is 31st July for individual age groups (please refer to the Age Chart on the Lixnaw Community Games Facebook page or go to the Community Games website for the Age Calculator).

#### LIXAW GAA SPLIT THE BUCKET DRAW

Congratulations to Darragh Conway, who won  ${\bf \xi}{\bf 74}$  in the Split the Bucket Draw. Thanks for your continued support.

#### LIXNAW CLUB LOTTO DRAW

Jackpot €15,000. Numbers drawn were 01, 04, 24, 31. No jackpot winner. €20 winners: Michaela McAuliffe, Lixnaw; Tim O'Sullivan, Finuge; Nora Cahill, Lixnaw. Next draw will take place on Monday 27th January at the Dew Drop Inn Bar. Jackpot will be €15,050.

#### ST SENAN'S GAA CLUB LOTTO DRAW

20/01/2025. Jackpot €3,400 Numbers drawn were 05, 17, 20, 25. No jackpot winner. €30 winners: Bobby McElligott, Stack's Mountain; Breandáin Whelan, Banemore: €20 winners Brendan & Doreen Whelan, Banemore: Dan Joe Murphy, Rock Chapel; Margaret Cahill, Killshenane. Next week's jackpot will be €3,500. Tickets €2 each or 3 for €5. Tickets are available at Kelly's Six Crosses, The Halfway Bar, or play online. Thank you for your continued support.

#### 41 CARD GAME NIGHT

A weekly 41 card game starting in Listowel Emmets Club House at 8.30 p.m. on Monday February 3rd 2025. All are welcome and prize money of  $\notin$ 500 guaranteed on the first night.

#### CONTACT

To include items in the Lixnaw notes, please email lixnawnotes@gmail.com by 10pm on Sunday evening.

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### CLOSING DATE: FRIDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2025

# **LOCAL** NEWS

### **KILFLYNN**

#### **STACK'S MOUNTAIN HALF MARATHON & 10KM**

Great news for Crotta and indeed Kilflynn community with the news that Kilflynn City Running Club are once again to host the Stack's Mountain Half Marathon & 10km on 26th April 2025.

The organisers have very kindly chosen Kilflynn National School, Crotta GAA and Abbeykilix Camogie Club as the beneficiaries of the funds raised by this event. As a club we would strongly encourage all our players and their families to participate on the 26th April and help raise much helpful funding for the schools and clubs as-well as benefiting your own health and wellbeing in the process.

Kilflynn City Running group have a fabulous tradition of hosting & organising community events and have to date raised over €53K for various charities. The group have always delivered a very enjoyable and family orientated day out for all.

Participants can take part in the 21km (Must Be Aged 18+) or the 10km (Must Be Aged 15+). You can run, walk or jog in the 10k event. The 21k is for runners only.

Each participant will receive their event medal & T-Shirt with food and refreshments also being provided in the village on the day.

Once again, we would strongly encourage everybody to get out and about and join in to help make this a memorable and successful event for our community.

Keep Saturday April 26th in your diary and spread the word.

The registration link and further details will be provided in the coming days. Thank you for your support.

#### **CROTTA GAA NEWS**

On behalf of the Crotta Hurling Club we convey our sincere and heartfelt sympathy to the Mulvihill family especially our club referee Seamus on the sad passing of Seamus' mother Margaret (Peggy) Mulvihill (Nee Hobbert) of Knockreagh, Listowel and formerly of St Brendan's Park, Tralee,. Ar dheis De go raibh a Anam.

Scór na bPáistí 2025 entries (for national school ages) are open; please contact Crotta Scór officer Tom Breen on (087) 274 8555 if interested. Categories: Solo Singing, Music Group, Set Dancing, Quiz Team, Ballad Group, Story Telling, Novelty Act and Solo MusicWe would love to hear from you

Kerry Senior Hurlers travel to Kildare in Round 2 of the 2025 Allianz Hurling League, Division 2 to take the home side, on Saturday 1st February in Cedral St. Conleth's Park, at 1.00pm .0isin Maunsell was ratified as the 2025 Kerry Senior Hurling captain. We wish Oisin and all the Kerry team the very best of luck for the season ahead.

Congratulations to our own Daniel Diggins and all his teammates who represented Kerry in the All-Ireland Inter League Quarter Final against WWEC in Youghal, Co. Cork on Saturday 25th January. The lads come away with an impressive 6-1 win!

The team now looks forward to a Semi-Final in February.

Kerry Senior ladies footballers opened their 2025 campaign on Saturday 25th January with a defeat to Armagh in Austin Stack Park on the scoreline of Kerry 1-13 Armagh 3-11. Niamh Quinn, Crotta was a member of the Kerry panel. Lidl NFL Div 1 - Round 2 \*WATERFORD v KERRY On Monday 3rd February, Throw at 3.45p.m in SETU Arena, Carriganore Waterford. We wish Niamh and her Kerry team mates the best of luck for the 2025 season.

#### **ACTIVE RETIRED GROUP**

Will be meeting again on Wednesday 29th January in the Abbeydorney Parish Hall. Enquiries call Marie Williams at 0667135831. All are welcome.

#### ST. MARY'S CHURCH, KILFLYNN

Mass Intention for the week in St. Mary's Church: Mass will be celebrated on Friday 31st January at 10.00 a.m. and on Saturday 1st February at 6.00 p.m. Mary

#### Fuller, Fahavane, Kilflynn (A). Communion calls Kilflynn/Abbeydorney on Friday 31st January at the usual times.

If anyone would like a call, please contact the Parish Office 066 4018996 or Fr. Jerry Keane 087 2844649.

Adoration of Blessed Sacrament Kilflynn: Monday 7.00p.m. - 8.00 p.m. Kllflynn Altar Society for January Caroline Lynch, Breda Handley, Trudy Ryan

Inclement Weather: In the event of Masses being cancelled for safety reasons, bad weather notice will be on the Abbeydorney page of the Diocesan website. Check www.dioceseofkerry.ie go to Abbeydorney parish and check the newsletter. Unfortunately Friday's Storm Éowyn, the worst storm to hit Ireland in decades. has taken its toll in Kilflynn

St Mary's Church, Kilflynn dated 1849, and renovated in 1979, lost a section of the slates as Storm Éowyn blustered through the area during a violent storm on Friday 24th January

Parish Office can be contacted by phone 066 4018996 Tuesday, Thursday & Friday 10.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m. or by email: abbeydorney@dioceseofkerry.ie

Webcam has been installed in Kilflynn Church – To watch Masses go to www.dioceseofkerry.ie – Abbeydorney Parish and click on 'watch Mass'. Diocesan.

#### **CLANMAURICE CAMOGIE SOCIAL**

The Clanmaurice Camogie Victory Social to celebrate this amazing team who won back to back All Ireland Intermediate titles will take place in the Meadowlands Hotel Tralee on Saturday 1st February at 6pm Tickets are €55 Music with The Shambollixes It's time to celebrate our Champions! A guaranteed night of fun and madness

#### **CROTTA LOTTO RESULTS**

Herbert's Bar, Kilflynn was the venue for the Crotta Hurling Club weekly lotto draw on Monday 27th January, The Four numbers drawn out of the drum by the independent observer: Graham Harris, Clounsillagh, Lixnaw were 1,7,26 and 27. There was no winner of the 5,600 Jackpot. Congratulations to the following who won €35 in the lucky dip draw: Joe McElligott, Crotta Cross, Lixnaw, Paud Twomey, Gorthcloghy, Kilflynn and

John Joe Dillon, Rathea, Listowel. The next draw will take place in Parker's Pub, Kilflynn on Monday night 3rd February at 10.30p.m with a €5,700 Jackpot.

Tickets available 3 for €5 online visit www.crottagaa.club or this link https://play.clubforce.com/play\_newa. asp?ll\_id=427#Anchor or Herbert's Bar/Village Store, Parker's Pub, Zam Zam Kabab, Foley Shop Lixnaw, Abbeydorney Post Office or from Club ticket sellers. Many thanks to all who contribute to our weekly Club Lotto. The Club cannot emphasize enough the importance of our members promoting the Club Lotto among family, friends, and work colleagues. Your continued support is greatly appreciated

#### CAMOGIE

Congratulations to the Kerry U-16 Camogie team and management who had a convincing win over Waterford B in Banteer Gaa on Sunday 26th January on the final scoreline of Kerry 5-10 to Waterford 0-04 in the Munster U16 C final. Congratulations to Georgia Kennedy on her well-deserved player of the match award. Ger McCarthy presented the cup and the player of the match. The Crotta area was well represented on the Victorious team with Emily O'Donoghue (Goals), Caoimhe Nolan (Wing forward) and Siobhan O'Donoghue (Mentor) Congratulations and well done. The Focus now shifts to the All-Ireland Championship which starts on Feb 23rd

#### VACANCIES

Abbeydorney Development Company vacancies on the Community Employment Scheme:

Historical Research / Kitchen Assistant, Laundry Assistants, Environmental Workers, Administrator, Receptionist Full job descriptions are available on request. Eligibility to participate on a CE is generally linked to those who are over 21 years of age and in receipt of an Irish social welfare payment for 1 year or more. Please drop your CV to the CE Office, email abbeydevcom.ltd@gmail.com or telephone 066 7135831 or ask your local DSP/KLAS officers to forward your details.



The Kerry Association London held a Fundraising Golf Day for the Kerry GAA. The Golf Classic was Held at Aldenham Golf & Country Club Aldenham, Watford UK. Pictured at the Kerry GAA Center of Excellence. Front L-R: Gerry O'Shea from Derrynane presents a cheque of €133,387.38c to Kerry GAA, also pictured Jack O'Connor Kerry Manager, Tom Kesane Kerry GAA, Noel O'Sullivan London GAA and Spa Killarney, Patrick O'Sullivan Chairman Kerry County GAA Board and players and management of the Kerry Senior Football team. Photo By: Domnick Walsh - Eye Focus LTD - 087 2672033

# PHOTOS FROM FINESSE BRDAL'S RECENT 25 YEAR CELEBRATIONS







Congratulations to both Listowel teams who contested the Kerry League Division 4 Badminton Final last Tuesday night



Listowel Celtic U10 Girls who played last weekend



James Keane trying out the new John Deere with Johnny Corkery - Gearys Garage, at the SFM Show 2025 in Millstreet recently



Ballyheigue hotelier Jimmy Browne who is hoping for Derby success at Clonmel with Bobby Browne called after his late nephew and is trained in Tarbert by Patrick O'Connor. Photo Moss Joe Browne



Well done to Lios Tuathail AC athletes Donnacha & Eoghan who competed at the Kerry Schools Cross Country





The winners of the €500 cash prizes for November and December were Liam Behan and Helen O'Flaherty. €500 must be won each month along with bonus prizes



Gardener Andrew Griffin who hails from Listowel was preparing a new rose garden at Tralee Town Park last Tuesday afternoon. Photo Moss Joe Browne

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# **SPORTS** NEWS

### **LISTOWEL EMMETS GAA**

Social: Our Victory Social takes place on Saturday 1st February in The Listowel Arms Hotel at 6.30pm bubbles served on arrival with dinner and dancing to Heart and Soul followed by Dj. Please book your tickets through Norah or Breda as soon as possible. It promises to be a great night of fun and celebration honouring our North Kerry champions and our county minor medalists.

41 Card Drive is back : Our weekly 41 game is starting back in the clubhouse at 8.30 p.m. on Monday February 3rd 2025. All are welcome and prize money of €500 guaranteed on first night. Hope to see you all there!

Membership: Club membership is now open online at www.listowelemmetsgaa.com. This year includes a membership option for our new Indoor Training Facility which can be purchased once your GAA membership is completed. Reminder that all playing membership needs to be paid on or before the 1st March 2025.

#### **LISTOWEL CELTIC**

Draw 27/01/25 - Numbers Drawn 3-9-10-22

Jackpot not won - Lucky Dip Winners					
€40	Bridget Galvin, Bedford				
€20	Helen Loughnane, Bedford				
€20	Jess Quilter c/o Shebeen				
€20	Noreen Clancy On Line				
€20	Lee Henderson On Line				

Next Draw 03/02/25 at Kevins Jackpot €4,150

### LISTOWEL BADMINTON CLUB

It was a successful end to the Kerry Doubles Leagues last Tuesday night, as both Listowel Division 4 women's teams contested the Kerry League Final between them. Both were unbeaten on their way to the final and played out an exciting match.

Congratulations to the team of Agata Niedzielska (captain), Maggie Li, Molly McElligott, Sara Hayes who took the league title on the night. Congratulations also to the team of Becky Wieland, Esther Cronin (captain), Margaret Healy, Sara Carroll, Ava Barrett on great performances during the league and in the final.

January sees the start of the Kerry Mixed Leagues in all divisions. Best of luck to our Division 2 mixed team who play Kingdom Castleisland in their first match of the season on Thursday night.

Our club nights continue each week from Monday to Thursday night. New and returning members are very welcome to play socially or competitively. Message Margaret on 087 960 4361 or send us a message on Facebook/ Instagram at Listowel Senior Badminton.

## LISTOWEL ATHLETIC CLUB

Munster u20/u23/Senior/Master Good luck to our athletes in Munster indoor on Mon 3rd Feb in Namath.

X-Country

Best of luck to our athletes North Munster schools X/C on Tuesday 4th.

#### Club AGM

Lios Tuathail AC recently held their AGM upstairs at Christie's in Listowel. The following were the officers elected:

President:	Brendan Cullen
Chairman:	Kevin Lynch
Vice Chairman:	Donal Leahy
Secretary:	Joanne O'Flaherty
Treasurer:	Pat O'Leary
Child Protection Officer:	John Quilter
PRO:	Liz Twomey
Sports liaison Officer:	Mags Collins

Kerry Athletics

Congratulations to our club President Brendan Cullen who was re-elected to the position of vice chairperson and treasurer.

## ST MICHAELS BASKETBALL CLUB

It's been a busy week on and off the Court. Well done to our U12 boys and their Coach who played St Joseph's last Saturday in Duagh, great performance, team effort and skill shown on the day.

Well done to our 2 U10 boys teams and our U10 Girls team and their Coaches on taking part in the Kerry Area Basketball Board Blitz on Sunday in Mounthawk hosted by Tralee Magic, great teamwork and skills shown by all.

Academy Training continues every Monday night and U12 Training every Saturday in Lixnaw Community Centre. Mothers & Others continues at 8.30pm every Monday night great fun to be had while getting fit. Thanks to Lixnaw Community Centre Staff and Stack's Londis for their continued support.

# BALLYBUNION GOLF CLUB

Fixtures: Fourball Stableford Sunday 2nd February 2025 Cashen Course

#### Ladies Competitions

Ladies Tuesday Voucher Competition 13 Holes – Tuesday 21st January Cashen Course

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#### Fixtures:

Ladies Team Competition Sponsored by Gerry & Margaret Behan, Horseshoe Bar & Restaurant 1st February 2025 Cashen Course Ladies Tuesday Competition 4th February 2025 Cashen Course

Senior Mens Competitions: Fixtures: Thursday 30th January 2024 Senior Competition Old Course

Senior Ladies Competitions:

Fixtures: Friday 31st January 2025 Cashen Course

### **BEALE GAA**

Our senior ladies and lads are back in training in lit-up Páirc de Staic. With new and returning faces in both squads, there is great energy around the groups right now.

Senior and junior men's player registration is now due. Ladies and juveniles register before end March. Non-player membership also due before end March. Membership/registration fees:

Senior Player,  $\in 60$ ; Player/Lotto,  $\in 120$ ; Minor Player,  $\in 50$  (linked in with Juvenile Family); Juvenile Player,  $\in 40$ ; Juvenile Family (subject to a max. 5 minors/juveniles),  $\in 100$ ; Coach Family (1 adult and max. 4 minors/juveniles),  $\in 100$ .

Full Membership (non-player),  $\leq 30$  - free membership with Annual Lotto ticket,  $\leq 100$ . Register on www.foireann.ie. Senior (male and female) and junior players may pay by instalments – terms and conditions apply.

Beale seniors, compete the Munster Junior B Championship. This competition is hosted by Knockaderry GAA Club in Co Limerick for all the provincial winners. We have secured a bye to the semi-final, when we play Burgess (Tipperary). Date to be confirmed.

The Ladies and Coiste na nÓg sub-committee, along with our dedicated coaches, are hard at work behind the scenes, preparing for the exciting season ahead for our under-age players. New players are always welcome, and no prior experience is needed. We understand that some kids might feel a bit nervous or unsure about joining a team sport. If that's the case, please don't hesitate to contact us – we'll be happy to provide any support your child needs.

We're also on the lookout for coaches and volunteers across most of our under-age teams. Whether you're new to coaching or simply curious to give it a try, we'd love to have you on board. It's a fantastic way to get involved, make a difference, and have plenty of fun in the process. Feel free to chat with someone in the club or reach out to us on social media if you're interested. No experience required! This year, there are a few changes to the age groups. Boys' and girls' teams will now follow these categories: u6, u8, u10, u12, u14 u16 and minor (u18). More good news is that Coiste na nÓg players will be playing on the same teams as last year.

Coiste na nÓg training kicks off on Saturday for the u8s, while u10s and u12s will train on Sundays. For the first six weeks, all sessions will take place in Ballybunion Community Centre. This provides a great opportunity for players to sharpen their football skills before the Go Games begin. After this, training will move back to the football pitch. Our u14s and u16s have started trading in Páirc de Staic. Best of luck to all.

Registration is now open, and it's essential for all under-age players returning to training are registered. Unregistered players are not covered by insurance and, unfortunately, cannot participate in training. Fees remain unchanged this year at €40 per child or €100 per family. Simply log on to www.foireann.ie to register.

Follow us on Facebook for updates on club activities and regular news.

This week's Beale Lotto took place in The Feale Bar on Sunday night. Details of the lucky numbers and winners are posted on social media and in the local pubs.

Numbers were 10, 16, 17 and 23. There was no jackpot winner and no Match-3 winners. Lucky Dip winners each win €20 Aidan Hanrahan Keegan Galvin Dominic Kissane 0 Hanlon c/o The Exchange.

5 Free tickets: Jodie Fitzmaurice.

The next lotto draw is set for Sunday night at 9 o'clock in Courtney's Bar, with a jackpot of  $\epsilon7,\!850$ 

Tickets,  $\in 2$  each or 3 for  $\in 5$ , can be purchased in the local pubs, from Grant McSweeney, in SuperValu or online. Terms and conditions apply. A huge 'míle buíochas' to all who support and promote our lotto. The Beale Lotto benefits all our players from under-5s to seniors.

### **FINUGE GAA**

FINUGE 500: We want to say a huge thank you to our prize sponsors, to all our ticket sellers and to everyone who bought tickets for the December draw - it was a great success. Entry tickets for each month are available at McCarthy's Bar Finuge, Foleys Gala Express Shop Lixnaw, Stacks Londis Lixnaw, JJ Walsh Bar & Butchers Lixnaw, Gibbons Filling Station Lixnaw and the Post Office Lixnaw. Also available online at www.finugegaa.com and from any club officer.

The January draw was held this Monday the 27th January with the Joan & Shane O'Connell Clogher the lucky winner of the  $\in$ 500!

CHARITY RUN: The GAA clubs of Finuge and Lixnaw are delighted to announce the launch of the inaugural Finuge to Lixnaw 8K Road Race on Saturday 1st March. The senior panels of both clubs will spearhead this charity event, in aid of a very worthy cause - Aoibheann's Pink Tie (https:// aoibheannspinktie.ie).

Upon a cancer diagnosis, a family's life is deeply impacted. Aoibheann's Pink Tie provides a hand to hold offering practical and financial support to families to make the journey through treatment a little bit more bearable. Aoibheann's Pink Tie fundraising covers travel, accommodation, payments towards household expenditure but more importantly moral and practical support for the family unit as they travel through cancer treatment.

With that in mind both groups of players and indeed clubs are excited to be able to participate and hopefully raise some valuable funds. The cost of entry will be &20 with registration now open online at eventmaster.ie/ events/ExWnC4EF74

SENIOR TEAM: The team has been busy already training and getting ready for the upcoming season. This year there are plenty new and familiar faces within the management team! Senior management team for 2025 is Ray-mond Regi Galvin, Fergus Fitzmaurice, Stephen Goggin, Johnny McElligott, Patrick Scruffy Dowling, Rory McAuliffe and Eamonn Fitzmaurice. Best of luck to all involved for the upcoming season.

SCÓR NA BPÁISTÍ: It is Scor time again for our youth and we are calling all young people interested in entering to make contact with our Scór officer Christina on 087-4672591. MEMBERSHIP: The 2025 membership is now open. Rates remain the same as last year - Juvenile to U18 25e; three or more juveniles 60e; full adult & senior players 50e; family of two adults & two children 100e. We would like to thank everyone who took membership last year for their support and hope to see those members returning again for 2025.

PAUL GALVIN: We wish Paul the very best of luck for 2025 season as he takes up the manager role of the Ratoath senior football team in County Meath. That will be the two Galvin brothers busy with team management for 2025!

LEARN IRISH: A 10-week course aimed at adults who want to learn or brush up on their Irish language is being run at the Teach Siamsa Finuge. The course is aimed at beginners and intermediate learners but advanced learners can also be accommodated, with a launch this Friday evening 31st January at 5pm, with some special guests attending. Just register for Blas Beo on Eventbrite with the course commencing 10th of February.

ST BRIGIDS DAY: A call out to all Brigids and everyone beyond to come celebrate St Brigids Day this year with a set of unique events planned. On February 3rd there will be a special Brigids Cross making workshop held at Teach Siamsa Finuge. You will be shown how to make the famous and unique cross from rushes. After that, its on to St Michaels Well in Lixnaw to celebrate Imbolc and St Brigid with the blessing of crosses and hanging of Clotties.

KERRY LADIES FOOTBALL: Despite a strong first half and leading most of the game, the senior ladies lost out to late goals by Armagh in their opening national league game last Saturday. It was a special day for many of our local girls who played at half time with Dromclough national school.

KERRY MEN FOOTBALL: Unfortunately the senior team fixture against Donegal fell to the bad weather and we await details of the refix. Next up for the team is the long away trip to Derry this Sunday in Celtic Park - throw in is early at 12:30pm

### **MOYVANE GAA**

Moyvane GAA Lotto Lotto Results 26/01/2025 Jackpot: €9,800 - Numbers: 23, 8, 28, 17 Winner: No Winner - Lucky Dips: Mary O'Connor - c/o Jacko

Olive Keane - Ashgrove Tim Keane - Clounbrane Juilenne Donegan - Online

Mag Lynch - Moyvane Village

Next Jackpot: €9,900

Next Draw: Sunday 2nd February 2025 in Speedy's Bar at 8:30pm.

Registration: Membership is now open at  $\notin$ 40 for players and  $\notin$ 20 for student players and ordinary membership. Membership is available on Foireann, or by contacting any committee member.

#### Intermediate North Kerry Cup

Moyvane Juniors will take on Listowel Emmets in the North Kerry Cup Final on Saturday 1st February 2025. This is subject to change. Venue and time TBC. Please keep up to date on social media for confirmation. Wishing the team the very best of luck.

#### North Kerry Board

All at Moyvane GAA would like to congratulate our very own club member Mairead O'Sullivan on a very successful term as Chairwoman of the North Kerry Board. We wish her the very best in her future endeavours. We would also like to extend best wishes to the incoming Chairman Eamonn Whelan as he begins his new role.

#### Social Media

Keep up to date with live updates by following our social media. Instagram - @MoyvaneGAA | Facebook - Moyvane GAA X - OfficialMoyvaneGAA

# SPORTS NEWS

#### **LENAMORE ROVERS**

ATLETICO ARDFERT 0 - 1 LENAMORE B (Michael Gill - Goal)

Lenamore B travelled to the KDL for the second week in a row to take on a strong Ardfert squad. The opening half took off at the speed of storm Eowyn with end to end football being played and Mahony being the busiest of the two keepers even though Lenamore had more possession. Second half started at a rate of knots with both teams pushing hard for that opening goal with Lenamore breaking the deadlock in the 65th minute from a set piece. Podge o Connor floating an inch perfect cross to the back post where for 2nd week in a row Michael Gill controlled it and finished superbly to the back of the net.

Ardfert now were throwing everything at them but with the back four of Hayes,Gill,Sheehy and O'Connor soaking up all the pressure. Lenamore showed they were up for this one with every player fighting for balls in their positions, especially Robbie Foley who was dictating the play to great affect. Lenamore, not sitting back, pushed for a second, creating chances with Jurca coming the closest hitting the bar. Lenamore held out for a big win over the table toppers with an important win to keep the momentum since Christmas going and Jack Sheehy giving a man of the match performance at centre back.

#### LENAMORE:

Cian Mahony, Wayne Hayes, Michael Gill, Jack Sheehy, Podge O' Connor Stephen McCarthy, Robbie Foley, Lorcan Leahy, Mossy Jurca Cian Sheehy, Eamon Leahy

Subs

Paul O'Connor, Oisin Ferris, Victor Flahive, Harry Foley, Stephen McCarron Liam Mccarthy, Donal Leahy, Michael O'Connor



Listowel Celtic U14 Girls who played Killarney Athletic on Saturday 25th January



Listowel Celtic U12 Girls who beat Tralee Dynamos 7-0 last weekend



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# THE MIRACLE PRAYER

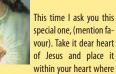
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your father sees it. Then in his merciful eyes it will become your own favour not mine. Amen.

Say this prayer three times for three days and your fayour will be granted. Never been known to fail. Must promise publication of prayer. J.M.C.

#### THE MIRACLE PRAYER

Dear Heart of Jesus in the past I have asked many favours.



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Whoever said that January drags? January 2025 has certainly not been borina.

The highlight for me is the ceasefire in the middle East and the release of some hostages. Then the Donald agreed with God that there are just 2 genders, male and female. We had the big freeze which had us housebound and smacked somewhat of the Covid era .

The media had the life half frightened out of me before the arrival of Storm Eowyn, with a big red map of Ireland hourly on tv and colour codes that had my head in a tizzy, predicting Armageddon for sure. And then to top it off, Dáil Éireann had to be suspended 3 times on it's first day back, amid chaotic scenes of adults behaving very badly. It was the first time in 100 years that the Dáil failed to elect a Taoiseach. Boring how are you!!! So with all that going on I have chosen to write about how much the One, True and Living God loves you and me.

Because if I don't know this I know nothing.

Life depends on knowing how much He loves us.

Hebrews 4:16 reads "Let us then approach God's throne of grace with confidence so that we may receive mercy and grace to help us in our time of need"

The whole world is in a time of huge need. People cannot fix it.

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At the end of any day it doesn't matter what's going on and where. No one can save us...only Jesus. How so? Because "God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life." John 3:16

There's no Dáil member or Donald or Eowyn who would give their life for you or me. But Jesus did. And " By this we know love, because He laid down His life for us. "1 John 3:16

In chapter 6 verse 40 in the Gospel of John, Jesus tells us "And this is the will of Him (God) who sent Me, that everyone who sees the Son and believes in Him may have everlasting life and I will raise him up on the last day." That is incredihle love

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Le Grá.

Bridie (Dillon) Hartney





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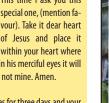
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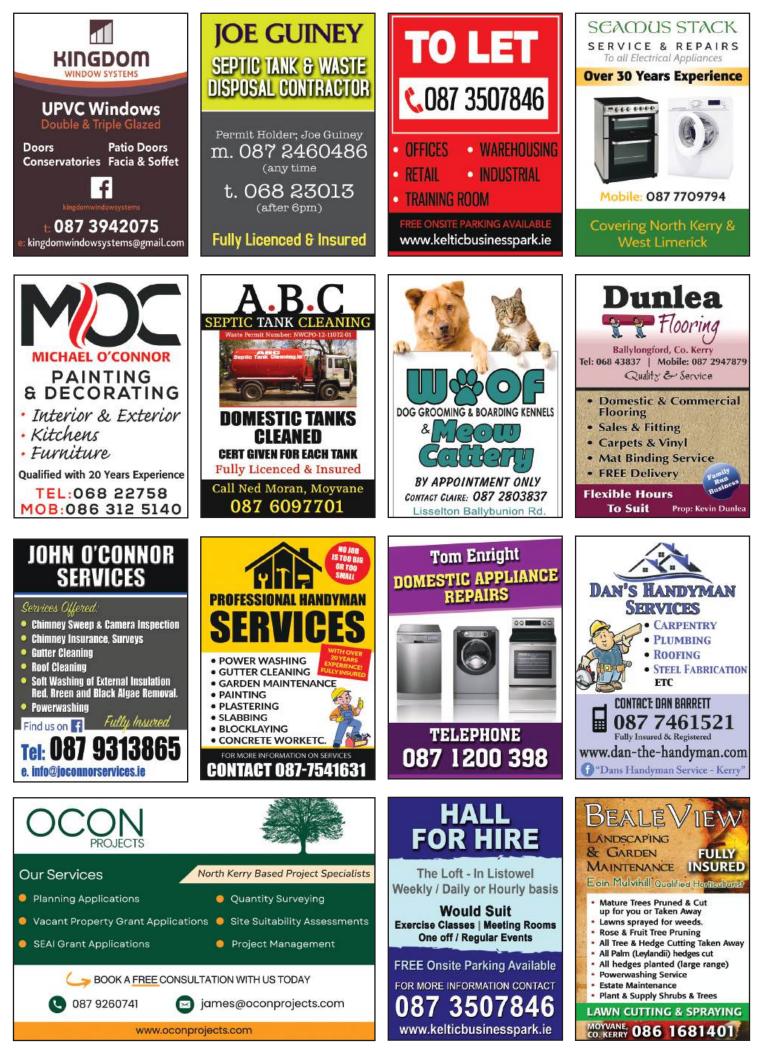




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