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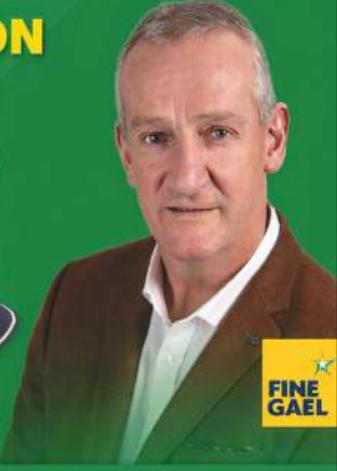
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# COLM COOPER IS THE SPECIAL GUEST AT *Listowel Emmets Victory Social*

Listowel Emmets held their Victory Social on Friday night last in the Listowel Arms Hotel celebrating their Back to Back North Kerry Senior Championship wins, and their County Minor League and the U17 Super touch victories. Kerry GAA legend Colm Cooper was special guest and we wish him every success as incoming Branch Manager at AIB Listowel in the coming weeks.

A great evening of stories and entertainment was had by all and we thank Derek Dalton for providing the tunes throughout the night. We also congratulate Joe Joe Grimes on receiving Senior Player of the year, Patrick Walsh as Young Player of the year, Jake O'Sullivan Junior Player of the year and Conor Sweeney on Minor Player of the year. The club would also like to thank Marc O Sé for his contribution to the club over the last three years as football coach, the experience and knowledge shared over this time has been second to none and our club is certainly in a better place thanks to his efforts over these years. We wish both Marc and Noel every success with the Kerry Minors over the next few years.

The club also acknowledged the work of club secretary Norah Browne who marked twenty years in the club on Friday last. A massive thank you to Breda McVeigh who organised and ran the night we would be no where without her contribution from Split the Bucket to children's officer to keeping our clubhouse in order each week. Her work and dedication does not go unnoticed. Finally, thanks to Christy who sponsored our highlight of the year awards and to all officer of the club a big thanks for all you do within our club and here's to 2026!



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**Presentation of medals to Northern Gaels U12 players by Jack Kennelly in Tomasinis Lisselton recently. Photos by John Stack**



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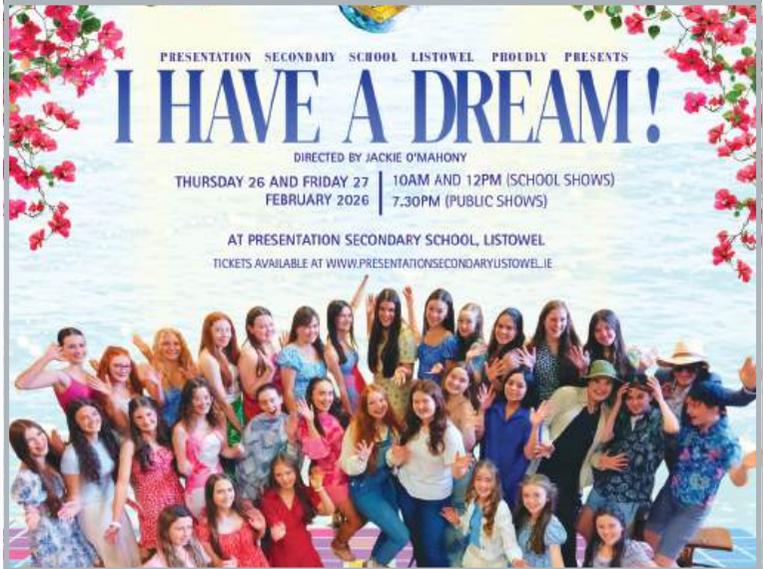
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# NORTH KERRY SCENE



Congratulations to the Scoil Réalta na Maidine (Listowel Boys N.S.) U13 Quiz team who won 1st place in the recent Credit Union Quiz and the U11 team who came in 2nd place



## Presentation Secondary School Presents I HAVE A DREAM - THE MUSICAL

Excitement is building in in Presentation Secondary School, Listowel these days as preparations are well underway for this year's highly anticipated school musical, I Have a Dream - a spectacular tribute to Mamma Mia! and the unforgettable music of ABBA.

Directed by Jackie O'Mahony, and choreographed by Róisín Moriarty, this production promises to be a celebration of talent, teamwork, and timeless pop classics. Bringing together students from all year groups, the show highlights not only the incredible musical ability within the school, but also the strong sense of community that makes productions like this so special.

The school musical is always a highlight of the year for Presentation Secondary School Listowel, and I Have a Dream is shaping up to be no exception. It is more than just a performance; it is a showcase of creativity, commitment, and school pride. Be sure not to miss what promises to be a fantastic evening of music, laughter, and unforgettable performances on **Thursday, February 26th - 7.30am and Friday, February 27th - 7.30pm**

Tickets are now on sale through the school website:  
[www.presentationsecondarylistowel.ie](http://www.presentationsecondarylistowel.ie) or contact 068 21452 to secure a ticket

## SATURDAYS AT LISTOWEL LIBRARY

Every Saturday at 11:00a.m. Listowel Library hosts Storytime for children. Tailored especially for young readers and their families, this program introduces children to the magic of books through lively read-aloud stories, rhymes, and occasional craft activities. In addition to stories, the program sometimes include simple crafts or hands-on activities that connect to the day's theme, giving children a chance to express their creativity and take home something special. It's also a wonderful opportunity for families to connect with one another and become part of the local library community. Whether you're a regular visitor or attending for the first time, Saturday Storytime at Listowel Library is a fun, and free way to spark a lifelong love of reading.

In addition, on Saturdays from 2.00 - 4.00 pm the Library hosts sensory construction sessions. Let your children's imaginations run wild interacting with educational toys like LEGO blocks and Construct-O-Straws, perfectly suited to encourage creativity while engaging young minds in hands-on exploration and fun.

No need to book these events, just turn up on the day.

## PIGOTT POETRY PRIZE INCREASES AWARD FOR 55TH WRITERS WEEK

Listowel Writers' Week is pleased to announce an increase in the awards for the esteemed Pigott Poetry Prize, beginning with the 2026 competition. The winner will receive €20,000, with €2,000 awarded to each of the two shortlisted poets.

The announcement comes in a landmark year for the festival, as Writers' Week celebrates its 55th birthday—more than half a century of championing Irish literature, nurturing emerging voices, and welcoming some of the world's most celebrated writers to Listowel.

Now in its 13th year, the Pigott Poetry Prize has become Ireland's largest poetry award for new books of poetry—distinct from collected works—by living Irish poets. Over the past twelve years, the prize has honoured many of Ireland's acclaimed poets, including Paul Muldoon, Martina Evans, Eiléan Ní Chuilleanáin, Tom French, Paula Meehan, and Eamon Grennan.

As Writers' Week celebrates its 55th anniversary, the festival looks forward to celebrating the richness of contemporary Irish poetry and continuing its long tradition of supporting outstanding literary talent.



## KERRY SPORT STAR & SPECIAL AWARDS '25

The Kerry Sport Star & Special Awards proudly return, recognising and honouring the outstanding achievements of sportspeople across the county. Originally established in 2013, the awards quickly became one of Kerry's most prestigious sporting celebrations, running successfully until 2019. Following a pause due to the pandemic, the event is now reintroduced to once again acknowledge excellence, dedication and sporting success throughout the 2025 season.

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A huge and sincere thank you to the Horgan family of Listowel, who organised a heifer sale before Christmas in aid of Kerry Hospice. Thanks to their incredible generosity and hard work, over €8,000 was raised. This wonderful event was held in memory of John Goggs Horgan.

We are deeply grateful to the Horgan family for choosing to support Kerry Hospice in such a meaningful way, and we extend our thanks to everyone who contributed, attended, donated, or supported the event in any way.

L/R Theresa Grimes, Eileen Fennell, Cian Horgan, Michael & Daithi Horgan, Adrian Horgan, Liam Horgan, Mary Keane Horgan & Caoimhe Horgan, Eileen Sheehy, Jenny Tarrant. Photo by John Kelliher

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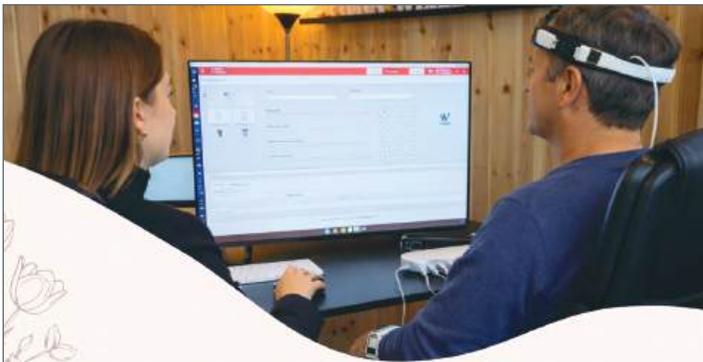
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### A Season to Begin Something New

As we enter the second last week of February, we can feel the gentle shift in the season. The evenings are slowly stretching, there's a softness in the air, and nature is quietly preparing for spring. This week also brings **Ash Wednesday**, the beginning of Lent — a time traditionally associated with giving something up.

But this year, I invite you to think about it a little differently.

Instead of focusing on what you might go without, what if you chose to **take up something nourishing for yourself?**

Lent can also be a season of intention, reflection, and renewal — a chance to add something positive into your daily routine that supports your body, mind, and spirit.

### Taking Up Wellness This Season

Our lives are busy, especially for those juggling work, family, and daily responsibilities. Choosing a simple self-care practice can be a gentle yet meaningful commitment for the weeks ahead. It doesn't need to be big or complicated — in fact, the smallest habits are often the most powerful.

You might choose to:

- diffuse a calming essential oil in the evening
- take a mindful walk outdoors
- drink more water each day
- go to bed a little earlier
- or take five quiet minutes just for yourself

These small acts add up and can create a noticeable shift in how you feel.

### Early Spring Oils for Energy and Renewal

As we move toward spring, lighter, fresher oils can feel especially supportive. Citrus oils and herbal blends are lovely for this seasonal transition, helping to uplift mood, support motivation, and bring a sense of freshness to the day.

Diffusing an energising oil in the morning or applying one diluted to pulse points can help you step into the day feeling brighter, clearer, and ready.

### Caroline's Seasonal Tip

Choose one simple wellness habit and commit to it for the Lenten season. Pair it with an essential oil you enjoy so that the scent becomes part of your ritual — a gentle reminder to pause, breathe, and care for yourself each day.

### A Season of Gentle Growth

Just as nature slowly awakens, we too can use this time to nurture ourselves with kindness and patience. Wellness is not about perfection — it's about small, consistent steps that support us through each season of life.

### Thought for the Week:

"This season, don't just give something up — give something back to yourself."

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## KERRY ASSOCIATION OF NEW YORK ANNOUNCES DR. ELIZABETH STACK AS 2026 KERRY PERSON OF THE YEAR

New York, NY — The Kerry Association of New York is proud to announce that Listowel native Dr. Elizabeth Stack, PhD, has been named the 2026 Kerry Person of the Year, in recognition of her outstanding contributions to Irish and Irish American history, culture, and community life.



Dr. Stack is a distinguished historian, educator, and museum leader whose work has significantly advanced the preservation and understanding of the Irish immigrant experience in the United States. She currently serves as Education Director at the Celtic Junction Arts Center in St. Paul, Minnesota, and is a member of the Historical Advisory Committee for Irish America 250, a national initiative examining the Irish dimension of the American revolutionary era.

Dr. Stack previously served as Executive Director of the American Irish Historical Society in New York City, where she revitalized the organization through an ambitious program of lectures, screenings, and community outreach at its landmark Fifth Avenue headquarters. Prior to that, she spent six years as Executive Director of the Irish American Heritage Museum in Albany, New York, expanding the museum's footprint and programming to better serve the Irish American community.

She earned her PhD from Fordham University, focusing on the experiences of Irish and German immigrants in early 20th-century New York, and holds a Master's degree in Anglo-Irish Relations from University College Dublin and a Higher Diploma in Education from University College Cork. Dr. Stack has also taught Irish and Irish American history at Fordham University's Institute of Irish Studies and earlier in her career taught in both Ireland and the United Arab Emirates.

Commenting on the announcement, Dr. Stack notes: "I'm delighted and honored to be chosen as this year's Kerry Person of the Year. It is always meaningful when your own community recognizes you, and I'm very thankful for the support of the Kerry Association of New York. Immigration has given the most significant and lasting link between Ireland and America. It is essential to explore these stories - from diplomacy to culture - to ensure they are never lost. My work in Irish America feels personal to me as an immigrant myself, and I have loved hearing from so many members of our community who remember their family's journeys and the challenges and opportunities of starting again."

Dr. Stack already holds Numerous Recognition & Honor for her leadership and scholarship, including the Irish Echo's 2025 Heroes of Irish America Award, recognition from the Ancient Order of Hibernians, citations from the New York State Attorney General and the American Irish Legislators Society of the New York State Assembly, the Kate Mullany Medal from the American Labor Studies Center, and the NEXT Award for Emerging Museum Professionals from the Greater Hudson Heritage Network.

About the Kerry Association of New York...Founded in 1881, the Kerry Association of New York is a nonprofit organization dedicated to keeping the people of Kerry connected through culture, community, and charitable support. The Association has donated more than \$700,000 to charities, community groups, and individuals in need both in County Kerry and across the New York area.

The Association is currently undertaking a major capital campaign to support the Kerry Hall, its community center in Yonkers, New York. The Kerry Hall receives no government funding and serves as a vital cultural hub for the Irish community, hosting 12 community groups and welcoming more than 10,000 patrons annually through cultural, educational, and social programming.

## ST PATRICKS DAY PARADE RETURNS TO FINUGE VILLAGE AFTER 40 YEARS OF ABSTINENCE

Finuge local community has got together to bring back a Parade for St Patricks Day in Finuge commencing at Whelans Cross at 3pm. All are welcome, to either take part or to watch on the day.

A lot of interest by local committees with a few surprises a long the way. Music and Bacon and Cabbage served after at McCarthys Bar, Finuge, sure to be a great day of Shenanigans.

Anyone interested in taking part please let anyone on the committee know, all welcome.

Included in photo L-R: Committee for Finuge St Patricks Day Parade are Noreen Brosnan, Anne Marie O Sullivan, Brigid O Connor, Elaine Hennessy, Back L-R: Carina McElligott, Denis McElligott, Joanne Kelly Walsh & Bridie O Sullivan





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## 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.

Many of us are looking ahead now and planning for various upcoming events such as Confirmations, Holy Communions, Weddings or Holidays. Not to mention St Patrick's Day, Mother's Day and of course the next big one Easter.

We all want to look and feel great for Easter so therefore we can look on Easter as a target for setting ourselves an overall personal goal. That means we are more likely to achieve it when we have a beginning and an end to that target.

A goal for you for Easter maybe you losing 7 lbs, dropping a dress size ,seeing a new number on the scales or clothes fitting better.

### Know your goals

Once you have decided what changes you need to make to your lifestyle and feel ready to make them, it can be really helpful to set yourself goals. Goals help you focus on making realistic changes that will make a difference to your lifestyle and will be personal to you. That means you are more likely to achieve them.

When setting your goals, make sure they are **S.M.A.R.T.**

- S** - Specific - A specific goal has a much greater chance of being achieved than a general goal.
- M** - Measurable - Measure your progress weekly whether it's the Scales, Clothes, Fitness or Mood.
- A** - Achievable - Make sure your goal is achievable for YOU, that helps to make it more possible.
- R** - Relevant - What will it mean to you when you reach your goal. How will you look, How will you feel?
- T** - Timely - Every goal needs a target date. So there is a beginning and an end.

Now that you have set your goal it is time to recognise the changes you may need to make to your diet and lifestyle.

### Here are some tips to help you:

- Eat regular well balanced meals and be aware of mindless snacking as the kettle may always be on the boil with everyone working or schooling from home.
- Include plenty of fruit and vegetables. The recommended daily amount of fruit and vegetables combined is 5 to 7 servings a day.
- Plan your meals ahead of time. You will be a lot more organised and you will get more variety into your meals.
- Drink plenty of water. It is recommended we consume 1 & 1/2 to 2 litres a day. This is important to keep the body hydrated.
- Be active for at least 30 minutes a day, 5 times a week. This not alone helps to tone the body but it is also important for our mindset.

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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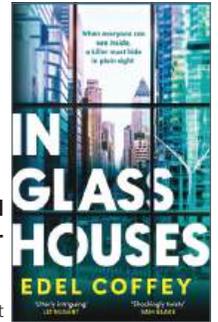
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## LISTOWEL EMMETS CELEBRATE JIMMY BUCKLEY'S MILESTONE 90TH BIRTHDAY

There were huge celebrations in Listowel Emmets Clubhouse at the 41 card game on Monday night last to celebrate Jimmy Buckley's upcoming 90th birthday. One of the founding members of the 41 card drive, Jimmy was surrounded as seen here by friends and family including his children Padraig, Kevin, Brid Marie and John James with a special guest on the night being his old teammate and 41 card playing partner in Mickey Heaphey. Mickey himself turns 97 in April but looking as dapper and sprightly as ever, he was delighted to assist Kim Juliet Healy in presenting the birthday cake to Jimmy.

There was a good contingent of Emmets Club executives present on the night to mark this special occasion for one of their more senior and active committee members. Vice Chairman of Emmets, Seán Healy acknowledged Jimmy's hard work for the club over many years and thanked him for being such a loyal supporter of every Listowel Emmets team since his move from Duagh many years ago. Sean thanked Jimmy for being such a dedicated fundraiser for the club and said that he hoped Jimmy would look forward to many more years of Emmets success.

All at the 41 card drive and Listowel Emmets wish Jimmy many more years of health and happiness





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Enjoying The Listowel Emmets Victory Social in The Listowel Arms Hotel last Friday night. Photos by John Kelliher



Retirement Party for Declan Prendiville (front row, third from left). Declan worked with Kerry for 49 years and celebrated this great achievement with a brilliant night held in the Swanky Bar, Tarbert last weekend

Listowel Emmets Split the Bucket Winner on 20th February was Danny Scanlon collecting his winnings of €342.50 from Joan Healy and Breda McVeigh. Next draw on Tuesday 24th February



Mission accomplished by Ballylongford native Noreen Liddy and her husband Liam when Mr Tiger won the coursing Tipperary and District Champion Puppy Stake on Sunday.

Photo Moss Joe Browne

Ballylongford Senior team who were defeated 0-14 to 1-15 by Knocknagoshel in The North Kerry League Division 2 opening round game in Ballylongford last Sunday



A rare assist from Ferry Rangers defender Evan Allen who presented the winner of our main Christmas draw prize to Tony Ross in the Ferry Boardroom. Tony won a cash prize of €250 plus another €250 worth of kerosene courtesy of Mac Oil. Once again thanks to all our sponsors and everyone who supported our annual fundraiser



Picture from Red Day in aid Kerry Recovery Haven at Duagh National School on Friday February 13th



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Drop In Children's Art Classes, Cinema Lane, Main Street, Ballybunion.

February Classes: Saturday the 21st. Classes are from 11.30am to 1.30pm

€15 per child. All art materials are supplied. Please contact Marie @ 086-0664435 for any further enquiries.

### BALLYBUNION TIDY TOWNS

We are planning for 2026 and all new news you can find on our Facebook.

### BALLYBUNION LIBRARY

Opening Hours: Tues-Sat 10am-1:30pm and 2:30pm-5pm.

Access available to all historical editions of Irish Newspapers in your library – just log on to [www.kerrylibrary.ie](http://www.kerrylibrary.ie) to access the Irish Newspaper Archive. The Irish Times

Newspaper – both current and archive – is also available. These are excellent resources for anyone doing any type of research. So come and visit your library and check out all the other services available! Email: [ballybunion@kerrylibrary.ie](mailto:ballybunion@kerrylibrary.ie) 068 27615 [www.kerrylibrary.ie](http://www.kerrylibrary.ie)

### MASS ON SUNDAY

Ballybunion Parish is seeking new musicians and singers to support the 11.30am Mass. We are inviting volunteers who could commit to one or more Sundays during the year. Any contribution, no matter how small, would be greatly appreciated. Please contact Fr. Sean or any member of the parish team for further information.

### TINTEAN THEATRE

Upcoming shows: Saturday 21st February – Michael English. Tickets available at [www.tintean.ie](http://www.tintean.ie)

### CHAIR BASED FITNESS PROGRAM

Class Chair-Based Exercise in Ballybunion Community Centre every Tuesday 11.00am-12.00pm.

Pay as you go classes available also, Please phone to book your chair call Martina on 087 797 3688

### BALLYBUNION TRIATHLON CLUB

Ballybunion Tri Club is a friendly, inclusive triathlon club in North Kerry for all abilities from beginners to podium chasers. Join us for 2026 and enjoy great craic, support, and a full calendar of events including time trials, club races, a duathlon, and regular group rides and swims.

Membership is now open via Triathlon Ireland. Sign up and get ready for the 2026 season. Please check out our website at [www.ballybuniontriathlon.ie](http://www.ballybuniontriathlon.ie)

### RUNBALLYBUNION

Our 17th Annual Run Ballybunion 2026 will take place on Easter Saturday, April 4th 2026 and promises to be another great event for an amazing cause. Check out [www.runballybunion.com](http://www.runballybunion.com) for more details.

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### SOCIAL DANCING

Join us every Tuesday at 7:30 PM in the upstairs hall of the Community Centre, The Old Central Ballroom, for a wonderful evening of music, movement, and fun! Dance the night away with waltz, jive, quickstep, line dancing, and more. No partner? No problem everyone is welcome! Come along, meet new friends, enjoy the rhythm, and support your local dance community. We can't wait to see you there!

### BALLYBUNION ACTIVE RETIREMENT

Weekly Meetings: Every Wednesday, 2pm, Location: The Old Convent, Doon Road. New members are always welcome! Come along and enjoy a wide range of activities, including: Creative writing, Theatre visits, Day trips, Guest speakers, Yoga, and most importantly, great company!

For more information, contact Pat Buckley at 086 356 1615

### TAEKWONDO BALLYBUNION

Taekwondo Classes – Ballybunion Community Centre. Join our Taekwondo classes in the upstairs hall for all ages and skill levels! Every Wednesday – Beginners (ages 5+), teens & adults & every Friday – Beginner teens & adults. Build confidence, balance & coordination, improve fitness & self-defence skills & Develop self-discipline in a fun environment. Interested? Contact Michael at 087 924 5637 to get started!

### BINGO BALLYBUNION

Returns this Wednesday and every Wednesday at 8.15pm in Mikey Joe's Bar, Main Street, Ballybunion. Prices: Single book €10, double book €13, plenty of prizes to be won! Come along for a fun-filled evening, everyone is welcome!

### BALLYBUNION BADMINTON

Stay Active with Ballybunion Badminton! Looking for a fun and engaging way to stay fit? Join Ballybunion Badminton for a great cardio workout that improves agility, coordination, and relieves stress. Every Thursday, 8 PM – 10 PM at Ballybunion Community Centre. Strictly over 15s – New members are always welcome! For enquiries, contact us via the Ballybunion Baseliners Facebook page or text 086 166 0682.

### BALLYBUNION HEALTH AND LEISURE CENTRE

Opening Hours, Monday – Friday: 8:00 AM – 9:00 PM, Saturday: 9:00 AM – 6:00 PM, Sunday & Bank Holidays: 10:00 AM – 6:00 PM. We offer a variety of exercise and fitness classes, including Hydro Bikes, Aqua Aerobics, and Spinning.

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

### 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](mailto:ballybcomcentre@gmail.com) for any information.

### POSITIONS AVAILABLE IN COMMUNITY

Community Employment offers paid work, welfare supports, free training courses and an opportunity to get involved in the community. Current part-time positions (19.5 hrs. /wk.) Include: Tinteán care taker, Leisure Centre Cleaner, Sea Rescue Hut Caretaker, Operative Ballyduff Men's Shed. For details, contact Rosaleen on 089-2763786 or email [saothairnanabhann@gmail.com](mailto:saothairnanabhann@gmail.com)

### CHARITY SOCIAL DANCE

Join us for a Charity Tea Dance on Sunday, 22nd February in St. Patrick's Hall, Listowel, from 3.30pm to 5pm. Enjoy an afternoon of lively music by Eddie Lee, plenty of dancing, great company, and delicious tea and refreshments. All proceeds will go directly to the Irish Heart Foundation, helping to support this vital service.

Admission: €10 (includes refreshments. Come along for a joyful afternoon of music, friendship, and community spirit — all in aid of a truly worthy cause. Everyone is welcome!

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### 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

### GROW SUPPORT GROUP MEETINGS

Grow support meetings on Wednesdays from 7:30pm to 9:30pm in the Seanchai centre, Kerry writers museum the square Listowel, All men and women welcome, for more information either attend or ring Jerry Cronin 0860271990 or [www.grow.ie](http://www.grow.ie)

### BALLYBUNION NOTES

If you'd like to include an item in The Ballybunion Notes, please send it to [ballybuniontouristoffice@gmail.com](mailto:ballybuniontouristoffice@gmail.com) or message us on the Ballybunion Tourist Office Facebook page by 10:00 AM on Monday.

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## 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 February 10th are as follows: The numbers drawn were 12, 19, 27 and the Bonus Number was 9. There was no winner of the Lotto Jackpot of €13,800 or the Match 3 prize of €400. The €20 consolation prizes were won by Michael T Hussey, Meadow Lane; The Ross family, Rahela and Conor Wynne, 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.ballyduff-gaa.com](http://www.ballyduff-gaa.com). Remember "If you are not in you can't win"

### BALLYDUFF GAA

The Countdown begins:

The waiting is nearly over – a brand new senior football and hurling season is about to get underway and we cannot wait to get back into action. There's nothing like the buzz of matchday – the roar from the sideline – the clash of the ash – the battle under the high ball – a fresh year – fresh challenges and plenty of big days ahead.

Let's pack the sidelines – get the colours out and make this a year to remember. Check out the upcoming fixtures – mark your calendar and get ready to support the lads all season long. Up the Green & White.

North Kerry Senior Football League Division 1B:  
Round 2 – Ballyduff v Tarbert 22/2/26 2.00pm  
Round 3 – Ballyduff v Moyvane 28/2/26 3.00pm

Credit Union County Senior Football League Division 5:  
Round 1 – Ballyduff v Fossa B 15/3/26  
Round 2 – Knocknagoshel v Ballyduff 29/3/26  
Round 3 – Laune Rangers B v Ballyduff 5/4/26  
Round 4 – Ballyduff v Kenmare B 19/4/26  
Round 5 – St. Pat's Blenerville v Ballyduff 26/9/26  
Round 6 – Ballyduff v Scartaglan 3/5/26  
Round 7 – Ballyduff v Lispole 17/5/26  
Round 8 – Kilgarvan v Ballyduff 24/5/26  
Round 9 – Ballyduff v Valentia 7/6/26  
Round 10 – Finuge v Ballyduff 21/6/26  
Round 11 – Ballyduff v Rathmore B 5/7/26

Credit Union County Senior Hurling League Division 1:  
Round 1 – Ballyduff v Causeway 1/3/26 12.00noon  
Round 2 – Kilmoyley v Ballyduff 8/3/26 12.00noon  
Round 3 – Ballyduff a bye  
Round 4 – Ballyduff v Tralee Parnells 3/4/26 5.00pm  
Round 5 – Lixnaw v Ballyduff 10/4/26  
Round 6 – Ballyduff v Abbeydorney 17/4/26 7.00pm  
Round 7 – St. Brendans v Ballyduff 1/5/26 7.00pm  
Round 8 – Ballyduff v Crotta O'Neills 8/5/26 7.00pm  
Round 9 – Ballyheigue v Ballyduff 15/5/26 7.00pm

### LAST MAN STANDING:

Ballyduff GAA Club "Last Man standing" is back. We are kicking off this competition on February 28th 2026 and it is set to be a big one with a €500 prize fund and entry is €10. Think you can outlast the rest and be the last one standing? To enter contact (087)710 7313 to pay by Revolut or speak to any member of the senior team. Get involved, test your predictions and support Ballyduff GAA Club at the same time.

### CHURCH NEWS

Anniversaries: Cyril McEnery; Eileen Cleary; Mikey Brassill; Connie Slattery

Deaths: John O'Driscoll; Maurice Carroll; Eileen Kelly (née O'Grady), Askeaton & Bishopscourt; Susan O'Sullivan, Limerick, daughter of the late Dodo O'Sullivan, Lacca.

### Masses for the week:

Friday February 20th 7.00pm: Cyril & Mary McEnery  
Saturday February 21st 6.30pm: Tommy Deenihan – 1st Anniversary; Joan & John Joe O'Carroll.

Parish Office: Open Tuesday to Friday from 10.30am – 1pm  
Killarney for Palestine: presents the only Kerry screening of the Oscar nominated film "The Voice of Hind Rajab", the true story of a 5-year-old girl in Gaza at the Brehon Hotel, Killarney on Sunday February 22nd at 6.30pm for this free event. Tickets must be booked in advance and there is no admission/booking fee (there is an option to donate when booking the tickets)

Lenten Online Talk Series: The Diocese of Kerry invites you to its Lenten online talk series, "Beyond Almsgiving," exploring poverty in the light of Catholic Social Teaching, on February 24th, March 10th and March 24th at 7.30 pm. Speakers include Dr Aoife McGrath (Maynooth) and guest speakers from SVP and Trócaire. Information and registration: [www.dioceseofkerry.ie](http://www.dioceseofkerry.ie)

Graduates: Don't Lose Your Seanad Vote: Irish citizens with degrees from designated 3rd level colleges are eligible to vote in the 'Higher Education' constituency which replaces the NUI and Trinity panels in Seanad Éireann. Thousands of previous voters are unaware that they have been removed from the register. To secure your vote, go to [www.seanad-voter.ie](http://www.seanad-voter.ie) before February 26th##. Evidence of a passport is needed or else email [applications@seanadvoter.ie](mailto:applications@seanadvoter.ie).

### KERRY HOSPICE/PALLIATIVE CARE

The Ballyduff Branch of the Kerry Hospice/Palliative Care would like to thank everybody who contributed to our fundraising initiatives throughout 2025. Thank you to our Good Friday walkers, those who bought Christmas Cards, to Hanley's Causeway and our local shops who have always supported our fundraising events. A special thank you to Brendan Purcell, the Purcell family and Aoife McEllistrim for their fundraising event that raised a grand total of €3,550. In 2025 the Ballyduff Branch raises €8,274.56 for this worthy cause.

### BALLYDUFF SUMMER FESTIVAL

BIG FUNDRAISER NIGHT – SAVE THE DATE!

We are delighted to announce our next fundraiser on Saturday, February 28th. MUSIC BINGO is coming to Walsh's Bar, Ballyduff and it's shaping up to be our biggest night yet! With the one and only Ray Stack on DJ duties, you can expect top tunes, big laughs, and unreal craic all night long. Grab your pals, sharpen those music and bingo skills, and get ready for a fantastic night out — all in support of a great cause.

### ORAL IRISH

Cúpla Focal in the old Post Office, Ballyduff continues on each Monday Night from 7.00pm – 8.00pm. Tar isteach agus Fáilte.

### CHAIR EXERCISE

Chair Exercise to Music with Anne Marie takes place at Ballyduff Community Centre on each Thursday from 7.00pm to 8.00pm. The cost is €10 per person. Enjoy exercise to music, great for co-ordination, great health benefits and improve joint & muscle health.

### BINGO

Bingo continues at the Community Centre, Ballyduff on each Friday night commencing at 8.00pm. All are welcome.

### BUDS FRC

Monday  
Support parents anxious children 11.30am to 1.30pm  
6 week program Art class for adults 7.00pm to 9.00pm  
NEWKD craft circle Ballyduff 7.00pm to 9.00pm

### Tuesday

Parent and toddler group 10.00am to 12.00pm  
Buds pantry surplus food for everyone 9.00am to 1.00pm  
Irish dancing 3.00pm to 4.00pm

Thursday - Sewing class for kids 3.30pm to 6.30pm

### Friday

Men shed breakfast every Friday 9.00am to 12.00pm  
Meals and wheels daily please phone (066)7148883

## LIXNAW

### PARISH MASS TIMES

ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH: Friday 20th February, Mass at 7.30pm for Tom Mahony, Lower Tullig, (Month's Mind). Saturday 21st February, Mass at 7.30pm for Nora (Norrie) Riordan, Glence (Month's Mind). John F. Barrett and all the Barrett family of Clogher & Ballinagare.  
RATHEA CHURCH: Sunday 22nd February, Mass at 9.30am.  
IRREMORE CHURCH: Sunday 22nd February, Mass at 11.00am Claire Vivien (née Horgan), Finuge & Tony Fitzmaurice, Mountcoole.

### DEATHS

Gerald (Martin) Griffin, Kiltomey, Lixnaw. Sympathy to his wife Betty, his sons Gerald, Thomas, John (Tweek), his brothers Mike, Pats, his sisters Bridie, Mary, and all the extended Griffin family. May he rest in peace.

### LIXNAW COMMUNITY GAMES

Swimming: The first County Community Games medals of the year were won for the parish this past weekend in Tralee Complex.

On Sunday morning, in the U.14 Freestyle competition, J.J. Liston won his heat. Showing real determination, he went on to win the final and bring home a County Gold medal. J.J. won this title also last year, so it was a fantastic achievement to reach the Nationals a second year running. He now qualifies for the All-Ireland, which will be held in The Watershed, Kilkenny, on the weekend of the 4th/5th July. Congratulations J.J. on a job well done.

Also on Sunday, in the U.12 Breaststroke competition, Daithi Kissane qualified from his heat to reach the final. In what was a close finish, Daithi claimed the 3rd place position and won a County Bronze medal. Well, done Daithi on a great achievement.

Chess: Entries are now being taken for Boys and Girls U.11, U.13, and U.16 Chess teams. Please send your details to [lixnaw@communitygames.eu](mailto:lixnaw@communitygames.eu). Participants must reside in Lixnaw Parish, and the cut-off date is 31st July for individual age groups. For more information on these competitions please go to [www.cairncommunitygames.ie/events/team](http://www.cairncommunitygames.ie/events/team)

### LIXNAW GAA

#### SPLIT THE BUCKET DRAW

Congratulations to John Foley on winning €83 in the Split the Bucket Draw.

#### LIXNAW CLUB LOTTO DRAW

Jackpot €17,750. Numbers drawn were 3, 13, 14, 22. No jackpot winner. €30 winners: John O'Rourke, Ballyduff (online); Eleanor Barker, Lixnaw; Walter Costelloe, Castleisland. Next week's Jackpot €17,800. Next draw Monday 16th February in Quilter's Bar, Lixnaw. Tickets are available 3 for €5 etc., online. Visit <https://www.lottoraiser.ie/LixnawCC/> or from usual outlets. Many thanks to all who contribute to our weekly lotto.

### ST SENAN'S GAA CLUB

CLUB LOTTO DRAW- 09/02/26 Jackpot €3,700. Numbers drawn were 5, 9, 19, 21. No jackpot winner. €30 winners: Mike Rice, Tralee; Mairead O'Connell, Moyvane. €20 winners: Keira & Seán, Marion Foran, Mags & Johnny, Ballymac. Next week's Jackpot will be €3,800. Tickets €2 each or 3 for €5. Tickets are available at Kelly's Six Crosses, The Halfway Bar, or play online.

### ABBEEKILLIX CAMOGIE CLUB

The Abbeykillix Camogie Club is holding a fundraising clothes drive. Adults and children's clothing only. No bedding please. Drop off for bags is at Crotta away dressing rooms by Tuesday 24th February 2026. Contact Ann McCarthy (secretary) for any queries 087-6742804.

### FINUGE GAA CLUB

Congratulations to Tom Shanahan, our January winner – Tom walks away with €500 to help get over the January Blues! Entry tickets for each month are available at McCarthy's Bar, Finuge, Foley's Your Stop Shop; Stack's Londis; JJ Walsh Bar & Butchers; Relihan's Filling Station and Lixnaw Post Office. Tickets are also available online [www.finugegaa.com](http://www.finugegaa.com) or from any club officer.

### Finuge Club Shop

With the new season underway, we have the perfect gifts for the football player or supporter in your life – Finuge GAA merchandise. This is an online shop hosted by KCS. Search for [www.kcsports.ie](http://www.kcsports.ie). Click on the 'Club Shop' tab and search for Finuge. WE have over thirty items of high quality Finuge branded sports gear to choose from, happy shopping.

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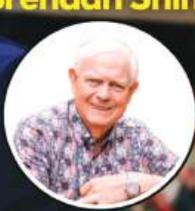
The upcoming 36th annual Féile Feabhra weekend will take place in the Ceolann, Lixnaw on the 28th February - 01 March 2026. Saturday 28th will see a host of workshops for musicians and singers. Please contact Anne O'Sullivan on (087) 697 9334 to register your interest. This will be followed by our branch concert that evening at 7pm. On Sunday 01st March, we will host our novice music, singing and comhrá Gaeilge competitions. These competitions will begin at 12pm. Beidh fáilte romhat ag gach duine agus beidh an cupán tae reidh.

CONTACT: email [lixnawnotes@gmail.com](mailto:lixnawnotes@gmail.com) by 10pm on Sunday evening

# MICHAEL ENGLISH



**Guest:**  
**Brendan Shine**



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## TARBERT

### TARBERT NEWS

Contact; [tarbertnews@outlook.com](mailto:tarbertnews@outlook.com) or telephone Patrick Lynch at 068/36117 on or before 7pm Sunday. Fan slán.

### HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The AGM of Tarbert Historical and Heritage Society will take place on this Friday 20 February at 8pm in Tarbert Bridewell. After a report on the events and activities for year ended 31 December the election of Officers will take place. This will be followed by a talk by Pádraig O'Concubhair whose topic will be 'The UnManageable Revolutionaries — Cumann na mBan in the fight for Freedom'. Fáilte roimh gach éinne agus cupán tae ina diaidh.

### SHORT STORIES

Mary Lavery Carrig in her radio programme Creatively Speaking on West Limerick 102fm on this Wednesday 18 February Ash Wednesday continues with the third of his short stories by Patrick Lynch - 'A Promise made and a promise kept' a true story which won the 2018 Maurice Walsh Creative Writing Competition and the programme airs from 11am to 11.30 am available on Spotify. Bigi ag eisteacht.

### ACTIVE RETIREMENT

Tarbert Active Retirement for over 55's meets every Friday in Tarbert Bridewell between 10.30 am and 12 noon. There are different activities every week followed by refreshments and everybody welcome.

### ASH WEDNESDAY

This Wednesday 18 February is Ash Wednesday, a day of Fast and Abstinence. There will be Mass in St. Mary's Church, Tarbert at 7pm followed by the distribution of blessed Ashes.

### MUSIC AT NUALA'S

There will be a night of music and sing-song at Nuala's Bar in Chapel Street on Friday next 20 February at 9pm with performers from North Kerry and West Limerick providing the best of entertainment.

### RAMBLING HOUSE

There will be a session of the Tarbert Rambling House in the Community Centre, Tarbert on Saturday 28 February from 8pm to 11pm with a cupán tae le fáil in Kitty's Kitchen and John Dowling will conduct proceedings.

### SSE POWER STATION

Fifty years after the ESB commissioned Tarbert Power Station as an oil fired power station in 1970 the Station was decommissioned in 2023. Work is now in progress by the SSE on the Next Generation Power Station which will see the Station become a lower carbon and future ready generation asset which will continue to serve the country for many years. The 300 MW power station will operate on Hydrotreated Vegetable Oil (HVO) a fuel sourced entirely from waste feedstocks. The Station is expected to provide first power to the grid in 2027. Groundworks and delivery of turbines and mechanical construction are now in progress. The new Station will be a modern 'peaker' power station which means that the Station will only operate to supply of electricity during periods of peak demand and it will start up very rapidly to meet the demand. We wish SSE continued success to benefit the community and the nation. Go n-eirí go geal leo agus rath Dé ar an obair.

### 1929 MEDAL

There was a query on the history behind a medal found recently inscribed 'Tarbert 1929'. The Tarbert senior football team took part unsuccessfully in the North Kerry League in 1920 and 1921. The team was known as the Magpies as they wore black and white jerseys. In 1926 Tarbert purchased a new set of jerseys - red and black, today's colours. They had to wait until 1929 before success came their way. They won the County Intermediate title. The team which was captained by Matthew Kelly consisted of T. Walsh, M. Kelly, M. Loregan, P. Fennell, Dr. P. O'Brien, E. Hanrahan, Fr. Gilhooley, T. M. O'Connor, Ml. Keane, J. Sheehan, P. Neville, P. Hanlon, M. O'Connor, J. Hanrahan, C. Heaphy, M. Buckley. As will be evident from the names some Ballylongford players played with Tarbert as did some Ballylongford players line out with Tarbert due to political differences.



On an unpleasant Sunday morning at Tralee Car Boot Sale Chris Kelly from Lyrecompane was enjoying a bit of banter with friends, Noel Power, Tom O'Sullivan and Damien Lawlor.  
Photo Moss Joe Browne

## BALLYLONGFORD

### CENTENARIAN SR. BRENDAN CELEBRATES 100 WONDERFUL YEARS

Warm congratulations are extended to Sister Brendan, who recently celebrated her 100th birthday surrounded by family, friends and her religious community. Born on 28th January 1926 to Denis Dee and Mary Kelly, Sister Brendan was one of a family of ten. Ballylongford has always remained close to her heart. Her late sister, Mary Collins (née Dee), was well known locally and lived in Ballylongford all her life.

Sister Brendan received her early education at Ballylongford National School before attending Miss McKenna's Secondary School in Tarbert. A dedicated student, she cycled the ten-mile round trip each day, where she continued her schooling, all through Latin.

It was during her school years that she was inspired by visiting members of the Poor Servants of the Mother of God. Answering her vocation, she later travelled to the Order's Mother House in England, where she trained as a French teacher.

On qualifying, Sister Brendan was appointed to St. Aloysius' in Carrigtwohill, Co. Cork. After many years of devoted teaching, she moved to Manor House School in Raheny, where she continued to teach French until her retirement. She was among the first teachers in Ireland to introduce spoken, or oral, French into the classroom - a progressive step at the time.

Nine years ago, Sister Brendan moved to the Order's nursing home in Chapelizod, where she is lovingly cared for. Despite her many years away, she never forgot her Ballylongford roots and always cherished her visits home.

Her 100th birthday was marked with a beautiful Mass and celebration organised by Sister Bernadette and her colleagues in Chapelizod. Family and friends gathered to honour the remarkable occasion, and a special letter from President Catherine Connolly was read aloud. Warm tributes were paid to Sister Brendan on the day, reflecting a life of faith, dedication and service.

A proud Ballylongford woman, Sister Brendan's century of life is a wonderful achievement and an inspiration to all who know her.

### COMMEMORATION FOR VOLUNTEER BILL O'SHEA

The Eddie Carmody and The O'Rahilly Independent Republican Group will host a commemoration in honour of Volunteer Bill O'Shea on Saturday, 21st February.

Proceedings will begin with assembly at the Eddie Carmody Monument at 3.00pm, followed by a march to the local graveyard. An address will be delivered by Tom Kennedy. Music will continue later that evening in Finucane's Bar at 8.30pm, with entertainment by The Croppy Boy. All are welcome to attend.

### BALLYLONGFORD GAA

NORTH KERRY SENIOR DIV 2 LEAGUE 2026 Round 1. Ballylongford 0-14-Knocknagoshel 1-15  
A very encouraging display from our boys against beaten North Kerry Finalists Knocknagoshel in the local field on Sunday. Ten points down at halftime a second half full of endeavour reduced the deficit to 3 points but we eventually ran out of time & Knock ran out deserving winners. However, there is much hope

for the future where the introduction of new players continues to strengthen our panel. Cathal Byrne and Fionn Byrne both making their first appearances for the Ballylongford Senior Team, contributing impressively to the overall performance. Onto Finuge this Sun where we play the locals at 2pm - your support would be greatly appreciated.

Ballylongford Senior Team: Darren Murphy 2. Conor Carmody 3. Pa Carmody 4. Oran O'Neill 5. James O'Connor 6. Tadgh McEllistrem 7. Cian Barrett 8. Sean Hanrahan 9. Logan O'Sullivan 10. Michael Holly 11. Paddy O'Neill 12. Jack Mulvihill 13. Liam Mulvihill 14. Ciaran O'Connor 15. Jeremiah Tydings  
Substitutes used: Matt O'Connor, Pádraig O'Neill, Adam Finucane, Cathal Byrne and Fionn Byrne.

North Kerry Senior Division 2 League 2026 Fixtures. Round 2-Sunday 22nd February  
Finuge V Ballylongford Venue: Finuge Time:2pm - Best of luck to team and management!

### BALLYLONGFORD GAA GAELIC 4 MOTHERS & OTHERS

This initiative sees women playing Ladies Gaelic Football in a fun, non-competitive and social environment. Gaelic4Mothers&Others provides an opportunity for women to get their recommended weekly exercise in a fun way while meeting other like minded ladies in the area. Training is each Monday evening from 8pm to 9pm in Ballylongford. New members always welcome. Over 25's, contact Eileen 089 243 3528

### MOVE WITH MARTINA

Martina is back at the Parish Hall with her chair-based exercise and balance classes. She provides a workout to suit every ability. The classes will improve your physical and mental well-being, as well as reducing your risk of falls. Come and enjoy some light exercise with Martina, who is a fully qualified instructor.

Classes are at the Parish Hall every Wednesday, from 7.30pm-8.30pm. Book now on 087 797 3688.

### WEEKLY 41 GAME

The Listowel Emmets weekly card game is a 41 card game held on Monday nights at 8:30 PM sharp at the clubhouse in Frank Sheehy Park. It is open to everyone and results are posted on the Listowel Emmets GAA Club Facebook page. All are welcome and generous prize money is on offer.

### GROW MENTAL HEALTH

The Grow Support Group meeting take place on Wednesday. Between 7:30pm-9:30pm, at the Seanchai Centre, 24 the Square Listowel, V31 RD93. This group is well supported so far in 2025 with the attendance at the meetings. If you would like any more information please attend or contact Jerry Cronin on 0860271990. All are welcome.

### THE YOGA ROOM AT THE PARISH HALL

Kindly note that we are pausing sessions at the Parish Hall for a while. Keep an eye out here for further information on when Elisha will return.

### 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](mailto:ballylongfordnotes@gmail.com) or phone/WhatsApp 087 930 8223. If you have trouble with electronic submissions, please call me on the above number.

Deadline for submissions is 8pm on Sundays

**Presentation of medals to U14's Northern Gaels players by Robert Bunyan in Tomasinis Lisselton recently. Photos by John Stack**



## KILFLYNN

### CROTTA LOTTO RESULTS

Parker, Kilflynn was the venue for the Crotta Hurling Club weekly lotto draw on Monday 16th February, The Four numbers drawn out of the drum by the independent observer: Graham Harris, Clounsillagh, Lixnaw were 3, 17, 25 and 29. There was no winner of the 6,300 Jackpot.

Congratulations to the following who won €35 in the lucky dip draw: Eoin Galvin, Ballindogher, Lixnaw, Paud McGrath, Upper Tullig, Kilflynn and Ann Wolfe, Rea, Kilmorna, Listowel

The next draw will take place in Herbert's Bar, Kilflynn on Monday night 23rd February at 10.30pm with a €6,400 Jackpot.

Tickets available 3 for €5 online visit [www.crottagaa.club](http://www.crottagaa.club) or this link <https://tinyurl.com/crotta-club-lotto> 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

### CROTTA GAA

Kerry drew with Galway in the Allianz Football League match on Saturday evening. The final score was Kerry 2-17 to Galway 3-14 at Austin Stack Park in Tralee. St.Senan and Crotta player Cillian Trant scored 0-03 for the Kingdom at Wing forward. Well done to Crotta Gaa's Amy Cronin who performed the National Anthem before the game, which was broadcasted live on RTE 2

Kerry travel to Croke Park to play Dublin on Saturday night. The Kerry Senior camogie Senior team opened their Centra National Camogie League Div 2A on Saturday, 14th Feb 2026 Fitzgerald Stadium, Killarney and drew with Laois on a final score of 0-11 each. The Crotta ladies on the team were Roisin Quinn, Aoife Behan, Jackie Horgan and Amy O'Sullivan. The Kerry Senior hurlers travel to Laois on Saturday 21st February to play the home side in the Allianz Hurling League Division 2, round 4.

Kerry Senior footballers are home to Cork in the Lidl NFL Division 1, round 4 on Sunday 22nd February at 2.00pm in Austin Stack's Park, Tralee best of luck to Niamh Quinn, Crotta and her Kerry Ladies Gaelic Football players and their mentors

**Scór na bPáistí 2026** entries (for national school ages) are open; please contact Crotta Scór officer Tom Breen at your earliest convenience on (087) 274 8555 if interested.

County Finals are scheduled for March 21st at An Tintean Ballybunion.

Categories: Solo Singing, Music Group, Set Dancing, Solo Dancing, Quiz Team, Ballad Group, Story Telling, Novelty Act and Solo Music. We really would love to hear from you.

### KERRY'S AGE FRIENDLY STRATEGY

Kerry County Council is developing a new Age Friendly Strategy. If you are aged 55 years and over, you are invited to share your views on how we can make County Kerry a place where people of all ages can live well, age positively, and feel valued. Round 1 of the in-person public consultation sessions will take place as follows: Tralee: 24th February, The Rose Hotel, 6.30pm – 9.00pm Listowel: 26th February, The Listowel Arms Hotel, 6.30pm – 9.00pm For further information phone 066 9796713 or email [agefriendlykerry@kerrycoo](mailto:agefriendlykerry@kerrycoo).

### ABBEYKILLIX CAMOGIE CLUB

Is holding a fundraising clothes drive. Adult and Children's clothing only. No bedding please. Drop off for bags is at Crotta away dressing rooms by Tuesday 24th February. Contact Ann McCarthy (Secretary) 087-6742804.

### RAGGED ROAD THEATRE COMPANY

Present Mother Knows Best, a comedy by Jimmy Keary in Abbeydorney Community Hall on 21st, 22nd, 28th Feb and 1st March and in St. John's Theatre Listowel on 13th & 14th February all performances at 8.00 p.m.

### ST. MARY'S CHURCH, KILFLYNN

Mass Intention for the week in St. Mary's Church:

Mass will be celebrated on Friday 20th February at 10.00 a.m. Donor's Intention and Saturday 21st February at 6.00 p.m. Bridie & James Sheehan, Castletown, Kilflynn.

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.. Check [www.dioceseofkerry.ie](http://www.dioceseofkerry.ie) go to Abbeydorney parish and check the newsletter.

Kilflynn Altar Society for February: Sheila Walsh, Mary Moloney, Norah Brady.

Dates for the Diary: Confirmation: Abbeydorney Wednesday 25th February 11.00 a.m. First Communion: Abbeydorney Saturday 9th May 11.00 a.m. Kilflynn Saturday 16th May 11.00 a.m.

Ballybunion Sea Cliff Rescue Annual Collection next weekend of 21 st & 22 nd February

Reminder The Sacrament of Confirmation in Abbeydorney Church on Wednesday 25th Feb. at 11.00 a.m. Confirmation candidates to be in their seats at 10.45 a.m.

### ST SENANS GAA CLUB LOTTO DRAW

Monday 16th February - Jackpot €3,800 - Numbers Drawn: 01,05,09,27,

No jackpot winner - Lucky dip:

€30 each: Eilish Lyons Shrone Listowel, Eilish Walsh Listowel.

€20 each: Jeremiah Murphy Lyre, Sinead O'Connell Abbeydorney, John Walsh Halfway.

Next week's Jackpot €3,900 - Tickets €2 each or 3 for €5 available at Kelly's Six Crosses, Halfway Bar, Parker's Pub Kilflynn or Play online.

Thank you for your continued support

## MOYVANE

Contact: [moyvanenotes@gmail.com](mailto:moyvanenotes@gmail.com)

### BLOTTO

There was no winner of last Thursday night's Jackpot. Numbers drawn were 11 19 26 30. Lucky Dips: €100: Joan Flynn, Kilmorna. €50: Mary Leahy, Moyvane. €20 each: Anne Browne, Rattoo, Ballyduff. Pauline Woods, Knockanure. Paddy O'Sullivan, Abbeyfeale. J. & D. Stack, Listowel. Seamus Regan, Ballyhorgan, Ballyduff. Cathy & John Hanrahan, Hillview, Moyvane.

Free Tickets: Mary Donovan, Glin Road, Moyvane. Bernadette, Lynch, c/o Cathy Hanrahan. Emer & Tess, Listowel. Mary Collins, Upper Aughrim, Moyvane. Next draw will be held this Thursday night, February 19 at Bingo in The Marian Hall. Bingo starts at 8.00pm. Jackpot €14,000.

### SPIN THE WHEEL

Congratulations to Lena Slemon, Listowel & Joan O'Connor, Abbeyfeale who shared €400 last week. The minimum you can win on the wheel is €300 and the top prize is €2,000.

### SPLIT THE BUCKET

Jerry Walsh won €330 in the draw held two weeks ago. This week it could be you. The draw will be held at Bingo this Thursday, February 19, at Bingo in the Marian Hall. Envelopes are available in all the usual outlets locally, Holly's Gala, Mike Kennelly's HomeValue Hardware, Noel Stack Butchers, Enright's Bar, The Village Grill, Speedy's Bar, Moyvane. Newtownsandes Co-op Curl up and Dye (Anna Enright Fogarty). €2.00 per entry or 3 for €5.00. Thank you all for supporting this very important fundraiser for your local school.

### CONGRATULATIONS TO CILLIAN BEHAN

On his performance with the Kerry team last Sunday. Great to see half a Moyvane man in the green and gold again.

### MOYVANE GAA

SENIOR NORTH KERRY LEAGUE Division 1B, Round 1. Our seniors began their 2026 campaign with a 2 point win over Tarbert: Moyvane 1-11 Tarbert 1-09.

Played in testing conditions in Con Brosnan Park on Sunday last, Moyvane opened the scoring, but Tarbert, playing with the wind in the first half responded with a goal, quickly followed by a 2 pointer to lead 1-2 to 0-1 after 5 minutes. By the 20 minute mark the sides were level thanks to some nicely taken scores by Darragh O'Keefe, but Tarbert registered 2 more 2-pointers to lead 1-7 to 0-6 at half time. Moyvane started the 2nd half by reducing the gap to 3 and then 2 points, before the crucial score of the game came when Patrick O'Connor powered through to finish to the net with the aid of the post to put Moyvane back in front. The teams exchanged scores but it was Moyvane who ended up on top when referee Peter Curtin blew the final whistle.

Moyvane Team: Brendan Galvin, Eamonn Stack Mulvihill, Oisín Kennelly, Gearoid Stack Mulvihill, James Kissane, Shea Leahy, Patrick O'Connor (1-1), Jack O'Connor, Micheál Mulvihill, Jack O'Keefe, Micheál Fogarty (0-2), Jamie Moloney (0-1), Rian Quinn, Darragh O'Keefe (0-6, 0-2f), Kiegan Moloney. Subs: Edward Moore, Shane Carmody, Donal Leahy (0-1), Fionn Mulvihill, Fixture:

SNKL Div 1B Round 2 Moyvane v St. Senan's, Sunday February 22 at 2.00pm. Venue: Con Brosnan Park, Moyvane.

LOTTO: Lotto Results 15/02/2026. Numbers: 08, 18, 28, 32. No Winner. Lucky Dips: Kennelly Ladies - Moyvane South. Nancy O'Connor - Direen, Athea. Emer Fennell - Online. Fintan McEnery - Online. Dónal Enright c/o Enright's Bar Next Week's Jackpot €7,200. Draw Sunday, February 22 8:30pm in Enright's Bar

Tickets available in local businesses, or play online at [moyvanegaa.clubforce.com/products/lotto/moyvane-gaa](http://moyvanegaa.clubforce.com/products/lotto/moyvane-gaa) Club membership is now due. €40 for players, €20 for student players & amp; non-players. Membership can be paid on [www.foireann.ie](http://www.foireann.ie)

**EXERCISE CLASSES WITH CONOR O'NEILL**  
Continue at the Marian Hall every Monday 1.00pm-2.00pm. All are welcome Listowel

### SCOIL CHORP CHRIOST

Parents Association is undertaking a clothes bank collection on Tuesday, February 24. Clothes can be dropped into the poly tunnel at Knockanure national school, all Clothes accepted except bedding.

### COMMUNITY & FAMILY RESOURCE CENTRE

Events focused on supporting parents, children and young people that are facing the very common challenge of school avoidance. These talks are open to all who care for children; parents, guardians, foster carers, grandparents or relatives in caring roles, and anyone supporting a child/young person. Talks are free to attend but pre booking is essential to know numbers. There is an event every Wednesday evening starting Wednesday February 21 to February 25 Feb. Bookings & further enquiries (087) 483 7131. Bookings also online via Eventbrite. See Church noticeboard. Meala Bereavement Support Group second Monday of every month 7.30pm Listowel Community & Family Resource Centre. See Church Noticeboard.

### MEALA BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP

Second Monday of every month 7.00- 8.30pm Listowel Community & Family Resource Centre.

### MASS CHANGES

From Sunday March 01 there will be no 11.00am Mass on Sunday in Moyvane Church, with the exception of Easter Sunday and Christmas Day. Anyone that has a Mass Intention booked from that Sunday onwards, should contact the Parish Office to reschedule the Mass. Masses are available Saturday evenings in Moyvane at 7.30pm or Sunday morning at 9.30am in Knockanure Church or during the week in Moyvane or Knockanure Churches at 10.00am or 7.00pm.

### MASSES FOR THE WEEK

MOYVANE:  
Thursday, February 19 Anniversary Mass at 7.00pm for Tom & Nellie O'Connor & their son Con, Glin Road & Birmingham.

Saturday, February 21 Anniversary Mass at 7.30pm for Marie O'Callaghan & deceased members of the O'Callaghan family and first anniversary Mass for Eileen Kearney, Kilbaha.

Sunday, February 22 Anniversary Mass at 11.00am for Henry & Bridie Stackpoole & deceased members of the Stackpoole & Meade families.

### KNOCKANURE:

Friday, February 20 Mass at 7.00pm.

Sunday, February 22 Mass at 9.30am.

Presentation of medals to Northern Gaels U16 players  
by Robert Bunyan in Tomasinis Lisselton recently. **Photos by John Stack**



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Listowel Emmets U14 Ladies enjoying their Strength and Conditioning class with the talented Izzy Kennelly on Monday evening



The O Grady brothers Michael, John and Liam from Ballyduff who were having a get-together at Adare on Sunday last. Photo Moss Joe Browne



Daithi Kissane and J.J. Liston who competed for Lixnaw Community Games at last weekend's County Swimming Competition. Daithi won a Bronze medal for the U.12 Breaststroke and J.J. won a Gold medal for the U.14 Freestyle. J.J. now qualifies for the Nationals in July



Congratulations to all Duagh/Lyre Community Games participants who represented our area at the Kerry Community Games Swimming Competition last Sunday at Tralee Sports Complex



Well done Lauryn who finished 3rd in the U12's breaststroke in the Kerry Community Games County finals in Tralee last Sunday



Well done Olivia who finished 2nd in the U10's backstroke in the Kerry Community Games County finals in Tralee last Sunday



Competing at the Munster Final of Ceol an Gheimhridh in Brú Boru Cashel from Ballydonoghue/Lisselton CCE U11 Quartette. L-R: Ciara McCarthy, Carragh Keane, Paud Og Murphy and Darragh Sheehy



Well done Abbie who finished 3rd in the U16's breaststroke in the Kerry Community Games County finals in Tralee last Sunday



Former Lixnaw hurler Sean Flaherty meeting legendary rails bookmaker Stephen Little who had copies of his autobiography at Clonmel Coursing recently. Photo Moss Joe Browne



U11 Quartette from Ballydonoghue Lisselton CCE competing over the weekend at Munster Final of Ceol an Gheimhridh at Brú Boru, Cashel were: L-R...Michealla Tydings, Emily Nolan, Ada Stack and Ollie Dee



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## LISTOWEL EMMETS

The 41 Card game organised by Emmets GAA Club continues every Monday night in the Clubhouse at Frank Sheehy Park, Listowel.

Jackpot of €140 in week 22 for 14 games. Starting time is 8.30 sharp and all are welcome.

Winners from Week 21:

1st: Shared Frank and Liz Reidy, Denis Curtin and Tom Murphy; Sean and Kim Juliet Healy.

Table Prizes: Mike Cox and John Joe Flavin; Tom Sullivan and Michael Dowling; Mary and Jean Lynch; Martin O'Brien and Paudie Keane.

### JIM BUCKLEY'S 90TH BIRTHDAY

There were huge celebrations in Listowel Emmets Clubhouse at the 41 card game on Monday night last to celebrate Jimmy Buckley's upcoming 90th birthday. Jimmy was surrounded as seen below by friends and family with a special guest on the night being his old teammate and 41 card playing partner in Mickey Heaphey. Mickey himself turns 97 in April but looking as dapper and sprightly as ever, he was delighted to assist Kim Juliet Healy in presenting the birthday cake to Jimmy.

There was a good contingent of Emmets Club executives present on the night to mark this special occasion for one of their more senior and active committee members. Vice Chairman of Emmets, Sean Healy acknowledged Jimmy's hard work for the club over many years and thanked him for being such a loyal supporter of every Listowel Emmets team since his move from Duagh many years ago. Sean thanked Jimmy for being such a dedicated fund raiser for the club and said that he hoped Jimmy would look forward to many more years of Emmets success.

## LISTOWEL EMMETS LADIES

We extend our heartfelt sympathies to the family of David O'Brien, his wife Mary, daughters Sadie and Chloe, his parents Brian and Maeve, his brother Ray, and the rest of the O'Brien and Beades families.

David was kind, genuine, and always a pleasure to meet or work with. He was an unwavering supporter of our club and the LGFA throughout the years, and he and Mary were forever generous with their time and support whenever it was needed. Their kindness, generosity made a lasting impression on all of us at the club.

David will be fondly remembered and greatly missed. May he rest in eternal peace.

Our Senior and Minor teams are back training every Fridays 8pm and Sundays 10.30am at St Michael's facilities. Minor matches get underway in just two weeks, with Senior fixtures starting in four weeks.

Our U14 and U16 girls are currently in the middle of a Strength & Conditioning programme with Issy Kennelly in the Emmets Gym on Mondays. Pitch sessions are underway with U16s training on Wednesdays and U14s on Thursdays on the St Michael's AstroTurf.

With strong numbers this year, Listowel Emmets Ladies will be fielding a second Senior team. We are always delighted to welcome new players — whether you're new to football, new to Listowel, or thinking about making a return to the game, you'll be made very welcome.

For more information, please contact Senior Manager & Chairman Mark on 087 719 4276, or reach out to anyone involved with Listowel Emmets Ladies

## LISTOWEL BADMINTON CLUB

The Kerry Singles and Doubles Championships continued last week with Division 2 and Division 4 players taking centre stage and there was success on both nights for our Listowel players.

Congratulations to Triona Prendiville on winning the Division 4 Women's Singles. A excellent performance in what is Triona's first year in the senior ranks!

Last Friday night saw the first of the Kerry Doubles Championships taking place, in what was another hotly contested competition. It was the strong partnership of Molly McElligott and Triona Prendiville, who won gold in the Division 4 Doubles. Congratulations to you both!

Our club training nights continue Monday to Thursday each week. New & returning members are very welcome throughout the season to play socially or competitively. So come along to try out a fun activity & to meet new people - message Margaret on 087 960 4361 or send us a message on Facebook/instagram at listowel senior badminton

## LISTOWEL COMMUNITY GAMES

A huge well done to all our Swimmers who competed last Sunday in the Kerry Community Games County Finals in Tralee.

Congratulations to our medal winners...

Olivia who came 2nd in the U10's Backstroke.  
Lauryn who came 3rd in the U12's Breaststroke.  
Abbie who came 3rd in the U16's Breaststroke.  
Oliwia who came 4th in the U16's Freestyle.

Also a big well done to our other competitors who competed in the following...

Maeve in the U12's Freestyle.  
Ashley in the U12's Freestyle.  
Clodagh in the U12's Backstroke.  
Amelia in the U12's Breaststroke.  
Anna in the U14's Breaststroke.

Well done to everyone, some of whom were swimming out of age and will gain some great experience for next year. You have all done yourselves proud. Thanks to Kerry Community Games and all the volunteers who helped organise the event.  
And last but not least. Thanks to all the parents for all their support.

U16 girls Basketball

If there is anyone interested in taking part in U16 girls basketball

Please contact Karena on 0872035865

By Friday 20th of February

Participants must be from the Listowel area.

Draughts

Listowel Community Games are interested to see if there are any children who would like to take part in draughts in U10, U12, U14 or U16?

If your child is interested please contact Siobhan on 0876229900

By Friday 20th of February.

Children must be living in Listowel.

## BALLYBUNION GOLF CLUB

Mens Competitions:

Fourball Stableford Spring League Week 3 – Sunday 15th February Old Course

1st	Dan Sheehan & Pius Collins	40pts (B9 17)
2nd	Edward Costello & Jerry Costello	40pts (B9 13)
3rd	JP Hickey & Gary Kavanagh	39pts

Fixtures: Scotch Foursome Stableford 16 hole Spring League week 4 – Sunday 22nd February Old Course

Ladies Tuesday Voucher Competition 14 Holes – Tuesday 10th Feb - Old Course

1st	Eileen Barrett(34)	32 pts
2nd	Maureen Culhane(22)	31 pts
3rd	Patricia Joyce(14)	30 pts
3rd	Nora Quaid(16)	30 pts

Fixtures:

Ladies Foursomes Sponsored by Jerry and Margaret Anne Behan Horse Shoe Bar and Restaurant Listowel – Saturday 21st February Old Course

Ladies Tuesday Competition – Tuesday 24th February Old Course

Senior Mens Competition – Thursday 12th February Old Course

1st.	Gerard Condon (17)	29pts
2nd.	Owen O'Shaughnessy (20)	28pts
3rd.	Miley Costello (20)	27pts. B5-10. B3-7
Gross.	Michael K.Barrett	22pts
4th.	P.J.Houlihan (17)	27pts. B5-10. B3-6.
5th.	Michael Lawler (24)	27pts. B5-9.
6th.	M.PO'Farrell (29)	26pts. B5-10.
7th.	Patrick Snr Carmody (28)	26pts. B5-9.
8th.	Coumba O'Connor (20)	25pts.
9th.	Michael Barry (20)	24pts. B5-9. B3-7.
10th.	Leo Allman (26)	24pts B5-9. B3-5
V.	Frank Dore (14)	23pts. B5-8
S.V.	Paudi Kindelan (37)	19pts. B5-3.
S.S.V.	Noel Morkan (26)	23pts. B5-7.

Fixtures: Senior Mens competition - Thursday 19th February Old Course

Senior Ladies Competition – Friday 13th February Old Course

1st	Susan Gilmore Kettler (4)	17 Bk 12
2nd	Marion Kennedy Hogan (11)	17 Bk 11
3rd	Anne Marie Healy (10)	16

Fixtures: Senior Ladies 9 Hole Competition – Friday 20th February Old Course

## BALLYDONOGHUE GAA

Lotto Draw results: The numbers drawn for Friday 13th February 2026, were as follows, 3, 5, 9, 22. The Jackpot was €4,100 and there was no Jackpot winner.

The following won 30 euro lucky dips:

Denis Buckley - Online.  
Dolly Stack - Online.  
Billen Keane - Garryard.  
Pasty Lane.  
John Walsh.

The following won three free tickets:

Tim O'Mahony -Online.  
Lucy Riordan.  
Jonah Maurs - Moss Hanlon.

Next Jackpot will be €4,200 and it will take place at the usual day and time Friday 20th February 2026, will be held in the Coolard Clubhouse, at 9p.m.

<https://ballydonoghuegaa.clubforce.com/products/lotto/ballydonoghue-gaa>

IRELAND Lights Up - Ballydonoghue

The Ireland lights up Ballydonoghue walking has finished up on Monday the 9th of February 2026. Thank you to everyone who came out in line with this initiative and also assisted with the Irish Life Gaa Health clubs steps.

Irish Life GAA Healthy Clubs Steps Challenge 2026:

BALLYDONOGHUE GAA Club, will finish on the 11th February 2026. Well done to everyone involved and who too part in the steps challenge we reached well over the 4,000km mark to be entered in to win some great prizes for our club. Thank you once again to everyone who participated.

Underage Medal Presentation Celebrations took place on Friday 6th of February 2026, in Tomaisins. It was a great evening of celebrations kicking off with Ballydonoghues Under 12 North Kerry League winners, who were presented their medals by our own Jack Kennelly who has played in the green and gold for his county, is vital part of our Ballydonoghue senior team and a very successful greyhound trainer. Followed by the Northern Gaels Under 13 Tommy Madden Winning team who were presented their medals by Martina Madden, Tommy's sister and PRO of Ballydonoghue Gaa Club. Then the Under 14 and Under 16 Northern Gaels Teams received their medals from a local Kerry Legend, and captain of 1975 winning Kerry minor team, Robert Bunyan. Robert gave an inspiring speech on the night to the future Kerry Footballers, he spoke about his career and the friends and memories he has made through being involved in football. He touched on the importance of volunteering in the gaa and how looking back he can remember all the people who helped him, who brought him to trials, games and gave drives helped in his success back then. Our two MCs of the night Eddie Houlihan and John O'Dowd gave great accounts of all 4 teams, the players and the management of these very successful bunch of young people. Once again, well done to everyone involved on a very successful year at all ages. Thanks to everyone who helped in any way on the night. Thank you also to Aine and Jackie and their staff in Tomaisins, Lisselton.

North Kerry Senior Division 1 Leagues 2026

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North Kerry Senior League

Division 1 Round 1: Ballydonoghue 0-08 v Duagh 2-15

Level 1 Coaching:

A big thank you to Mike Henchy who delivered the Level 1 Coaching Course today in Ballydonoghue Clubrooms.

Well done to all those who participated on very informative day.

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Thank you for Supporting Our Club, Ballydonoghue GAA.

## BALLYLONGFORD GAA

North Kerry Senior Division 2 League 2026 Round 1.

Ballylongford 0-14-Knocknagoshel 1-15 - a very encouraging display from our boys against beaten North Kerry Finalist Knocknagoshel in the local field on Sunday. Ten points down at halftime a second half full of endeavour reduced the deficit to 3 points but we eventually ran out of time & Knock ran out deserving winners. However, there is much hope for the future where the introduction of new players continues to strengthen our panel. Cathal Byrne and Fionn Byrne both making their first appearances for the Ballylongford Senior Team, contributing impressively to the overall performance.

Onto Finuge this Sun where we play the locals at 2pm - your support would be greatly appreciated.

Ballylongford Senior Team: 1. Darren Murphy 2. Conor Carmody 3. Pa Carmody 4. Oran O'Neill 5. James O'Connor 6. Tadgh McEllistrem 7. Cian Barrett 8. Sean Hanrahan 9. Logan O'Sullivan 10. Michael Holly 11. Paddy O'Neill 12. Jack Mulvihill 13. Liam Mulvihill 14. Ciaran O'Connor 15. Jeremiah Tydings  
Substitutes used: Matt O'Connor, Pdraig O'Neill, Adam Finucane, Cathal Byrne and Fionn Byrne.

Substitutes: Sean Carmody, Paul Murphy, Victor Flahive, Liam Hanrahan.  
Management Team: Jim O'Carroll, Paudie Moroney, Nelius O'Connor, Kieran Culhane, Pro, Tom Carmody, Stats, Hughie Dineen, Technical, Stephen Kennelly.

North Kerry Senior Division 2 League 2026 Fixtures.  
Round 2 - Sunday 22nd February  
Finuge V Ballylongford - Venue: Finuge - Time: 2pm  
Best of luck to team and management!

Ballylongford GAA Club Gaelic 4 Mothers & Others  
This initiative sees women playing Ladies Gaelic Football in a fun, non-competitive and social environment. Gaelic4Mothers&Others provides an opportunity for women to get their recommended weekly exercise in a fun way while meeting other like minded ladies in the area.  
Training is each Monday evening from 8pm to 9pm in Ballylongford  
New members always welcome. Over 25's, contact Eileen 089 243 3528

Weekly Lotto Draw: Saturday 7th February  
Jackpot €3600 - Numbers Drawn: 5, 9, 18, 22  
There was no winner - Lucky Dips  
€20 Laura Sheehy Clounamon  
€20 Donal & Betty Ryan Rusheen  
€20 Sean Neville Lenamore  
€20 (online) Trevor Corridon Bungarha Listowel  
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Hope everyone continues to enjoy using our club App,

Club Membership 2026  
Ballylongford GAA Club Membership is a vital part of ensuring our club's continued success and development. Whether you are a player, coach, supporter, track user, parent of a player or member of the wider community, we welcome new members, the monies received are used towards playing equipment, affiliation fees, insurance, utility bills, team preparation, maintenance and club development. Please note that only those who have fully paid up adult members prior to the deadline will be included in the draw for All Ireland Tickets should Kerry be fortunate to be there.

Membership can be paid through our club website <https://ballylongford.kerry.gaa.ie/@foireann.ie> and Bank transfer or to any club officers. Adult player and Adult non player: €40 Family (2ad & 2ch): €60, Social: €20, Juvenile: €10, Closing date for membership is fast approaching 31st March 2026, Thank you for your continued support of Ballylongford GAA Club

Please note, that only those who have fully paid-up adult members prior to the deadline will be included in the draw for All Ireland Tickets should Kerry be fortunate to be there in 2026.

## MOYVANE GAA

SENIOR NORTH KERRY LEAGUE

Result:

SNKL Div 1B Round 1

Moyvane 1-11 Tarbert 1-09

Our seniors began their 2026 campaign with a 2 point win over Tarbert in Round 1 of the North Kerry League played in testing conditions in Con Brosnan Park on Sunday last. Moyvane opened the scoring, but Tarbert, playing with the wind in the first half responded with a goal, quickly followed by a 2 pointer to lead 1-2 to 0-1 after 5 minutes. By the 20 minute mark the sides were level thanks to some nicely taken scores by Darragh O'Keefe, but Tarbert registered 2 more 2-pointers to lead 1-7 to 0-6 at half time. Moyvane started the 2nd half by reducing the gap to 3 and then 2 points, before the crucial score of the game came when Patrick O'Connor powered through to finish to the net with the aid of the post to put Moyvane back in front. The teams exchanged scores but it was Moyvane who ended up on top when referee Peter Curtin blew the final whistle.

Moyvane Team: Brendan Galvin, Eamonn Stack Mulvihill, Oisín Kennelly, Gearoid Stack Mulvihill, James Kissane, Shea Leahy, Patrick O'Connor (1-1), Jack O'Connor, Micheál Mulvihill, Jack O'Keefe, Micheál Fogarty (0-2), Jamie Moloney (0-1), Rian Quinn, Darragh O'Keefe (0-6, 0-2f), Kiegan Moloney. Subs introduced: Edward Moore, Shane Carmody, Donal Leahy (0-1), Fionn Mulvihill,

Fixture:

SNKL Div 1B Round 2

Moyvane v St. Senans - Sunday Feb 22nd 2pm

Venue: Con Brosnan Park, Moyvane

LOTTO: Lotto Results 15/02/2026 - Numbers: 08, 18, 28, 32

No Winner - Lucky Dips

Kennelly Ladies - Moyvane South

Nancy O'Connor - Direen, Athea

Emer Fennell - Online

Fintan McEnery - Online

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MEMBERSHIP

Club membership is now available for our adult players, underage players and non-players. Membership can be paid on [www.foireann.ie](http://www.foireann.ie)

## FINUGE GAA

FINUGE 500: Congratulations to Tom Shanahan our January winner - Tom walks away with €500 to help get over the January blues! Entry tickets for each month are available at McCarthy's Bar Finuge, Foleys Your Stop Shop Lixnaw, Stacks Londis Lixnaw, JJ Walsh Bar & Butchers Lixnaw, Gibbons Filling Station Lixnaw and the Post Office Lixnaw. Tickets also available online at [www.finugegaa.com](http://www.finugegaa.com) or from any club officer. The February draw takes place next Monday the 23rd Feb.

SENIOR: Competitive senior action got underway last Friday night 13th Feb when the team travelled to play Brosna in Mountcollins. This was a tight affair with the home one point up at halftime (6 point to 5) with Brosna pulling away at the end to win by three. Final score - Brosna 0-12; Finuge 0-09. Next up is a home game to Ballylongford this Sunday 22nd of February, with the final group game away to Knocknagoshel on the 28th of February. Fast on the heels of the NK league will see the first round of the county league when the team are away to Lios Póil on the 15th of March. We wish the team the very best for the year ahead.

Main team sponsor Buckley Agri of Listowel are on board again this year as principal sponsor and we are delighted to have such a prestigious business involved with our senior team.

SENIOR COUNTY JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP: The much anticipated county championship draws took place last week and teams across all grades have plenty time to prepare! Finuge was drawn into Group 2 of the Junior Championship against familiar faces Moyvane, Ballylongford and Tuosist. We also know that the round one game will be against Moyvane in Finuge. As we have seen through the years, winning the first game is always a priority as it provides momentum going into games two and three.

MINOR: Round one of the North Kerry minor league will get underway on Monday March 30th with all games Monday evenings moving forward.

CLUB MEMBERSHIP: Its that time of the year again and club membership is open to all those wishing to join. For any members that are playing, registration must be completed through Foireann - see [www.foireann.ie](http://www.foireann.ie) It is important for all playing members to register through Foireann as it is an insurance requirement. Non-playing membership is also available through Foireann or through any club officer. The club wishes to thank everyone for their support. Rates are as follows - Juvenile €40; Juvenile x 2 €70; Juvenile x 3 €90; Senior player €50; Non-playing Adult €50; Family (2 juveniles & 2 adults) €120.

CLUB SHOP: With the new season underway, we have the perfect gifts for the football player or supporter in your life - Finuge GAA merchandise. This is an online shop hosted by KCS. Search for [www.kcsports.ie](http://www.kcsports.ie), click on the 'Club Shop' tab and search for Finuge. We have over 30 items of high quality Finuge branded sports gear to choose from, happy shopping.

KERRY FOOTBALL: A game of two halves that saw Kerry leading by eight points with eight minutes remaining but somehow were lucky to come away with the draw. Dominated by the weather, the game was entertaining but low on quality unfortunately. Local man Cillian Trant was one of the bright spots for Kerry on the night who now head to the capital this weekend to square up to old friends Dublin. A win is needed by both teams to re-ignite their bids for league glory, so somethings got to give!

KERRY HURLING: After a rest week, next up is an away game this Saturday the 21st of February against Laois at 2:00pm in O'Moore Park Portlaoise.

KERRY LADIES FOOTBALL: Well done to the Kerry Ladies who secured an away win on Sunday week against Meath in what is always a very closely fought affair. Next are old rivals Cork this Sunday the 22nd of February in Austin Stack Park at 2pm.

CONDOLANCES: All at Finuge GAA wish to express their sympathies to the family of Martin Griffin. A huge supporter and follower of all things GAA, Martin will be greatly missed by everyone who knew him.

## ASDEE GAA

Golden Goal winners from Sat 14th Feb 2026: Kerry v Galway:  
Mary Dillon Griffin, Micheal Moloney, Christina Hannon

## DUAGH / LYRE COMM GAMES

Swimming

Well done to our swimmers representing Duagh/Lyre Community Games last Sunday at Tralee sports complex in the Kerry Community Games swimming competition. Duagh/Lyre had four individual swimmers and a relay team competing. Congratulations to Padraig Kelly who was 3rd in u12 backstroke, Padraig was a year out of age in his category. Well done to our u13 girls freestyle swim squad of Saoirse Brosnan, Clodagh Keane, Clara Danagher and Shonagh Walsh who were just a few seconds off the medals. Well done to our individual swimmers Siún Kelly 5th, Aidín O'Sullivan and April O'Connor who finished outside the medals and gained valuable swim racing experience. A new system this year saw the top six swimmers on times going to the finals. Well done everyone we are so proud of ye and great to see a relay team representing us as it's been a while. Great to see lovely smiles regardless of results.

Chess

Chess training continues on Friday evening at 7pm at Duagh Sports complex.

Art & Handwriting

Duagh/Lyre Community Games are hosting their Art and handwriting competition on Fri at Duagh Sports Complex 7pm-8:30pm. Competition for both boys and girls. Art u8-u16.

Duagh/Lyre Community Games ART competition will be held on Friday 20th February 7-8:30pm at Duagh Sports complex. Paper will be supplied but bring your own art materials. Competition in both boys and girls from u8 to u16.

Art rules:

Under 8, Over 6, Under 10 over 8, Under 12 over 10, Under 14 over 12, Under 16 over 14

Age: Under 8s & Under 10s: His/her own choice of any Community Games activity.

Under 12, Under 14 & Under 16: One only of four (4) taken from a list of ten (10) Community Games Activities previously notified to counties. The four chosen topics will be drawn in the venue 15 minutes prior to commencement of the competition.

Please see topics below: u12,14 & 16 -

Swimming, Debating, Gymnastics, Javelin, Cycling on Grass, 5K, Group Singing, High Jump

Camogie or Quiz. All art work will be adjudicated by outside judge and results will be given at a later time.

Handwriting

Handwriting competition will take place Friday 20th Feb 7pm - 8:30pm at Duagh Sports complex. Paper will be provided. Bring own pencil, sharpener and rubber. Time limit 1 hr. Can do Art straight after if you so wish. Finished pieces will be sent for adjudication. Results at a later date. U10, U12 & u14 competition both boys and girls

Basketball

Best of luck to our basketball teams next weekend. Further details next week.

## NORTH KERRY GAA

North Kerry League sponsored by McCarthy Insurance Group all games Sunday 15th of February.

Sunday 15th of February @2pm.

First named team has home advantage.

Division 1A. R1.

Ballydonoghue 0.08 V Duagh 2.15 | C. Desmonds 2.09 v Beale. 3.10

Listowel Emmets (bye).

Division 1B. R1.

St Senans 3.17 v Ballyduff 2.04 | Moyvane 1.11 v Tarbert 1.09

Division 2. R1.

Ballylongford 0.14 v Knocknagoshel 1.15

Brosna 0.12 v Finuge 0.08

North Kerry League sponsored by McCarthy Insurance Group

Round 2 Fixtures. All games Sunday 22nd of February @2pm.

Division 1A R2.

Beale v Listowel Emmets | Duagh V C. Desmonds

Ballydonoghue Bye

Division 1B R2.

Noyvane v St.Senans | Ballyduff v Tarbert.

Division 2. R2.

Finuge v Ballylongford | Knocknagoshel v Brosna.

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Confirm my Faith nurture my Hope, strengthen my Charity in the image of young Carlo, who, growing in these virtues, now lives with You.

(Mention your request here...)

I trust in you, Father, and your Beloved Son Jesus, in the Virgin Mary, our Dearest Mother, and in the intervention of Your Servant, Carlo Acutis. "To always be close to Jesus, that's my life plan". "The Sacrament of the Eucharist: My Highway to Heaven."

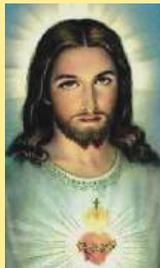
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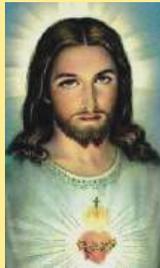
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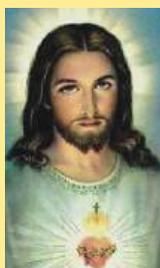
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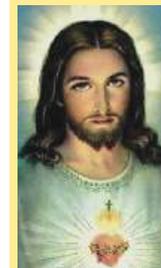
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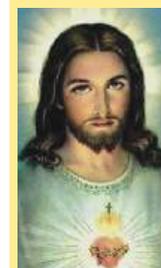
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