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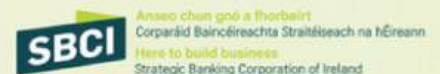
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Ladies Day

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Considered the official opening of the summer racing fashion season, the prestigious Style Stakes Sunday was sponsored by O'Flynn Centra and judged by presenter and media personality Meghann Scully alongside reigning International Rose of Tralee and Dancing with the Stars Ireland champion Katelyn Cummins.

Jordana impressed in a stylish separates ensemble, featuring a top sourced on Vinted, a fitted Zara skirt and a stunning headpiece by Marc Millinery. Natasha also wore a Marc Millinery headpiece, paired with a striking bodycon dress from Kimono Boutique. Joint runner-up Máiréad Hayes opted for an elegant and summery Celia B dress from Kimono Boutique.

A total prize fund of €1,000 was on offer, with Jordana receiving a €500 cash prize, flowers and a beauty and wellness package worth €200 from Glowell, Listowel. All 10 finalists received a luxury Kevin Murphy hair gift set, generously sponsored by National Beauty, a Sheisdo skincare set from McGuire's Pharmacy, and a pair of exclusively designed earrings by Mary Mulhall of Inish Designs.

Listowel Race Company would like to thank all sponsors who contributed prizes and support to make the event such a success.

Meghann Scully wore a beautiful dress sponsored by Coco Boutique, Listowel, paired with a matching floral headpiece by award-winning milliner Aoife Hannon. The event was produced by Upfront Model Management in association with Ray Stack.

Preparations are already well underway for the 7 day Harvest Festival in September. The McElligotts Kia Ladies Day will take place on Friday 25th September with judges and full event details to be announced soon.

For more information, visit www.listowelraces.ie, call (068) 21144, or follow #ListowelRaces on social media for exclusive updates.

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SENATOR KENNELLY CALLS FOR IMMEDIATE LIFEGUARD COVER

Senator Kennelly Calls for Immediate Lifeguard Cover During Extreme Weather and Extends Condolences to the Family of Abbie Carmody-Pepper

In the Seanad last week, Senator Kennelly has urged coastal local authorities in all coastal counties to introduce lifeguard services whenever extreme warm weather brings large crowds to Ireland's beaches, warning that public safety cannot be tied to the calendar while temperatures continue to break records. The Senator began by offering his heartfelt condolences to the family of 15-year-old Abbie Carmody-Pepper, whose tragic loss has deeply affected communities across Kerry and beyond. "No family should ever have to endure such a loss."

As warm weather arrives, Senator Kennelly noted that thousands of people naturally flock to beaches, lakes, and coastlines, often without realising the dangers that can lie beneath calm waters. "Conditions can change in moments," he said. "Strong currents, cold water shock, hidden tides, and sudden weather shifts can turn a day of enjoyment into tragedy within minutes." Kerry is home to 15 Blue Flag beaches and 2 Blue Flag marinas, attracting large numbers of visitors whenever the sun shines. Yet outside the official bathing season, normally 1 June to 15 September, many of these beaches have no lifeguard cover, despite higher temperatures. "We saw the risks clearly on Monday at Banna Beach," Senator Kennelly said. "Thankfully, that incident ended safely, but we may not be so fortunate next time." He stressed that water safety must respond to real-time conditions, not fixed dates. "We cannot continue waiting for the calendar to catch up with the weather. When heat brings crowds to our coastline, lifeguards must be on duty. Public safety has to come first." The Senator also called for a strong national water safety campaign, emphasising the need for public awareness around safe swimming practices.

"People need clear reminders: respect the water, never swim alone, supervise children closely, and understand that even strong swimmers can get into difficulty." Senator Kennelly concluded with a simple message: "Good weather should bring joy, not heartbreak. With proper awareness, preparation, and protection, we can prevent further tragedies and save lives this summer."

THIRST TRAP BY GRÁINNE O'HARE WINS 2026 KERRY GROUP IRISH NOVEL OF THE YEAR AWARD

Listowel Writers' Week has announced the winner of Ireland's longest running and most respected literary prize for fiction, as the award marks 30 years of Kerry Group sponsorship.

Gráinne O'Hare's *Thirst Trap* has been announced as the winner of the 2026 Kerry Group Irish Novel of the Year Award at the opening night of the 55th anniversary of Listowel Writers' Week. The festival was officially opened by award-winning Irish broadcast journalist and television presenter Miriam O'Callaghan, with acclaimed novelist Colm Tóibín among those in attendance. Set against the pressures and contradictions of contemporary life, *Thirst Trap* was selected from a shortlist that reflected the depth and variety of current Irish fiction. Judges praised the novel for its intelligence, emotional precision and distinctive voice.

"Congratulations to Gráinne O'Hare on winning the 2026 Kerry Group Irish Novel of the Year Award for *Thirst Trap*," said Catherine Keogh, Chief Corporate Affairs Officer, Kerry. "It is especially encouraging to see such a distinctive new voice emerge, continuing the remarkable tradition of Irish authors celebrated through Listowel Writers' Week. All this year's nominees were outstanding, and as Kerry marks 30 years of sponsoring this award, we are proud to support original Irish voices and the enduring impact of Irish storytelling."

The Kerry Group Irish Novel of the Year Award is recognised as one of Ireland's most significant literary honours and carries a prize fund of €20,000. Presented annually as part of Ireland's oldest literary and arts festival, the award continues to celebrate exceptional Irish fiction and the enduring strength of the novel form in Irish writing.

This year's shortlist also included *Conversation with the Sea* by Hugo Hamilton, *The Wardrobe Department* by Elaine Garvey, *Ordinary Saints* by Niamh Ní Mhaolchoin and *The Boy from the Sea* by Garrett Carr. The award was adjudicated by former First Minister of Scotland Nicola Sturgeon and acclaimed novelist and essayist Andrew O'Hagan.

Chairman of Listowel Writers' Week, Ned O'Sullivan, said: "The Kerry Group Irish Novel of the Year Award has, over many years, become an important part of Ireland's literary landscape, recognising fiction that challenges, moves and endures. This year carries added significance as we mark 30 years of Kerry Group sponsorship, a partnership that has sustained one of the country's most respected literary prizes while remaining rooted here in Listowel. We warmly congratulate Gráinne O'Hare on a novel of remarkable intelligence, wit and insight." Founded in 1970, Listowel Writers' Week remains closely associated with the rich literary tradition of North Kerry and with generations of writers who have gathered in the town for storytelling and conversation. Across more than five decades, the festival has welcomed many of the leading voices in Irish and international literature while continuing to maintain a strong connection to local audiences, schools, readers and emerging writers.

Throughout the festival week, streets, cafés, pubs, bookshops and public spaces across Listowel became places of literary exchange, where established authors and first-time visitors meet in readings, workshops and informal conversations that extend late into the evening.

The Kerry Group Irish Novel of the Year Award has played a significant role in recognising and supporting Irish fiction since its establishment, honouring writers whose work has shaped contemporary literature both nationally and internationally. Previous winners include Niall Williams (*Time of the Child*, 2025), Darragh McKeon (*Remembrance Sunday*, 2024), Aingeala Flannery (*The Amusements*, 2023), Claire Keegan (*Foster*, 2022), Sebastian Barry, Anne Enright, Colm Tóibín and John Banville among many others.

Pictured: Catherine Keogh, Chief Corporate Affairs Officer, Kerry with The Kerry Group Irish Novel of The Year Winner Gráinne O'Hare.

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W June has arrived, and across the country thousands of students have begun their **Junior Cert and Leaving Cert examinations**. It can be a stressful time not only for students but for parents and families too. Last week, I spoke about sleep being a secret superpower, and this week I want to gently remind students that rest, hydration, and emotional support are just as important as revision.

One of the things I love most about essential oils is how they can support both the **mind and body** during busy seasons of life.

Frankincense – The King of Oils

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Thought for the Week

"Success isn't about doing everything perfectly. It's about showing up each day, doing your best, and trusting yourself along the way."

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CELTIC ARTS WEEKEND TO BRING INTERNATIONAL ARTISTS TO LISTOWEL THIS JUNE

Kerry Writers' Museum will welcome artists from throughout the world from June 11th to 14th for four-day Celtic Arts festival featuring lectures, exhibitions, workshops and live performances celebrating both traditional and contemporary Celtic art. The event coincides with the International Day of Celtic Art (9 June), an initiative that began as an online community in 2000 and has since grown into a global network of artists and enthusiasts, with previous in-person gatherings held in New York and Downpatrick.

Local contributors including stonemason Darren Enright & artist Sean Lynch will be joined by visiting artists from across Ireland, the UK, Europe, North America and as far afield as Australia and Hawaii, positioning Listowel as a focal point for Celtic artistic practice.

Event organiser Stephen Rynne describes Listowel as "the world capital of modern Celtic art," citing the town's long association with artists working in historically informed styles. Local examples include the renowned stuccowork of Pat McAuliffe and the legacy of acclaimed 20th-century artist Michael O'Connor, whose work is held at Kerry Writers' Museum.

International Expertise and Keynote Speaker

The Listowel Celtic Arts Weekend's keynote address will be delivered by artist and researcher Thomas Keyes, known for his work in experimental archaeology. Originally from Belfast and now based in Scotland, Keyes recreates traditional materials such as inks and vellum to explore the techniques used by medieval scribes, including those behind the 9th-century Book of Kells. His work bridges historical reconstruction and contemporary artistic interpretation.

Free Exhibition and Historic Manuscript Display

A central feature of the weekend will be a free public exhibition showcasing work by participating artists alongside pieces from the Celtic Revival period.

The exhibition will also include a rare public display of the Book of Ballykinlar, created by internees during the War of Independence and presented with the support of the Irish Military Archives. This marks the manuscript's first public viewing.

Talks, Workshops and Public Participation

A three-day programme of expert presentations will cover a wide range of disciplines, including sculpture, metalwork, textiles and Celtic graphic design traditions such as La Tène and Insular art.

Hands-on workshops, designed for all skill levels, will run throughout the weekend, offering participants the opportunity to learn directly from practising artists. Topics include:

- Celtic knotwork and spiral design
- Jewellery and brooch making
- Stone carving and blacksmithing
- Traditional music (bodhrán, tin whistle)
- Leatherworking and decorative arts

All workshops include materials and are offered at reduced rates to encourage public participation.

Music, Performance and Outdoor Events

The programme also features live cultural events at St. John's Theatre & Arts Centre, including:

- A talk and demonstration of ancient Celtic horns by Ancient Music Ireland (11 June)
- A traditional music concert by Listowel Duagh Comhaltas (13 June)

The weekend will conclude with a public outing to Ballybunion Beach, where attendees will collaborate on a large-scale piece of Celtic sand art. Additional activities include demonstrations of traditional stone lifting, stick fighting, historical walks and a visit to the Lartigue Monorail.

Tickets are available via Eventbrite: www.eventbrite.ie/o/107958378461





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Events for Saturday 13th June

- Knights Walk beginning at 10:00 am.
- Launch of Commemorative Book, Ballyguilténane N.S. at 1:00 pm by Henry Lyons.
- Entertainment and light refreshments.

Events for Sunday 14th June

- Mass in the school at 2:00 pm. Celebrated by Bishop Brendan Leahy
- Followed by entertainment.
- Displays of artwork, photographs & vintage materials.
- Planting of tree and time capsule.

Food

- Food Truck arriving at 3:00 pm
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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.

As we are all now looking forward to brighter Summer days ahead this has a positive impact on our overall health and well being. But at the same time there are many other things that we may need to continue keeping control over to achieve a healthy lifestyle.

So let us take a look at a few of those:

FOOD

Many of us are so busy with trying to juggle work, life and family it is important to establish a good meal time routine.

Plan your meals in advance and batch cook as this can leave you feeling more organised especially if you have a busy schedule.

Try out some new recipes as variety is the spice of life.... Safefood.ie, and Bord Bia have some nice recipe and meal ideas

Just be mindful of the extra foods and treats you may have in your home as you may be inclined to buy that bit extra to treat yourself .

TREATS

Don't let the treats become a threat. There are other ways to make yourself feel better such as buying yourself a book or a magazine, treat yourself to a lovely body lotion or a nice bottle of your favourite perfume. Have a pamper night where you can have a relaxing bath, paint the nails or apply a rejuvenating face mask.

ALCOHOL

Limit your alcohol to the weekend's. That way it can be something you can look forward to. There are also low calorie options available in the alcohol also, such as light beers, low alcohol wine and add your diet and slimline minerals as mixers for spirits.

WEEKENDS

For many people having a structured routine in place from Monday to Friday can be a good thing, but once the weekend comes it can be very easy to let things slip. Plan your weekends and plan to do something nice for yourself that will benefit you. After all it's important not to let your guard down too much just because it's the weekend. Remember after all there are 52 weekends in the year

ACTIVITY

The best way to keep fit and active is to get out in the fresh air, whether it is to your local park or beach. Being active will benefit you as it is good for the mind and will give you a positive attitude so you will feel better. When you **Feel** better you **Think** better and then you **Eat** better.

ATTITUDE

What is your attitude at the moment? Eat all around you and go out of control OR eat mindfully and stay in control. How we think determines how we feel, how we feel determines what we do next.

So think positive, feel positive, be positive.

At the end of the day we are all responsible for ourselves but also to ourselves.

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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HOW TO TREAT EYE ALLERGIES

Allergic conjunctivitis is commonly caused by sensitivity to grass and tree pollen, dust mites or animals. It is far more common in those with a history of allergies or those who have a family history of allergies.

SYMPTOMS

Allergic conjunctivitis usually causes pink or red itchy eyes. The eyes are normally watery and other allergy symptoms such as sneezing and a runny nose may be present.

The seasonal type of allergic conjunctivitis will vary with the time of year and weather conditions. Those with more general allergies, such as an allergy to dust mites, will most likely have symptoms throughout the year.

TREATMENT

You can treat allergic conjunctivitis by:

- Avoiding the cause of the allergy (if possible)
- Using cold compresses (such as clean cotton wool balls soaked in cold water) to soothe the eyes

Avoiding rubbing your eyes as this will make the symptoms worse.

There is also a range of medicines that may help. Some are available over the counter at the pharmacy and other stronger medicines need a prescription.

Mast-cell stabiliser eye drops such as sodium cromoglicate (Opticrom) do not work straight away. Instead, they take a few days to start to work. These drops are good if you know when you are likely to develop an allergy and so you can use them to prevent symptoms

Antihistamine eye drops such as antazoline sulphate (Otrivine-Antistin) provide a more immediate effect. They won't prevent an allergic reaction, but instead treat the symptoms once the allergy has started.

Antihistamine tablets work in the same way as the eye drops, but will also treat other allergy symptoms such as a runny nose and sneezing that is caused by the allergy.

You should not wear contact lenses if your symptoms are severe or if you have been told that your cornea is affected. Do not put drops in your eyes while wearing contact lenses.

REMEMBER

- Avoid rubbing your eyes, as this may make your symptoms worse
- Use a cold compress to soothe your eyes
- Wearing glasses or sunglasses may help to shield your eyes from pollen

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RECORD-BREAKING 55TH WRITERS' WEEK DELIVERS €1.6 MILLION BOOST FOR KERRY

SINCE 1971
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Listowel Writers' Week has celebrated its 55th anniversary with soaring attendance numbers, sold-out events and an estimated €1.6 million economic impact for the local and regional economy.

The five-day festival, which took place from 27st to 31st May, attracted attendees across its literary, cultural and community programme, making 2026 one of the most successful years in the festival's recent history.

Founded in 1970, Listowel Writers' Week has become one of Ireland's most enduring cultural success stories. While many festivals have come and gone over the decades, Writers' Week continues to evolve, attracting new audiences, new voices and an increasingly international reach while remaining true to the spirit that inspired its founders.

This year's programme featured some of the most influential names in literature, journalism, economics and public life, including Nicola Sturgeon, Fergal Keane, David McWilliams, Colm Tóibín, John Banville, Miriam O'Callaghan, Andrew O'Hagan, Sally Hayden and Liz Nugent, just to name a few. Their presence reinforced the festival's reputation as a destination where important conversations take place and where readers can engage directly with some of the most respected voices of our time.

Visitors travelled from across Ireland and from countries including the United Kingdom, the United States, Canada, Australia, Germany, France and Switzerland, reinforcing the festival's reputation as one of Ireland's leading literary and cultural events. Demand was evident throughout the festival with audiences filling venues across the town from morning until late evening.

Hotels, guesthouses and B&Bs throughout Listowel and North Kerry reported full occupancy during the festival period, while many visitors secured accommodation in Tralee, Killarney and neighbouring areas due to demand exceeding local capacity. Chairperson Ned O'Sullivan said the anniversary festival demonstrated the continued relevance and growing appeal of Writers' Week. "Reaching our 55th anniversary is a remarkable milestone, but what is most encouraging is that the festival continues to grow and attract new audiences from Ireland and overseas. This year's programme brought together an exceptional range of writers, journalists, thinkers and public figures, creating conversations that resonated far beyond Listowel. I want to thank our audiences, volunteers, sponsors, funders, the Arts Council, Kerry County Council, Fáilte Ireland, our writers, artists and local community for helping make this anniversary year such a success."

According to the festival's Economic Impact Report, Writers' Week generated an estimated €1.6 million in economic activity through visitor spending on accommodation, food, hospitality, retail and transport. Local businesses experienced a significant increase in trade throughout the festival.

Local business owner Lizzy Lyons of Lizzy's Little Kitchen said the impact on the town was clear to see. "Writers' Week 2026 was the busiest festival period we have experienced in twelve years of business. The atmosphere around the town was incredible. We welcomed visitors from all over Ireland and overseas, and there was a real buzz from morning until night. Events like this are hugely important for local businesses and for showcasing everything Listowel has to offer."

More than 60 volunteers supported the festival over the five days, while approximately 80 writers, speakers and performers participated in a programme that attracted audiences of all ages.

The festival continues to play an important role in attracting cultural visitors to Ireland, drawing readers and visitors who travel specifically to experience its unique blend of literary excellence, hospitality and community spirit. For many, a visit to Writers' Week is also an opportunity to discover Kerry and explore one of Ireland's most celebrated literary towns.

As Listowel Writers' Week looks to the future, its 55th anniversary stands as a reminder that great festivals are not sustained by history alone. They endure because they continue to inspire new generations. More than half a century after it began, Writers' Week remains vibrant, relevant and growing, bringing together people from across Ireland and around the world through a shared love of stories, ideas and conversation.



Thirst Trap by Gráinne O'Hare Wins 2026 Kerry Group Irish Novel of the Year Award. Catherine Keogh, Chief Corporate Affairs Officer at Kerry pictured with Gráinne

Lisa O'Flaherty and Ned O'Sullivan



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BALLYBUNION

CONDOLENCES

We extend our deepest sympathy to the family of Gretta Brosnan (née Stack) East End, Ballybunion, and sympathies also to Mark Phelan & Ayla (Farrell) on the death of Mark's father Patrick of Borris-in-Ossory, Co Laois. May they Rest in Peace.

BALLYBUNION BEAN FESTIVAL

Ballybunion Bean Festival invites you to their first event in the Bean Series as we grow together towards the Ballybunion Bean Festival 2026. Friday 5th June, 7pm to 9pm, the Olde Attic, Main St, Ballybunion.

The evening will begin with Billy Jo O'Connor of Leigh Farm, Ballyduff who will lead us in Bean Survival Training! Learn everything you ever wanted to know about growing beans.

After that we will be joined by James de Burca of deBurca Tempeh who will inspire us with a delicious bean cooking demo.

The evening will close with music from singer-songwriter Sailhymn, from Ballybunion. Their reflective music weaves together themes of nature, community, and everyday wonder. Alongside these amazing guests, there will be beany snacks for everyone to enjoy.

Tickets are €20.

What If We Were Brilliant? Books will be available for sale on the evening for €20 or purchase admission + book for €30.

Plant a Bean, Grow a Dream...

Link to share: https://FromPodToPlate_BeanFestivalSeries1.eventbrite.ie

FR. SEAN'S RETIREMENT

A parish celebration will take place in the school hall in Scoil Íosagáin on Sunday 12th July after 11.30 a.m. Mass. Everyone is welcome to come along for tea, coffee and refreshments to meet and say farewell to Fr. Sean.

BALLYBUNION SUMMER MARKETS

Ballybunion Summer Markets are back up and running every Sunday until August 30th from 11am-3pm. Come along each week to enjoy local vendors, food, and community spirit, all while supporting a fantastic cause. Like last year, all money raised will be donated to Ballybunion Sea & Cliff Rescue.

We can't wait to see you all there for another wonderful summer in Ballybunion!

CEMETERY MASSES

St. John's Cemetery, Ballybunion, Friday 5th June at 7p.m.

Lisselton Cemetery Monday 22nd June at 7.30pm.

Gale Cemetery Thursday 25th June at 7.30pm.

Killeheny Cemetery, Friday 26th June 7p.m.

Kilconly Cemetery, Friday 3rd July at 7p.m.

TINTEÁN THEATRE

Has an exciting line-up of concerts coming up this year:

Bagatelle & Friends – "Celebrating the Legacy of Liam Reilly" takes place on Sunday, 14th June.

Timeless & Irish concert, presented by Radio Kerry, will be held on Wednesday, 17th June. Gearóid McCarthy will perform in concert on Friday, 16th October at 8PM. Tickets are available from the tinteán website. For details on these and all upcoming events, visit www.tinteán.ie

FUNDRAISING SWIM FOR PALLIATIVE CARE IN KERRY

On June 14th at 1pm, five young swimmers from North Kerry — Cathal Slattery, Ewan Kennelly, Noah Connolly, JJ Liston and Adam Burns — will take on an extraordinary endurance challenge at Ballybunion Leisure Centre. The group will swim the equivalent of a half marathon (21.1km) to raise vital funds for the development of new Palliative Care rooms in Tralee.

This inspiring effort aims to support enhanced care services for patients and families across the region. Donations can be made at: <https://www.idonate.ie/fundraiser/swimforkerryhospice>

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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!

MASS ON SUNDAY

St John's Parish Ballybunion is seeking new musicians and singers to support the 11.30am Mass.

They 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

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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.

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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.

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SAN RITA WELLNESS

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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

BALLYBUNION NOTES

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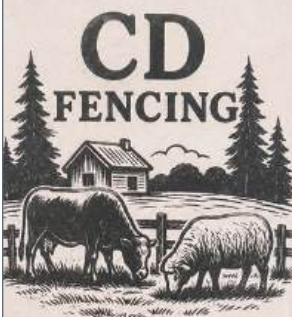
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TARBERT NEWS

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DEATHS

The death took place of Thomas (Tom) Walsh, Waterville and formerly of London and Tarmons West. He died at UHK Tralee on Thursday 28 May. Requiem Mass took place in St. Finian's Church, Waterville on Saturday 30 May followed by burial in Dromod Cemetery. A brother of the late Bill and Mick Walsh, sympathy to the Walsh family in Tarbert and Moyvane.

KNOCK PILGRIMAGE

The Knock Shrine pilgrimage will take place on Wednesday 1 July. The bus pick ups are in Listowel, Knockanure, Moyvane, Tarbert and Glin. You can book with Margaret Carmody on 087-2976304 and with Nuala Carmody, Tarbert on 068-361166.

BPM MAGAZINE

The 41st edition of the Ballydonoghue Parish Magazine 2025 is now on sale. This very well produced, well written and high quality annual magazine will be of wide appeal to the North Kerry diaspora especially to those living abroad. It has sections on Lifestyle and Nature, History, Children and Youth, Sport and a General Section with something to appeal to everybody across North Kerry. At local level, local historian Patrick Lynch, Tarbert has written an article entitled 'Irishmen who fought and died in the Spanish Civil War 1936 - 1939' and these include men from Kerry and Limerick. Fr. Maurice Brick.

Fr. Maurice Brick, P.P. Castleisland is retiring in July. The Brick family are compiling a book on his life and times. They are anxious to collect anecdotes and details of his time spent in various parishes. Fr. Mossie served in Tarbert from July 2000 to July 2006 and was very popular and well liked during his time in the parish. As the late Miss Irene Brassil, Shanaway who died in 2019 aged 98 years remarked, when Fr. Mossie was leaving Tarbert: "A lot of them came and went and we never noticed, but we'll miss Brick". Any information or memories of Fr. Mossie's time in Tarbert can be sent by email or post to caroline-brick27@gmail.com or Caroline Redmond, Radhar an Chuain, the Spa, Tralee.

GAA 500 DRAW

Comhghairdeas to Mary Coolahan, Main Street, Tarbert who was the winner of €500 in the GAA 500 Draw for the month of May. The Draw was held in Tomás Coolahan's Bar and was a second time win for Mary. Tickets for the next draw can be purchased from committee members or at Tarbert Post Office. Remember the advice 'if you are not in, you can't win.'

ST. MARY'S CHURCH

Two Masses are celebrated in Tarbert Church weekly, the Sunday Mass at 11.30am and the Wednesday Mass at 7pm. The Trócaire Collection taken up recently amounted to €1,745 and míle buiochas. Thanks to Fathers John Buckley and Sean Hanafin who celebrate the Masses. Sacristan James Lavery can be contacted at 068/36111 and notices for the parish newsletter have to be in Church mail box on Wednesday by 12 noon. E-mail tarbert@dioceseofkerry.ie. The webpage is www.stmarystarbert.com.

VACANT PROPERTY GRANTS

Kerry County Council will hold an information evening on enhanced grants now available at the Listowel Arms Hotel on Tuesday, 9 June from 3 pm. to 7 pm. Further information on www.kerrycoco.ie.

KERRY U-20 FINAL

Comhghairdeas and well done to the Kerry players and manager Tomás O'Sé on their win against Tyrone last Saturday in Croke Park. Unlucky to miss out was Vice Captain David Mulvihill from Tarbert who sustained an injury in previous games. Also unlucky was his team mate Paudie Finucane who did not make the final 15. The game produced a great exhibition of high fielding and point kicking, so the future looks good for Kerry football.

BALLYLONGFORD

YAHŪ MUSIC FESTIVAL

Don't forget the latest addition to the Ballylongford calendar, the inaugural YahŪ Traditional Music Festival, taking place from 5th to 7th June 2026.

The festival promises a lively weekend of music, song and community spirit, bringing together talented musicians, singers and performers from Kerry and beyond. Organisers hope the event will become a welcome addition to the village calendar, while also showcasing Ballylongford's rich musical heritage and warm hospitality.

Across the weekend, visitors can expect a vibrant atmosphere with traditional music sessions, workshops, concerts and plenty of opportunities for musicians of all ages and abilities to take part. Local venues throughout the village will come alive with the sound of reels, jigs and songs, creating what is hoped will be a memorable weekend for both locals and visitors alike.

The festival committee has been working hard behind the scenes to bring the new event to life and is looking forward to welcoming supporters from near and far to Ballylongford for what promises to be a fantastic celebration of traditional Irish culture, music and craic.

BALLYBUNION SUMMER MARKETS

Ballybunion Summer Markets will return on Saturday, May 31st and will continue every Sunday until August 30th.

Locals and visitors alike are invited to come along each week to enjoy a great selection of local vendors, delicious food and a wonderful community atmosphere.

As in previous years, all proceeds raised will go towards supporting the invaluable work of Ballybunion Sea & Cliff Rescue, making it a great opportunity to support both local businesses and a very worthy cause. We can't wait to see you all there for another wonderful summer in Ballybunion!

BALLYLONGFORD TIDY TOWNS

With Tidy Towns 2026 now underway, judging is only a few weeks away and our small team of volunteers is working hard to have Ballylongford looking its very best. However, we can't do it alone and would greatly appreciate the support of the community.

There are many simple ways everyone can help to keep our village looking clean, welcoming and attractive: Homeowners and businesses are encouraged to tidy their own areas by sweeping paths, removing weeds, cutting back overgrowth and, where possible, giving walls, fences and shopfronts a fresh coat of paint.

Add a splash of colour with window boxes, hanging baskets and flower displays. Please help keep footpaths and public spaces clear by removing unnecessary signs and obstacles.

We would also ask people to think carefully before placing advertising or event posters. Posters on derelict buildings, poles and public green areas create unnecessary clutter. Instead, please use designated notice areas and local shops, or place signage outside the village speed limits where appropriate.

Consider adopting a small area near your home or business to help keep tidy

throughout the summer. If you are out for a walk, bringing home a small piece of litter or pulling a few weeds can make a big difference. If the bottle bank is full, please do not leave bags or boxes beside it. Hold onto your recycling and return another day.

Unfortunately, dog fouling has become a significant issue around the village in recent months. We appeal to all dog owners to clean up after their pets and help keep footpaths, green areas and public spaces safe and pleasant for everyone.

If you have even an hour to spare, new volunteers are always welcome to join us on Tuesday evenings. We work hard, enjoy the company and have great craic along the way.

Many thanks to everyone who continues to support Ballylongford Tidy Towns and help make our village shine!

BALLYLONGFORD GAA

McCarthy Insurance County League Division 6
Our unbeaten run in the Co League came to an end on Sunday with a two-point defeat to Glenflesk on a scoreline of 1-7 to 0-8. In this low scoring game Glenflesk were a little more clinical on the day, but we battled to the very end and created some opportunities but didn't capitalise on them. However, with two games remaining, we're still very much in the hunt for promotion. We now have a three-week break resuming with a home game against Kilkummin on Sunday June 21st @ O'Rahillys Park Ballylongford.
Ballylongford Senior Team: Team 1. Paudie Moroney, 2. Liam Hanrahan, 3. Sean Carmody, 4. Pa Carmody, 5. Paddy O'Neil, 6. Tadgh McEllistrem, 7. Paudie O'Neill, 8. Sean Hanrahan, 9. Logan O'Sullivan, 10. Jack Mulvihill, 11. Ciaran O'Connor, 12. Michael Holly, 13. Cathal Byrne, 14. Oisín Healy, 15. Brendan Keane, 16. Conor Carmody, 17. Matt O'Connor, 18. Oran O'Neill, 19. Liam Mulvihill, 20. Paul Murphy, 21. Kenneth Tydings.

Northern Gaels B 5-8 Milltown/Castlemaine B 3-7
Well done to everyone involved, a mighty effort by a great bunch of players.

U10 Go Game v Ballyduff
The U10s had a great outing away to Ballyduff on Wednesday evening. Huge progress is being shown by this super bunch of kids. Excellent skills, passing, shooting, tacking and teamwork was on display. Thanks to Ballyduff for hosting and best of luck to them for the rest of the year.

Weekly Lotto Draw: Saturday 23rd May
Jackpot €4350. Numbers Drawn: 15, 16, 26, 32. There was no winner
Lucky Dips: €20 Taylor Kennelly Moyvane, €20 Mike Barrett Lenamore, €20 Shiela Hanrahan Ahanagan, €20 online Caroline Langan
Free tickets x3 George McNamara Ahanagan
Next week's Lotto €4400.
Bally Abú! Thanks for your continued support

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 Sundays



Ballyduff U12 footballers who played Austin Stacks in Tralee last week

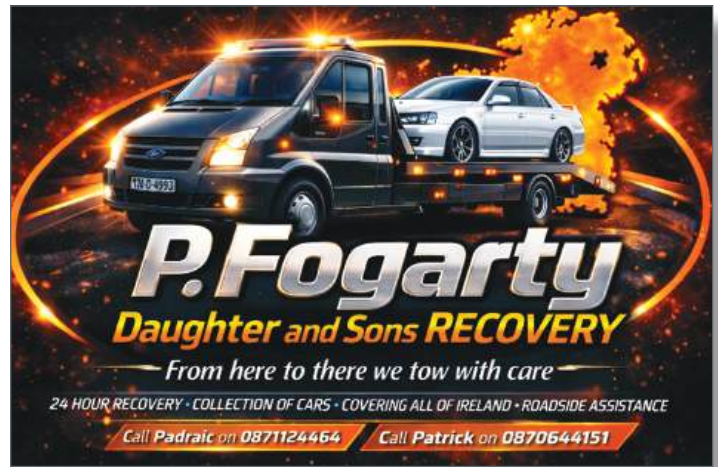
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LIXNAW

PARISH MASS TIMES

ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH: Friday 5th June, Mass at 7.30pm. Saturday 6th June, Mass at 7.30pm for Maurice Shanahan, his parents Mary & Patrick & deceased members of the Shanahan family, Liscullane; Hugh Stack, Ballinageragh & Billy Stack, The Village; Nora Quilter, The Village, Anne & Maurice O'Connell, Gortadrislig; Johnny McCarthy, Irrebeg.

RATHEA CHURCH: Sunday 7th June, Mass at 9.30am for Chris & Timmy Dillon, Gortacloghane

IRREMORE CHURCH: Saturday 7th June, Mass at 11.00am for Mary & Denis McElligott, Upper Tullig; Kate & Tim Kennelly, Lower Pallas.

DEATHS

Martina O'Brien (née McElligott), Cunnigar, Lixnaw. Sympathy to her husband Joe, sons Eirann & Colin, sisters Catherine & Siobhan, brother Henry and all the extended O'Brien/McElligott families. May she rest in peace.

CEMETERY MASSES

Lixnaw Lawn Cemetery - Monday 29th June at 7.30pm
Dysert Cemetery - Tuesday 30th June at 7.30pm
Kilfeighney Cemetery - Wednesday 1st July at 7.30pm
Kilshenane Cemetery - Thursday 2nd July at 7.30pm
Kiltomey Cemetery: Friday 3rd July at 7.30pm

SPLIT THE BUCKET DRAW

Congratulations to John McCarthy on winning €80 in this week's Split the Bucket Draw.

LIXNAW GAA LOTTO DRAW

Jackpot €18,500. Numbers drawn were 8, 13, 17, 21. No jackpot winner. €30 winners: Ian Maunsell, Abbeydorney; Louise Curran (online); Noel Fitzgerald, c/o Foley's. Next week's Jackpot will be €18,550. Thank you for your continued support.

FAMILY FUN DAY

The Lixnaw GAA Club will be holding a Family Fun Day on Sunday, 7th June at the Lixnaw Sportsfield from 2.30 – 5.00pm. It will be an action packed afternoon with the parish league, live music, entertainment, ice-cream & pizza vans, kids face painting, activity games, kids' magician and much more. Proceeds from this event in aid of Lixnaw Hospice. All are welcome to attend. Please support our local hospice.

LIXNAW COMMUNITY GAMES

Best of luck to Thomas and Sean Keane who compete in the County U.16 Pitch and Putt competition next Saturday in Tralee.

ST SENAN'S GAA CLUB LOTTO DRAW

25/05/2026 Jackpot €2,600. Numbers drawn were 20, 23, 26, 27. No jackpot winner. €30 winners: Sonny Egan, Crotta, Paddy Weir, Kilflynn. €20 winners: Saoirse Galvin, Listowel, Denis Murphy, Listry, James & Grace Kennelly, Gortacloghane. Next week's Jackpot will be €2,700. Tickets €2 each or 3 for €5. Tickets are available at Kelly's Six Crosses, The Halfway Bar, Parker's Bar, Kilflynn, or play online.

CONTACT

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

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 May 26th are as follows: The numbers drawn were 1, 24, 27 and the Bonus Number was 6. There was no winner of the Lotto Jackpot of €15,300 or Match 3 prize of €400. The €20 consolation prize winners were Toddy Hennessy, Ballyduff; Martina McElligott, Ahamore, Causeway and Mike Hussey/Mary, Ballyduff. The Lotto Draw takes place on each Tuesday night a

BALLYDUFF GAA

U20 Football:

A huge congratulations to Evan Boyle and John Curtin on helping Kerry capture the All-Ireland U20 Football Championship title at Croke Park on Saturday last with a fine win over Tyrone.

What a fantastic achievement for both lads, their families, their club, and the entire Ballyduff community. To reach the top of the game at underage level and bring home an All-Ireland medal is a testament to the hard work, dedication and commitment they have shown over many years.

Everyone in Ballyduff GAA is immensely proud of your achievement. You are fantastic role models for our younger players and a credit to yourselves, your families, your club and Kerry. Congratulations to Evan on picking the "Man of the Match" award for his outstanding performance at midfield. Enjoy the celebrations lads – you've earned every minute of it! Ballyduff Abú! Kerry Abú!

Senior Hurling:

Commiserations to the Kerry senior hurling team on losing out to Derry in the Christy Ring Cup final also in Croke Park on Saturday last. Well done to the Ballyduff players involved – Kyle O'Connor, Kevin Goulding, Adam Segal, Pádraig Boyle, Luke Rochford and Darragh Slattery. It was not to be for Kerry as too many wides cost them dearly while Derry seemed to score from all angles on the day. Derry had lost four finals in the last five years so their day came on Saturday to lift the trophy and qualify for the Joe McDonagh Cup in 2027.

In a couple of weeks the 2026 County Senior Hurling Championship will get underway and Ballyduff find themselves in a tough group with Lixnaw and St. Brendans. Good Luck to the "Boys in Green".

U8

Our U8 Footballers welcomed Ballydonoghue to Ballyduff this evening for a great evening of football in the sun. A big thank you to Ballydonoghue for making the trip over and to all the parents and supporters for their encouragement on the sidelines. Well done to all involved.

U12

Our two U12 hurling teams continued their North Kerry Hurling games this evening. One team welcomed Abbeydorney to Ballyduff, while the other travelled away to St Brendan's. There was great skill, determination and teamwork on display from all players throughout the evening. A big thank you to St Brendan's for hosting and to Abbeydorney for making the trip to Ballyduff. Well done to all the boys and coaches involved.

U10

Fair play to our U10 hurlers who took part in the Ballyduff Summer Festival Blitz today.

There were some fantastic performances against strong opposition from Lixnaw and Ballyheigue, with excellent teamwork, movement, skill and scoring on display throughout the games. Despite the heavy rain, all the lads showed great determination and never let the conditions affect their effort or enthusiasm. Their hard work was rewarded at the end with medals and treats, kindly provided by the Summer Festival Committee, which was greatly appreciated by all the clubs involved. A huge well done to all the players and coaches. Great stuff lads – keep up the excellent work!

U12 football

As the dust settled on a brilliant festival weekend in the north Kerry village of Ballyduff, our U12 footballers travelled to the heart of football in Tralee to take on Austin Stacks.

With the U20 Kerry celebrations still ongoing in the clubhouse, our young footballers took to the field in Connolly Park. On both pitches, every player battled from start to finish, showing great determination, skill, and teamwork.

Brilliant tackling and some excellent scores helped drive our young footballers to

victory on both pitches. There has been great development and progress over the last few weeks, and it was fantastic to see that hard work rewarded. Next up is a home fixture against Killcummin this Sunday at 6pm. We look forward to seeing plenty of support on the sidelines!

U15 Kerry hurlers

Well done to our Ballyduff hurlers who proudly represented Kerry U15s today in their victory over Meath! A fantastic performance from the Kerry lads, coming away with a great 3-13 to 2-12 win against a strong Meath side. It's always a proud day for our club to see Ballyduff players wearing the green and gold and giving their all for Kerry. A huge congratulations to the boys on their hard work, dedication, and commitment.

Keep up the great work lads – the future is bright!

CHURCH NEWS

Anniversaries: Stephen Murphy; Rosie Leen; John O'Grady; James Egan.

Masses for the week:

Friday June 5th 7.00pm: Stephen Murphy – 40th Anniversary
Saturday June 6th 6.30pm: Fr. Noel Power, Tom, John & Bridget Dineen, Kathleen O'Sullivan
Sunday June 7th 11.00am: Mass in Causeway
Parish Office: Is open Tuesday to Friday weekly from 10.30am to 1:00pm. Please phone (066)7148404

BALLYUNION SUMMER MARKETS

Ballyunion Summer Markets will run every Sunday until August 30th. Come along each week to enjoy local vendors, food, and community spirit, all while supporting a fantastic cause. Like last year, all money raised will be donated to Ballyunion Sea & Cliff Rescue. We can't wait to see you all there for another wonderful summer in Ballyunion.

INVITATION TO YOUNG PEOPLE

From 4th, 5th & 6th classes, involved in Church/Parish to a fun & games night in Buds, on Friday night June 12th. Parent/Guardian must sign in the child at 7.00pm & collect at 8.00pm. €1 per child

ANNUAL PILGRIMAGES

Our annual diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock takes place on Saturday August 22nd, the Feast Day of the Queenship of Mary. Many people look forward to this day each year, a day of faith, community, and friendship. The month of May is a good time to begin advertising it in newsletters. Many parishes choose to combine and arrange a bus as a pastoral area. If any parish wishes to supply a choir, or solo singers it will be much appreciated. Otherwise Knock will supply the music. Thank you to the choir from Killorglin who were with us last year. If you have parish flags, bring them along.

Our diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes on June 10th to 15th is almost three months earlier than usual. It will involve assisted pilgrims and their support team, the youth section and ordinary pilgrims, almost 200 in all.

PRESERVING KERRY'S COASTAL GRAVEYARDS

The community is warmly invited to meet the Sea Change research team on this Thursday, June 4th at 3.00pm at Kilmore Beach. This informal outdoor gathering is a wonderful opportunity for locals to ask questions and discuss the preservation of our at-risk coastal sites, specifically Kilmore graveyard. Later that evening, the team will host a formal public talk titled "Co-Creating Adaptation Strategies for Kerry's At-Risk Historic Coastal Graveyards." This will take place from 6.30 pm to 8.00pm in the Tralee Library lecture room. The evening will feature early insights from the Sea Change project and work led by Utrecht University's Department of Physical Geography. All are welcome to attend both events

BINGO

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

BUDS FRC

Wednesday: Life coaching with Margaret Gilbert from 10.00am to 12.00pm

Thursday: Sewing class for kids from 3.30pm to 6.30pm

Friday: Men's Shed breakfast every Friday from 9.00am to 12.00pm

Monday:

Active Retirement Group 2.00pm to 4.00pm
Joe Burkett theatre 5.00pm to 6.30pm
N.E.W.K.D craft circle Ballyduff from 7.00pm to 9.00pm

Tuesday:

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



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KILFLYNN

KILFLYNN VINTAGE CELEBRATES 30 YEARS!

The annual Kilflynn Vintage Weekend takes place from June 13th-14th. There is a fantastic weekend of celebrations in store as the club celebrates its 30th anniversary since its inaugural rally in 1996. The weekend's events will kick off at 7 p.m. on Saturday evening when the Vintage Tractor Run will depart the village, with registration from 5:30. The Vintage Car and Honda 50 Run will depart the village at 11 a.m. Sunday morning, with registration from 10 a.m. At 12 noon the official opening and blessing of the field will take place, and the day's events will get underway. It's a family day out with entertainment for all ages with vintage and working displays as well as live music with 'The Singing Jarvey' and kids' entertainment throughout the day! We look forward to celebrating our special birthday with everyone throughout the weekend!

COUNTY LEAGUE DIV 1 FINAL

McCarthy Insurance Group County Senior Hurling League Div. 1 - Final - Crotta O'Neill's v Lixnaw
On Friday, 5th June at 19:30 at Austin Stack Park, Tralee. Best of luck to the Crotta players and their mentors.

EXAMS

Wishing all of the Junior and Leaving Cert students the very best of luck in their exams over the next couple of weeks.

CROTTA LEISURE CYCLISTS

The group meets at Crotta Cross at 6:30 p.m. every Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday. —so no excuses!

ST. MARY'S CHURCH, KILFLYNN

Mass Intentions for the week in St. Mary's Church:
Mass will be celebrated on Friday 5th June at 10.00a.m and Saturday 6th June at 6:00 p.m.

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

Exam Mass Cards and a selection of other Mass cards available from the Parish Office.

CROTTA LOTTO RESULTS

Parker's Pub in Kilflynn hosted the Crotta Hurling Club's weekly lotto draw on Monday 1st June. The four numbers drawn from the drum by the independent observer, Sonny Egan, Garrynagore, Lixnaw were 16, 31, 21, and 30. No one won the €7,800 Jackpot.

Congratulations to the following who won €35 in the lucky dip draw: Pat Herbert, Castletown, Kiflynn, Helen O'Grady, Irrebeg, Lixnaw and Paul O'Keefe, Oakpark, Tralee

The next draw will take place in Herbert's Bar, Kilflynn on Monday, 8th June at 10:30 p.m. with a €7,900 Jackpot.

Tickets are available: 3 for €5 online at 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 overemphasize the importance of our members promoting the Club Lotto among family, friends, and work colleagues. Your continued support is greatly appreciated

CROTTA GAA

It certainly was a day of mixed fortunes for the Kingdom's squads at Croke Park on Saturday 30th May, featuring a brilliant championship comeback win but also a tough final defeat. The Kerry U-20 footballers clinched the All-Ireland title in stunning fashion, defeating Tyrone, Managed by Tomás Ó Sé, the team overcame a disastrous first-quarter deficit (trailing by as much as 1-07 to 0-02 to finish incredibly strong, eventually winning with a solid (0-21 to 1-10) scoreline. Congratulations lads, especially the North Kerry Players. In the curtain-raiser at Croke Park, the Kerry senior hurlers lost the Christy Ring Cup Final. Despite a brave effort, they fell short against a determined Derry side, losing out 3-24 to 3-19. Hard luck lads, especially the Crotta players Sean McGrath (Full Back) and Jordan Conway, who came on as a sub.

The Kerry U15 hurlers played Meath on Saturday 30th May in the latest round of the John Doyle Tournament in Rathdowney Co Lais.

Final score Kerry 3:13 Meath 2:11

Jack Kelliher represented Crotta.

Kerry GAA Senior & U16 Poc Fada took place at Kerry Head on Mon June 1st.

Adam O'Sullivan (Senior) and Darren McElligott (U16) represented the Crotta Hurling Club.

Well done to all the boys and girls who took part in Tuesday evenings U6 training session in Crotta

Congratulations to Zi Zi and Brodie who were this week's U6 players of the week. See you all again next Tuesday @6:15pm

McCarthy Insurance Group County Senior League Div 2 Full time Dr. Crokes GAA 1-20 to Crotta Gaa 0-10 on Tuesday evening 26th May at 7.30pm in Lewis Road, Killarney.

CAMOGIE

Congratulations to the Abbeykillix Under-14 Camogie team, who were crowned Under-14 Limerick League Thomond Cup Champions on Wednesday evening 27th May after an epic encounter with Feenagh/Kilmeedy Camogie on a final score of 2-04 to 1-04 In Feenagh GAA,

From the opening whistle to the final seconds, this game had everything—passion, determination, skill, and incredible heart. The girls showed tremendous character throughout, battling for every ball and never giving up in a thrilling contest. This is a fantastic achievement for the team, management, and everyone involved. Your hard work, dedication, and commitment have been rewarded with a truly memorable success. Well done to all involved and congratulations on making history for Abbeykillix

CEMETERY MASSES

Killahan - Monday 6 th July 7.00 p.m. Kyrie Eleison - Tuesday 7 th July 7.00 p.m. St. Mary's, Kilflynn - Wednesday 8 th July 7p.m. Please take this opportunity to tidy up family graves.

ACTIVE RETIRED

The Abbeydorney / Kilflynn Active Retired Group had a wonderful day out in Limerick City on Wednesday 27th May. Highlights such as a visit to Thomond Park, home of Munster Rugby, and time spent exploring the fascinating collections at The Hunt Museum made for a very enjoyable and memorable trip. Day trips like these are a great opportunity for socialising, sightseeing, and discovering more of Ireland's rich sporting and cultural heritage. Abbeydorney/Kilflynn Active Retired Group will be meeting again on Wednesday, 3rd June. Hope to see you all back in Abbeydorney Parish Hall at 10.30a.m. Any enquiries please contact Marie Williams at 066 7135831 or 085 2524028.

MOYVANE

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BLOTTO

There was no winner of last Thursday night's Jackpot. Numbers drawn were 1 14 25 30. Lucky Dips: €100: Peter Buston, Madigan's Bus. €50: Tadhg, Seoidin & Paidi McEnery, Tubbertoureen, Moyvane. €20 each: Lisa Leahy, Inchamore. Maurice Wallace, Glin. Mary Allen, Ballyhorgan, Ballyduff. Celine Kennelly, Leitrim Middle, Moyvane. Joan Dee, Well Street, Ballylongford. Free Tickets: Doreen, Bruach na Gaile, Moyvane. James Carmody, Ballybunion. Anna & Eveleen, Abbeyfeale. Andrew Boyd, Leitrim Middle, Moyvane. Mary O'Sullivan, Rooska Court, Carrigkerry. Next draw will be held this Thursday night, June 04 at Bingo in The Marian Hall. Jackpot: €16,000. Bingo starts at 8.00pm.

SPIN THE WHEEL

Congratulations to Catherine Fennell, Glin who spun the wheel and won €400 last week. The minimum you can win on the wheel is €300 and the top prize is €2,000.

SPLIT THE BUCKET

Congratulations to Taylor Kennelly, Moyvane who won €340 in the last week's draw. 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) and at Bingo in the Marian Hall. €2.00 per entry or 3 for €5.00. Next draw, Thursday, June 11. Thank you all for supporting this very important fundraiser for your local school.

MOYVANE DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

Is looking for people who are available to help with Tidy Towns clean-ups. Judging begins on June 01, so we want to ensure our village is looking its best. If you are a resident or business owner in the village, this might be a good time to do a clean up of your premises and maybe that painting job you've been putting off. Organised clean-ups take place each Tuesday evening at 7.00pm in the village. Please come along.

CHIROPODIST

Will attend Marian Hall Friday, June 05 at 10.00am. Call Noreen for appointment at 068-49238

VINTAGE RUN

Ger Kennelly Memorial Vintage Run Sunday, June 07 at Moyvane Community Centre, registration at 12 noon, run at 2:30pm to Tomásín's Lisselton. Refreshments & entertainment, raffle on the day. All proceeds to Nano Nagle Listowel & Moyvane Community Centre

FUNDRAISING WALK

Along the Old Kenmare Road June 11 in aid of My Canine Companion Autism & Therapy Services. Donations may be sent to Unit 1, Cregane Industrial Est., Station Rd, Creggane, Buttevant, Co. Cork, P51 WTK5.

MOYVANE PARISH GRAVEYARD MASSES 2026

Monday, August 03 at 8.00pm in Ahavoher Cemetery. Tuesday, August 04 at 8.00pm in Knockanure Old Cemetery. Wednesday, August 05 at 8.00pm in Murhur Cemetery.

BALLYGILTENANE NS

Celebration Raffle, part of the Schools' 150 years celebrations. Prizes include a 2 night break at the Woodlands House Hotel, restaurant vouchers for The Bunratty Manor Hotel and Ballybunion Golf Club. Tickets €5. Available from Maria in the Parish Office. Draw takes place at the School Sunday, June 14.

MASSSES FOR THE WEEK

MOYVANE: Thursday, June 04 Eucharistic Adoration at 6.00pm with Anniversary Mass for Jim & Ann Cunningham, Kilbaha at 7.00pm. Friday, June 05 Mass followed by confessions at 7.00pm Saturday, June 06 Anniversary Mass at 7.30pm for the following John Kearney (25 years) and his parents, Dan & Bridie and his brother, Oliver. Gerald Kennelly (4 years) Jack Mulvihill, Woodgrove. Month's Mind of Marie Behan, nee Carey, Auhgrim, recently deceased

KNOCKANURE:

First Friday, June 05, Mass at 10.00am followed by confessions. Sunday, June 07 Anniversary Mass for the following: Denis & Nancy Flaherty, Lissaniskea. Pat Joe McEnery, Tubbertoureen and Gerard Kennelly.



Emmets Ladies U12 team who took on neighbours Finuge/St. Senans this week

Tony Guerin launches his novel 'Quilt' during Writers' Week

Pictures from the launch of Tony Guerin's novel 'Quilt' in The Listowel Arms Hotel last Saturday

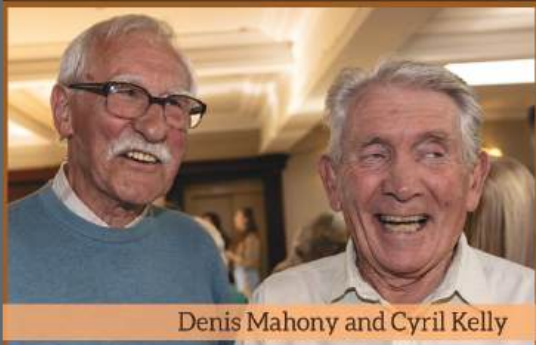
Tony's book "Quilt" is a melody of varying colours and shades of diamonds, some stitched with threads of gold, others with barbed wire. *Christine Dwyer Hickey.*

Quilt is a festival of fact and fiction where even the deck of generations has been well and truly shuffled. *Fantasies Fantastic. Cyril Kelly*

With inventive, expansive rose encompassing poetry, religion, tradition, local gossip and Irish mythology, lies a world shaped by secrecy, longing and the enduring influence of Catholic Ireland. *Patrick Bergin.*



Tom Sayers, Denis Mahony and Tony Guerin



Denis Mahony and Cyril Kelly



Tony and Marian Kiely



Margaret Guerin, Jean Culhane & Eileen Guerin (Tony's wife)



Tony Guerin, Colette Guerin & Jean Culhane



Tony and Michael Guerin

Cúirt Filíochta - Bardic Court Listowel

Top Munster Poets gathered to a large attendance in Listowel Library last Saturday for Cúirt Filíochata, an enjoyable evening of Irish Poetry, Conducted by Matt Mooney and his daughter Siobhan Mooney. Refreshment provided by Maire Nolan Head Librarian.



Brid Ni Mhorain



Pictured: Matt Ó Maonaigh, Tomás Ó Coileáin, Aengus Ó Dálaigh, Siobhan Mooney, Máire Ni Laoire, Cormac Mac Gearailt, Micheál Ó hUanacháin, Paddy Bushe, Ceaiti Ni Bheildiúin, Pádraig Ó Suilleabháin, Pádraig Mac Fhearghusa, Ciarán Ó Ceallaigh.

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U14 All Ireland Champions Orla Lyons & Aisling O'Connor (Lis-towel Emmets) following their victory over Down on Saturday



At Mounthawk Park last Thursday evening for the final of the Celsius Cup were Rattoo Rovers supporters Eddie Kearney, Tadgh Brosnan, Mike Murphy and Dan Brosnan. Photo Moss Joe Browne



Well done to Daniel Breen St. Michaels College on his top 8 finish in the National Schools Finals in the Shot Putt



Washing the dust down after baling hay while the sun shone in Lixnaw were Stephen Power and Willie Dowling



At Connolly Park ,Tralee on Sunday as they wait the arrival of the victorious Kerry U20 football team were Kelsey Condon, Anthony Houlihan, Liam Boyle and Siobhan Harrington. Photo Moss Joe Browne



Legendary Athea bookmaker Patsy Browne arriving at Tralee Greyhound Track on Friday evening. Photo Moss Joe Browne



A glamorous looking Kit O'Grady grandmother of star U20 footballer Evan Boyle at Connolly Park Tralee on Sunday to greet the All Ireland football Champions. Photo Moss Joe Browne



Lios Tuathail AC athlete Emily Wolska claimed 4th place at the Munster Finals and qualifications to Nationals in the Javelin.

Well done Emily



Emmets Senior B Ladies who came out with a well earned draw against Southern Gaels B team last Friday in Asdee



Ballyduff U8 footballers welcomed Ballydonoghue to Ballyduff last week for a great evening of football in the sun

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LISTOWEL EMMETS LADIES

A huge congratulations to our U14 players Orla Lyons and Aisling O'Connor for winning an All Ireland title on Saturday after a great win against Down. Kerry 1-8 Down 1-5.

New members of all ages are always very welcome — whether you're new to football or returning to the game.

Training times are as follows;

- U8: Saturday mornings 10.30-11.30am in Frank Sheehy Park, Listowel

- U10: Thursdays 5.00-6.00pm in The Boys School Field

- U12: Mondays 7-8pm in St Michael's Grass Pitch

- U14: Mondays & Wednesdays 6-7.30pm in the Cows Lawn

- U16: Tuesdays & Thursdays, 6-7.30pm in the Cows Lawn
- Minor & Senior: Wednesdays & Fridays 7pm, Sundays 10.30am (if no matches) in the Cows Lawn.

For more information, please contact Senior Manager and Chairman Mark on 087 719 4276, or speak to anyone involved with Listowel Emmets Ladies.

Results

U10 Go Games Blitz

Both of our U10s teams did us really proud last night at the Tarbert Blitz taking on Tarbert, Ballydonoghue and Ballyduff teams in a heat of 20 degrees plus! The girls were excellent and all the hard training came to light well done girls! & thanks to Shannonside Tarbert LGFA for facilitating a great evening for us!

U12 Go Games

Listowel Emmets vs. Finuge/St. Senans

Our U12's had a great evening away to our neighbours Finuge/St.Senans LFC Thursday evening. A brilliant game with fantastic teamwork and determination on display from all the girls. Well done to all!

Senior County Development League

Listowel Emmets B vs. Southern Gaels B

Our Senior Bs took the field for the second time this season and came away with a brilliant result, earning a hard-fought draw against a strong Southern Gaels side. Every single girl stepped up and played an absolute blinder from start to finish.

Our defence stood tall throughout with Eilish Hartevelde, Aoife Sweeney, Mai Leahy, Geraldine Walsh and Emma Browne working tirelessly together to clear danger, while Niamh Mulvihill was solid as always between the posts.

We had huge work rates around the middle from Yvonne Barrett and Zara O'Doherty who kept the ball moving all game, while Nora Keane put in a fantastic display at centre back — defending strongly and driving forward at will. She linked brilliantly with Sinéad Lyons around midfield whose engine should be studied!

Up front, Holly Ryan, Daisy O'Donnell, Emilie Browne and Laura Meehan caused problems all evening with some excellent movement and passing. The full forward line did serious damage with young Evanne Mason coming on to make a huge impact, bagging herself a goal. Taylor Lynch stepped out of goals for the evening and finished with an incredible 1-4.

And when it mattered most, our captain fantastic Daisy Walsh stepped up in the dying seconds and kicked an unbelievable point off her left foot to level the game and earn a deserved result.

A huge thank you to Southern Gaels for making the long journey and providing such a competitive game, and massive thanks also to Asdee GAA for allowing us use of the pitch in perfect condition so we could fulfil our home fixture — your generosity is greatly appreciated.

And big thanks to our two U16 girls Evanne and Daisy who came last minute and played superbly throughout.

Full time: Listowel Emmets 3-10 Southern Gaels 2-13

Scorers: Taylor Lynch 1-4, Sinéad Lyons 1-1, Evanne Mason 1-0

Daisy Walsh 0-2, Holly Ryan 0-2, Zara O'Doherty 0-1

LISTOWEL ATHLETIC CLUB

The club is absolutely bursting with pride following a historic performance by jumping sensation Alex Collins at the All-Ireland National Schools Championships held in Tullamore. Representing his school, Coláiste Ide agus Iosef

(Abbeyleale), Alex delivered a masterclass in determination and skill. Under immense pressure, Alex showed his true competitive grit to secure the All-Ireland Gold Medal and the Intermediate Triple Jump Trophy on his absolute final jump of the competition. This national crown adds to a spectacular seasonal tally for Alex, who is already the reigning National Indoor U17 Long Jump and Triple Jump Champion. Massive congratulations go out to Alex, his dedicated coaches, and his family for their unwavering support.

Well done to Daniel Breen who secured a top 8 finish in the Shot Putt representing St Michaels College at the National Finals.

Munster U13 / 14 Munster championships took place in Templemore on the bank holiday Monday. A huge well done to Emily Wolska who secured 4th place overall in the Javelin and has qualified for the National Finals. Adam Oconnell Shot Putt, Siun McCarthy Sprint and Long Jump, Saoirse Carey Middle distance and Long Jump all took part and performed well.

Best of luck to our Juniors and Seniors at Munster finals this coming weekend.

Preparation is well underway for the annual Jerry Kiernan 5K road race scheduled for Sunday, 23rd August 2026. The official permit has been approved (Cert No: 26/251). The fast route through the streets of Listowel will feature an exciting "Church Street Sprint" finishing directly into the historic town Square. Runners, walkers, and joggers of all abilities can secure their spot now via the Eventmaster Jerry Kiernan 5K Registration Page.

BALLYBUNION GOLF CLUB

Men's Competitions:

President's Prize Mr Frank Fenn — Saturday 30th & Sunday 31st May

1st	Dan Sheehan (19)	42 (B3 4)
2nd	David Walsh (21)	42
3rd	Mark Hennessy (13)	40
4th	Thomas Griffin (19)	39 (B6 7)
5th	David Toomey (22)	39 (B9 21)
Past Presidents John Sexton		
Past Captain's	Vincent Moloney	36
Best Gross:	Brian Lenihan	34
6th	James Kennelly (6)	39
7th	Daniel Donovan (22)	38 (B6 15)
8th	Michael Lucid (8)	38 (B9 19)
9th	Neilus O'Sullivan (24)	38

Day 1	Ewan McHale (4)	37
Day 2	Shane Adams (21)	38
Cat 1 1st	Aidan Buckley (6)	35
Cat 2 1st	Des Adams (12)	37 (B9 19)
Cat 3 1st	Patrick B Murrhry (14)	37
Cat 4 1st	C Kenny (24)	37
Guest 1st	Peter O'Loughlen	
Committee Prize	Sean O'Keefe	35

Putting Green Competition

Ladies:	Olga Kiely	16
Men's:	Mark Sheehan	15

Fixtures:

Sean Walsh Memorial Men's Competition Sponsored by The Walsh Family — Sunday 7th June

Ladies Tuesday Voucher Competition — Tuesday 26th May Old Course

1st	Anne Hill (24)	38pts (back 9-20pts)
2nd	Eithne Ohalloran (20)	38pts (back 9-18pts)
3rd	Maeve Barrett (19)	36pts (back 6-11pts)
4th	Marie Kennelly (32)	36pts (back 6-10pts)

Nine Hole Competition Old Course

1st	Colleen McElligott (16)	19pts
2nd	Marjorie Morkan (13)	16pts

Fixtures:

Ladies Competition (GOY 5) Sponsored by Bailys Solicitors Tralee — Saturday 6th June

Ladies Tuesday Competition — Tuesday 9th June Cashen Course

Senior Men's Competition — Thursday 21st May Cashen Course

1st.	Larry Hickey (16)	23pts.
2nd.	Joe McCarthy (10)	21pts. B6-16.
3rd.	Noel Fennell (14)	21pts. B6-13.
Gross.	Michael K. Barrett	18pts.
4th.	Michael Queally (11)	19pts. B6-14.
5th.	Noel Lynch (11)	19pts. B6-13.
6th.	Richard Condon (8)	19pts. B6-12.
7th.	Pat Shanahan (10) 20-2	18pts. B6-14. B3-8.
8th.	Michael P. Donegan 18) 21-3	18pts. B6-14. B3-6
9th.	Dan Sheehan (8) 19-1	18pts. B1-2. F3-5.
10th.	Richard O'Reilly (8)	18pts. B12-. F3-4.
V.	Frank Dore (5) 20-3	17pts. B6-14.

S.V.	Rory Flannery (9) 19-2	17pts. B5-15.
S.S.V.	Denis Eggleston (18)	16pts. B6-13.

Senior Men's Competition — Thursday 28th May Cashen Course

1st.	Tadhg Barrett (22)26-3	23pts. B6-17.
2nd.	Joseph Sheehan (7)	23pts. B6-16.
3rd.	Thomas J. Quilter (14) 23-2	21pts. B6-17.
Gross.	John Bambury	15pts.
4th.	John Sexton (10) 23-2	21pts. B6-16.
5th.	Pat Neviulle (9) 23-2	21pts. B6-15.
6th.	Gerry Murray (12) 22-2	20pts. B6-17.
7th.	Tim Nolan (13)	20pts. B6-14. B3-7.
8th.	Denis C. Eggleston (19) 22-2	20pts. B6-14. B1-2.
9th.	Michael Barry (9)	20pts. B6-14. B1-1.
10th.	Jerry Kiely (7)	20pts. B6-13.
V.	Patrick Shanahan (10) 18-4	14pts. B6-14.
S.V.	Eddie Moylan (10)	19pts. B6-12.
S.S.V.	Jerry Galvin (12)	19pts. B6-15.

Fixtures: Senior Men's Competition — Thursday 4th June Cashen Course

Senior Ladies 9 Hole Competition — Friday 29th May Cashen Course

1st	Ann O'Riordan (16)	23pts
2nd	Aideen O'Leary (24)	21pts (back6-16 pts)
3rd	Sighle Henigan (14)	21pts (back 6-14 pts)

Fixtures: Senior Ladies 9 Hole Competition — Friday 5th June Cashen Course

FINUGE GAA

FINUGE 500: Congratulations to our April €500 winner Paul Breen. 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 or from any club officer. The May draw will contain a special bonus of Munster Hurling Final tickets for Cork V Limerick as well as €500 - draw will be Monday 1st June .

SENIOR: Round nine of the Kerry county league took place last Friday when the team played host to near neighbours Ballyduff, with the game played in James O'Sullivan Park. A comfortable win for our lads secured the two points and keeps them in the upper half of the table, safe from relegation and in with a chance for promotion - depending on other results. Final score Finuge 2-15; Ballyduff 1-04.

Main senior 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. Cronins Cider are also sponsoring the team and recently helped provide training gear. Competition sponsor is McCarthy Insurance Group - MIG.ie

MINOR: No games for the team for a while due to the exams break.

U17: Our U17 team were busy on a hot Monday evening the 25th of May in Duagh. The team played two games (12 min a side) Game 1 : Hosts Duagh came out on top. Game 2: A draw versus Knock/Brosna who equalised with last kick of the game. Callum O'Sullivan was team captain on a fine evening for football. Round two takes place this Thursday evening in Churchill when the team face off against hosts Churchill and Moyvane.

U16: Next up for the team will be the county league commencing the end of June.

U14: This year our U14 players are playing with St Senans and both the A & B teams have qualified for their respective county finals. The A team won their division three final against Kilcummin two weeks ago while last week the B team came agonisingly close to winning against Fries - going down by just two points in a great game.

ACADAMEY: Our youngest members are in full summer action and having an absolute ball! Training for U6, U8, U10 is on Sunday mornings. Please feel free to contact us through social media or any club officer if you have a boy or girl in these ages that would like to try out Gaelic Football.

U12: Well done to our U12's on a fine display v St Mary's of Caheriveen on Sunday week ago. Played in perfect conditions under a blue sky and hot sun, the team put in a great display of kicking, defensive tackling and tracking back along with teamwork.

After that the team played another South Kerry team in the shape of Skellig Rangers. Some great defending, attacking and teamwork with some really nice scores. Training resumes Wednesday evening at 6.30pm in Finuge.

The team are taking part in a 4 match U11 tournament in Moyvane at 10am this Saturday morning - best of luck to all involved. Thank you to Lixnaw GAA for the use of pitch and to St Mary's for travelling north - likewise to Skellig Rangers making it to Finuge.

U10: Massive well done to our U10 boys on a fantastic game against Cordal

last Wednesday evening. Great effort, teamwork, and spirit from start to finish. Thanks to Jamie Breen and Emma Rose Galvin who were our 'Young Whistlers' on the night and did a fantastic job. Thank you to Cordal for travelling

U8: Well done to our mighty U8s who played brilliantly in the sunshine in Duagh on Friday evening. Great skill and teamwork on show - the team are improving every week. Keep up the practice at home. Thank you to Duagh or hosting.

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 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. A registration night will be held this Sunday the 31st of May from 7-8pm at the clubrooms - this is for non-playing members only.

CLUB SHOP: With the season in full swing 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, 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 MINORS: Well done to Daithí Laide on his recent appearances with the Kerry minors. The team reached the Munster Final and were very unlucky not to take the honours after extra time against a strong Cork side. The team now progress into the All Ireland series.

CÚL CAMPS: Its that time of the year again to book your Finuge Cúl Camp places. This year the camp takes place the last week of July from the 27th - 31st. A fantastic week of fun and activity as always, so don't miss out and book today!

HOSPICE SWIM: On June 14th JJ Liston, Cathal Slattery and their friends are doing a charity swim for Kerry hospice. They will swim the equivalent of a half marathon (21.1km) at Ballyunion Leisure Centre, starting at 1pm. Cathal, Ewan, Noah, JJ, and Adam have come together to raise vital funds for Kerry Hospice, supporting the development of five new palliative care rooms in Tralee. Every donation, big or small, will make a real difference.

BALLYLONGFORD GAA

McCarthy Insurance County League Division 6

Our unbeaten run in the Co League came to an end on Sunday with a two-point defeat to Glenflesk on a scoreline of 1-7 to 0-8. In this low scoring game Glenflesk were a little more clinical on the day, but we battled to the very end and created some opportunities but didn't capitalise on them. However, with two games remaining, we're still very much in the hunt for promotion. We now have a three-week break resuming with a home game against Kilcummin on Sunday June 21st @ O'Rahillys Park Ballylongford.

Ballylongford Senior Team:

Team 1. Paudie Moroney, 2. Liam Hanrahan, 3. Sean Carmody, 4. Pa Carmody, 5. Paddy O'Neil, 6. Tadgh McEllistrem, 7. Paudie O'Neill, 8. Sean Hanrahan, 9. Logan O'Sullivan, 10. Jack Mulvihill, 11. Ciaran O'Connor, 12. Michael Holly, 13. Cathal Byrne, 14. Oisín Healy, 15. Brendan Keane, 16. Conor Carmody, 17. Matt O'Connor, 18. Oran O'Neill, 19. Liam Mulvihill, 20. Paul Murphy, 21. Kenneth Tydings.

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Northern Gaels B 5-8 Milltown/Castlemaire B 3-7

Well done to everyone involved, a mighty effort by a great bunch of players.

U10 Go Game v Ballyduff

The U10s had a great outing away to Ballyduff on Wednesday evening. Huge progress is being shown by this super bunch of kids. Excellent skills, passing, shooting, tacking and teamwork was on display. Thanks to Ballyduff for hosting and best of luck to them for the rest of the year.

Weekly Lotto Draw: Saturday 23rd May

Jackpot €4350 - Numbers Drawn: 15, 16, 26, 32

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KERRY PITCH & PUTT

Three bronze medals was the outcome of the National Matchplay Weekend for Kerry in Cork after the June Bank Holiday Weekend after Tralee father and daughter Tony and Charlotte Blake along with Deerpark's David Harnett made it to the semi-finals of their respective grades.

Tony Blake made the semi-finals of the Intermediate Mens competition in Rocklodge as he looked in good form on Sunday afternoon in the quarter-finals defeating Tipperary's Sean McCormack 10&8 but he lost out by 7&6 in the semi-finals to eventual runner-up Darren Temple of St Stephens in Glanmire. Tony's daughter Charlotte reached the semi-finals of the Junior Ladies event in Ranges in Ballincollig as she missed out on the chance to hold both the Junior Ladies Strokeplay and Matchplay titles at the same time following a 5&4 semi-final defeat to eventual Theresa Venables of Lakewood in Cork.

Deerpark's David Harnett came the closest to reaching a final as he came back from a deficit of six down with seven to play against eventual runner-up Aidan O'Rourke of Cunnigar in Dungarvan before losing out 3&2 in the finish. The County Board congratulates all three on their performances as there were some other noteworthy showings over the weekend itself. Listowel's Chris Gibney had a great run to the quarter-finals of the Senior Mens event before losing out to the eventual winner John Walsh of Collins in Cork.

All the other three Kerry players in the Senior Mens event fell in Round 2 with former three-time winner Damien Fleming of Deerpark along with Tralee duo Jason Cregan and Gavin Carroll losing out in the Last 32. Listowel's Ajay Barrett reached the Last 16 of the Intermediate competition only losing to eventual winner Ian Leech of St Annes in Cork on the last hole. Deerpark's James Foley lost to eventual Junior winner Kieran Kenneally of Claycastle in Cork in the Junior Mens quarter-finals meaning four of the six winners at the event had to beat a Kerry player along the way. Deerpark's Jean O'Shea was also a beaten quarter-finalist in the Junior Ladies event losing to eventual runner-up Angela Royer of Bishopstown.

Elsewhere the Bob Casey Memorial Inter-Club Strokeplay was due to begin in Castleisland on Tuesday night last as the event will be held in Deerpark (June 9th), Tralee (June 16th) and Listowel (June 23rd) in the coming weeks. We wish all those from the county heading to the Riverdale Scratch Cup this weekend the very best of luck as the event forms part of some of our Inter-County Teams trial process.

LIOS TUATHAIL AC'S ALEX COLLINS IS NATIONAL CHAMPION



Massive congratulations is extended to local athlete Alex Collins of Lios Tuathail AC. Alex put in a superb performance last Saturday in Tullamore to claim the title of National School Champion in the Triple Jump. This brilliant achievement highlights Alex's top-notch dedication and hard work over the season. Well done Alex, from all your coaches, teammates, and supporters



Early arrivals as the sun was setting at Mounthawk Park last Thursday evening for the Celsius Cup final were Ratoos's Dotie Guerin, William and Johnny Quinlan also Kyle O'Connor. Photo Moss Joe Browne



A brilliant turnout at the U10 Go Games Blitz in Tarbert with Listowel Emmets, Shannonside Tarbert, Ballydonoghue and Ballyduff all represented on a gorgeous day for football

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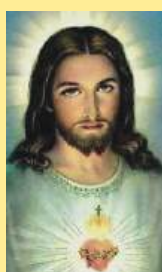
The St. Pio Prayer Group will meet on Friday 5th June in St. Mary's Church Listowel at 6pm. Eircode: V31 YK77

Programme for 5th June 2026:

6pm: Confessions & Rosary
6.15pm: Mass, Sermon & Benediction
6.50pm: Veneration of The Relic

Theme: Preparing for The Blessed Sacrament Procession

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THE MIRACLE PRAYER

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

This time I ask you this special one, (mention favour). Take it dear heart of Jesus and place it within your heart where

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 favour will be granted. Never been known to fail. Must promise publication of prayer. **MMM**



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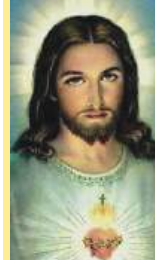
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