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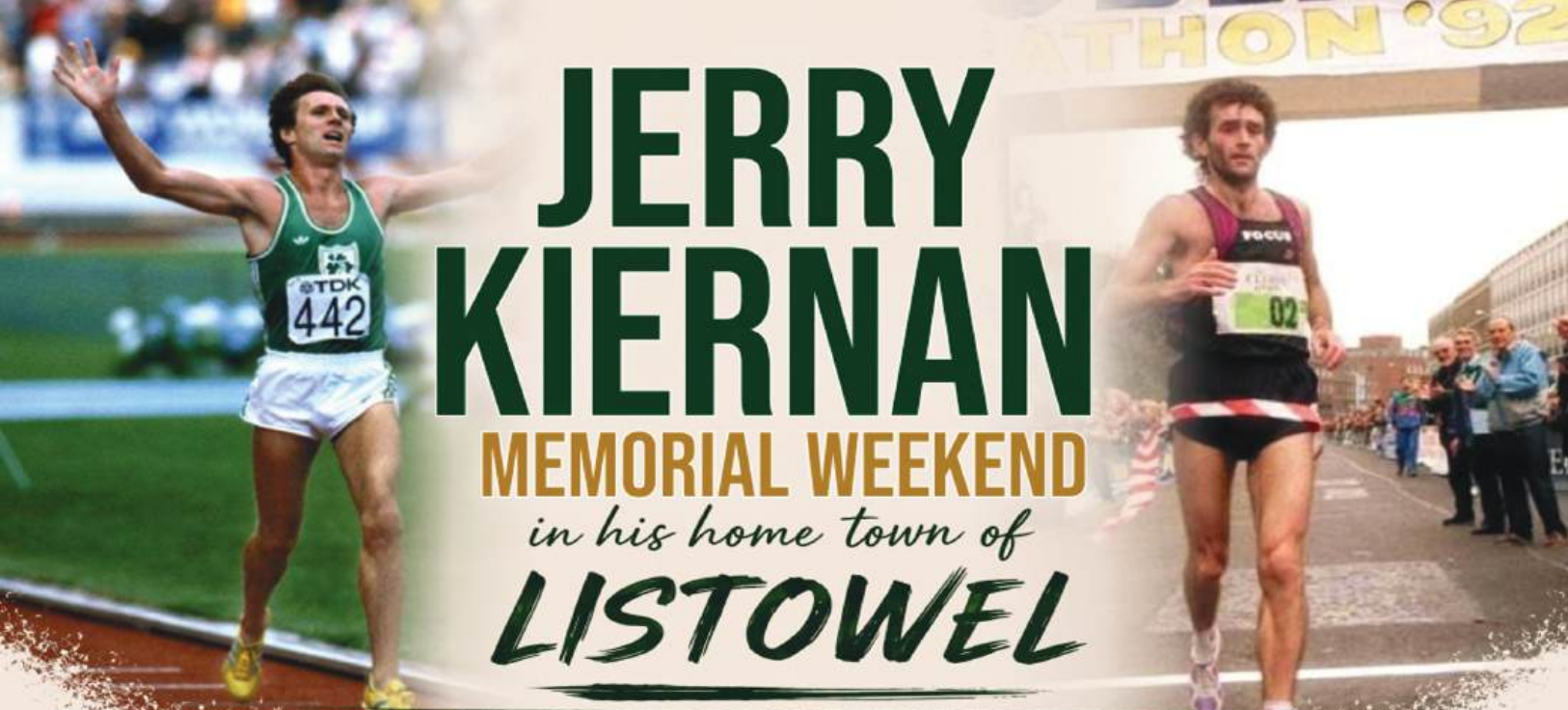
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Festival Programme

Opening Night Friday 31st July

Kids Fancy Dress Parade

Gathering at Church Grounds with parade to the Festival Stage at Kennelly's Yard. Prizes for best dressed.

Time: 7.00pm

Departs: Church Grounds **Fee:** FREE

Kids Festival Disco

Kids, dance the evening away at our Festival disco with great live music with DJ Shicco.

Time: 7.30pm

Venue: Kennelly's Yard **Fee:** FREE

Official Festival 2026 Opening

Join us for the official opening of the 2026 Ballylongford Oyster Festival with special guest Patrick O'Mahony, World Champion Irish Dancer and former principal dancer with Riverdance.

Time: 8.30pm

Venue: Kennelly's Yard **Fee:** FREE

Annual Oyster Swallowing Competition

Join us for our most 'shellebrated' event of the year, the annual oyster swallowing contest. It's all you can swallow in 30 seconds to win big bucks.

Prizes include: 1st €100, 2nd €50, 3rd €25 plus trophies.

Kindly Sponsored by Liam & Kevin Purtill.

Time: 9.00pm

Venue: Kennelly's Yard **Fee:** FREE

Festival Bar Entertainment

Join us for a great weekend of live entertainment each night during the Festival in our public houses around the village of Ballylongford!

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Day 2 Saturday 1st August

Conor Heaphy Memorial Football Blitz

U12's Tournament s at Ballylongford O'Rahilly GAA Grounds. More info contact Moss Kenrick on 086 220 9469.

Time: 11.00am

Venue: O'Rahilly GAA Grounds **Fee:** FREE

The Forge Coffee Stop

At the cozy coffee shop for a sing song & live music with Adam Finucane.

Time: 1.00pm - 3.30pm

Venue: The Forge Coffee Stop **Fee:** FREE

Festival Car Treasure Hunt

Gather in the Church Yard with Noel Lynch who will be responsible for 1 1/2 hours of fun and puzzle solving.

Prizes presented at 4.00pm in Mike O'Carroll's Bar (Sponsor)

Time: 2.30pm - 4.00pm

Departs: Church Yard **Fee:** €15 per car

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Venue: The Parish Hall **Fee:** €80.00



The Mike O'Neill Memorial Darts Tournament

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Contribution will be made to Ballylongford Xmas lights fund.

Time: 10.00pm

Venue: The Rovers Return

Bank Holiday Monday 3rd August

Annual Memorial Tractor Run

Join us for our annual tractor run in memory of John Hanrahan, Ahanrahan, Ballylongford with both kids and adults tractor runs. Kindly sponsored by Timmy Lynch.

All donations on the day in aid of Palliative Care Kerry. Please support this most worthy cause!

Time: Registration from 12noon at Finucane's Bar

Kids Run Departs 1.15pm **Adults Run Departs** 1.30pm

Departs: Quay Street **Fee:** €20.00

Historical Walk

Come along and enjoy a walk packed full of historical facts and folklore with guests,

Dr. Declan Downey, Padraig O'Concubhair & Tom Kennedy.

€5 fee which will be donated to the upkeep of our Parish Hall.

Time: 2.30pm **Departs:** From The Church Yard **Fee:** €5.00

Day 3 Sunday 2nd August

Family Funday Country & Western Style

Enjoy an afternoon of family fun in the Church Grounds with games and activities for all ages. This year, we're adding a Country & Western theme in the Parish Hall, featuring country music, line dancing with a dance instructor.

There will also be a dog show for all to enjoy. Don't miss the excitement of our Donkey Drop Bingo, a unique attraction that is sure to keep everyone guessing with draw on the day. A guaranteed fun-filled afternoon of music, BBQ, dancing, laughter and community spirit for all the family.

Time: 2.00pm - 5.00pm

Venue: Church Grounds & Parish Hall

Fee: €5 per adult / €2 per child

Charity Soccer Match

In memory of John McGrath, Timmy Noonan & Patrick Curtin Lenamore Rovers V Newtown Athletic.

Proceeds towards Ballylongford Xmas lights fund.

Time: 5.00pm

Venue: Micheal Dennehy Park, V31C678

The Festival Duck Race

Get ready for the quackiest event of the festival. Join us for a splashing good time at the plastic duck race. Adopt a duck or more for €5 per duck. Then cheer them on as they bob and float downstream.

Time: 7.00pm

Venue: The Village

Wellie Drag Race

Get ready to boot up speed and join us for a sole-full showdown at the wellie drag race.

Time: 7.30pm

Venue: The Village

The Barmans Race

In honour of James McNamara. A Festival highlight, witness some hilarious fun and frolics, obstacles include bales and tyres. You don't have to be a Publican or work in a bar to take part.

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Venue: The Village



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Resetting Your Routine, One Small Step at a Time

As July draws to a close, many of us have enjoyed holidays, family gatherings, days out, and making the most of the longer evenings. While summer is far from over, this time of year often gives us an opportunity to pause and gently reset our routines.

For me, wellness has never been about perfection. There are days when life is busy, routines slip, meals aren't quite as healthy as I'd planned, or exercise doesn't happen. And that's perfectly okay.

The important thing is simply starting again.

Returning to the Basics

Whenever I feel I need a little reset, I go back to the simple habits that I know make me feel my best.

That usually starts with drinking more water - always with a drop of Lemon essential oil to make it fresh and refreshing.

I become a little more mindful of my food choices, make time for my daily walks, and ensure my supplements become part of my morning routine again.

It's amazing how quickly the body responds when we give it the simple things it needs.

The Oils I Reach For

During my own little reset, there are a handful of oils I use every day.

Balance is one I never tire of. Applied to the soles of my feet first thing in the morning, it helps me feel grounded and ready for whatever the day brings.

Wild Orange is always diffusing in my home. Its fresh, cheerful aroma instantly lifts the atmosphere and reminds me that wellness should also be enjoyable.

In the evenings, I return to **Serenity** or **Lavender**, helping me unwind and prepare for a restful night's sleep.

And of course, my **Deep Blue Stick** is never far away after a good walk or a busy day. It's become one of those products that has earned a permanent place in my Natural Wellness Cupboard.

Building Healthy Habits

One of the biggest lessons I've learned is that healthy habits don't need to be complicated.

It's the little things we repeat each day that build a strong foundation for our wellbeing. That's exactly why I love dÓTERRA. The oils and supplements work alongside the healthy choices we're already trying to make. They aren't a replacement for good habits—they're a wonderful support to them.

Caroline's Top Tip – Reset, Don't Restart

If your routine has slipped over the summer, don't wait until September to begin again.

Choose one small habit today. Drink an extra glass of water. Go for a walk. Diffuse your favourite oil. Get to bed half an hour earlier.

Small changes made consistently often bring the biggest rewards.

Your Wellness Journey Starts Here

If you've been reading my column and wondering where to begin, I'd love to help.

Opening your own dÓTERRA Wholesale Account through **Wellness with Caroline Horgan** costs just **€25 for the year**, giving you access to wholesale pricing across the full range of essential oils, supplements, personal care, and wellness products. Even better, the membership fee is waived when you purchase one of the popular kits, such as the **Family Essentials Kit** or **Home Essentials Kit**.

More importantly, you gain ongoing guidance and support. I love helping individuals and families across North Kerry, West Limerick, and beyond build their own **Natural Wellness Cupboard**, giving them the confidence to use their products safely and effectively every day.

Thought for the Week

"Every new day is an opportunity to begin again. Wellness isn't about getting it perfect—it's about choosing yourself, one small step at a time."

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KERRY WRITERS' MUSEUM LAUNCHES SUMMER SESSIONS MUSIC & STORYTELLING SERIES

Kerry Writers' Museum, Listowel is delighted to present Summer Sessions, a weekly programme of live music, storytelling and traditional entertainment taking place throughout August as part of the museum's 25th anniversary celebrations.

Held each Thursday evening at 8.00pm in the welcoming surroundings of the museum café, Summer Sessions will showcase some of North Kerry's finest musicians, singers and storytellers, offering audiences an intimate and memorable cultural experience.

The series opens on Thursday, 30 July, with the ever-popular Listowel Rambling House. Inspired by the long-standing Irish tradition of neighbours gathering to share stories, songs and laughter, Listowel Rambling House has been a much-loved fixture in the museum's programme for more than 15 years.

On Thursday, 6 August, audiences can enjoy an evening of traditional and folk music with acclaimed duo Ian O'Shea and James Gornall. Their repertoire includes a variety of Irish traditional and contemporary songs, as well as popular songs from the 60s, 70s, 80s and 90s.

Storytelling takes centre stage on Thursday, 13 August, when renowned storytellers Frances Kennedy and Sonny Egan bring audiences a relaxed and uplifting evening filled with stories, songs, local folklore, humour and wisdom.

The series continues on Thursday, 20 August, with singer-songwriter Noelle O'Sullivan who has established herself as one of Ireland's distinctive contemporary folk artists, blending heartfelt songwriting with evocative storytelling. She has performed at actor Dominic West's wedding and shared the stage with acclaimed musicians including Mick Flannery and John Sheahan of The Dubliners. During her performance, Noelle will feature songs from her latest album, *Rolling on the Inside*, released earlier this year.

The Summer Sessions conclude on Thursday, 27 August, with another evening of music, stories and community spirit at Listowel Rambling House.

Speaking ahead of the programme, Cara Trant, Executive Director of Kerry Writers' Museum, said:

"We are delighted to present Summer Sessions as part of Kerry Writers' Museum's 25th anniversary celebrations. This series celebrates the rich musical and storytelling traditions of North Kerry while providing a welcoming space for local audiences and visitors alike to come together and enjoy exceptional live performances in an intimate setting."

Admission to Listowel Rambling House is free of charge. Tickets for all other performances are €10, including light refreshments, and can be booked online or purchased at the door on the evening of each event.

For tickets and further information, visit www.kerrywritersmuseum.com

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SAN RITA WELLNESS

Welcome to San Rita Wellness weekly column... We hope you are safe and well.

Isn't it strange where the week's are flying by and yet we are trying to make the most of every day by doing something different rather than doing the same thing every day. You could say we do the same with our food choices too, but it's important to remember that we need to shake things up a bit with different ideas and variety.

On our San Rita Wellness plan we can easily bulk up our meals with added fruit and veg as most of these are calorie free on our plan. Fruit and vegetables are great to add colour to our meals which satisfies both our eyes and our belly.

Is Lunch a challenge for you?

- Are you reaching for the same thing every day like Bread, Bread and more Bread?
- Are you actually preplanning your Lunch or deciding on the spur of the moment?
- Are your Lunches filling enough?

Lunch is the one meal of the day that is most likely to be eaten away from home, making it harder to stay in control of your food choices.

For example: A day trip to the beach, a picnic with some sightseeing, a day out shopping etc.

Here are some tips that may help.

- Have a look at some lunch ideas online
- Make your own rolls / sandwiches to bring with you
- Have some chopped fruit in a container for snacking
- Decide to have something different every day
- Choose to sit, eat and enjoy your Lunch (more mindful)
- Choose filling foods such as Wholemeal breads, pasta, left over protein such as chicken or fish.
- Plan 3 or 4 different types of lunches for over the week

Another option for you if you are trying to cut down on bread would be "**BROGHIES**". Broghies are a large popped grain type cracker often referred to as an edible bowl. They are low in carbs and calories and are also vegan friendly. You can add a variety of different toppings to them which makes them an ideal lunch or snack. They are available in your local Super Valu store in Listowel and Ballybunion.

Some of these tips can help you avoid food boredom. Planning lunch in advance is a great way to ensure you get in more variety and colour and most of all leave you feeling more satisfied. Lunch is every bit as important as every other meal as it has to carry you next main meal. So that is why it's important that it is filling and healthy in order to avoid any pitfalls during the afternoon.

For extra support and for weekly accountability check us out on Facebook **San Rita Wellness** or sanritawellness.com 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 morning from 10am to 11am and evening from 6pm to 7pm

Give us a call on Sandra 087 6718377, Rita 087 1012174

Until next week Sandra and Rita



Danielle O Carroll daughter of Betty & the late Brendan O Carroll Moyvane South / Seefin House Listowel and Jason Moohin son of Graham & Wendy Moohin Mackay Queensland Australia who got married in Santorini Greece on 11th June 2026.

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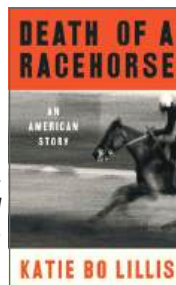
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By Katie Bo Lillis

The inside story of the crisis within the country's most classic sport—horseracing—and why money is killing thoroughbreds at the top of their game.



Every year, hundreds of horses die on the racetrack. Why?

In this deeply reported and propulsive narrative, CNN reporter Katie Bo Lillis shows how two high-profile cases lay bare the ills facing the sport: the abrupt, industry-rocking indictments of top trainers Jason Servis and Jorge Navarro, and the untold story of Bob Baffert, the most successful and recognizable horse trainer in modern history, and the allegations he faced after a string of mysterious horse deaths and the high-profile disqualification of his latest Kentucky Derby winner for a failed drug test.

Death of a Racehorse delves deep into the horse racing world, offering intimate access to dozens of top trainers, owners, breeders, veterinarians, lab specialists, and more. The mainstream perception has been that rampant drug use is forcing these horses to run past their natural ability, resulting in heart attacks and broken legs. But this doesn't paint the full picture.

That picture is driven by class tension between the affluent old stables and an ambitious new guard. This upstairs-downstairs drama shows blue-blooded families on a quest to restore horse racing to the good old days that never existed, versus those like Bob Baffert who are still viewed as outsiders—fantastically successful, but coming from less pedigreed backgrounds and experience. The privileged few, determined to save the sport, seem to hold a powerful suspicion that the sport's brash, pioneering working class could not possibly be doing so well on their own.

Lillis shows how the breeding industry prioritizes making millions over breeding a sound, durable horse. A disjointed race schedule, created by racetrack operators that are trying to maximize betting opportunities, makes it impossible to manage a horse's athletic career safely. In this purely capitalistic industry, the brute force of winning and the money that follows has taken the place of a responsible husbandry of the animal that is its beating heart.

Death of a Racehorse is a cutting, on-the-ground investigation into the morally ambiguous behavior at the industry's glamorous center, raising nuanced questions about the relationship between animal and human—and offering a hopeful path forward for one of America's oldest and most treasured sports.

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Listowel Emmets Sadie O'Brien was chosen to lift the Brendan Martin Cup onto the pitch before the Ladies All Ireland Final next Sunday. Best of luck Sadie!



Daryl and Lucy Mongey representing Listowel at the run with Ciara Megeehan at the Senior Nationals last Sunday



Emmets U14 girls who took part in a mini blitz in Abbeydorney during the week



Some members from Ballyduff representing Kerry U15s after a superb victory over Kilkenny in Dromakee on Saturday last.



Listowel Celtic 2014 Boys Category who won the Treaty Cup last week in UL



Congrats to Catherine Lynch Ballyhorgan West, Lixnaw who is the week 3 winner of the Summer Stars Q at Listowel Library



North Kerry folk attending Tralee Car Boot Sale on Sunday morning were Frank Fitzell who travelled from Tarbert with Michelle Costello and her puppy Lucy also Cian Costello who was keeping active on a bicycle. Photo Moss Joe Browne



Causeway native Pat Sheehan was feeling excited ahead of the big game last Sunday. Photo Moss Joe Browne



Congratulations to the Griffin sisters, Shona and Cora, winning silver and bronze respectively in the Munster U16 Pitch and Putt Strokeplay Championships in Cork last weekend

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BUCKET COLLECTION FOR PATTERN DAY

Bucket Collection will take place on Sunday 9th August in aid of insurance for Pattern day. Please give generously.

BALLYBUNION TIDY TOWNS

Art Competition open for ages 6-16. Thank you to all volunteers and local residents for all your watering around town. All info is on our Facebook and Instagram platforms.

TINTEÁN THEATRE

Coming Fri 31st July at 8pm Hermitage Green reaches a 15 year landmark and is aiming as high as ever. Following sell out shows at St John's Castle, Limerick and Whelan's Dublin we are excited to welcome them back to Ballybunion. Doors open at 7pm.

Coming up on Sat 8th August is Elvis the Vegas Experience- John Coates a 2023 European Elvis champion and a multi award winning Elvis is coming to the kingdom, he is a member of the International Elvis tribute artist hall of Fame, and recorded in sun studios Memphis where Elvis recorded many of his earliest hits. Doors open at 7pm.

Also coming up on Wednesday 12th August is Radio Kerry's Country by the Sea Hosted by the ever-popular Billy Donegan and accompanied by the Ryan Turner Band, this year's concert brings together an outstanding line-up of country music favourites. Taking to the stage will be Effie Neill, Dave Lawlor, Paddy O'Brien, Bernie Heaney, Paudie McAuliffe, Kathy Durkin, The Murphy's and Ballybunion's own Ger Walsh, promising a wonderful mix of classic country hits, Irish favourites and plenty of toe-tapping entertainment. Doors open at 7.30pm.

Tintean has an exciting line-up of concerts coming up this year: visit www.tintean.ie

BEACH WHEELCHAIRS

Free Beach wheelchair service is continuing again this summer. The Beach Wheelchair is housed at Ballybunion Ladies Beach at the Lifeguards Hut. It can be used for up to 3 Hours depending on Bookings. Weekdays 12 Noon – 7pm and weekends 11am – 7pm Phone 087 3748030 to Book.

PATTERN DAY – SATURDAY 15TH AUGUST, BALLYBUNION

A fun-filled Pattern Day in Ballybunion on Saturday, 15th August. The day begins with a FREE Sand Castle Competition on the Ladies Beach at 10am, followed by the Kids Fun Colour Run at 10.30am and the 5km Colour Run at 11am. Registration for both colour runs is available at: <https://eventmaster.ie/event/02W3FzqsA1>

Enjoy Busking on the Street from 11.30am to 12.30pm, followed by Ger Walsh performing at The Railway Bar from 1pm to 3pm. From 5pm to 7pm, Eddie Lee will perform on the Castle Green, where a Jiving Competition will also take place.

Market stalls on the Castle Green will be open from 11am until late, and all music events are free.

Everyone is welcome for what promises to be a fantastic day of family fun and entertainment.

BALLYBUNION SUMMER MARKETS

We are holding our Christmas Market Sunday 2nd August, we will be running a market on Saturday 1st August and Saturday 8th August along with our regular Sunday markets. The Saturday markets will run from 10am to 1pm in the garden across from Mcmunns Ballybunion, and as always we will be donating 100% of all traders fees to Ballybunion Sea & Cliff Rescue. A lot of our regular traders will be joining us and we will have a few fantastic new vendors too

BINGO BALLYBUNION

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 Geraldine or any member of the parish team for further information

BALLYBUNION LIBRARY

Ballybunion Library: Come in with your child and sign up for the Summer Stars Reading Programme, whereby they read 8 books over the holidays and are awarded with a certificate and Medal for completing the challenge. www.summerstars.ie Also, for the children that are starting Junior Infants this September, we have a Little Library Bag for each child. It contains some nice books and other goodies that may help the transition to Primary School.

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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.

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 for any information.

POSITIONS AVAILABLE IN COMMUNITY

Community Employment offers paid work, welfare support, free training courses and an opportunity to get involved in the community. Current part-time positions (19.5 hrs. /wk.) Include: Tinteán caretaker, Leisure Centre Cleaner, Sea Rescue Hut Caretaker, Environmental worker with Tidy Towns. For details, contact Rosaleen on 089-2763786 or email saothairmanabhann@gmail.com

HAPPY TAILS DOG GROOMING

Exciting news for all pet owners! A brand-new dog grooming service has just opened 10 minutes from Ballybunion, offering top-quality care to keep your furry friends looking and feeling their best. Whether your pup needs a full groom, a quick wash, or a little pampering, they've got you covered!

Support local business and treat your dog to a well-deserved spa day. To book your appointment today Contact Sinead on 087 622 9501.

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

BALLYLONGFORD OYSTER FESTIVAL

Ballylongford Oyster Festival - August Bank Holiday Weekend (Friday 31st July - Monday 3rd August). Fun and sport for all the family! Check out our Facebook page for a full festival programme.

BALLYBUNION NOTES

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DEATHS

The death took place of Iris Killen (nee Parkinson) in Bedford, Bedfordshire, England and formerly of Carhoonakineely, Tarbert. Iris died on 1 July 2026. She was daughter of the late Otto (the Thresher) and Rachel (Queenie) née Fitzell. Iris was predeceased by her husband Mick, her daughter Kerrie Ann, her brothers Peter and Desmond, her sister Joyce and brother-in-law John Abbott. Sympathy of the community to her sons Michael, Damian, Matthew and Sean, brothers Noel, Eric and Norman, sister Enid, daughters-in-law, sisters-in-law Clare, Muriel and Teresa, nephew, nieces, relatives and friends and her many friends in Ireland and England. Cremation Service will take place on Tuesday 4 August.

The Memorial Mass for the late John Kelly who died in New York aged 56 years was celebrated by Fr. John Buckley in St. Mary's Church, Tarbert on Saturday 25 July. Family members did the readings and Gene Kelly, New York and Chapel Street who had accompanied the remains to Tarbert recalled at the Mass how John was such a passionate lover of all kinds of music and loved playing the drums. He loved holidaying with his relatives in Tarbert and Asdee. His ashes were later interred in the family plot in St. Mary's Cemetery.

GRAVEYARD MASSES

The first of the local Graveyard Masses takes place on this Friday 31 July at 7pm in St. Mary's Cemetery, Tarbert which takes in the Old and the New Cemetery and hopefully the spell of fine Summer weather will continue for all the Graveyard Masses.

EUCCHARIST ADORATION AND ROSARY

The Eucharist Adoration and Rosary continues each Wednesday evening from 6 to 7pm in St. Mary's Church, Tarbert. Sacristan James has organised volunteers to pray the Rosary each Wednesday evening.

BALLY OYSTER FESTIVAL

The Ballylongford Oyster Festival concludes on coming Monday 3 August and among the events to take place are a Tractor Run with Registration at Finucane's Bar from 12 noon. The Kids' run departs 1.15pm and the Adults Run departs at 1.30pm from Quay Street with a fee of €20. At 2.30pm there will be a Historical Walk guided by local historians - Dr. Declan Downey, Padraig O'Concubhair and Tom Kennedy which should come up with a lot of interesting information about the locality. This Walk departs from St. Michael's Church yard with a fee of €5 payable to cover the upkeep of the Parish Hall.

SUNDAY MISCELLANY

Well done to Mary Lavery Carrig on her reminiscences on last Sunday's Sunday Miscellany radio programme of the lead up to Kerry's participation in previous all Ireland finals.

CROKE PARK MEMORIES

The first All Ireland Final I attended was the 1962 Final when Kerry defeated Roscommon and the famous Garry McMahon goal, up to then the fastest goal ever scored in an All Ireland Final. I travelled with my late father Paddy Lynch who had seen his first Final in 1926. In the Minor Final Kerry defeated Mayo on a score of 6-5 points to Mayo's 7 points. My class mate Kieran O'Connor played at full back and was famous for his long kick outs. So, continued good health and happiness to Kieran from all in Tarbert. Ciarraí Abú agus comhghairdeas do Muigheó.

BALLYLONGFORD

ALL-IRELAND 2026

Congratulations to the Mayo senior footballers on their well-deserved All-Ireland Final victory over Kerry on Sunday. After such a long wait to finally lift the Sam Maguire Cup, their triumph was one that touched football supporters far beyond the borders of Mayo. While we in Kerry were naturally hoping Sam would make the journey south, there wasn't a soul in the Kingdom who didn't share in Mayo's joy at seeing such a proud football tradition rewarded at last. We wish the players, management and supporters every happiness as they celebrate a truly historic and richly deserved win.

LISLAUGHTIN ABBEY

As we prepare for the Annual Outdoor Mass at Lislaughtin Abbey on Friday, August 7th at 7.00pm (weather permitting), we invite families to take advantage of the lovely weather and spend a little time tending to their loved ones' graves.

A heartfelt thank you to everyone who has already been working away at the Abbey, it is looking beautiful. If possible, please also consider helping to tidy one of the Yellow Ribbon graves that may not receive regular visitors.

Thank you for helping keep Lislaughtin Abbey looking its best.

BALLYLONGFORD OYSTER FESTIVAL 2026

August Bank Holiday Weekend (Friday 31st July - Monday 3rd August). Fun and sport for all the family! Check out our Facebook page for a full festival programme.

BALLYUNION 5K COLOUR RUN

Ballyunion Running Club will host their 5K Colour Run on Saturday, August 15th at Ladies Beach, Ballyunion. With a 1K kids' run at 10.30am and the adults' 5K at 11am, it promises to be a great family day out. Funds raised will support Ballyunion Sea and Cliff Rescue and Scoil Iosagáin.

TUESDAY NIGHT YOGA

A weekly yoga class will take place every Tuesday from 7.00pm to 8.00pm at the Parish Hall, Ballylongford.

The class focuses on gentle stretching and deep relaxation and will suit everyone. Beginners are very welcome.

Sessions are €12 pay-as-you-go, or €40 when booked in advance for four sessions.

To book a place, contact Jose on 086 358 1800..

BALLYLONGFORD NOTES

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Susan Quilter, winner of the Captain's Prize at Ballyunion Golf Club with Captain Elaine Molyneux and all the other prize winners. Photo by Francis Bennett

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PARISH MASS TIMES

ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH: Friday 31st July, Mass at 7.30pm for Catherine Allen, Cloghers Drive. Saturday 1st August, Mass at 7.30pm for Kathleen Lenihan, The Village; Mick & Nora Landers, Glenoe.

RATHEA CHURCH: Sunday 2nd August, Mass at 9.30am.

IRREMORE CHURCH: Sunday 2nd August, Mass at 11.00am for Denis & May Flaherty, Mountcoal; Eileen O'Sullivan, Dromclough.

DEATHS

Liam Tuohy of Kilcaragh, Lixnaw and formerly of St. Brendan's Park, Tralee. Sympathy to his children Luke, Joanne (Sarsfield), Kate (Hussey); his brother Fr. Seamus O.P.; his sister Helen (Fitzgerald) and all the extended Tuohy family. May he rest in peace.

SPLIT THE BUCKET DRAW

Congratulations to Aoife Sheehy c/o Lixnaw Post Office on winning €72 in this week's Split the Bucket Draw.

LIXNAW GAA LOTTO DRAW

20/07/26 Jackpot €18,900. Numbers drawn were 11, 13, 16, 22. No Jackpot winner. €30 winners: Leo Kearney, Ballyhennessy; Catherine Taylor (online); Leela Partilo, Killoccrim. Next week's Jackpot will be €18,950. Thank you for your continued support.

LIXNAW GAA 50TH ANNIVERSARY NIGHT

The rescheduled date for the Lixnaw GAA 50th Anniversary Celebration for the winning teams of 1974 and 1976 is Saturday 8th August 2026.

ST SENAN'S GAA CLUB LOTTO DRAW

20/07/26 Jackpot €3,400. Numbers drawn were 04, 23, 28, 30. No Jackpot winner. €30 winners: Johnathan O'Connell, Crecora Mills; John Rohan, Kilflynn. €20 winners: Jackie Walsh, Lyre: Dan, Joe Murphy, Rockchapel; Geraldine & Aiden Behan. Next week's Jackpot will be €3,500. Tickets €2 each or 3 for €5. Tickets are available at Kelly's Six Crosses, The Halfway Bar, Parker's Bar, Kilflynn, or play online.

SEAN MCCARTHY MEMORIAL WEEKEND FESTIVAL

The Sean McCarthy Memorial Weekend Festival will take place in Finuge from 31st July – 3rd August. A great weekend for all, with traditional music, ballads and storytelling. For more information on competitions email info@finugeweekend.com

CRAFT FAIR & CAR BOOT SALE

On Sunday 2nd August (12- 4pm) there will be a craft fair and car boot sale at Sheehan's Thatched Cottage, Finuge. Come along, browse the stalls, pick up a bargain, and enjoy the atmosphere. Interest in having a stall? We'd love to hear from you! For all enquiries, please email info@finugeweekend.com.

FINUGE GAA

Congratulations to Padraig O'Sullivan on winning €500 in the Finuge 500 July draw. Congratulations to Therese Mahony on winning two All-Ireland Football tickets (Kerry V Mayo Game).

The August 500 Draw will also include 7 x pairs of tickets to Listowel Races. Tickets for the draw can be obtained from <https://finugegaa.com> or at local businesses: J.J. Walsh's Butchers/Bar, McCarthy's Bar, Foley's Shop, Lixnaw Post Office and Lixnaw Filling Station.

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 July 21st are as follows: The numbers drawn were 20, 23, 28 and the Bonus Number was 2. There was no winner of the Lotto Jackpot of €16,100 or Match 3 prize of €400. The €20 consolation prize winners were Catsy Pendy, Lacca; Catsy Rochford, Clahane; Catherine O'Grady, Ardoughter. The Lotto Draw takes place on each Tuesday night at the Ballyduff GAA Clubrooms.

BALLYDUFF GAA

Minor Hurling:

County Minor Hurling Final Here We Come

What a performance from our Minor Hurlers on Wednesday evening last as they booked their place in the Keane's SuperValu Minor Hurling County Championship Final with a fantastic victory over Crotta O'Neill's on a scoreline of Ballyduff 2 – 23 Crotta O'Neill's 1 – 16 at Dromakee in the semi-final. The lads produced a superb display of skill, teamwork and determination, pulling away with an outstanding second-half performance to secure a well-deserved place in the county decider. A huge congratulations to every player and the management team on a brilliant achievement. The hard work, dedication and commitment shown throughout the year is paying off. Thank you to all the Ballyduff supporters who travelled to cheer the team on. Your encouragement from the sideline made a huge difference. One more big push now. County Final on this Sunday August 2nd v Ballyheigue, here we come! Hon the Duffers!

Minor Football:

Well done to our Minor footballers last week on a great win against Kenmare Shamrocks. On a warm evening, it was their teamwork, determination and heart that helped them to come away with the win on a score of Ballyduff 4 – 8 Kenmare 1 – 4. The team now progress to the Div 2 County League final. Well done to the team and management.

U14 football:

Great start to our U14 football Division 1 North Kerry League campaign! A hard-fought 3-point victory over Northern Gaels last week got our league season off to the perfect start. Facing familiar opposition in Coolard, our Ballyduff boys showed tremendous determination throughout. Playing against the breeze in the opening half, every player dug deep and won their individual battles, helping us take a deserved lead into the break. Northern Gaels battled back strongly in the second half, gradually chipping away at our advantage. However, some tenacious defending in the closing stages ensured we held firm to claim a well-earned 3-point win. Attention now turns to Round 2, where we welcome St. Senan's to Ballyduff next Tuesday evening. We look forward to seeing plenty of support on the night!

U12 Hurling:

Another great evening of U12 hurling took place on Thursday evening last with our two teams in action. One team travelled to Legion where they took on St. Pat's, Killarney, while our other team welcomed Crotta to Ballyduff. There was some excellent hurling on display in both games, with great skill, teamwork and determination shown by all the players. It's fantastic to see the hard work at training continuing to shine through. A big thank you to St. Pat's for hosting us and to Crotta for making the trip to Ballyduff. Well done to all our young hurlers and coaches for another brilliant night's hurling.

U8 Hurling:

A fantastic morning of hurling in Ballyduff last weekend as we welcomed Abbeydorney and Ballyheigue for an U8 blitz.

There was great skill, determination and sportsmanship on display from all three clubs, with every player giving it their all and, most importantly, enjoying their hurling. A huge thank you to Abbeydorney and Ballyheigue for making the trip, to all the coaches and volunteers who helped organise the morning, and to the parents and supporters for their continued encouragement. Well done to all our young hurlers – the future is bright!

U15 Hurling:

A huge congratulations to the fantastic Kerry U15 Hurling team on a superb victory over Kilkenny in Dromakee on Saturday last. A brilliant performance saw Kerry run out deserving winners on a scoreline of 6 - 12 to 3 - 7, securing their place in the All-Ireland U15 Semi-Final on Saturday, August 15th. Ballyduff GAA is incredibly proud to have six representatives involved with this talented Kerry squad: Ruairí Condon, Pádraig O'Connor, Anthony Doherty, Lorcán Enright, Ronán Barron and Coach Darragh Goulding. Well done also to Joe Murphy, who once again took charge of the game with another excellent refereeing performance. The very best of luck to the Kerry team as they prepare for the semi-final. We're all behind ye.

Junior Football:

Ballyduff Junior Football team were victorious over Duagh B, on a score line of 2 – 10 to 0 – 7, in the North Kerry League Division 4 Final , on Tuesday of last week July 21st in Ballylongford. The team lined out as : Andrew Murphy; Ethan O Connor, Padraig Slattery, Ben Tobin; Johnny Regan, Padraig Walsh, Rory Whelan; Muiris O'Connor, Nathan McGrath; Michael Houlihan, Tommy O Connor (Capt.), Stefan Carrig; Killian Boyle, Darragh Goulding, TJ O'Sullivan.

SUBS: Cillian Murphy, Gavin Murphy, Jake Segal, Anthony O'Carroll, Darragh Quinlan, Bobby Woods, Chris White, Sean O'Connor, Sean O 'Sullivan, Shane O'Sullivan, Richard Casey. Team management was Tomas Moran, Tom White, Mike Enright, JP Hussey.

The last time that Ballyduff won this competition was in 2003.

CHURCH NEWS

Anniversaries: Bridie Wynne, Rattoo; Sonny Delaney, Drumnacurra; Shane Crickard; Barney Cantillon; Eileen McKenna; John Dineen; Mary B Guerin
Deaths: Noreen O'Sullivan; Jimmy Joe Hayes

Masses for the week:

Friday July 31st 7.00pm: House Mass
Saturday August 1st 6.30pm: Marie O'Sullivan, Bushmount; Bryan O'Connor
Sunday August 2nd 11.00am: Mass in Causeway
Readers August 1st: Mairéad Enright
Eucharistic Ministers August 1st: Richard Casey/Teddy O'Sullivan/Martina O'Mahony
Mass Servers August 1st: Elliott, Orla, Anthony
Mass Change: Masses change this weekend for August – Ballyduff on Saturday at 6.30pm – Causeway on Sunday morning at 11.00am
Diocesan Collection: This weekend 1st/2nd August – Pastoral Centre
Eucharistic Adoration: Every Sunday in Ballyduff Church at 3.00pm
Divine Mercy Devotion: every Thursday in SS Peter's & Paul's Church
Follow our Facebook Page: For more information and announcements
Parish Office: Is open Tuesday to Friday from 10.30am to 1.00pm. Please phone (066) 714 8404

Youth 2000 Summer Festival 13th–16th August: Calling all young people aged 16–35! Join us at the Youth 2000 Summer Festival in Newbridge College, Co. Kildare. This is a donation-only event, with free buses available across the country and all meals included. Expect inspiring talks and workshops, Youth Mass, music, prayer, and plenty of opportunities to chill out and meet other young Catholics. Whether you are new to the faith or looking to be refreshed, all are welcome. To register or find out more, visit youth2000.ie or follow @Youth2000Ireland."

DEATHS

The death took place of Noreen Patricia O'Sullivan, née O'Mahony, 2 Lower Knopogue, Ballyduff. Her remains were removed from Lawlor's Funeral Home, Ballyduff to SS Peter's & Paul's Church, Ballyduff. Her Requiem Mass was celebrated at SS Peter's & Paul's Church and was followed by burial in Rahela Cemetery.

The death took place of Jimmy Joe Hayes, Ballinbrannig, Ballyduff. His remains were removed from Casey's Funeral Home, Causeway to SS Peter's & Paul's Church, Ballyduff. His Requiem Mass was celebrated at SS Peter's & Paul's Church and was followed by burial in Rahela Cemetery.

Sympathy is extended to the families, relatives and friends of the above deceased.

BALLYLONGFORD OYSTER FESTIVAL

Ballylongford Oyster Festival takes place on this August Bank Holiday Weekend (Friday 31st July - Monday 3rd August). Fun and sport for all the family! Check out our Facebook page for a full festival programme.

BINGO

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

BUDS FRC

Thursday: Experience the joy from surviving to thriving parent wellbeing skills with Margaret Gilbert from 10.00am to 12.00pm

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

Monday:

Active Retirement Group 2.00pm to 4.00pm
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

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ACTIVE RETIRED

The Abbeydorney/Kilflynn Active Retired Group meeting on Wednesday 29th July, see you all in the Abbeydorney Parish Hall at 10.30am. This will be our last day to meet, as the Active Retired group will take a summer break for the month of August. We will meet again on Wednesday 2nd September. see you all in the Abbeydorney Parish Hall at 10.30 a.m. Any enquiries please contact; Marie Williams; 066 7135831 or 085 2524028.

CROTTA LOTTO RESULTS

Herbert's Bar in Kilflynn hosted the Crotta Hurling Club's weekly lotto draw on Monday 27th July. The four numbers drawn from the drum by the independent observer, Graham Harris, Clounsillagh, Lixnaw were 5, 17, 19, and 29. No one won the €8,600 Jackpot.

Congratulations to the following who won €35 in the lucky dip draw:

Kenneth Nolan, Clounafineela,Kilflynn,Aisling Doran, Rathea, Listowel and Ruari Weir, Castletown, Kilflynn

The next draw will take place in Parker's Pub, Kilflynn on Monday, 3rd August at 10:30 p.m. with an €8,700 jackpot.

Tickets are available: 3 for €5 online at www.crotttagaa.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.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH, KILFLYNN

Mass Intentions for the week in St. Mary's Church: Mass will be celebrated on Friday 31st July at 10am and Saturday 1st August at 6:00 p.m.

George Lynn, Crotta (A) John Quilter, Ballyconnell & London & deceased members of the Quilter Family (A) Eileen (Nellie) Brennan, Rae (A) Donal (Donie) Walsh, Cappa & deceased members of the Walsh Family (A)

Diocesan Collection next weekend 1 st /2nd August for the Pastoral Centre.

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

Adoration of Blessed Sacrament Kilflynn: Monday 7.00p.m. – 8.00 p.m.

Check www.dioceseofkerry.ie go to Abbeydorney parish and check the newsletter.

CROTTA LEISURE CYCLISTS

The group meets at Crotta Cross at 7:00 p.m. every Tuesday. Contact Graham for information at 089 4528603

CROTTA GAA

Kerry U15 Development Team welcomed Kilkenny to the Crotta Gaa sports field, Dromakee, on Saturday morning 25th July, for the John Doyle Cup Quarter-Final.

A strong team performance secured a fine win for the hosts with a score of . Jack Kelliher represented the club at full back. Well done to Jack and his Kerry teammates.

Kerry U15 Development Team welcomed Kilkenny to Crotta Gaa sports field, Dromakee, on Saturday morning 25th July in the Quarter-final of the John Doyle Cup.

A strong team performance saw the hosts secure a fine win on the scoreline of 6-12 to 3-07. Jack Kelliher represented the Crotta club well at full back. Well done to Jack and his Kerry teammates and their mentors.

The Kerry U14 Development squad took on Limerick and West Cork in the Centre of Excellence, Currans on Saturday morning, 25th July. They lost to a strong Limerick outfit in their first game but bounced back to secure a fine win against West Cork.

Brian Cronin, Darragh Diggins, Edward Nolan and Dean McElligott represented the club.

Keaney's SuperValu County Minor Hurling Championship Semi-Final Results

Wednesday, 22 July

Ballyheigue 1-21 Tralee Parnells 4-6

Ballyduff 2-23 Crotta O'Neill's 1-16

We wish Niamh Quinn, Crotta and her Kerry teammates, and Wayne Murphy, strength and conditioning coach, in the 2026 All-Ireland Ladies Senior Football Championship Final on Sunday 2nd August, against Galway in Croke Park @ 4:15pm

Mayo ended a 75-year wait for the county's fourth All-Ireland Senior Football title with a 1-20 to 1-17 victory over Kerry in a captivating and intense final that went down to the wire at a raucous Croke Park in front of a sold-out 82,300 crowd on Sunday 26th July. The area was well represented at the match. Thanks to Cillian Trant, his Kerry teammates, and their mentors for giving us an amazing season. Congratulations to the Mayo players, mentors and Supporters.

MOYVANE

Contact: moyvanenotes@gmail.com

BLOTTO

There was no winner of last Thursday night's Jackpot. Numbers drawn were 3 12 22 32. Lucky Dips: €100: Joan O'Connor, Tournafulla. €50: Ena & Mike c/o Ann Brennan, Listowel. €20 each: Michelle Molyneaux, Ardagh. Marian Mulcahy, Abbeyfeale. Noreen Roche, Ahalahanna, Moyvane. James Carmody, Ballyunion. Mary Kearney, Moyvane. Free Tickets: Paul Kelly, Lixnaw. Brid Mullane, Glin. Emer & Ronin Kidney, Limerick. Rosie & Kevin Kennedy, Tarbert. Norette & Niamh Hovland, Asdee. Next draw will be held this Thursday night, July 30 at Bingo in The Marian Hall. Jackpot: €16,500. Bingo starts at 8.00pm. Thank you for your support.

SPIN THE WHEEL

Congratulations to Maureen Mulvihill, Ardagh who Spun the Wheel and won €600 each last week. The minimum you can win on the wheel is €300 and the top prize is €2,000.

SPLIT THE BUCKET

Congratulations to Louise O'Callaghan who won €330 in last Thursday night'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. N1ext draw, Thursday, August 06. Thank you all for supporting this very important fundraiser for our local school.

MOYVANE DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

Tidy towns clean up every Tuesday evening in the village at 7.00pm. Please come along.

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.

SCHOOL CLEANER

The Board of Management of Ballyguiltene National School invites applications for the post of part time cleaner. The post will be for 5 hours per week, times during the week are negotiable. Duties will include general cleaning and maintaining a good standard of hygiene within the school. Previous experience in a similar role will be advantageous. Please include the contact details for two referees with your application. This appointment is subject to current Vetting requirements. Applications, which should include a CV and letter of application, should be sent by email to office@ballyguilteneanens.ie or post to The Chairperson of the Board of Management, Ballyguiltene National School, Glin, Co. Limerick.V94 T2W9 on or before Tuesday 4th of August 2026.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

MOYVANE:

Friday, July 31 Mass at 7.00pm for Marie & John P. Walsh, Anna & Jeremiah Walsh, Diarmuid Walsh, Tullamore, Listowel, Ellen & Patrick Walsh & Baby Robin Walsh, Barragougeen.

Saturday, August 01 Month's Mind Mass at 7.30pm for Mortimer "Franko" Galvin, Barragougeen and Anniversary Mass for Nodie & Jerry Brosnan.

KNOCKANURE:

Wednesday, July 29 Mass at 7.00pm.

Thursday, July 30 Mass at 7.00pm.

Sunday, August 02 Mass at 9.30am for Tom Flavin & his wife Bridie, Trien, Special Remembrance.



Aisling Kelly, Asdee (seated center) on her hen party with her family and friends at Parker's Pub & Venue, Kilflynn, on Sunday afternoon on their way home from Killarney. Best wishes to the bride to be Aisling and Goom to be Ben Dolphin who are getting married on September 22nd in Corfu



Ballydonoghue Lisselton CCE got together last Friday to wish Jason Foley and the Kerry team the very best of Luck in the All-Ireland Final. Unfortunately it was not to be but the group are very proud of Jason and his team's efforts.



A fantastic morning of hurling in Ballyduff last weekend as Ballyduff welcomed Abbeydorney and Ballyheigue for an U8 blitz



Massive congratulations to Listowel AC's Padraic on an incredible achievement in winning the National Seniors at Morton Stadium! What a phenomenal performance and a testament to all the hard work, dedication and determination he has put in. Days like this don't happen by chance—they're earned through countless hours of commitment and belief. We're all so proud of you. Enjoy every moment of this well-deserved victory. Here's to celebrating an outstanding champion and wishing you every success for what comes next. Congratulations, Padraic!

Wishing the Kerry Ladies Footballers *Best of Luck*

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The Listowel Active Retirement Group on their trip to Bundoran, Co. Donegal. They also had lovely day out in Dingle and the Ashe Hotel for dinner in Tralee



Grace O' Neill from Ballylongford keeping the Kerry spirit going in Hong Kong for the All Ireland Final



Listowel Celtic Senior ladies who won the House of Upholstery Senior Ladies Cup Final against LB Rovers 4-1 last week



Tom Dalton from Ladys Walk Ballyduff admiring his flowers in bloom on Wednesday afternoon last week. Photo Moss Joe Browne



MC Billy Keane with his two guests Brendan Guiney and Stephen Stack at The All Ireland Preview last Friday in John B's



Ballyduff Minor Hurlers who booked their place in the Keane's SuperValu Minor Hurling County Championship Final with a fantastic victory over Crotta O'Neill's on a scoreline of Ballyduff 2-23 Crotta O'Neill's 1-16 at Dromakee in the semi-final



Emmets Ladies' Niamh Mulvihill and the Kerry ladies minor team who were victorious in the Minor B All Ireland Final vs Tyrone last Saturday. Well done Niamh!



Rian and Tadhg Corcoran from Athenry Co. Galway with their dog Cooper cheering on the Kingdom in the All Ireland Final last Sunday

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Jackpot not won - Lucky Dip Winners
€40 Mike McEnergy, KCC
€20 Joan Buckley, Hollytree Drive
€20 Mickey Mulvihill, Glin
€20 M & M c/o Cons
€20 Shane O'Connor - On Line
Next Draw 04/08/26 at Joes - Jackpot €3,500

LISTOWEL EMMETS LADIES

Training times
U8 - Saturday morning 10.30am - 11.30am in Frank Sheehy Park
U10 - Thursday 5.00pm - 6.00pm in the Boys School field
U12 - Mondays 7pm - 8pm in St. Michael's grass pitch
U14 - Mondays & Wednesdays 6pm - 7.30pmin Cows Lawn
U16 - County League underway Trainings TBC
Seniors/Minors - Wednesday 7.00 - 8.30pm Cows Lawn

For further information follow us on Facebook & Instagram or contact anyone involved with Emmets Ladies. New members always welcome.

Fixtures:
U16 County League Division 3
Listowel Emmets vs. Killarney Legion
Wednesday 29th July 7pm
Frank Sheehy Park, Listowel

Our Senior Ladies are taking part in the All Ireland Club 7's in Naomh Mhearóg GAA, Dublin this weekend. We wish them the very best of luck in the competi-tion.

Congratulations
A huge congratulations to our own Niamh Mulvihill on helping the Kerry Mi-nor Ladies capture the All-Ireland title after a thrilling victory over Tyrone on a scoreline of 1-12 to 1-10 after extra time.

What an incredible achievement for Niamh, her teammates and management after a fantastic campaign. Everyone in Listowel Emmets LGFA is immensely proud of you.
Thank you

A huge thank you to everyone who came along to our All-Ireland Preview Night in John B. Keane's on Friday night. It was a fantastic evening filled with great stories, plenty of laughs and brilliant insights into the big game. A mas-sive thank you to Billy Keane for organising this wonderful fundraiser in aid of our club with the help of Hannah Healy, and to our special guests, two Listowel Emmets greats, Brendan Guiney and Stephen Stack, whose stories and knowl-edge of the game made for a thoroughly enjoyable night. Congratulations also to Noreen Keane, the lucky winner of our All-Ireland Final ticket. Thank you once again to everyone who attended and supported the event. Your contin-ued support of Listowel Emmets LGFA is greatly appreciated.

BALLYBUNION GOLF CLUB

Men's Competitions:
Friday Mixed Competition Sponsored by Cahill's SuperValu Ballybunion – Fri-day 24th July Cashen Course
1st John Field (16), Tommy Guinan (4), Emma Field (26), Louise Guinan (22) 25.4 Nett
2nd PA Kiely (11), Carol Anne Coolican (18), Noel Lynch (13), Blanaid Mehigan (15) 26.3 Nett

Men's Brosnan Memorial Medal 2 Sponsored by The Brosnan Family (GOY) – Sunday 26th July Old Course
1st Jayson Buckley(10) 71
2nd Scott Fitzgerald(17) 71 (B9 33.5)
3rd Peter Sheehan(3) 72 (B9 30.5)
Best Gross: Senan Carroll 76
4th Gerard Galvin(16) 72 (B9 31)
5th Patrick B Murrithy (15) 72 (B9 33.5)
Category 1 David O'Driscoll(4) 73
Category 2 Gavin Quinlivan(9) 73
Category 3 Gearoid Costello(16) 73
Category 4 Fergal Hennessy(23) 73

Fixtures:
Friday Mixed Competition Sponsored by Cahill's SuperValu Ballybunion – Fri-day 31st July Cashen Course
Mr Frank Dore Captain's Prize – Saturday & Sunday 1st & 2nd August Old & Cashen Courses
Parent/Grandparent and Child Competition – Monday 3rd August Cashen

Member's Week Men's Singles Competition – Tuesday 4th August Old Course

Member's Week Mixed Competition – Wednesday 5th August Old Course

Ladies Voucher Competition – Tuesday 21st July Cashen Course
1st Anna Walsh(19) 28pts
2nd Helen McSweeney(17) 22pts
3rd Patricia Barrett(16) 21pts (BK 6 -16)
4th Norma Mullane(16) 21pts (BK6 – 12)

Elaine Molyneaux Captain's Day – Saturday 25th July Old Course & Cashen
1st Susan Quilter(43) 41 pts
2nd Jenifer Tangney(29) 40 pts
Best Gross Margaret McAuliffe (7) 29 Nett
3rd Mary Rose Cremin (36) 40 pts
4th Catherine Moylan (28) 39 pts
5th Mary Horgan (20) 39 pts
6th Eithne O'Halloran (18) 38 pts

Cat 1
1st Susan Gilmore Kettler (11) 34 pts (Bk9 -16)
2nd Josephine Larkin (10) 34 pts (Bk9 -15)
3rd Clare Molyneaux (16) 33 pts

Cat 2
1st Siobhan Walsh (21) 37 pts
2nd Helen Mackessy (21) 36 pts (Bk9 -18)
3rd Catherine Morrissey (20) 36 pts (Bk9 -17)

Cat 3
1st Helen O'Riordan (32) 38 pts
2nd Bernie Moloney (24) 37 pts
3rd Mary Murphy (24) 34 pts (Bk 9 -21)

Cat 4
1st Elva Clancy (38) 36 pts
2nd Mary Hickey Keane (35) 33 pts (Bk 6 – 13)
3rd Carol Anne Coolican (35) 33 pts (Bk 6 – 12)

Past Captain: Anne Marie Carroll (18) 35 pts
Committee: Bernie Daly (28) 33 pts
Senior: Louise Lane (22) 35 pts
Vintage: Joan Buckley (36) 33 pts

9 Hole – Old Course
1st Norma Mullane (16) 20 pts
2nd Bairbre Cunningham (20) 19 pts
3rd Mary Whelan (21) 18 pts

9 Hole – Watson Cashen Course
1st Marie Benn (19) 24 pts
2nd Peg O'Malley (21) 22 pts
3rd Mary B. Kelly (26) 18 pts

Guest Prizes
Ladies 1st Anne Kernan 29pts
Men 1st Des Molyneaux 38 pts

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Parent/Grandparent and Child Competition – Monday 3rd August Cashen

Member's Week Ladies Singles Competition – Tuesday 4th August Old Course
Member's Week Mixed Competition – Wednesday 5th August Old Course

Senior Men's Competition - Thursday 23rd July Cashen Course
1st Tommy Gleeson (11) 21pts. B6-15.
2nd Noel Lynch (11) 21pts. B6-14.
3rd Michael Barry (10) 21pts. B6-13.
Gross. John Bambury 14pts.
4th Fin Broderick (13) 21pts. B6-12.
5th Dennis Eggleston (19) 20pts. B6-17.
6th Sean Stack (13) 20pts. B6-15.
7th Brendan Nolan (17) 20pts. B6-13.
8th Tim O'Malley (10) 20pts. B6-12. B3-7.
9th Colm O'Callaghan (15) 20pts. B6-12. B3-4.
10th Maurice McAuliffe (13) 19pts. B6-13. B3-7.
V. Tom M. O'Connor (11) 19pts. B6-12.
S.V. Michael Jones (10) 19pts. B6-12.
S.S.V. Miley Costello (10) 19pts. B6-13.

Fixtures: Michael P. Murphy Perpetual Shield. 18 Holes Senior Men's Competi-tion – Thursday 30th July Cashen Course

Senior Ladies 9 Hole Competition – Friday 24th July Cashen Course
1st Margaret Scannell 22pts (back 6 -13 pts)
2nd Janet Horan 22pts (back 6 -11pts)

Fixtures: Senior Ladies 9 Hole Competition – Friday 31st July Cashen Course

ASDEE GAA

Golden Goal winners Sun 26th July Kerry v Mayo; John Daly Dalton, Ógie and

Thady Horgan, Patrick Mulvihill

Fixtures for this week:
U14 Beale A v Knock /Brosna on Tuesday in Knock at 7
U16 Beale v Dingle on Thursday in county league semi final in dingle at 7
U14 Beale B v St Senan B on Thursday in Asdee at 6.30.
U12 Beale play in Conor Heaphy tournament on Saturday starting at 11

KERRY PITCH AND PUTT

After the success of the Munster Strokeplay weekend in Deerpark the previ-ous weekend it was another couple of busy days on the Pitch & Putt front last week. At Saturday's Munster U16 Strokeplay and Inter-County event in ESB in Cork the Kerry 'Gold' team finished third overall in the Inter-County event as the team of Deerpark's Aodhan O'Halloran, Fionn McMonagle, Daniel Quinlan and Tralee's Joey Blake has the nest combined Scotch Foursomes scores as part of their team total.

Both Aodhan (Boys U13) and Fionn (Boys U16) finished third in each of the two Boys Singles grades as Kerry also had a 'Green' team entered in the event com-prising Deerpark's Fionn O'Callaghan and Listowel trio Sean Keane, Sean Stack and Ryan Deady. In the Girls Singles event meanwhile Listowel sisters Shona and Cora Griffin were second and third respectively as we say thanks to our U16 Officers Tom O'Connor and Monty Galvin for looking after the teams along with Sewell's Pharmacy Killarney on their continued sponsorship of the teams.

The National Mens Strokeplay Qualifiers took place over the weekend as well with the Senior Mens Regional Qualifier in Cunnigar in Dungarvan last Sunday while the Intermediate and Junior Mens events were held in Listowel on Friday night. The following will be the Kerry players going forward to the finals in Tul-lamore in Offaly and Kibeggan in Westmeath on the weekend of August 9th.
Senior Mens
Damien Fleming (Deerpark, Automatic)
Jason Cregan (Tralee, Automatic)
Michael Conway (Tralee)
Stephen Conway (Tralee)
John McGrath (Deerpark)
Killian O'Gorman (Listowel)
Jason O'Regan (Tralee)

Intermediate Mens
Ajay Barrett (Listowel, Automatic)
Tony Blake (Tralee)
Ger Guerin (Listowel)
James Fleming (Deerpark)
Michael Creagh (Tralee)
Bobby McCarron (Listowel)
Connie O'Sullivan (Deerpark)
Dan Broderick (Deerpark)

Junior Mens
Paul Hayes (Listowel)
Ethan Flannery (Listowel)
Eddie Sheehy (Tralee)
Darius Liepins (Tralee)
David Harnett (Deerpark)

Elsewhere the final trials for the Kerry Intermediate and Junior Mens teams for the Munster Inter-County Championships in Riverdale at the end of August took place at the Riverdale course last Saturday. The teams will be comprised of the following:
Intermediate
Michael Cronin (Deerpark)
Tony Blake (Tralee)
Connie O'Sullivan (Deerpark)
Michael Creagh (Tralee)
James Fleming (Deerpark)
Mark Lucey (Tralee)
Dan Broderick (Deerpark)
Manager: John Fitzgerald (Tralee)

Junior
James Foley (Deerpark)
Adam Ricken (Castleisland)
Paddy Murphy (Deerpark)
John Clifton (Castleisland)
Alan O'Sullivan (Deerpark)
Jason Reen (Deerpark)
Sub: David Hobbett (Tralee)
Manager: Christy O'Mahony (Castleisland)

Finally last weekend, there was a Deerpark 1-2 in the Ranges Intermediate Ladies Scratch Cup event as Killarney club-mates Ciara Lowe and Eileen Mc-Carthy finished first and second in the event.



Ballyduff Junior Football team were victorious over Duagh B on a score line of 2:10 to 0:07 points in the North Kerry League Division 4, on the 21st July in Ballylongford. The last time they won this competition was in 2003.

The team lined out as: Andrew Murphy, Ethan O Connor, Padraig Slattery, Ben Tobin, Johnny Regan, Padraig Walsh, Rory Whelan, Muirís O Connor, Nathan McGrath, Michael Houlihan, Tommy O Connor (captain), Stefan Carrig, Killian Boyle, Darragh Goulding, TJ O Sullivan.

Subs: Cillian Murphy, Gavin Murphy, Jake Segal, Anthony O Carroll, Darragh Quilian, Bobby Woods, Chris White, Sean O Connor, Sean O Sullivan, Shane O Sullivan, Richard Casey. Team management: Tomas Moran, Tom White, Mike Enright, JP Hussey.



Photos from the Kerry team's homecoming on Denny Street. Jack O Connor gave a speech about the performance and thanked the fans for coming out and supporting them. Photos taken by Eamon Lacey



Congratulations to the Ballyduff Minor footballers who won the County Minor Division 2 Shield Final against Ballymacelligott on a score line of 1-22 to 3-14 on Tuesday evening.

Dylan Costello accepted the winning trophy and Thomas Scanlon received MOTM

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We want to thank all those who attended Helen's Reposing, Funeral Mass, and Burial. Our thanks too to those who sent mass cards, flower tributes and messages of condolence.

The Holy Sacrifice of Mass will be offered for your intentions.

May Helen rest in peace.



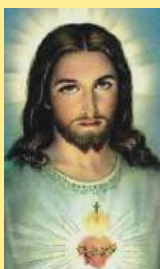
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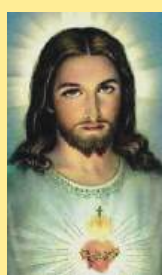
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Ask St Clare for 3 favours, one business and two impossible. Say 9 Hail Mary's for 9 days with a lighted candle. Pray whether you believe or not, finish on the 9th day. Powerful Novena.

Say May the Sacred Heart of Jesus be praised, adored, glorified now and forever throughout the world. Amen.

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UNFAILING NOVENA TO ST. ANTHONY

"Blessed be God in His Angels and in His Saints"
O Holy St. Anthony, gentlest of Saints, your love for God and Charity for His creatures, made you worthy, when on earth, to possess miraculous powers. Miracles waited on your word, which you were ever ready to speak for those in trouble and anxiety. Encouraged by this thought, I implore you to obtain for me (request). The answer to my prayer may require a miracle, even so, you are the Saint of Miracles. O gentle and loving St. Anthony, whose heart was ever full of human sympathy, whisper my petition into the ears of the sweet Infant Jesus, who loved to be folded in your arms; and the gratitude of my heart will ever be yours. Amen. In Thanksgiving. **A.B.**

NOVENA TO ST. JUDE

A Prayer that had Never Known to Fail

A holy St. Jude, apostle and martyr, great in virtue, rich in miracle, near kinsman to Jesus Christ, faithful intercessor of all who invoked your special patronage in time of need.

To you I have recourse from the depot of my heart, and humbly beg great power to come to my assistance.

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