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Listowel Harvest Racing Festival

September 20th to 26th

Listowel Races really is out of this world. So make Listowel your Goal this September



From Sunday 20th to Saturday 26th September, the picturesque town of Listowel in North Kerry becomes the ultimate destination for seven days of first-class racing, fabulous fashion, music, family entertainment and plenty of fun as it hosts the 168th Listowel Harvest Racing Festival. One of the longest-established racing festivals on the Irish calendar, the seven-day Harvest Meeting attracts large crowds from home and abroad who come to enjoy the thrill of National Hunt and Flat racing, the company of friends old and new, people watching, style spotting and, above all, creating memories.

Once again the Directors of Listowel Race Company have created a festival with something for everyone, whatever their age. With general admission at just €20 (Sunday to Tuesday) and €30 (Wednesday to Saturday), making Listowel an excellent-value day out for families, friends and racing enthusiasts alike.

SUNDAY 20th SEPTEMBER | KINISLA FAMILY DAY

The festival opens with Kinisla Family Day, a fun-filled day designed to get the whole family into the Harvest Festival spirit. There will be meet-and-greets with favourite cartoon characters, alpacas, face painting, balloon giveaways, bouncing castles and a mini disco, with free children's entertainment sponsored by Garvey's SuperValu. And this year, there may even be a visitor from another world... as Alfie the Alien is expected to make a special guest appearance! To celebrate his return, there will also be prizes for anyone who dresses up as an alien from any solar system. The race card is sponsored by Kinisla & feature race is the Kinisla Handicap Steeplechase of €45,000.

MONDAY 21st SEPTEMBER

The feature race on Monday is the John McGuire Handicap of €50,000.

TUESDAY 22nd SEPTEMBER

Tuesday's feature race is the Edmund & Josie Whelan Memorial Stakes of €50,000.

WEDNESDAY 23rd SEPTEMBER

THE €200,000 GUINNESS KERRY GRAND NATIONAL

Wednesday is the day the festival reaches fever pitch as the Guinness Kerry National Handicap Steeplechase, a €200,000 Grade A race, takes centre stage. The Guinness Kerry National is, of course, the flagship race of the Festival and has been won by some classy types in recent times. Most notably, perhaps, the Gavin Cromwell trained, Flooring Porter, in 2024. Recently retired, the nine time winning son of Yeats, led from the outset on that occasion and eventually ran out a ready winner under a motionless Keith Donoghue. Jubilant scenes followed in the parade ring, where members of The Flooring Porter Syndicate, all wearing bespoke black and white scarves, were in full voice. The winner of the Kerry National in 2025 was Spanish Harlem, trained by Willie Mullins. The Listowel Races Harvest Festival has long been seen as a launchpad for future racing stars, and many of the 2025 results reinforced that view. On the flat, Saratoga obliged in for Aidan O'Brien and Wayne Lordan, prior to switching to hurdles to win the Fred Winter (McCoy Contractors Juvenile Handicap Hurdle) at The Cheltenham Festival, by then under the tutelage of trainer Padraig Roche. Earlier on the same Listowel card, the Joseph O'Brien trained Limestone opened his account with victory in the MAC Hardware & Farm Supplies Irish EBF Rated Race under the all-conquering Dylan Browne McMonagle. That success was the catalyst for an upward trajectory that culminated in victory in the Group 2 Queen's Vase at Royal Ascot (Group 2). Last year's Harvest Festival saw local trainer Eoin McCarthy crowned leading trainer with a total of six winners. Among those to grace the winners' enclosure was Shadow Paddy, who powered to a four-length success in the Behan's Horseshoe Bar & Restaurant Handicap Hurdle in the hands of Limerick jockey, Gary Noonan. Shadow Paddy has continued his progression since switching to the larger obstacles and completing a three-race unbeaten chase sequence with victory in the Grade 3 Guinness Open Gate Brewery Novice Chase at the Galway Festival.

Wednesday also marks the beginning of some of the festival's biggest free entertainment nights, with Big Jim playing in Captain Christies and The Galivanter's performing outside the Owners and Trainers.

THURSDAY 24th SEPTEMBER | SHARP DRESSED MEN

Thursday puts the spotlight firmly on the gentlemen with the return of the Ryle Menswear Best Dressed Man Competition, hosted by owner Michael Moran and judged by the ever-dapper Botty O'Callaghan. The overall winner will receive a custom-made suit worth €1,500, while the runner-up will take home a full Benetton suit, shirt and tie. Ryle Menswear will also provide gift bags for all finalists. The feature race is the Listowel Races Supporters Club Lartigue Hurdle in memory of John Molyneaux, of €60,000.

FRIDAY 25th SEPTEMBER | McELIGOTTS KIA LADIES DAY

The fashion highlight of the week is the McElligotts Kia Ladies Day on Friday 25th of September. This year's judges Aoife Dunican, known to her many Instagram followers as The Style Bob, and Raceday TV presenter and content creator Frankie Foster will be on course looking for the most stylish racegoers from 1.30pm. So make sure to come along early and be out and about if you want the chance to be selected as one of the 10 finalists! The Best Dressed Lady will win a luxurious week-long holiday for two at the four-star Hotel Astoria in Sorrento, the gateway to Italy's spectacular Amalfi Coast. This year marks the 12th consecutive year of McElligotts' sponsorship of one of Irish racing's most prestigious fashion competitions. There are also generous prizes for individual fashion categories, including €1,000 for the Most Creative Headpiece and €500 for the Most Contemporary Outfit. The judges will be out and about on course from 1.30pm selecting their ten finalists. The finalists will then be interviewed on the fashion stage, with the overall winners also appearing in the parade ring after the fifth race.

PLUS SAVE YOUR HEELS, WE'VE GOT WHEELS - CLASSY'S BUS RETURNS!

The "Save Your Heels, We've Got Wheels" free shuttle bus is a complimentary double-decker open-top bus that runs during Ladies Day from the town square to the racecourse every half hour. On board there is jazz music and also complimentary bubbles and the bus will drop racegoers to the main front gate, ensuring they arrive in style! The feature race on Friday is the Ballymore Handicap Hurdle, a €100,000 Listed race. Friday night will continue in style with top DJ Marty Guilfoyle performing in the Marquee Bar.

SATURDAY 26th SEPTEMBER | SUSTAINABLE STYLE

The Harvest Festival draws to a close on Saturday with a celebration of fashion with a conscience as Listowel hosts its Sustainable Style Competition, organised by Listowel Tidy Towns in association with An Taisce and Listowel Races. Now in its 15th year, the competition is open to both male and female racegoers and is a Listowel Tidy Towns initiative highlighting waste minimisation, sustainable fashion and the circular economy. This year's competition will be judged by top model and influencer Paula Price, together with a representative from An Taisce. Paula loves timeless classic style, preloved finds and sustainable fashion and will be out and about on the course with her fellow judge from 1.30pm, so make sure to arrive on time. Racegoers are encouraged to re-wear, re-style, recycle and repurpose, whether that means giving a much-loved item from the back of the wardrobe a new lease of life, creating an outfit from an original material or discovering a pre-loved gem in a charity shop.

There are generous cash prizes and gifts across a number of categories: Most Sustainably Attired Racegoer: €500, sponsored by Listowel Race Company. The runner-up receives a goody bag sponsored by the businesses of Listowel. Best Vintage / Pre-Loved Attired Racegoer: €300, sponsored by Higgins Waste & Recycling Ltd. The runner-up receives a goody bag sponsored by the businesses of Listowel. Most Sustainable Attired Under-16 Racegoer: €200, sponsored by John McGuire Pharmacy. The runner-up receives a goody bag sponsored by the businesses of Listowel. All remaining finalists will receive fabulous goody bags sponsored by the businesses of Listowel.

New sponsor Higgins Waste will also bring an extra element of fun to the day, with racegoers getting the chance to win €200 by guessing the weight of a bundle of cardboard. The judges will select ten finalists from the course during the afternoon and all will be interviewed on the fashion stage, with the overall winners presented in the parade ring after the 4th race. The feature race on Saturday is the Charlie Chute Memorial Steeplechase, worth €50,000. Marty Guilfoyle will also perform in the Marquee Bar on Saturday as the festival comes to a close.

MUSIC, ENTERTAINMENT AND LIVE TV

There will be music during and after racing throughout the week, with top DJs and live acts adding to the unique Listowel atmosphere. Highlights include Big Jim in Captain Christies from Wednesday to Sunday, The Galivanter's outside the Owners and Trainers on Wednesday, and Marty Guilfoyle in the Marquee Bar on Friday and Saturday. Frankie Foster and Raceday TV will also be on course capturing the action, fashion and atmosphere on Thursday and Friday. Once again, TG4 will broadcast live from Listowel Races from Monday to Saturday, bringing the excitement of the Harvest Festival to audiences at home and beyond.

GREAT VALUE COMBO PARTY PACKS

Racegoers can make the most of the opening three days with the fantastic €30 Combo Party Pack. The party pack includes: Admission to the races; a pint of beer or stout; burger and chips and a €5 Tote bet. The offer is available from Sunday 20th to Tuesday 22nd September and must be pre-booked online. Party Packs can be collected from the Parade Ring Racecard Hut.

MAKE LISTOWEL YOUR GOAL THIS SEPTEMBER

With seven days of top-class racing, fashion, music, family entertainment, great value and the unmistakable warmth and atmosphere of Listowel, the Harvest Festival remains one of the great fixtures of the Irish racing and social calendar. Whether you come for the excitement of the Guinness Kerry National, dress to impress on Ladies Day, discover and rewear a sustainable fashion gem, bring the family to meet Alfie the Alien, or simply enjoy a great day out with friends, there is something for everyone at Listowel Races. Listowel Races really is out of this world. So make Listowel your Goal this September!

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Listowel Emmets Split the Bucket winner on 11th August was James Fogarty, collecting his winnings of €1,027.50 from Joanne Flaherty and Clare Hudson



Emmets Ladies U14s after a massive win over Churchill in Frank Sheehy Park last week



The joy in the faces of locals Richard and Mary Boyle as they were climbing the stairs to view the Round Tower at Rattoo on Tuesday. Photo Moss Joe Browne



All in a days work for former Ballyduff hurler Anthony O'Carroll at Rattoo supplying food during National Heritage Week. Photo Moss Joe Browne



Cillian Quilter who was a finalist in the U.14 Javelin event and who represented Kerry and Lixnaw at last weekend's National Community Games Finals in Carlow



U13 Mixed Relay team Peter Hayes, Liam Heffernan, Robbie Larkin, Nessa McElligott & Kayla Matthews, who represented Kerry & Lixnaw and were finalists at last weekend's National Community Games Finals in Carlow



Gordan Flannery of Con Dillions Bar Listowel on the presentation of a AED Defibrillator he sponsored for Listowel Celtic. Thank you



Emmets U10 ladies with Kerry & Ballydonoghue great Jason Foley at the Ballydonoghue Rockwell Blitz in Coolard



Congratulations to Shona Griffin, Listowel, on winning the Bronze medal for Listowel Pitch and Putt Club in the All-Ireland U16 Girls Strokeplay Championships in Bruff last weekend.

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"We would like to express our sincere appreciation to all the tractor participants, all donations and contributions received, all to all those who helped out on the day, including our stewards, and to all who took part in our event. The day far exceeded our expectations, shattered our previous record of 136 tractors and our new record is now 190. This signifies how well this charity was received and how the community and the people of Kerry came to support it."

Martin Woulfe (Chairman Ardfert Tractor Run)

Pictured L-R: David O'Mahoney, John McElligott, Brendan and Aileen Griffin, Martin Woulfe and Eamonn and Martina Gaynor.
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NEW €20,000 SCHOLARSHIP TO SUPPORT KERRY STUDENT AT MTU

Bon Secours Hospital Tralee and Munster Technological University have launched a new scholarship providing up to €20,000 in financial support to a student beginning their studies at MTU's Kerry Campus.

The Potel Scholarship Programme will provide €5,000 per year for up to four years, helping to reduce some of the financial pressures associated with higher education. The scholarship will support an eligible student beginning a full-time Level 8 programme in a STEAM discipline - Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts or Mathematics - or in Nursing and Health Care Studies at MTU.

Alongside the financial support provided through the scholarship, the partnership may also create opportunities for the successful student to gain insight into the world of work and future career pathways through Bon Secours Hospital Tralee. It is aimed at students who may experience additional barriers to accessing and completing higher education, including those from low-income households, DEIS schools, Traveller or Roma communities, direct provision settings, mature learners and students with disabilities.

Pictured: Seated: Owen McCarthy, Head of Missions Bon Secures Hospital Tralee and Tim Daly Vice President Engagement and International, MTU. Back: Stephanie Somers-Crowley Access Officer, MTU, Jane Swansen Project Officer, Access Office, MTU, Dr Deirdre Creedon Head of Access and Disability, MTU, Prof Christine Cross VP Academic Affairs & Registrar VP Academic Affairs & Registrar, MTU, Dr Brendan O'Donnell Director of Student Services Office of VP Academic Affairs, MTU, Dr Mary Galvin Dean of Health and Social Sciences, MTU
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HORIZON FESTIVAL SET FOR BIGGER 2027 RETURN

Following the success of this summer's festival, Horizon Festival Ballybunion will return from Friday, July 2nd to Sunday, July 4th, 2027, with organisers already working on plans to make next year's event bigger and better.

The first Horizon Festival brought thousands of people into Ballybunion for three days of live music and entertainment, with the Big Top quickly becoming the centrepiece of the weekend. For the organisers, the response both during and after the festival made the decision to begin planning for 2027 an easy one.

"We were genuinely blown away by the support Horizon received in its first year. There was a brilliant atmosphere around the festival site and throughout Ballybunion for the entire weekend. We learned a huge amount from year one and we're putting all of that into making 2027 an even better event."

One of the biggest developments for next summer will be the expansion of the festival site itself. The Horizon Big Top will return, but this time it will be joined by its baby brother with another covered performance arena. The new addition will allow organisers to increase the amount of entertainment throughout each day, with more than 20 acts planned across the three-day festival.

Work on the line-up has already begun and a number of acts have been secured, although organisers are keeping those names under wraps for now.

"There is a lot happening behind the scenes already. We've listened to the feedback from this year and there are things we want to build on, as well as some completely new ideas. Adding the second arena is a big part of that and it gives us much more scope with the line-up and the overall festival experience."

While Horizon is growing, the organisers say keeping the festival firmly connected to Ballybunion remains at the heart of the plans. The combination of a festival atmosphere, the town centre location and Ballybunion's seaside setting proved particularly popular this summer. The weekend also brought a significant number of visitors into the town, benefiting local accommodation, pubs, restaurants, cafés and other businesses.

"We want Horizon to become a weekend that people associate with Ballybunion every summer. The setting we have here is very difficult to replicate and we want to build an event that brings people to the town from Kerry and further afield, while still keeping the character that made the first year so enjoyable."

People who want to be part of Horizon 2027 won't have to wait as a limited number of Early Bird tickets are now on sale through Eventbrite.

Demand for the first festival's Early Bird release was extremely strong, with the allocation selling out in just one hour. Organisers are expecting another busy morning and are encouraging anyone hoping to secure the best-priced tickets to be ready for the 8:30am release. Once the Early Bird allocation is gone, tickets will move to the next general sale phase. There will be plenty more to come between now and next July, with the first line-up announcements and further details on the expanded festival planned over the coming months.

"This is really only the start of the 2027 journey. We have some great acts already secured and plenty more work going on in the background. After seeing what Ballybunion created around Horizon this summer, we're really excited to see where we can take it next year." Horizon Festival Ballybunion takes place from Friday, July 2nd to Sunday, July 4th, 2027. Early Bird tickets go on sale at 8:30am this Friday, August 21st through Eventbrite.

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As August comes to a close, the evenings are beginning to draw in and there is a definite feeling that September is just around the corner. School is nearly back, routines are returning, and our busy family calendars are starting to fill up again.

For me, this is the perfect time to take a look at my **Natural Wellness Cupboard** and make sure I have the oils and wellness products I know my family will reach for over the coming months.

Over the past few weeks, I've shared some of my favourite ways to prepare for the return to routine — from sleep and emotional wellbeing to family wellness and everyday habits. Now it's about putting those pieces together.

My Autumn Essentials

There are certain oils that have become staples in our home.

On Guard is one I love having available as part of our everyday family wellness routine, particularly when everyone returns to school, work and activities.

Lemon is another constant. I use it in my water to encourage hydration and love its fresh, uplifting aroma around the home.

Lavender is one of those wonderfully versatile oils that I always like to have available, whether I'm creating a calming bedtime routine or supporting everyday skin care.

Peppermint is another favourite for those moments when I need a refreshing boost, while **Zengest** is always handy when our tummies need a little extra support.

And for those busy days when muscles are feeling tired after exercise or simply a long day on our feet, my **Deep Blue Stick** is never far away.

These are the products that have earned their place in my Natural Wellness Cupboard because I use them—not because they sit on a shelf.

It's About Being Prepared

One of the biggest lessons I've learned through my own wellness journey is that preparation makes everything easier.

When you already have your trusted oils and supplements at home, you don't have to start searching when you need a little support. You know what you have, you know how to use it, and with my guidance you can become confident in incorporating them into your everyday routine.

That's what I love about the dÓTERRA journey. It's not simply about purchasing oils. It's about learning, building healthy habits and creating a wellness routine that works for your own family.

Caroline's Top Tip – Check Your Cupboard

Before September arrives, take a few minutes to look through your Natural Wellness Cupboard.

What do you use most? What needs replacing?

Are your favourite roller bottles ready? Do you have the supplements you rely on?

And, perhaps most importantly, do you know how to use the products you already have? A little preparation now can make those busy autumn mornings and evenings that little bit easier.

Start Your Own Natural Wellness Cupboard

If you've been reading my column over the summer and thinking that you'd like to start your own essential oil journey, I'd love to help.

The **Family Essentials Kit** and **Home Essentials Kit** are wonderful foundations for creating a Natural Wellness Cupboard, giving you a collection of essential oils to support many different aspects of everyday family life.

You can also open your own dÓTERRA account through **Wellness with Caroline Horgan** for just €25 for the year, giving you access to wholesale pricing across the range. If you purchase a qualifying kit, such as the Family Essentials Kit or Home Essentials Kit, the membership fee is waived.

But for me, the most important part is the support that comes with it.

I'm here to help you understand your oils, choose products that suit your family's needs and learn how to incorporate them into everyday life. I support customers throughout **North Kerry, West Limerick and the wider region**, and I genuinely love seeing people become more confident in taking charge of their own wellness journey.

As we head towards autumn, my advice is simple: start small, stay consistent and make wellness part of your everyday life.

Thought for the Week

"Wellness begins with the little things we choose to do today that help us feel better tomorrow."

Caroline
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LISTOWEL DUAGH COMHALTAS

Registration for New Term

Registration for the new term with Listowel Duagh Comhaltas will take place on Friday the 11th of September 2025 from 5pm to 7pm in Kerry Writers Museum (entrance via the café).

We offer classes in tin whistle, flute, button accordion, fiddle, harp, banjo, concertina, singing, dancing, bodhran, guitar and drums. We have separate classes for both junior and adult students. We are still running an adult group class. This class would not be suited to absolute beginners, the ability to play one or two tunes would be beneficial.

Our regular classes for this term will start on Saturday the 12th of September. We have some instruments available to rent for the term at a very reasonable rate.

Classes are held every Saturday morning in the Kerry Writers Museum, which is the Comhaltas base in Listowel.

For more information we can be contacted by email to: listowelcomhaltas@gmail.com, our Facebook page Listowel/Duagh Comhaltas, or by WhatsApp text to 087 935 4607



A Seanfhocal

A Week

By Kian Lyons
(Listowel Student)



"Níl aon tinteán mar do thinteán féin"

This week's seanfhocal is perhaps the most well-known of all Irish sayings. It is the Irish version of "there's no place like home". The phrase directly translates to "there's no hearth like your own hearth."

There is an immediate warmth associated with this phrase. It reminds me of the millions of Irish people around the world. No matter where they are, or where they go, they will always have a connection to their home place.

But what is so special about the hearth? Fireplaces have always been a central part of homes in Irish culture. In the past, the hearth was an important part of everyday life. It provided warmth and was also where food would be cooked. The hearth was a place where families would gather for music, stories, and entertainment. The hearth was the heart of the home.

Although most of us today don't depend on the fire in the same way, the meaning of the seanfhocal has not changed. We still look forward to coming home after a long day, and there is something comforting about returning to a place where you feel safe and where you belong. So, this week, if you are returning after a long day at work or even a weekend away, you might want to say "níl aon tinteán mar do thinteán féin". After all, there is no place like home!

Listowel student Kian Lyons contacted us here in The Advertiser about running a short weekly column entitled: 'A Seanfhocal a Week'. Featuring a different Irish seanfhocal each week, along with a brief explanation of where it comes from, what it means, and how it could be used in everyday conversation.

With the welcome resurgence of the Irish language we thought it was a great idea and hope to run this column weekly with the help of Kian.

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SAN RITA WELLNESS

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

As you may know our ethos at San Rita Wellness is "Eat Well, Feel Well, Live Well". This week we are focusing on "Living Well", which is very important for our overall Wellness. Not only is it important to nourish our bodies with healthy foods it is equally important to nourish our minds also.

As we are now going into a new season now is the time to set the seed in your mind how you can improve your overall lifestyle and well being in various ways.

Here are some tips to help get you started with self care.

Foods

Eating well is fundamental to good health and well-being. Healthy eating helps us to maintain a healthy weight and reduces our risk of type 2 diabetes, high blood pressure, high cholesterol and the risk of developing cardiovascular disease and some cancers. Some of the most amazing self care foods include oily fish, blueberries, nuts, green leafy veggies and broccoli.

Activity

Regular exercise and physical activity promotes strong muscles and bones. It improves respiratory, cardiovascular health, and overall health. Staying active can also help you maintain a healthy weight. Getting out in the daylight and being active for at least 30 minutes a day, 5 times a week is beneficial to our overall wellbeing. Being active also releases endorphins which makes us feel happy.

Sleep

Make sure to get at least 6 to 8 hours sleep at night, as sleep has a huge impact on how we feel both emotionally and physically. Setting a going to bed time is equally as important as setting a wake up time. Also avoid being on devices before bedtime ie. phone/laptop in order to be able to unwind and relax and get a good nights sleep.

Stress

Reducing stress is also key. Think about ways to calm yourself after a stressful day. A long soak in the bath with candles lighting is therapeutic and relaxing. Picking up the phone and chatting to someone can also help after all "a problem shared is a problem halved".

Self love

Treat yourself with respect and kindness as you would with your best friend, after all you can be your own best friend or your own worst enemy. There is a saying that we like to use which is "What you think determines how you feel, and how you feel determines what you do."

Thought for the week:

"Your mind is a garden ,your thoughts are the seeds,
You can grow flowers, or you can grow weeds."

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

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By Robert Harris

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The other is Octavius's closest friend, Agrippa.

To claim Octavius's inheritance, they must fight the giant figures of the Roman Empire - and, against all odds, they win. Octavius becomes the Emperor Augustus. For twenty years, they rule the world together.

Now Agrippa is fifty. Ailing and alone, betrayed by his wife's infidelity, he takes refuge in his house on the Bay of Naples and begins to write his memoirs. Yet to stir up the past can be dangerous. From his earliest meetings with Julius Caesar, through the epic conflict with Mark Antony and Cleopatra, the great naval battle of Actium and the endless wars to expand the empire, he describes how one man has dominated his life: the cunning, ruthless, unknowable Octavius.

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CONDOLENCES

We extend our deepest sympathies to the family of Rev. Mortimer Canon Stanley, late of Stella Maris, Doon Road, Ballybunion, and formerly of Flean, Ballyhahill, Co. Limerick, and the Dioceses of Salford, St. Vincent's Church, Norden, Rochdale, England, who passed away peacefully on Sunday 16th August 2026. He will be sadly missed by his loving brother Michael, extended family and friends. May he Rest in Peace.

BALLYBUNION TIDY TOWNS

Thanks to all who have helped watering the planters and flower beds all around town. We are having such great weather but the watering is so important so we really appreciate your help. Every Monday we get together to do clean sweep around town - 6.15pm meet up in Supervalu car park. All updates on our Facebook and Instagram pages.

SUMMER ART FUN – EVERY SATURDAY

Looking for something creative and fun for your child this summer? Join our Children's Art Classes in the heart of Ballybunion! At Cinema Lane, Main Street, Ballybunion. Every Saturday throughout the summer, 11.30am – 1.30pm. €15 per child (includes all art materials!)

To book, contact Marie on 086 066 4435. Let your little artist shine this summer!

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.

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!

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 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.

Opening Hours: 10am-1:30pm and 2:30pm-5pm from Tuesday to Saturday inc. ballybunion@kerrylibrary.ie 068 27615 www.kerrylibrary.ie Everybody Welcome!

CHAIR BASED FITNESS PROGRAM

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

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

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

If you'd like to include an item in The Ballybunion Notes, please send it to ballybuniontouristoffice@gmail.com or message us on the Ballybunion Tourist Office Facebook page by 10:00 AM on Monday. The Ballybunion Tourist Office is funded by the Ballybunion Community Forum and is open all year round.



The Great Beale Team Reunion at Mikey Joe's Bar, Ballybunion. Photo by Francis Bennett

Emily



A fantastic achievement for Emily, who finished fourth and earned a pewter medal in the Girls U14 Javelin at the Cairn Community Games National Finals in Carlow last Saturday. With an impressive best throw of 29.78m, she showed incredible strength, skill, and determination from first throw until last. Javelin isn't a "luck on the day" event. You only hit nearly 30 metres when you've put in the work and a pewter medal at that level means she's right up there with the best young throwers in the country.

Representing Kerry on the national stage is something truly special and Emily carried that pride with her every step of the way. In beautiful weather and in front of a buzzing crowd, she delivered a performance that reflects hours of practice, commitment, and belief in herself. This result is more than a medal, it's a moment she'll remember forever.

Keep aiming high, keep enjoying your sport, and and keep believing in what you can achieve.

Thanks to Emily's family for their continued support & for travelling. Thanks also to coaches Patsy and Padraic Mc Carthy.

Charlee-Ann



A huge congratulations to Charlee-Ann who won a bronze medal in the girls U16 discus while proudly representing Kerry at the Cairn Community Games National finals in Carlow last Saturday. Charlee-Ann threw a massive 28.43m

This is a fantastic achievement at the highest level, showing her strength, skill, and determination in a tough event.

Stepping onto the national stage and coming home with a medal is something truly special. She carried the Kerry colours with pride and delivered a performance to remember.

Everyone in Listowel and Kerry are incredibly proud of her. This bronze medal is a testament to her hard work and a sign of even bigger things ahead.

Thanks to her parents for all their support throughout and for making the long journey to Carlow. Thanks also to coaches Patsy and Padraic Mc Carthy.

Martyna



A huge well done to Martyna who delivered a fantastic performance at the Cairn Community Games National Finals in the Girls U12 ball throw in Carlow last Saturday. Competing against the very best young athletes from across the country, Martyna showed brilliant determination, focus, and skill throughout the event.

While representing Kerry she stepped up on the biggest stage and produced a superb personal best throw of 44.67m, a throw that earned her an impressive 8th place in Ireland. Achieving a PB at national level is a sign of real progress.

It shows that her hard work is paying off and that she's continuing to grow stronger with every competition. Martyna can be incredibly proud of how she performed. Finishing inside the top ten nationally at U12 is a remarkable achievement and a brilliant milestone in her throwing journey. She represented her county with great pride, great attitude, and great spirit.

Well done Martyna on a powerful performance, a brilliant result, and a day you will always remember.

Thanks to Martyna's parents for their continued support and for travelling the long journey to Carlow. Thanks also to coaches Patsy and Padraic Mc Carthy.

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DEATH

The death took place of John O'Shea, Well Road, Ballylongford. John who was aged 77 years died on Friday 14 August at UHK Tralee He reposed at Lynch's Funeral Home, Ballylongford. His Requiem Mass was celebrated by Fr. John Buckley at the Church of St. Michael the ArcAngel, Ballylongford followed by interment in Lislaughtin Abbey Cemetery where John was caretaker and maintained for many years. John worked for a number of years with Paul O'Sullivan, Tarbert where he began his grave digging career at the age of 17 years. He subsequently performed the service for Jer Carmody, Lynch's Ballylongford Lyons Undertakers and St. Mary's Funeral Service, Tarbert. Sympathy of the community to his wife Mary Jo and extended family.

Sympathy also to Helen and Johnny Wren, Tarmons on the death of Helen's sister, Rita O'Hara, née Kelly, who died on Wednesday 12 August. Rita, formerly of Coolkeragh, Listowel reposed at her home on Friday 14 August. Service took place at Dardistown Crematorium on Saturday 15 August. Beannacht De le h-anamacha na marbh go léir.

WEEKDAY MASS

On this Wednesday, 26th August, Mass will be celebrated at 7 p.m. in St. Mary's Church, Tarbert.

CCE REGISTRATION

Ballylongford/ Tarbert CCE will hold their Registration evening for traditional Irish music and singing classes on Friday 28 August in St. Oliver's National School, Ballylongford from 7 to 8pm. Registration can also be emailed to ballylongfordtarbertcce@gmail.com

MOBILE LIBRARY

Kerry Mobile Library has announced its mobile library schedule for the month of September calling to the Square, Tarbert from 12.30pm to 1pm. and proceeding to Ballylongford and Asdee. It will visit Tarbert on Wednesdays 2nd, 16th. and 30 September and if your chosen book is not in stock, you can request it from the Library.

JIM , timber toes, WREN

The first All-Ireland Senior medal brought to Tarbert was in 1904 by Jim 'timber toes' Wren, Tarmons playing for the Tarbert Magpies and Kerry. Kerry did not win the 1905 Final but the Kerry team agreed to play Cork in Celtic Park, New York on 4 July 1905 to raise funds for the benefit of the O'Connell Memorial Church in Cahirciveen. Some 20,000 people attended the match and Kerry were captained by Jim Wren. There was a delay in starting the match and Jim Wren came running into the grandstand. One of the Kerry players was not well and Jim was looking for a replacement. He was directed to a Fr. John Devane and Jim persuaded him to tog our in the green and gold jersey and play to make up the 17 man team. Kerry won the match by 8 points to 2 points and Kerry supporters were delighted.

'From The Early days of Kerry Football, Gaelic Athletic Memories by Seamus, O'Ceallaigh quoted by Fr. Tom Looney in 'Unbeatable, the story of Fr. Tom Jones.'

The 1904 All-Ireland medal is now in possession of Johnny Wren, son of Sean, both accomplished footballers who played with North Kerry. The second All Ireland medal to come to Tarbert was won by Tom O'Donnell in 1970 when Kerry won over Meath. Tom was a grand nephew of Jim 'timber toes' and the present captain of the Tarbert Senior team is Danny Wren, son of Mike Wren, another son of Sean. and great grand nephew of Timber Toes. Briseann an dúchais i gconai agus go neiri leo.

SHANNON PARK

Work is progressing well on Shannon Park developments with metallic green fencing almost complete fronting the Stand, some thirty seats in red and black fixed into concrete. An added amenity is a finely gravelled path circumventing the field and raised to higher level where needed. This will be a safe walking path which will be tarmac-adamed next year and with lights around the field will be an all year round amenity. Tea, coffee and refreshments will be available on site with adjoining toilets and dressing room facilities for the home and visiting team. Well done to all concerned.

ANCIENT CHURCHES

There was a full house in the Village Hub, Moyvane on Thursday last 20 August when Dr. Declan Downey spoke on the ancient Churches of Knockanure and Murhur, the old name for the parish of Moyvane. This was an illustrated talk on the 8th. century churches and the Church system of governance and interface with the various administrators at the time. The talk was very informative and well received.

Well done to Dr. Declan for his very interesting talk and to Mary Donovan and her team who organised the Culture Night event and refreshments on the night.

BALLYLONGFORD

BALLYLONGFORD / TARBERT CCE

Ballylongford/Tarbert CCE will hold their 2026/2027 registration evening for traditional Irish music and singing classes on Friday, August 28th in St.Oliver's NS, Ballylongford from 7-8pm. Registrations can also be emailed to ballylongfordtarbertcce@gmail.com by August 28th. Looking forward to a great year ahead.

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

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 submissions in 8pm on Sundays.



Rye Rye Rye with trainer Edward O'Sullivan from Mountcoal and son Charlie was an impressive round one Hannafin Cup at Tralee on Friday evening for owners Met in Sean Os Syndicate.

Photo Moss Joe Browne



Listowel Emmets Split the Bucket winner on 11th August was James Fogarty, collecting his winnings of €1,027.50 from Joanne Flaherty and Clare Hudson



The usually peaceful village of Knocknagoshel was very alive recently for the Annual Horse Fair as local lady Mikayla Maunsell was hoping to sell her animal with the help of Johnny Morrissey, Josh Kirley and Jerry Lenihan.

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The normal tears of the eye are made up of three layers – an oily (lipid) layer, a watery (aqueous) layer, and a sticky (mucous) layer. MGD is when the glands that make the oily layer of the tears are not working properly and this allows the watery layer of the tears to dry out.

The Meibomian glands are inside the eyelids, and the openings are on the edge of the eyelids. The outer oily layer stops the watery layer of the tears from drying out. When the glands become blocked, the oily part of the tears cannot be released.

This causes the watery tears to dry up more quickly which results in the eye becoming dry and can make it feel sore. It is not usually a serious condition, but can cause discomfort and sometimes blurry vision. If it is not treated, the glands may stop working permanently.

MGD can cause dry eye. It is common to have a combination of MGD, dry eye and blepharitis

Risk Factors

MGD is a common condition and can affect anyone. However, it is more likely to happen after the age of 50, if you have diabetes or oily skin conditions and it is also more common in women.

Symptoms

The eyelids can become sore and swollen as the glands become blocked. As the eyes become dry, they can feel itchy or gritty, as if there's something in the eye. The eyes may be red, and if they're sore, may be watery, which can cause vision to become blurry.

TREATMENT

Treatment involves releasing the oily tears from the glands using hot compresses. You need to get a face cloth, or cotton pads, soak them in hot (not boiling) water, close your eyes, and hold the hot cloth onto your eyelids. Wet the cloth again with hot water and keep applying the compress for at least five minutes. Repeat every day until the condition gets better.

You can also use products known as 'heat bags' that are specifically designed for this condition. These bags make it easier to direct the heat and are much more effective than a hot cloth. To help stop the glands from blocking up again continue the treatment every day for a few minutes. Massaging your eyelids can also help to release tears.

If the hot compresses or heat bags don't work, referral for further treatment may be required.

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



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LIXNAW

PARISH MASS TIMES

ST MICHAEL'S CHURCH: Monday 24th August, Mass at 7.30pm for John & Catherine Keane, Ballinagare. Wednesday 26th August, Mass at 10.00am. Friday 28th August, Mass at 7.30pm for Georgina Kelly, Ballyrehan. Saturday 29th August, Mass at 7.30pm for Liam Tuohy, Kilcaragh (Month's Mind); Peggy & John Heffernan and daughter Patrica Nagle; Christy & Simon Heffernan.

RATHEA CHURCH: Sunday 30th August, Mass at 11.00am for James Griffin, Lixnaw

IRREMORE CHURCH: Sunday 30th August, Mass at 11.00am for Frances Galvin, Mountcoal; Babbell & Ted Lynch, Tournageehy.

LIXNAW COMMUNITY GAMES

This past weekend Lixnaw parish had 10 athletes competing at the National Community Games in Carlow.

First up was our U.13 Mixed Relay team comprising of Kayla Matthews, Nessa McElligott, Liam Heffernan, Peter Hayes, and Robbie Larkin. The team ran very well in their heat to qualify for the semi-finals. Against tougher competition in this race, they again crossed the line in fourth position, qualifying for the final. With three races, nine seamless baton changes and great heart, the team finished fifth in the final, out of 23 teams in the competition. These young athletes admirably represented their parish on the National stage.

Cillian Quilter was next to compete for Lixnaw in the U.14 Javelin. With powerful throwing, Cillian qualified for the final 8 in this event of 31 competitors. Strong competition kept Cillian outside the medals. However, a fantastic achievement to reach this level, representing Kerry.

Our second relay to compete on the day was the U.16 Boys. Richie Reidy, Ruairi O'Brien, Ethan Stack and Donnacha Quilter lined up for a straight final. Each of these lads have previously represented Kerry in relay teams. This experience showed in their drive and excellent baton changes. But despite great effort by the team to win a medal, they finished 6th out of the 8 counties. Nevertheless, a fine performance. Well, done boys.

In his last year in Community Games, Donnacha Quilter competed in the U.16 200m. This race exhibits an athlete's speed, stamina, and pure grit. This well describes Donnacha's heat, semi-final, and final effort. In this last race, Donnacha made great ground on the bend, to get into 4th position, which he held to claim the Pewter medal. A superb accomplishment by Donnacha and a great way to finish his years with Community Games.

Thanks to all the parents and supporters who travelled to Carlow and made the day enjoyable. As Community Games in the area comes to an end for 2026, the committee would like to thank all the children who participated throughout the year in various events. Leac Snámha Abú, Ciarraí Abú, sin sin.

SPLIT THE BUCKET DRAW

Congratulations to Maura Walsh on winning €75 in this week's Split the Bucket Draw.

LIXNAW GAA LOTTO DRAW

17/08/26 Jackpot €19,100. Numbers drawn were 1, 10, 22, 23. No jackpot winner. €30 winners: Joe Shanahan, Liscullane; Samantha Stackpoole (online); Trish O'Sullivan c/o Bridget, Clogher). Next week's Jackpot will be €19,150. Thank you for your continued support.

LIXNAW CCÉ

Lixnaw CCÉ will hold their registration night on Friday 28th August 7-8pm in the Ceolann. Further information can be provided by contacting 087-96979334 or lixnawcce@gmail.com

ST SENAN'S GAA CLUB LOTTO DRAW

17/08/26 Jackpot €3,800. Numbers drawn were 03, 08, 12, 27. No Jackpot winner. €30 winners: Aiden Linnane, Irremore; Ted Sweeney, Rathea. €20 winners: Sheelagh Dillon, Rathea; Samantha Stackpoole (online); O'Mahony grandchildren c/o Mattie Dillon. Next week's Jackpot will be €3,900. 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

BALLYDUFF GAA

U14 Football

Ballyduff U14 North Kerry Division 1 Champions
Our U14 footballers were crowned Division 1 League champions last week in Listowel after defeating St Senans on a score of 4-7 to 0-15.

On a wet evening, a slow start to the game by both sides eventually ignited and some great passages of play with brilliant goals and two pointers to be had by both teams.

Ballyduff finished the stronger and saw out a memorable victory. Congratulations to team and management.

U12 Hurling

U12 Hurling Update

Our U12 hurlers have had two great outings recently, taking on Dr Crokes and Causeway.

We welcomed Dr Crokes to Ballyduff, and in a great show of sportsmanship, a number of our Ballyduff boys pulled on the Crokes jersey to help fulfil the fixture and make sure everyone got a game. A big thank you to Dr Crokes for travelling to us.

We also made the trip to Causeway for what was a tough, competitive and very entertaining game. Plenty of effort and determination on display from both sides.

Thanks to Causeway for hosting us and well done to all the players involved in both games.

Keep up the great work lads!

U12 football

Well done to all our U12 footballers this evening!

Two brilliant performances on a perfect summer's evening for football. Duagh were the visitors to Ballyduff on Sunday, and some excellent scores, passing and support running were on display from start to finish.

An excellent performance for our last home game of the year. Just two fixtures remaining — away to Moyvane on Wednesday and away to Tarbert/Ballylongford next Sunday.

Well done everyone! Let's finish out what has been an excellent year to date.

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



Ballyduff U12 hurlers have had two great outings recently, taking on Dr Crokes and Causeway



U.16 Boys Relay team of Ruairi O'Brien, Ethan Stack, Richie Reidy and Donnacha Quilter who represented Kerry and Lixnaw and were finalists at last weekend's National Community Games Finals in Carlow

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KILFLYNN

KILFLYNN NATIONAL SCHOOL RE-OPEN

St. Teresa's National School, Kilflynn will reopen on Wednesday 26th August at 9:00 a.m. We hope you all had a fun-filled summer vacation, After an amazing summer of sunshine, adventures and making memories. Good luck to the children, the teachers, and staff going back to school, and good luck to the little children starting school.

CROTTA LOTTO RESULTS

Herbert's Bar in Kilflynn hosted the Crotta Hurling Club's weekly lotto draw on Monday 24th August. The four numbers drawn from the drum by the independent observer, Graham Harris, Clounsillagh, Lixnaw, were 2, 5, 14 and 27. No one won the €9,000 Jackpot.

Congratulations to the following who won €35 in the lucky dip draw: Aidan Shanahan, Tullig, Kilflynn, Jessica Cronin, Knocknacaska Kilflynn and John Walsh Glenoe Listowel

The next draw will take place in Parker's Pub, Kilflynn, on Monday, 31st August at 10:30 p.m. with an €9,100 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 28th August at 10.00a.m and Saturday 29th August at 6:00 p.m.

If anyone would like a call, please contact the Parish Office at 066 4018996 or Fr. Jerry Keane 087 2844649. Adoration of Blessed Sacrament Kilflynn: Monday 7.00p.m. – 8.00 p.m.

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

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

JUNIOR PREMIER CHAMPIONSHIP GROUP 4 - Rd 3

St Senans 2-18 -v- Castlegregory 2-18. St. Senan's play Listry away on Sunday, August 29th, at 5.30p.m in Listry in the Junior County Premier Championship Quarter final. Best of luck to the players and their mentors.

ACTIVE RETIRED

The Abbeydorney/Kilflynn Active Retired Group 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 GAA

North Kerry Under 14 Hurling Championships Round 1
Friday, 28 August @ 6.30pm
'A' Championship –
Crotta O'Neill's v Ballyheigue

BALLYHEIGUE PATTERN DAY

On Tuesday, 8th September at 11 a.m. Please join us as we celebrate with Bishop Ray Browne Our Lady's Birthday in the beautiful setting of Our Lady's Well & Grotto. Everyone is warmly welcome.

CROTTA LEISURE CYCLISTS

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

PARKER'S PUB

Dreams Of Freedom will play in Parker's Pub & Venue, Kilflynn on Sunday evening 30th August, at 7.p.m for another epic evening of Songs, tunes and craic.

ABBEYKILLIX CAMOGIE U13 COUNTY CHAMPIONS 2026!

After a thrilling, hard-fought battle with Causeway at Lixnaw on Sunday, August 23rd, the Abbeykillix girls showed incredible courage, determination and a never-say-die attitude to come from behind and win by just one point! Huge credit to both teams for a fantastic and sporting contest. Congratulations to the amazing Abbeykillix girls and their mentors.

SOCIAL DANCE CLASSES ARE BACK

Waltzing, Jiving, Quick Steps, Line Dancing etc. Starting Tuesday 15th of September. Beginners 7-8pm | Advanced 8-9pm.
Venue: Listellick School Hall, Tralee V92 WTR8.
For Bookings Contact 087 7541631

MOYVANE

Contact: moyvanenotes@gmail.com

BLOTTO

There was no winner of last Thursday night's Jackpot. Numbers drawn were 15 16 20 32. Lucky Dips: €100: Nora Barrett, Abbeyfeale. €50: Eamon McSweeney, Upper Aughrim, Moyvane. €20 each: Phil & Connie Clancy, Listowel. Helena Slemon, Woodford, Listowel. Clara O'Shea, Ballylongford. Carmel Curran, Leitrim Middle. Liz Mulvihill, Glenalappa. Free Tickets: Tom Moriarty, Ballyduff. Michelle Molyneux, Ardagh. Stack Family, Listowel. Danny Enright. Mary Curtin, Ballygologue Park, Listowel. Next draw will be held this Thursday night, August 27 at Bingo in The Marian Hall. Jackpot: €17,000. Bingo starts at 8.00pm. Thank you for your support.

SPIN THE WHEEL

Congratulations to Teresa Kennelly, Tarbert 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.

MOYVANE GAA LOTTO

Lotto Result 23/08/2026 Numbers 16, 27, 28, 32. There was no winner. Lucky Dips: John Kearney - Kilbaha. Maria O'Keeffe Stack - Moyvane North. Marie & James Kennelly - Kilbaha. Joan & Kevin Kiely - Glin Road, Moyvane. Gerard Buckley - Knockanure. Next Week's Jackpot: €9,900. Next draw will be held in Speedy's Bar at 8:30pm.

SPLIT THE BUCKET

Congratulations to John Hanrahan 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. Next draw, Thursday, August 06. Thank you all for supporting this very important fundraiser for our local school.

BALLYLONGFORD/TARBERT CCE

Will hold their 2026/2027 registration evening for traditional Irish music and singing classes on Friday, August 28 in St.Oliver's NS, Ballylongford from 7.00-8.00pm. Registrations can also be emailed to ballylongfordtarbertcce@gmail.com by August 28. Looking forward to a great year ahead.

MOYVANE ICA

Would like to acknowledge and thank the Department of Rural and Community Development and the Gael-tacht, Kerry Co. Council for financial assistance under the Local Enhancement Programme 2026. The funding received was €300.

BLACKBERRY HEARING

Blackberry Hearing is offering FREE hearing tests at Listowel Physiotherapy Clinic, 97 Church St., Listowel, V31 TP83. Hearing loss affects 1 in 3 over 65, often goes unnoticed for years. A simple 30-minute test can reveal whether you'd benefit from support-and many people qualify for up to €1,000 off hearing aids through the PRSI grant. Book with our qualified audiologists 01-6978470.

MASSSES FOR THE WEEK

MOYVANE
Thursday, August 27 First Anniversary Mass at 10.00am for Denis "Dennie" Lynch, Leitrim Middle followed by Eucharistic Adoration.
Saturday, August 29 Third Anniversary Mass at 7.30pm for Mossie Kearney, Moyvane South and Liam Lynch, Leitrim Middle and deceased members of the Byrne & Lynch Families.

KNOCKANURE:

Wednesday, August 26 Mass at 7.00pm.
Friday, August 28 Anniversary Mass at 7.00pm for Morgan Flaherty.
Sunday, August 30 Mass at 9.30am.



Locals attending the recent Annual Knocknagoshel Horse Fair on 16th August were Mary Denise Lyons, Anthony McAuliffe with Sara and Olivia Collins. Photo Moss Joe Browne



Johnny and Liz O'Keeffe from Lixnaw pictured at Tralee Greyhound Track recently. Photo Moss Joe Browne



Martin Dowling from Ballyduff doing a bit of midweek shopping in Tralee. Photo Moss Joe Browne

French Connection - Listowel Families renew 36 years of Twinning

A hectic and immersive week was had by thirteen Listowel twinning members, to our Twinned town Panissieres, France. Excellent town connectivity and affordability, was assured using the Flight Link Bus from Abbeyfeale to Dublin Airport and Aer Lingus to Lyon Airport on Sunday 9th August. Host families collected us at the airport and we were all made honorary citizens of Panissieres on our arrival at place De la Liberte, near the Lartigue Monorailway Replica.

We were all shrouded in cravats with the French colours. We were given a lovely satchel sporting the Monorailway and inscribed with Listowel / Panissieres.

Our first visit on Monday, was to the famous Sirol Vineyard in Renaison, for a guided tour of wine making and sampling. The cheapest 75cl bottle of wine in this vineyard was €18.50. That evening we had a reception in the town hall meeting new and former members of our now thirty six years of twinning. Note also that the Listowel to Ballybunnion Railway worked for thirty six years against the odds financially. Bryan McMahon stated "that the people loved their queer little railway."

The twinning commenced in 1990 when Councillor Michael Guerin with his wife Aine of Listowel Council visited Panissieres and established the basis of our twinning with the Mayor of Panissieres Madame Francoise Vellion, with our historical link through the Lartigue Monorailway. They built the railway at considerable expense, but it was totally unsuitable for the terrain and was never used for passenger transport. Panissieres was a thriving town in the manufacture of fine textiles and like Ballybunnion wanted connection with the main railway line from Feur to Lyon. The official Twinning Charter between both Councils was signed in Panissieres in 1992 and signed by the Mayor of Panissieres, Madame Francoise Vellion and Mayor of Listowel Council Cllr Michael Guerin.

On Tuesday we visited market day in the adjoining town of Feur, followed by a walk on the Monorailway route, seeing remaining overbridges and structures. We had a great picnic at Les Ruines de Donzy. Here Olympic Games were played between teams, including horseshoe throwing, Skittles, jigsaw and picture drawing to a timedock. To get the maximum experience of French family life, town and country we changed over this day to other host families.

Wednesday 12th was a visit to the Michelin Museum in Clermont Ferrand. This was a fantastic guided tour exploring the manufacture of tyres and associated vehicles throughout the ages. Cars, railroad aircraft in times of peace and war. The Michelin Restaurant Guide and touring maps production was explained. Following this we had a guided tour by Corrine of Clermont Ferrand exploring its rich medieval history. That evening was spent with host families.

Thursday started with a French buffet breakfast in the local restaurant Le Central, followed by Fun Boule with competing French and Irish teams, this was near the full size replica of the Panissieres Lartigue Train. Dinner that evening in La Cigogne Restaurant Bar including great fun and singing along to Karaoke.

The final morning was a visit to the Town Hall, which is adorned with many Listowel gifts presented to the Mayors over the thirty six years. The present Mayor is Christian Mollard who is very enthusiastic and supportive of our twinning. He believes we can strengthen our bonds through commercial and cultural cooperation. Panissieres has some thriving industries in textiles, camping car manufacture, refrigeration units etc. Also of note is the town shops put on window displays welcoming us to the town. After some speeches we sang the Irish and French National Anthems.

The Mayor Christian hosted a wonderful buffet on the Council grounds, before we packed for our return journey to Listowel.

Going forward we must encourage participation in the twinning for the great Listowel Municipal Council Area, according to our present Mayor, Jimmy Moloney who participated in previous visits, Karen Trench Chairperson and Denise Fitzgerald Secretary, will be announcing programmes of cultural exchange and other activities including French language sessions, Zoom sessions with France, School exchange.

Contact any of our members, if you wish to join the twinning.



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Emmets Senior Ladies following their victory vs. Kerins O'Rahillys on Sunday



Deerpark Pitch & Putt Club's Fionn McMonagle and Listowel's Eoin Barrett pictured with the Boys National U16 and U13 Stroke-play Cups after their respective wins in both events in Bruff, Co Limerick last Saturday. Also included in photo is Listowel's Shona Griffin who was third in the Girls event



Con Mackessy collecting his prize money from Listowel Celtic's recent World Cup Draw. Thanks to all who supported the draw



Joe Harrington, Kerry Historical and Archaeological Society, giving a guided tour of Lyreacrompane, starting with the Butter Road during National Heritage Week. A great afternoon was had by all



At Rattoo, Ballyduff on National Heritage Week to view the restoration work on the Round Tower were locals Pat O'Carroll and Eamie Deenihan with John Kearney from Ballyheigue and Michael Moynihan OPW. Photo Moss Joe Browne



Imelda & Edward Twomey Kilmorna who met up with Kerry footballer Paul Geaney on a recent trip to Dingle



Donnacha Quilter who won a Pewter medal in the U.16 200m and who represented Kerry and Lixnaw at last weekend's National Community Games Finals in Carlow



Knocknagoshel GAA presented Emma Murphy from Ballydesmond Co Cork her cheque for €16,900 on Monday night last with her family. Emma won the jackpot in the July draw and got a nice surprise to find out her Uncle Mike had purchased the ticket for her.

Pictured on right: Peter Murphy Emma's Dad, Emma Murphy Jackpot winner with her Sister Laura and Mom Kay Murphy.

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U12 - Mondays 7pm - 8pm in St. Michael's grass pitch
U14 - Mondays & Wednesdays 6pm - 7.30pm Cows Lawn
U16 - County League underway Trainings TBC
Seniors/Minors - Tuesday & Thursday 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.

Results:
Listowel Emmets vs. Dr Crokes
U16 County League Round 4
The girls put in a brilliant team performance against Dr. Crokes, with some excellent attacking football backed up by great work defensively.

Aoise Kennelly got Emmets off to the perfect start with two early points, with the help of Grace Hegarty fielding well around the middle. Lila Scanlan held up the Crokes attack which allowed Aideen Duffy to make a great interception, with the ball worked up the pitch to Evanne Mason who struck for goal and quickly followed with another. Crokes opened their account with a point, but Emmets continued to build momentum, with Kate Sheridan and Lily O'Flynn both finding the net and Evanne, Lily and Chloe Flaherty keeping the scoreboard ticking over. The girls put a massive squeeze on the Crokes kick-outs throughout the half and reaped the rewards.

Crokes were handed a great opportunity to get themselves back into the game from the penalty spot, but Orla Lyons produced a brilliant penalty save. Aideen then got forward to score Emmets' fifth goal. The half-back line of Ella Galvin, Aideen and Aoibhinn McNamara Moore were excellent at cleaning up ball and driving Emmets up the pitch.

Crokes kept battling and added a couple of points before Emma O'Rahilly and Aoise responded for Emmets. Two more Crokes points followed before Emma added her third point of the half, with Crokes finding the net before the break. The girls continued strongly after the restart, with Grace scoring straight from the throw-in before Evanne dummied her way through for a lovely left-footed point. Crokes continued to threaten, but Niamh Loughnane and Olivia O'Carroll kept things tight defensively and Orla was on hand with another excellent save before making her way outfield.

Kate added another goal, while Aisling O'Connor, Ava Dore, Ellie Mai Neylon and Aoise all contributed scores. Crokes added another point as they continued to battle, with Mary Kate O'Connor, Nadya Karakehayova and Charlee Ann Duffy among those working hard defensively for Emmets.

Aoise landed a brilliant left-footed point from distance before Grace got on the end of an Aoise 45 for another score. Some excellent passing among the forwards, involving Ava Heffernan finished with Aisling rounding off the game with another excellent point.

A great all-round team performance from the girls, with 21 players taking the field and making a contribution, along with some brilliant scores and strong defensive play throughout.

Junior County Championship Round 2
Listowel Emmets vs. Kerins O'Rahillys
The second round of the Junior Championship took us to Tralee to face old foes Kerins O'Rahillys, and as always, a great contest was served up between the sides.

Listowel started brightly, matching Rahillys' trademark intensity from the opening whistle. Rebecca Stapleton and Trina Kennedy ran riot around the half-forward line, getting on an ocean of ball, while Hannah Healy, Niamh Mulvihill, Emma Cotter and Sarah Lynch found great space inside and linked up brilliantly.

The chances were there early on, but we were unlucky with our shot selection before eventually finding our rhythm. Scores from Rebecca, Emma and a fine point by Niamh got the scoreboard moving, while Sinéad Lyons and Niamh both found the net to put Emmets firmly on the front foot.

Rahillys were efficient when they got possession into their forwards, striking for a goal and two points, but the Emmets defensive unit never allowed them to find any real flow. The full-back line of Aoife Shine, Nora Keane and Geraldine Walsh stood firm throughout, with Aoife even finding time to make a few darts up the pitch.

Half-time: 2-04 to 1-02

Listowel started the second half as they meant to go on, with Trina opening the scoring with a point. Sarah and Emma Cotter kept things ticking over with some excellent link-up play before Sarah finished to the net to extend the Emmets lead.

Rahillys weren't going away, however. Two converted frees and a goal brought the gap back to just three points and suddenly the contest was right back in the melting pot.

The Emmets defence stood strong. Emma Browne, Cliona Pierce and Éire O'Hanlon repeatedly slowed down Rahillys attacks from the half-back line,

while Taylor Lynch produced a vital penalty save to deny Rahillys a huge opportunity to close the gap.

From there, Listowel pushed on. Leah Henry made an immediate impact after her introduction, picking out Zara with a fantastic pass before she finished to the net. A further goal from Trina in the closing stages finally gave Emmets breathing room.

The final few minutes were helter-skelter, but Listowel refused to give Rahillys another opening. The introduction of Aoife Sweeney proved another vital addition, turning over possession and carrying the ball very composed out of defence as Emmets stood firm right to the final whistle.

Full-time: Listowel Emmets 5-09 Kerins O'Rahillys 2-05

Scorers: Emma Cotter 0-4, Sarah Lynch 1-1, Sinéad Lyons 1-1
Niamh Mulvihill 1-1, Trina Kennedy 1-1, Zara O'Doherty 1-0
Rebecca Stapleton 0-1

A massive thank you to everyone who travelled to Tralee to support us, especially all of our underage girls and boys who came along to cheer on the team. Two wins from two in the Junior Championship, with Round 3 back home in Frank Sheehy Park in two weeks' time against Kilcummin.

U14 North Kerry League
Listowel Emmets vs. Corca Dhuibhne 2-11 to 6-06

U10 Blitz
The U10 ladies took part in the Ballydonoghue Rockland Blitz which was a huge success on Saturday in Coolard!

U10 teams from Rockland NY (two teams), Ballydonoghue, Ballyduff, Shannonside Tarbert, Abbeydorney, Beale and Listowel Emmets took part in a fantastic day of football.

Emmets entered one team, but with 19 girls eager to play, our coaches made sure everyone got equal pitch time and the chance to enjoy the day.

A huge well done to Ballydonoghue GAA for putting together such a brilliant tournament, and we hope our visitors from Rockland enjoyed their time in Kerry!

Fixtures: U8, U10 and U12 Go Games will be in full flow the next few weeks.

U14 North Kerry League - Bye this weekend

U16 County League Division 3 Semi Final
Listowel Emmets vs. Castleisland Desmond's
Wednesday 26th August 7.15pm
Ballydonoghue GAA, Coolard

Development County Championship
Listowel Emmets B vs. Finuge/Senans B - TBC

LISTOWEL KARATE

LISTOWEL KARATE CLASSES: Kerry Martial Arts School will resume karate and self-defence classes in Presentation Secondary School Hall every Monday from August 31st. Classes led by team of experienced black belt instructors. All ages from 4 to adults welcome at 6pm. Contact (089) 490 7724 for further information or search Kerry Martial Arts School on Facebook.

LISTOWEL CELTIC

Numbers drawn 17-21-22-23
Jackpot not won - Lucky Dip Winners
€40 Gerard Scully c/o Shebeen
€20 Michael O'Regan,Ballyheigue
€20 Tadhg Murphy,Lyre
€20 Karen Carter c/o Mikes
€20 Julie Gleeson,Ballygologue Park
Next Draw 31/08/26 at Jets - Jackpot: €3,700

BEALE GAA

Unlucky to lose out by just one point in the closing minute of last year's thrilling County Junior Club Championship final, we will be seeking redress the balance this year. Beale seniors top Group 3, following victories over Lispole and Cromane, and look forward to a North Kerry derby against Finuge in the quarter final in Páirc de Staic on Saturday at 3 o'clock.

Beale senior ladies came up short against Churchill in round 1 of the County Junior Championship. We now look ahead to Round 2, when we face Annascaul/Castlegregory on September 6th.

Action on the under-age front!

Mixed fortunes for Beale u16 girls in the County League, Division 6A, coming up short against Spa and securing a good win over Milltown/Castlemaine.

What an exciting, high-scoring match when Beale u14A boys played Moyvane

in the North Keery League final. But it was not our evening, losing out by 4.8 to 5.11.

Beale u12 boys and girls were in action, away to Duagh. Our A team was victorious, while the scoreline did not truly reflect the efforts the B team who were unfortunate not to come away with the spoils. We host Tarbert/Ballylongford in North Kerry Go Games on Monday evening at 6 o'clock in Páirc de Staic. We then travel to Mountcoal on Sunday evening to play St Senans.

Busy times for Beale u10s! Our girls enjoyed a great trip to Killarney, playing Dr Crokes, St Pat's and Furies, before joining the boys for the Fossa blitz. With 40 teams from all over Ireland taking part, the day began with a photoshoot with Kerry stars, David and Paudie Clifford. We progressed to the shield quarter final, where we narrowly lost out to Annascaul. The action continued in Ballydonoghue, where we took part in another exciting blitz alongside local clubs and visitors from Rockland, New York. We now focus on the key event of the year - the Eóin Griffin Tournament. Saturday promises to be a great day for players and families and a very special club occasion when teams from Beale and neighbouring clubs will be in action in Páirc de Staic. Games get under way at 11 o'clock. A headline event in our under-age calendar, the tournament promises an action-packed day of thrilling football from the first throw-in to the final whistle.

Beale u16s' Evan Murphy lined out for the North Kerry who had convincing wins over West Kerry and Mid Kerry in the County u16 Championship. Next up, North Kerry play East Kerry on Monday evening in Tarbert at 7 o'clock.

Odhran Buckley and Brody Mulvihill helped North Kerry minors to victory over St. Kieran's in the opening round of the County Championship campaign, Group 3. They then went onto secure victory over Killarney Legion and are through to the quarter finals.

Jeremy King and Denis Kennelly represented the club on the Kerry Masters against Donegal in the semi-final of the Mickey Loftus cup on Saturday. Played in Claregalway, Kerry came up short by just two points.

Well done to all players who got their Leaving Cert results last week. Every good wish to all in the next chapter!

The weekly Lotto draw continues to rotate between our local host venues, on Monday nights during the summer, keeping a familiar presence in the community. Full results are available on our regular outlets, with details shared as they come in. Recent draws were held in Kilcooley's and Mikey Joe's. The next draw will be held in The Feale Bar on Monday night, with a jackpot of €2,700. Match all 4 numbers to win or share the Jackpot, and match 3 numbers to win or share €100! A huge 'mile buíochas' to all who support and promote the lotto. Beale Lotto tickets, €2 each or three for a fiver, are available in Cahill's SuperValu, the local pubs and online.

BALLYBUNION GOLF CLUB

Men's Competitions:
Men's Dan Blake Singles Sponsored by Bob McClure –Sunday 23rd August Old White Tees

1st	Sean O'Sullivan (20)	43pts
2nd	Noel Kneafsey(22)	41pts
3rd	David O'Grady(16)	41pts

Best Gross Brian Lenihan

4th	Michael Holly (19)	40pts
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Green Tees

1st	Michael Barry (20)	41pts
2nd	Michael D Farrell (23)	39pts
3rd	Rory Mehigan (21)	38pts

Fixtures:
Friday Mixed Competition Sponsored by Cahill's SuperValu Ballybunion – Friday 28th August Cashen Course
Men's Eric Browne Singles Competition Sponsored by The Browne Family– Saturday 29th August Cashen Course

Ladies Competitions:
Ladies 4 Ball Competition Sponsored by Healy Brothers – Tuesday 18th August Cashen Course

1st	June Hayes (35) & Muireann O'Sullivan (29)	48 pts
2nd	Susan Quilter (36) & Toni Quilter (20)	47 pts
3rd	Jeanelle Griffin (25) & Elaine Molyneaux (15)	46 pts

9 Hole Qualifying Front 9 Cashen Course

1st	Niamh Mullins (14)	26 pts
2nd	Bairbre Cunningham (20)	24 pts

Elaine Molyneaux Captain's Charity Day – Saturday 22nd August Old and Cashen Course

Ladies

1st	Valerie Noonan (25), Marie Walsh (16), Rosemarie Noonan (28) & Suzanne Deane (13)	87pts (B6-26)
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2nd	Siobhan O' Mahony (16), Breda Cotter (28), Deirdre Mullins (14) & Mary Rea (34)	87pts (B6-25)
3rd	Orla Shields (16), Margaret Costello-Harkin (15), Fiona Caulfield (21) & Sharon Rooney (16)	86pts
4th	Susan Gilmore Kettler (10), Anne Marie Healy (19), Mary Powell (17) & Sarah Baker (6)	83pts (B9-43)

Old Course Men

1st	Alan Sheehan (20), Aidan (Jnr) O'Shaughnessy (14), Eoin O'Shaughnessy (16) & Will Murphy (17)	91pts (B9-47)
2nd	Benjamin Harte (6), Walter Doyle (13), John Keohane (24) & Liam Buckley (11)	91pts (B9-45)
3rd	Frank Dore (13), Sean J Healy (24), Eoin O'Connor (3) & William OSullivan (16)	87pts

Cashen Course

1st	Bernie McGrath (15), Jackie Lordan (19), Ann Morris (20) & Margaret Walsh (22)	90pts
2nd	Sean O'Keeffe (5), Brendan Gildea (3), Chris O'Donoghue (6) & Brian Lenihan (2)	88pts
3rd	Michelle Fitzpatrick (22), Louise Mullen (18), Elizabeth Bermingham (33) & Martina Humphreys (23)	87pts (B9-46)

Ladies Killarney Killeen Exchange Day – Sunday 23rd August 2026

1st	Anne Marie Sexton (20) Lucy Pye (20) Ann Lavery (21) Helen Mc Sweeney (31)	92 pts
2nd	Margaret McAuliffe (L) (26) Mary Hickey Keane (31) Bernie Daly (25) Geraldine Williams (21)	91 pts
3rd	Susan Gilmore Kettler (10) Martina Mc Auliffe (14) Catherine Morrissey (17) Elva Clancy (30)	87 pts

Fixtures:

Friday Mixed Competition Sponsored by Cahill's SuperValu Ballybunion – Friday 28th August Cashen Course

Ladies Competition (GOY15) Sponsored by Study Kerry – Sunday 30th August Old Course

Ladies Newcastle West Exchange Day Competition – Tuesday 1st September

Senior Mens Captain's Prize Mr Michael Jones – Thursday 20th August Cashen

1st	Tadgh Barrett (39)	44pts
2nd	Eoin O'Shaughnessy (15)	43pts
3rd	Neilus O'Sullivan (19)	41pts
Gross	Des O'Donnell	
4th	Maurice O'Connell (25)	38pts B9-21
5th	Michael O'Callaghan (23)	38 pts B9-18 B3-5
6th	John Beary (13)	38pts B9-18 B3-3
7th	Brendan Nolan (32)	37pts B9-21
8th	Rory Flannery (17)	37pts B9-18
9th	Dominic Lehane (25)	37pts B9-18
10th	Gerard Rowan (25)	36pts B9-16
V.	Tom M O'Connor (20)	35pts B9-18
S.V.	Con Mulvihill (18)	36 pts B9-17
S.S.V.	Noel Morkan (22)	34pts B9-12

Fixtures: Senior Men's Competition – Thursday 27th August Cashen Course

Senior Ladies 9 Hole Competition – Friday 21st August 2026 Cashen Course

1st	Mary Horgan (9)	23
2nd	Ann Leahy (14)	22
3rd	Bernie Daly (13)	21

Fixtures: Senior Ladies 9 Hole Competition – Friday 28th August Cashen Course

FINUGE GAA

FINUGE 500: Congratulations to our July €500 winner Padraig O'Sullivan along with our All Ireland tickets winner Therese O'Mahony. 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. Some more really great bonus prizes are coming in the months ahead - seven pairs of passes for Listowel Races Harvest meeting will be won in August, draw on the 31st.

SENIOR: Kerry Junior Club Championship round 3 result; Finuge; 3-22, Tuosist 1-04. A solid first half from our lads saw them take a seven point lead into halftime - Finuge 1-09; Tuosist 1-02. The second half saw a dominant display to pull away as convincing winners at fulltime. Well done to the team and management on the long road trip to southeast Kerry. This wins ensured the team went through to the quarterfinals and there the team are going to meet fellow North Kerry club Beale. This games goes ahead this Saturday the 29th of August at 3pm in Beale. In what should be a good game, we are asking all supporters to get to Ballybunion and support our lads as they playoff for a place in the county semi-final - best of luck to the team.
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.

MINOR: County league semifinal result; Finuge 6-15; Milltown/Castlemaine 3-06. After a close first half, a dominant and fine display by our minors in the second half left nobody in any doubt as to who should progress to the final. The opponents will be old friends Listowel but this one will not be played until after the NK district is finished with the county championship.

U16: Following a three point win against Churchill in the semifinal, our U16 team qualified for the county league final against Annascaul/Lios Póil last Thursday week and what a battle our U16 team had to land the county league title against a good West Kerry side. Played in St Pats GAA Blennerville on a perfect evening for football in front of a lively crowd, this game had drama from start to finish. Both sides traded scores early on but it was our young Finuge side that built up a healthy five point lead by half time. Our boys continued to play excellent football in the third quarter and had built an eleven point lead when the men from the west struck back. They gradually reeled in our lead until it was down to three with minutes on the clock. However the Finuge boys would not be defeated and ran out deserved winners. Captain Finn Daughton had pulled off some fine saves in the semifinal to earn captaincy for the final and he repeated the trick again in the final, standing firm in that last quarter to land the spoils. Goals by Robbie Breen, Ruairi O'Brien and Cathal Dennehy set the stage for the win but it was the massive work rate and determination from every single player that was the big story of this game. Final score - Finuge 3-14; A/LP 3-11.
Thank you to St Pats for the pitch, referee Noel O'Sullivan, Kerry Coiste na nóg organising the competition and sponsors Lee Strand Milk. A huge thank you to our great supporters who travelled and got behind the team. Well done to the team & management. Next up for the team will be the North Kerry championship where the team will meet Ballyduff in the quarterfinals - to be played once the county U16 championships comes to a conclusion.

U14: There was no joy for our U14s playing with St Senans as the team lost out to Ballyduff in the NK League final.

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: The team have been very bust lately with games against Ballyduff and Listowel in the past two weeks. The boys put in some great performances against these teams with bigger squads and older age profiles and have improved considerably in the past few months - well done to everyone.

U10: Our U10 boys competed recently in the Fossa blitz. Starting the day off with a meet a greet with David and Paudie Clifford, followed by a parade behind a piper with the other 40 participating clubs! Our lads put in brave and battling performances on the day. They played Douglas of Cork, Glenflesk, Keri's O'Rahilly's, Aherlow of Tipperary and St Pats GAA of Blennerville.
A big thank you to Fossa GAA for organising an exceptional tournament. Thanks to all the coaches and travelling parents for their support - a great day out that our boys will remember.
Massive well done to our super U10's on some fantastic games against Scartaglen GAA recently. Great effort, teamwork, skill and spirit from start to finish. Upcoming Fixtures: Aug 26th: Home v Beale GAA Club, Sep 9th: Home v St. Senans GAA.

U8: Our U8 team played some fantastic football on Friday evening last week against St Senans and Ballymac. Its great to see the team enjoying their football so much and to see the improvements each time they take to the field!

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 DEVELOPMENT: At U15 level, Joe Joy and Ruairi O'Brien are representing the club on Kerry North. Joe recently had the honour of captaining the side that defeated Mayo in the All-Ireland semifinal played at UL Limerick. The team played Cork in the final a week ago and emerged victorious with Joe scoring two goals. Our club coach Fergus Fitzmaurice was also in the management team. At U14 level we have three players on Kerry North - Aaron Collins, Eoghan Og Galvin and Robbie Breen. The boys played two Cork county teams a few weeks ago and are in great form - well done to all.

CÚL CAMPS: Well done to all who took part in our Cúl Camp recently. As always, a great week of fun and football was had by everyone.

LEAVING CERT: We would like to congratulate everyone who received their Leaving Cert results last week. It's another milestone in life no matter what direction you take from here - well done to all.

LADIES FOOTBALL: Well done to Finuge/St Senans senior ladies on their county championship win over Clounmacon/Moyvane last weekend. The team next play Na Gaeil or a place in the semi'

BALLYDONOGHUE GAA

Lotto Draw results:

The numbers drawn for Friday 21st August 2026, were as follows, 5, 8, 18, 29. The Jackpot was €2,100 and there was no Jackpot winner.

The following won 30 euro lucky dips:

- Dick Kissane - Kilconx.
- Seamus Kelliher - Listowel.
- Conor Riordan - Inch.
- John Kissane - Online.
- Ian Flavin.

The following won three free tickets:

- Tim Barry - Ballingown.
- Jack Whelan- c/o Henchy's Lyre.
- Eilish Walsh - Online.
- Billie Keane - Garyard House.

Next Jackpot will be €2,200 and it will take place at the usual day and time Friday 28th August 2026, will be held in the Coolard Clubhouse, at 9p.m.

Results:

Intermediate Championship Group 2 Round 3
Ballydonoghue 1-12 Firies 2- 06 Sunday 23rd August, in Denis Dowling Park, Coolard.

Congratulations: Congratulations to Northern Gaels U14 after winning the North Kerry League final against Moyvane.

Kerry Masters:

Well Done to Ballydonoghue John Enright and all the Kerry Masters team that played Galwayd in the Semi-Final of the Dr. Mick Loftus Cup, but unfortunately fell short end the end by 2 points.

Ballydonoghue Gaa Under 10 Blitz:

Ballydonoghue Gaa will be hosting a Under 10 Blitz in Partnership with Rockland Gaa New York.
Took place in Coolard on Saturday 22nd of August 2026 it was a fantastic success and there were teams attending from all over North Kerry, West Limerick attending and four teams from across the water in New York. A great day was had by all and a huge thank you to involved.

KERRY PITCH AND PUTT

After the success of Deepark's Ciara Lowe in the National Ladies Intermediate Strokeplay the weekend before last Saturday was the turn of the county's U16 players in Bruff, Co Limerick last Saturday to shine on the national stage and they certainly obliged in the Singles events.

Less than six days after winning the Bruff U16 Scratch Cup itself, Deepark's Fionn McMonagle won again around the tight track but this time it meant he was National Boys U16 winner as he won a nine-hole playoff on this occasion for the title. A great second 18 of seven under par put him in a tie with Fermoy's Conor Ronan on nine under par overall as both players had to go for a further nine holes to decide the outcome.

While Fionn went into a four shot lead midway through the playoff, Ronan fought back to within one shot near the end before Fionn held his nerve to record a two stroke victory. Fionn's win makes him the seventh Kerry player to win the event, the fourth from Deepark itself and the fifth from the county in the last 15 years to win the title. Fionn then had to quickly switch into the county colours to help Kerry in the conclusion of the Inter-County event.

Here Fionn and his team-mates Aodhan O'Halloran, Daniel Quinlan and Joey Blake were a combined 11 under par for their Singles, three behind Cork as the team ultimately had to settle for silver when the two Kerry pairs brought in a combined eight under par for their Scotch Foursomes rounds, Fionn & Daniel shooting five under par and Aodhan and Joey's three under bringing the county's total to 19 under par, five behind Cork's winning score of 24 under par. The County Board commends the players on their efforts last Sunday in finishing second and thank our U16 Officers Tom O'Connor and Monty Galvin for their work with the team during the summer.

Thanks once more to Sewell's Pharmacy Killarney for their continued support of the team. Indeed, there was far more to the day itself as Listowel's Eoin Barrett marked himself down for the future by winning the Helen McMorrow Cup for the Boys U13 National Singles event. Eoin is a first cousin of former National U16 winner Ajay Barrett and his four under par total from the first session was good enough to win by a single stroke over Fermoy's Jack Murphy and Westmeath's Ben Gorman as it is the third time in the short history of the event that it is has been won by a Kerry player.

The other podium spot claimed by a Kerry player at the weekend was for Listowel's Shona Griffin as she finished third in the Girls event to continue a solid summer for her. In making a final comment on the achievements themselves the County Board says well done to Deepark, Listowel and Tralee as clubs for their efforts with U16 players once more. We look forward to the County U16 Matchplay now in the coming weeks.

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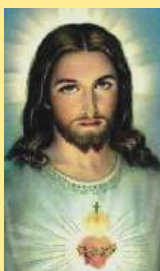
OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL

Oh, most beautiful flower of Mount Carmel, fruitful vine, splendor of Heaven.

Blessed Mother of the Son of God; Immaculate Virgin, assist me in my necessity. Oh, Star of the Sea, help me and show me you are my Mother. Oh, Holy Mary, Mother of God, Queen of Heaven and Earth, I humbly beseech you from the bottom of my heart to succour me in my necessity (Mention your request here)

There are none that can withstand your power. Oh, Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee (3 times). Sweet Mother, I place this cause in your hands (3 times). Amen

This prayer is never known to fail. It is to be said for 3 consecutive days. Publication on granting of the favour must be promised and done. M.R.



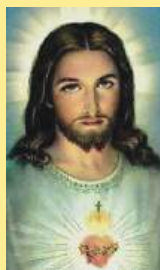
THE MIRACLE PRAYER

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. M.K.



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