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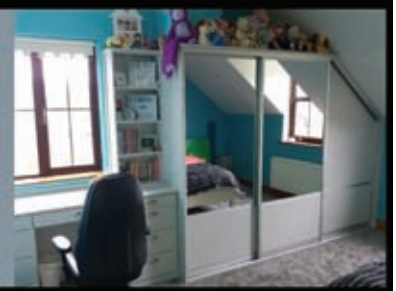
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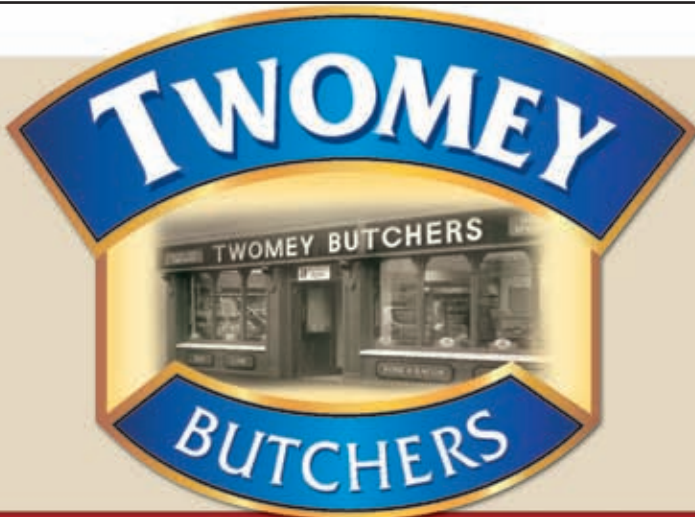
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## The Blarney Stone – New Musical for the Lee Valley

The Lee Valley and Macroom have a strong tradition of presenting successful musicals. Over the years, and while the Briery Gap was still available, a talented group staged shows that ranged from Oklahoma, to South Pacific, to Oliver, Show Boat and the Sound of Music. More recently, they have presented new works, Murder at Shandy Hall and Sir Henry, in the Riverside Park Hotel and taken them on to the Opera House. For a third successive year, Lee Valley Players are embarking on a totally new musical production – The Blarney Stone.

This enchanting musical was written by John MacDonagh, brother of the Thomas McDonagh, poet and patriot and hero of the 1916 Rebellion. The musical score is based on the work of Fritz Brase, a German composer who was brought to Ireland in 1923 to establish our Army Bands. The musical is an ingenious mixture of real-life drama and the magical world of Irish mythology, with the local band of leprechauns showing just who holds the upper hand in Blarney. Fritz Brase's natural musical style is Central European operetta and he has cleverly blended this with Irish traditional songs and dances in a toe-tapping score. The musical was written in 1928, aimed at the



Patrick Bergin and Cathal Mac Cabe , who are embarking on the production of a new musical, 'The Blarney Stone', in the Lee Valley ©Lee Valley Outlook

American market and plans were well advanced to present it on Broadway when a sudden illness caused it to be cancelled. The script and score disappeared in the intervening years and only surfaced again when Patrick Bergin, no stranger to Macroom, found them by chance in Cloughjordan. Patrick forwarded the script to Ann Dunne and they decided that this was a musical that must be staged – with the help of a first class director . Cathal McCabe, another friend of the Lee Valley, was the obvious choice. He revised the script and score and the work is

now ready for casting. This means that the Lee Valley presentation will be a World Premier!

The Blarney Stone is full of laughter and tears, clouds and sunshine. It's a gem of a musical that is suitable for all the family.

**Auditions for leading roles and Male and Female Chorus will take place at Riverside Park Hotel on Sunday 13th January 2019 from 4pm. All the main characters sing. Applicants will be required to sing a song from a musical and read some show extracts if necessary. There are ten main characters. Patrick Bergin will play the male lead.**

The Characters: Patrick Joseph McSweeney---A Blarney boy made good.

Cheryl McSweeney---His wife, a glamorous New Yorker. Jessica McSweeney---Their daughter, an all-American girl who can sing and dance. Sam Golden---The manager of two New York theatres. Lord Frederick Wye--- Cheryl sees him as the ideal son-in-law. Una O'Connor---The charming young owner of the Blarney Castle Hotel. Maurice Armstrong- son of the owner of Blarney Castle. Andy Harkin- garrulous doorman at the Blarney Castle Hotel. Grollach, Festy and Teague- leprechauns.

## Christmas Concert at Bealick Mill

Lee Valley Academy of Music presented a beautiful concert, organized by Síle Ni Dhubhghail, Principal, at Bealick Mill, on the Saturday before Christmas. The really beautiful, atmospheric venue welcomed a sizeable audience and the event raised €600 for CUH Charity.

The choir sang pieces by Grieg, Steiner and

Whitacre, as well as 'Dream a Little Dream of Me', and Christmas songs, 'Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas', 'Christmas in the Room' and 'O Holy Night'. Guitarists, Aengus Kirakowski and Jerry O'Shea, played Faure's 'Pavane', and Síle, on harp, and Aengus, played 'An Oíche Úd i mBeithil' and 'Kitty O Shea' by O'Carolan. Síle played and sang a folk song called 'Let the Cold Wind Blow'.

The soloist was Darragh Neville, Macroom.

It was a lovely night of beautiful and seasonal music in an intimate location. The Academy operates in Fitz-Gerald's and is delighted to receive new members. Contact leevalleymusic@gmail.com or 087/6952368.

## Pioneers Together for 140 Years

Dónal and Kathleen Ó Mathúna, were recently presented with the Fr.Cullen Medal and Certificate in recognition of over 70 years of individual membership of the Pioneer Total Abstinence Association. Together, Dónal and Kathleen have been faithful to their Pioneer Pledges for over 140 years. They have faithfully offered up the daily prayers of reparation and thus given good example of Christian living. Kathleen was a very active member and an officer of the Macroom branch of the PTAA for almost 30 years.

The presentation, which took place in St. Colman's Church Macroom, was made by Msgr. James O'Donnell on Saturday 1st December 2018. A fulsome tribute was paid to the recipients on behalf of Macroom PTAA by Chairperson, Joan Hallissey. A cup of tea and chat was enjoyed afterwards in the new Parish Centre. The committee of Macroom PTAA extend their congratulations and best wishes to Dónal and Kathleen on their unique and wonderful achievement."



Dónal agus Caitlín Ó Mathúna, Pioneers for more than 70 years, with Msgr. James O'Donnell, ©

## National Drama and Light Entertainment

Briery Gap All Ireland Transition Year Drama and 2nd Level Schools Light Entertainment Festivals preliminary rounds commence on Monday, January 28th at Mullingar Arts Centre and from Wednesday, 6th February at Riverside Park Hotel Macroom. The Grand Finals will be held at Everyman Palace Theatre, Cork in 2019 on March 18th and 19th. The Entries for 2019 have surpassed all other years and schools will be travelling the length and breadth of Ireland to take part.. Booking and further information available from Ann Dunne 087 2755080 and Everyman Palace Box Office, Cork.

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## Macroom Ploughing Match 2019

Macroom Ploughing Association held their annual Ploughing Match on Sunday, January 6 on the lands of the Healy family, Carrigathou, Coachford. It was a beautiful spring-like day as the competitors, 52 in all, made their way to this excellent site, All was in place for another well run match. Thanks to the Healy family for all their assistance to run this event smoothly and thanks to all who competed and did some excellent work; to all those who dropped in to see what was happening and gave generously at the gate. A special word of thanks to all the sponsors, without whose continuous support an event like this could not be run as well as it is, year after year. Thanks to all the hard working committee and especially to those who give them a helping hand on the day. Thanks to the judges who travel long distances to adjudicate and to the stewards and the West Cork Committee.

Ploughmen and women and helpers were all invited to Coolcower House that evening for a beautiful meal. A special word of thanks to Bernie and staff for the excellent service they always give Macroom Ploughing. Results were announced later that night to a large attendance. Presentations were also made to Jeremiah Delaney for his success in the All Ireland and to club member, Kevin O'Riordan and Áine who were married in 2018. Money, trophies and cups were presented to the winners. Two new cups were presented on the night, one in memory of Derry and one in memory of Jerry Cotter. On a sadder note, a minute's silence was observed on the field for Derry Coakley, who died so tragically in 2018. Fr. John blessed the site and also remembered past members of the Macroom Ploughing Family.

In Coolcower House, that night, a minute's silence was also observed for Derry and the President of the Ploughing, Timmy Creedon, paid a glowing



Humphrey O'Sullivan, Dan O'Riordan, Dan McCarthy, Frank Horgan, Con O'Callaghan, John and Michael Ryan, at Macroom Ploughing Match ©Lee Valley Outlook

tribute to Derry for all his hard work for the Ploughing and the wider Macroom Community, much to the delight, though tinged with so much sadness, of his family who were present. Ar dheis Dé go raibh a anam dílis.

### Results are as follows:

**Senior :** 1st Jim Grace 2nd Kieran Coakley 3rd John Murphy 4th Jackie O'Driscoll 5th Denis McCarthy

**Intermediate:** 1st John A.O'Donovan 2nd Stanley Deane

**U28:** 1st Aidan O'Donovan 2nd Gerard Kirby

**U21:** 1st James O'Sullivan 2nd Ian Farrell 3rd Andrew O'Donovan

**Ladies:** 1st Rachel O'Driscoll 2nd Ellen Nyhan

**2 Furrow Reversible Senior:** 1st Liam O'Driscoll 2nd Jerh Coakley 3rd Michael Wycherly

**2 Furrow Reversible U28:** 1st Flor Wycherly

**3 Furrow Reversible:** 1st Tim Lawlor 2nd Pdraig

Walsh 3rd Dan Hurley 4th Jerry Creedon

**3 Furrow Conventional:** 1st John Keohane 2nd Mathew Coakley 3rd Gerard Kelleher

**Open Hydraulic Vintage:** 1st Denis Cummins 2nd Michael Ryan 3rd Michael Walsh 4th Michael Coomey 5th Maurice Sheehy

**Confined Hydraulic Vintage:** 1st Ita Wisereama 2nd Sean McCarthy

**Trailer Vintage:** 1st John Wolfe 2nd David Grattan 3rd Aeneas Horan

**Single Furrow:** 1st Gordon Jennings 2nd Damien Aherne

**Horse:** 1st JJ Delaney 2nd Colman Cogan

**Macra:** 1st David Walsh 2nd Denis Cooper

**Local 3 Furrow Standard:** 1st Con Buckley 2nd Paul Creedon 3rd Dan F O'Riordan 4th Willie Lyons 5th Johnny White

**Local 3 Furrow Reversible:** 1st Patrick Buckley 2nd Gerard Coakley 3rd Alan Lynch 4th Donnacha Buttimer 5th Sean Buttimer



Martin and Aisling Healy, on whose lands at Carrigathou, Coachford, the 2019 Macroom Ploughing Match was held ©Lee Valley Outlook



Ploughing champions, Zvena McCullough, Tower and J.J. Delaney, Ballinagree at Macroom Ploughing Match 2019 ©Lee Valley Outlook

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## Tidy Towns Updates

A meeting of all Tidy Towns volunteers was held in the Castle Hotel on December 12th. Most of the volunteers were able to attend and also present were Danny O'Keeffe, NPWS, and two girls from St. Marys who are doing their Gaisce Awards. Guest speaker, Ellen O'Sullivan from IRD Duhallow, spoke on Biodiversity and told the group of some funding opportunities. Secretary, John Lyons outlined the major activities ongoing or planned, such as the murals planned for Canty's gable end in New Street and one for the entrance to the Town Park. The Good Lives Project is painting an old house in Coolehane at the entrance to the Fairy Garden. The Council has informed the Tidy Towns that planning permission is required in order to erect a storage shed in Massy town on the site that is leased to the group. An application for funding is being made to the council under the Community Initiative grant scheme for assistance toward our development here. An Australian businessman, living near Macroom and working in Ballincollig, has come forward offering to significant sponsorship for a suitable venture, possibly a sensory garden and this is currently being followed up.

Another lady with a business in Ballyvourney wants to talk to The Tidy Towns about 'plastics free' initiative that has been introduced by other Tidy Towns Groups.



Young Tidy Towners from Scoil Abán Naofa receiving a certificate from Santa in recognition of their help, tidying and painting. ©

The grass cutting machine which is in operation constantly for the last four years cutting acres and acres of grass on a regular basis is to be traded in for a new machine and a funding application has been made to the council for this replacement.

Tidy Towns volunteers recently visited St Marys secondary school to meet girls doing their Gaisce Awards and were back again in St Mary's to meet with their new Green Schools Committee which are full of ideas and enthusiasm. Chairman and secretary are also to visit the De La Salle also soon to talk to them about their green flag competition.

Works on the paths and area in town centre were ongoing and will continue in 2019. The Phoenix monument will be re-erected in Fair Green, the post boxes to be removed, the defibrillator unit will be set back. The seat is removed and in storage and available to erect in the Town Park on the riverside walk. New seating is being provided in town centre, and this includes replacing the current seats at town hall and at the monument. Again, the seats being removed will be refurbished for use elsewhere in the town.

Martin and John have a meeting scheduled with the council engineer to follow up on a wide range of items.

There was a good discussion on grass cutting management and leaving areas for biodiversity and a special meeting will be called around Feb next to pursue this project and other related ideas and initiatives with IRD Duhallow. It is hoped that all estates will allocate some area for biodiversity. This will reduce grass cutting, and the focus will be on planting pollinator friendly flowers, shrubs and trees and information on the recommended plant typed will be made widely available.

All volunteers were thanked for their huge amount of work throughout the year and the meeting then adjourned for finger food, kindly sponsored by the Castle Hotel

## News from St Mary's

Continued.

St Mary's welcomed **60 new 1st Year students** to the school at the end of August. Their Buddies were kept busy helping them to settle in and get to know their new school. Hopefully they will be very happy with us in St Mary's. September brought fantastic **Junior Cert results** for St Mary students. We are so proud of you all. Congratulations and well done to Ciara Donovan and Jennifer McCarthy who came second in the **Macroom Food Festival schools cook off**. Congratulations to our U14 Football team and to their trainers, Joe Carroll, Ms de la Cour and Mr Quill, on winning their game against Bantry in October. Our **U14 team**, consisting of mostly first years and some second years, played Bantry in Tom Creedon Park. Our girls dominated the game in the first half, scoring goal after goal, but they were forced to be resilient in the second half to maintain the lead against a fighting Bantry side. Twelve first year students took part in a poetry speaking competition; **'Poetry Aloud'**, hosted by Poetry Ireland in partnership with UCC. Massive congratulations to Aoihe Kelleher, who got through to the semi-final, and to her teacher, Mrs Murnane. In November, it was announced that past pupils, Laura O'Reilly and Eadaoin Van Der Krogt, both received **Entrance Scholarships** in UCD. The girls are studying veterinary medicine and have nearly finished their first semester already. St. Mary's **TY Show** was fantastic. Thanks to Ms Donovan and Catherine Long for all of their hard work. Congratulations to Orla Lynch (2nd year) who finished 4th in the **Southern Masters Championship**. She received her trophy at



Orla Lynch (2nd year St. Mary's) finished 4th in the Southern Masters Championship. She received her trophy at Motorcycling Ireland Annual Prizegiving in Mullingar ©An Scoil

Motorcycling Ireland Annual Prizegiving in Mullingar November 24. In December, St. Marys junior debating team got through to the next round of the **Gael Linn** debating competition after an excellent performance by Alannah Ní Chuinneagáin, Marian Ní Chríodáin agus Saorlaith Ní Laoire. Well done to the girls and to their teacher, Ms Queally.

We are the top **non fee paying feeder** school in Cork! Well done everyone. St Mary's on the News! 4th year students, along with their History Teacher, Mr Quill, attended an event in UCC to celebrate the **Centenary of Women's vote** in Ireland. Liadh Hurlley was interviewed by News Reporter, Paschal Sheehy. She spoke really well on the subject of Women in Politics. What a way to end the year! Well done to our school choir and musicians (past and present students) & guests who were involved in the St Mary's Christmas Concert. A special word of thanks to the choir mistress, Ms Donovan, Ms Queally Music teacher, and Mr Collins, to the organising team led by Ms O'Donoghue and assisted by Elaine Lynch, Ms Watkins, Ms Butler. To Mr



Aoihe Kelleher, St. Mary's, who reached the Semi final of The Poetry Aloud Competition and her English Teacher, Ms Jennifer Murnane ©An Scoil

Vaughan who recorded the event and Mrs Anne Twomey who was MC for the night. Thanks to the Parents Association for their hard work and Fr Roberts & Fr John for supporting the event. Finally, thanks to our local community and all those who took the time to attend. It really was a night to remember. On 13th of December we had Our Annual Christmas Dinner in St Mary's. Thanks so much to Trish for cooking dinner for the entire school; you are amazing. Best of luck to Dominika Starzycka & Ciara MacGuire who are on their way to visit the Dáil and the **"Politics needs Women"** Conference in the Convention Centre, Dublin. The girls, with the help of their History Teacher, Mr Quill, entered a 90 second video on the importance of women in politics. They were then shortlisted to attend the conference, where their video will be shown and they are in with a chance of winning a trip to New York! The competition is run by the Department of Defence. It is a National Competition and it is a huge achievement to be shortlisted. Well done girls.



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## De la Salle Updates



De La Salle u16 hurling team who were defeated in the county final ©An Scoil

### De La Salle, Macroom – 1-07 Coláiste an Chroí Naofa – 1-09 (by Gavin O’Leary, 4th Year).

De La Salle fell agonisingly short in the final of the Cork U-16 Hurling Championship in Páirc Uí Chaoimh, on Thursday 13th. Albeit very disappointing, the hard-work, skill and courage showed by the entire panel must be recognised. Coláiste an Chroí Naofa got off to a quick start, striking over two points within the first 10 minutes. The DLS defence were under major pressure from a lively half forward line, but astute efforts from Jack Devine and Brian O’Riordan prevented the scoreboard from ticking over. However, the opponent’s forwards continued to press, eventually scoring a goal. Keeper, Eoin Healy, was giving a great performance, standing

strong to the inrushing forwards. De La Salle bounced back, and the hard-work earned Brian Healy a free which was converted. This started a flurry of scoring, with Healy striking another point. Shane Hodman rose the highest to claim a brilliant catch from a puck-out and took off up the pitch. He failed to get a strike off, but the alert forward line regained possession and Jack Sexton was put through to score an immense goal. The half was completed by the opponents converting two points.

The De La Salle goal was put under intense pressure at the beginning of the second half, with a point-blank miss for the full-forward as well as a goal that was disallowed for a square ball. Whenever De La Salle managed to score a point, Chroí Naofa always seemed to neutralise



Fifth Year De la Salle students, Caolan Murphy and Robert O’Donovan, with Bronze Medal from the Gaisce Awards. Also included, teacher Mr Ryan. ©An Scoil

the score, and that was the story of the second half. Despite this, the intensity shown from every member from the first whistle was brilliant. The most noticeable aspect of the team’s performances throughout the competition was the work rate shown. They never gave a team an inch of breathing room with blocks and hooks coming in high volumes in every match. The passion in the jersey was obvious, which was seen explicitly by how devastated the players were after the final whistle.

Brian Healy 0-04 (1F); Jack Sexton 1-00; Dáire McMahon, Shane Hodman, Sam Pickering 0-01 each. Team Managers: Ms. Eva Dunne and Mr. Liam Long

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The first **Music Morning** of the New Year will be

on January 11th at 11am, when we’ll be joined by Connie Foley. The **Juvenile Book Club** is set to return on Jan 12th at 3pm and they will be discussing ‘Under the Hawthorn Tree,’ by Marita Conlon-McKenna. The Purlies Knitting Group will meet on Jan 17th at 11.30am. New members to any of our groups and clubs are always welcome. Storytime takes place every Saturday at midday. The library will be hosting a talk by the **Marie Keating Foundation** on February 5th – the talk will cover health tips to help lower your risk of getting cancer. The start time of the talk is to be confirmed, so keep an eye out for it in the next edition of the Lee Valley Outlook, in the library or contact the library at 026/42483.



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## Macra Matters

**Donoughmore Macra.** Congratulations to our senior debating team (Elaine O Connell, Máiréad Healy, Meig Collins and Tom Carroll) who took part in the first round of the senior debating competition. They won the debate against Ballinascorthy Macra and will now progress to the next round. Tom Carroll received the award for best debater. Club Member Sean Wallace declared his intention to run for Munster Vice-President of Macra na Feirme at the January club meeting. Sean has been in Macra since 2010 and has been involved in all areas of Macra. He is a dedicated member and has taken officer roles for club, regional and national levels. The very best of luck to Sean in his campaign.

**Aghinagh Macra** Club had both a Ladies and Men's team competing in the All-Ireland Soccer Competition in Dublin. The Ladies team defeated Callan of Kilkenny and then lost to

Mitchelstown, but managed to top their group on goal difference. In the semi-final, the ladies pulled off a great victory over Athboy of Meath. In a highly competitive final, Mitchelstown defeated the Aghinagh ladies by two goals to one. The club is extremely proud of the team finishing as National Final runners-up. The men's team further represented the club by beating Kilmacthomas of Waterford, Togher of Louth and Caheragh of Cork, to top their group. The semi-final against Devils Bit of Tipperary ended in a draw and so, penalties were required. It was to be 'sudden death' penalties that eventually separated the teams with Devils Bit victorious. Well done to both teams and all members involved. New members to club are always welcome, and should contact the Aghinagh Macra facebook page.

## Clondrohid Updates

**Development Group:** This group would like to wish all a very happy New Year, and invite you to their Annual Christmas / New Year Adult Party. It will take place on Sunday, January 20 in Community Hall at 2pm. Come along and enjoy good food, good music, dancing and craic.

**Operation Transformation:** This new venture commenced in Clondrohid G.A.A. Grounds on last Monday night. Walking on the track to begin with. Everyone welcome, including families. Start slowly and set your own goals. Contact Gobnait on 0872249223, Teresa on 0877965652, Yvonne/ Fergal on 0879359833.

**Clondrohid G.A.A.** A.G.M. will be held this Thursday, January 10, in dressing rooms at 8pm. Please come along



Muskerry Macra group who completed a cookery course. © Sheila Lynch



Monthly coffee morning with a Christmas touch for the Active Retired of Clondrohid community ©Maria Healy



Aghinagh Macra Soccer team ©



3rd and 4th class girls from Clondrohid N.S. who competed in a recent indoor football blitz in Donoughmore. ©An Scoil

## Kilmurry Christmas lights

A big thanks to all who came out on December 8th to witness the turn on of the Kilmurry Christmas lights - to all the lads who helped to put up the lights; to Pat McSwiney and Dan for the Manitou; to Lissardagh Cleaning Services for the help with the tree and also to Dan Buckley who provided the tree. Thanks also to Kilmurry museum for giving the hall for the night; to all the stewards, local Gardaí and everyone who helped out in the catering; to Kilmurry winning Sciath na Scol team who brought the

cup; to everyone's favourite teacher, Mrs Wall, who turned on the lights; Kilmurry Parents Association who sang the Christmas carols so beautifully and to Santa who took time out of his busy schedule to meet all the kids. Thanks to the Declan Corcoran for bringing Mrs Wall up in the classy car in style and to Dermie O'Callaghan, without whose Trojan work and expertise we wouldn't have these fabulous lights in Kilmurry Village. 2019 will be the 50th year of Kilmurry Christmas lights, testament to Dermie's great

work. Small villages seem to be forgotten but on nights like the turning on of the lights in Kilmurry Village, it's great to see the community come together as one. See you all for 2019 for the 50th anniversary of the Kilmurry Christmas lights.

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**Michael John O'Mahony**

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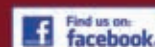
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## History

### Sean O'Leary, Glen Park - Man of many Parts

#### By Con Kelleher

Born in Shandangan, Carrigadrohid, in 1936, Sean O'Leary has resided in Macroom since 1961. During that time he has lived through many changes – personal and familial. The 1930s were harsh and the time of the Economic War with Britain. It was 20 years pre- rural electrification and 30 years before free second-level education. Now we are post recession and in the computer era. Going to Australia is nowadays easier perhaps than travelling to Sligo in the 1930s.

The youngest of four children, Sean, and his sister, Sheila, and brother, Pat, while all well into their eighties, are in good health. Con, another brother, died following a road traffic accident, at 32, leaving a widow and 2 young children, aged 2 and 1. Their father, John, (Leary, The Wood) was both a council worker and a small farmer. His wife was Mary Lehane from Liscarrigane. Times were tough and money was tight. Farm work was done mostly manually or with the aid of a horse; milk was taken to the creamery with a horse and butt. In 1941, Sean first attended Canovee National School and he was very happy there. He recalls his teachers, the principal Mr Dick Young, two Mrs O'Sullivan's – known as 'Joanie' and 'Mrs Charlie' – and Mrs Healy, formerly Miss Lynch, as being particularly nice. After completing his Primary Certificate, he attended Macroom Vocational School for 1 year. He was happy enough there too. An opportunity to work arose and his family decided that it was best to take the job.

Sean's first employment was in O'Leary's/

O'Shea's, North Square. It was a very pleasant place in which to work and he learned a lot there. Jim O'Sullivan, Railway View, and Jerry Casey, Chapel Cross, were on the staff and they were very helpful. Household goods, floor coverings and clothes are what they sold and it was a very busy shop. The system of paying was different, maybe unique. An invoice and the money were put in a small container, disappeared into a tunnel and magically returned with the receipt and change after a few minutes. Unfortunately, Mr O'Leary died, the shop was sold and Mrs O'Leary returned to Dublin. The staff lost their jobs. It was 1952, Sean was 16 and out of a job. He next turned his attention to the agricultural scene. Having procured a horse-drawn spraying machine, he was self-employed, spraying potatoes with anti blight chemicals. Blight was of course the fungus – *Phytophthora infestans* – that caused the Great Irish Famine in 1845-49(52). Sean worked all over Muskerry. The work was seasonal but was more or less non-stop when the time was ripe for spraying. Although it was hard, he was paid well and he enjoyed the quieter times. In some of the less busy periods, he worked at Carrigadrohid dam in the mid 1950s - tending a carpenter.

Sean continued at the agricultural work until 1960 when he was hired by South Western Services (Artificial Insemination etc.). 'Weeshie' Murphy (father of Dr Con Murphy, Cork GAA doctor) was Manager/ CEO. Ireland had now changed. Electricity was available almost everywhere. The economy, under the political

leadership of Seán Lemass and the planning of Ken Whitaker, was developing. Agriculture practices had progressed, and accession to the Common Market was a great stimulus and advance. Agriculture, in particular, enjoyed a boom. At South Western, Sean's first job was milk-recording and he 'covered' the Mid-Cork area. His agricultural background stood him in good stead. He knew about farming and he knew the area. The milk testing was fascinating. Sean drew up milk with a pipette and put it in a beaker. Sulphuric acid was added and the result was recorded. Later, this was collated with the quality of milk produced by the cows. The sire of the cows was then matched to these results. If the sire's daughters did not produce enough quality milk, then the sire was 'retired'. Later, Sean worked in the insemination side and became expert in that. Farm accounts and taxation became an issue for farmers about 1970 and Sean was asked to take on the role of financial adviser. Always good at maths, Sean easily settled into that job. He received training but mostly learned on the job. He enjoyed the contact with farmers and they were, by and large, very pleasant to deal with. Getting the job at South Western meant that he had security for himself and his family; he was in a position to think about buying a house. In time, he became Manager of Mid and West Cork Farm Relief Services, covering an area from Kinsale to Ballyvourney, and Blarney to the West Cork Islands. Making friends all over the county was an added bonus. **To be continued**



Seán and Maureen O'Leary on their wedding day ©



Sean O'Leary's family in the 1940s - his parents, John and Margaret, his brothers Con (R.I.P.) and Pat, and sister, Sheila and Sean is in front ©

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## Tom Creedon Cup 2019

The draws for the 2019 Tom Creedon Cup – Intermediate Football – were made at the Castle Hotel Macroom with Tom Creedon Jnr in attendance, along with newly elected Leas Cathaoirleach of Coiste Chontae Chorcaí CLG, Mark Sheehan of Aghabullogue, Macroom GAA Chairman, Joe Carroll; Rúnaí, John Ryan and Treasurer, Dan O’Callaghan. Competition sponsors, Fitzgerald’s Bookshop and Macroom GAA club sponsors, Macroom Motors Toyota, were also represented. The draw was made by Leo Goold, a teammate of Tom Creedon, and Tom Creedon Jnr. Sixteen teams entered the competition this year and it is proposed that the first rounds will commence on January 20th next.

### Tom Creedon Cup 2019 Draw

- First team out has home advantage

- A Kinsale v St Vincent’s
- B Knocknagree v Rockchapel
- C Naomh Abán v St Michael’s
- D Millstreet v Macroom
- E Glanmire v Glenville
- F Aghada v Nemo Rangers
- G Ballydesmond v Ballinora
- H Dromtarriffe v Cill na Martra

The Tom Creedon cup was presented by Macroom GAA Club, Muskerry Division, and Cork County Board in memory of Macroom and Cork footballer, Tom Creedon, who died tragically in 1983.

Tom Creedon was born in 1954, and played football from underage to senior level for Macroom. He was a member of the Macroom team that won the under 14 County Schools Shield in 1967. He won mid-Cork medals at U16 in 1970, 5 minor medals from 1968 to 72, and 2



Draw for 2019 Tom Creedon Cup Football Competition at Castle Hotel. From left, Conor Hurley, Mark Sheehan, Vice Chairman Co Board; Joe Carroll, Chairman; John Ryan, Tom Creedon Junior, Leo Goold, Tony Dineen ©Lee Valley Outlook

U21 medals in 1972 and 1974. At adult level, he won Muskerry Cup medals in 1981 and 82, an Intermediate Football League medal in 1981, and captained the Macroom team to win the County Intermediate Football Championship in 1982 to return to Senior ranks in 1983. He played his last Championship game with Macroom winning by 1-9 to 0-7.

His intercounty career began in 1972 when he was a member of the Cork Minor Football team that won the Munster and All-Ireland titles. He also won a Munster U21 Football medal in 1974 when Cork beat Kerry in the Munster Final. He

played on the Cork Senior Football team from 1975 to 1983, winning a National Football League medal in 1980 and played in 9 Munster Football Finals (including 2 replays in 1976 and 1982). He was a member of the Munster team that won the Railway Cup in 1981. Tom also played with UCC and was a member of the combined Universities team in 1976. He played with Muskerry from 1978 to 1982. Tom was a natural leader and captained Macroom at all levels. His much lamented death in August 1983 deprived Macroom of one of its greatest ever players.

## Macroom GAA Presentations

At a very pleasant function in the Castle Hotel, Macroom GAA marked the recent retirement of their long serving secretary Pat O’Connell with a presentation to Pat and his wife Peggy. Club chairman, Joe Carroll, praised the work that Pato had done for Macroom GAA and also for the town of Macroom since becoming club secretary in 1992, 26 years ago. Pato, he said, was efficiency personified, and had dealt with weekly lotto, pitch bookings, grounds developments, grants procedures and procurements, as well as the everyday workings of the club and its many teams. The chairman revealed that Pat had missed only one committee meeting in all of the 26 years he acted as secretary and Joe said that the Macroom club and the town of Macroom would be forever indebted to Pat for all he had done for both. Joe made a suitable presentation to Pat and Peggy on behalf of the club and presented Peggy with a bouquet of flowers and wished them both well in the years to come. A photographic tribute, compiled with the assistance of Seán McSweeney, was



Joe Carroll, Chairman Macroom GAA, making a presentation to Pat O’Connell who served as Secretary 1992 to 2018. ©Lee Valley Outlook

also presented to Pat. Pat O’Connell in reply, thanked the chairman for his kind words and said that he always was guided by the idea that, if possible, club developments should also benefit the townspeople generally as well. The riverside

walkway around Tom Creedon Park and the bridge connecting Tom Creedon Park with the Castle Demesne were projects of which he was particularly proud. Pat thanked the officers of the club he had worked with down the years for all help given and praised their vision. The club facilities and infra structure are in a good position he thought and he felt that the focus for the immediate years ahead should be on the adult and underage footballers and their development. Pat concluded his remarks with a tribute to his wife Peggy and family, James, Sharon, Brendan and Caroline, all of whom had facilitated his work for the club.

John O’Mahony, chairman of Macroom GAA for the past six years, was also made a presentation for his long service to the club in various capacities, which still continues. Club President, Conor Buttimer, made the presentation to John and presented John’s wife Carmel with a bouquet of flowers.





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## 2018 Championships concluding games

### Munster Club Senior Football Championship

Final: Dr Crokes, Killarney 1-21 St Joseph's, Clare 2-9

### Munster Intermediate Football Championship

Final: Kilcummin, Kerry 1-11 Fermoy, Cork 1-3

### Munster Club Junior Football Championship

Final: Beaufort, Kerry 2-13 Dromtarriffe, Cork 2-12

### Munster Club Senior Hurling Championship

Final: Ballygunner, Waterford 2-14 Na Piarasigh, Limerick 2-8

### Munster Club Intermediate Hurling Championship

Final: Charleville, Cork 2-20 Feakle, Clare 1-20

### Munster Club Junior Hurling Championship

Final: Cloughduv 0-17 Ballinameela, Waterford

0-11

### County U 21 Premier 1 Hurling Championship

Final: Fr O'Neills 3-24 (33) Midleton 4-18 (30)

### County U 21 Premier 2 Hurling Championship

Final: Ballincollig 0-19 Courceys 0-17 aet

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Final: Bride Rovers 1-14 Cloughduv 1-10

2018 Cork County Leagues concluded in December

### Football

**Division One:** Final: Nemo Rangers 0-10 St Finbarrs 1-6

### Division Five:

Final: Knocknagree v Mayfield, both promoted.

Final conceded by Mayfield

### Hurling

#### Senior Hurling League:

Semi finals: Glen 1-7 Sars 1-17, St Finbarrs 0-23 Douglas 1-18

Final: Sarsfields 0-15 St Finbarr's 1-10

#### Hurling - Division 1

League Final: Ballinhassig 1-16 Courcey Rovers 0-18

#### Hurling - Division 2

League Final: Carrigaline 1-16 Ballincollig 0-10

#### Hurling - Division 3

League Final: Milford 4-22 Mayfield 1-25

#### Hurling - Division 4

League Final: St. Catherine's 0-22 Argideen Rangers 2-11

## Mid Cork GAA

### Report of Referees Association - Cumann Réiteoirí Mhuscraí

2018 has drawn to a close and once again Cumann Réiteoirí Mhúscraí officials have officiated at a significant number of games, not just in our own division but throughout the county. Our annual in-service course was held in Coachford in early February and was a very helpful refresher before the season began in earnest. We held regular meetings throughout the year to discuss the implementation of rules and other ongoing issues. Once again, a huge thanks to Aghabullogue GAA for the use of their facilities to hold our meetings. We held our annual Pitch and Putt outing in Kilmichael in March and a special thanks to Colm Vaughan for sponsoring the first prize; the Kenny family from Grenagh for sponsoring the runners up prize and the Downey Family from Inniscarra who sponsored this year's third prize.

The Cumann Réiteoirí Mhúscraí Hall of Fame recipient was Jerome O'Donovan, a respected referee from Ballincollig. Jerome was very thankful to the Cumann for presenting him with this award. The award was presented at

our annual function and, once again, many thanks to the Muskerry Board for their financial support of this event and also for contributing to the purchase of new gear for the referees. The Board has always been hugely supportive of the Cumann and any request we make is always looked upon favourably.

As usual, the appointments for the Muskerry Finals were evenly distributed and we compliment the Muskerry Board for their fairness in this regard. Our thanks to Aubert Twomey for carrying out his role as Muskerry Referees Administrator and to Paud Kelleher for carrying out his role as referee's assessor.

Diarmuid Kirwan is retiring from the inter county refereeing panel and on behalf of the Cumann, I offer him many congratulations on his distinguished inter county refereeing career. Diarmuid has refereed numerous All Ireland Finals at all levels. I am sure he will continue to have many successful years refereeing in both Muskerry and Cork.

Finally, I would like to take this opportunity

to remind the Muskerry Clubs that abuse of referees will not be tolerated. Referees are being strongly encouraged to report all instances of abuse. Mentors and players will not always agree with refereeing decisions but referees play a vital role within the organisation. The numbers of people taking up refereeing is worryingly low and this needs to be improved. On that point, I would ask clubs to seek out any members from within their own ranks who are interested in becoming referees. - **Daithí ÓMuirínáin-Rúnaí Referees who refereed Championship Finals for Coiste Chontae Chorcaí in 2018**

Diarmuid Kirwan – Senior Hurling Final

David Murnane – Senior Football Final

John Ryan – Premier Intermediate Football Final

Joe Larkin – Premier Intermediate Hurling Final

Replay

Pat O'Leary – Junior A Football Final

John Horgan – U21 B Hurling Final & Junior B

Football Final

## Muskerry Scór - Secretary's Report 2017-2018

### Scór na nÓg

The year started with the Scór na nÓg competition. We had competitors in 3 competitions, with 4 clubs entering in total. We had three competitions only- Rince Foirne, Amhránaíocht Aonair and Rince Seit. The standard was high, with all 1st placed winners progressing to the County Final with Aghabullogue GAA being placed at County Level. The Question Time was held on a separate night with all clubs in the County invited to take part, Muskerry were represented in this.

Muskerry results in Scór Na Nóg were as follows:

Figure Dancing 1st Aghabullogue

Solo Singing: 1st Clondrohid

Set Dancing: 1st Aghabullogue

### Scór Sinsir

This competition had just two entries in solo singing from Iveleary GAA and Ballincollig GAA; both went to the county level. The Question Time was held on a separate night, with all clubs in the

County invited to take part. Aghabullogue GAA came second on the night – Tomas Healy, Aodan Healy, Paul Ring and Tom Long.

### Scór na bPáistí

Three semi-finals were required as the entries were high. Inchigeela and Coachford were the venues for the 3 semi-finals, with 2 qualifying for the final in each section. The final was held in Ovens. The standard in all competitions was extremely high and many of our Competitors reached the County Final, where many were placed.

Muskerry results in Scór na bPáistí were as follows:

**Figure Dancing:** 1st Rusheen N.S. 2nd Scoil Abán Naofa 3rd Aghabullogue Camogie

**Solo Singing:** 1st Orlaith Ni Loinsigh Scoil Abán Naofa, 2nd Donnacha Spillane Dennehy Ballinagree N.S.; 3rd Oscar Cussen Walsh Muinefliuch N.S.

**Solo Dancing:** 1st Seoidin Buttimer Farran N.S. 2nd Muireann Hallissey Canovee N.S. 3rd Abbie

Sweeney Kilbarry N.S.

**Sean Nós.** 1st Lea Linehan Ballyvongane N.S. 2nd Ciara O'Riordan Rusheen N.S. 3rd Seán McSweeney Bealnamorrive.

**Recitation:** 1st Meabh McCarthy Canovee N.S. 2nd Gearoid Kelleher Ballinagree N.S. 3rd Roisin O Riordan Rusheen N.S.

**Solo Instrument:** 1st Isibéal Buckley Cloghroe N.S. 2nd Maggie Buckley Ballyvongane N.S. 3rd Noirin Murphy Inchigeela N.S.

**Ballad Group:** 1st Rusheen N.S. 2nd Scoil Lachtaín Naofa Cill an Martra 3rd Canovee N.S.

**Novelty Act:** 1st Rusheen N.S. 2nd Farran N.S. 3rd Ballyvongane N.S.

**Instrumental Music:** 1st Ballyvongane N.S. 2nd Ballinagree N.S. 3rd Ovens N.S.

**Set Dancing:** 1st Ballyvongane N.S. 2nd Rusheen N.S. 3rd Aghabullogue Hurling

**Question Time:** 1st Ballyvongane N.S. 2nd Scoil Fhionnbarra, Beal Átha'n Ghaorthaidh 3rd Rusheen N.S.

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Congratulations to Rusheen on winning the Denis O'Donovan trophy for the best school/club in Scór na bPáistí. The Niall Casey Cup for the best overall club in Muskerry for the three Scór competitions went to Aghabullogue.

I would like to thank my fellow officers on the Muskerry Scór committee, the hall committee

members, adjudicators, teachers, mentors, secretaries and cultural officers in the Muskerry division for their help and co-operation during the year.

It is the 50th Anniversary of Scór this year. I am encouraging all registered members of Muskerry GAA clubs to get involved in upcoming

competitions, particularly at Scór Sinsir level.

Finally, to all those who participated in Scór this year, I would like to congratulate you on your achievements and wish everyone the best of luck for the coming season

*Dolores Ni Longaigh, Rúnaí, Scór Mhúscraí*

## Sport Star Awards Dinner

The 4th annual Muskerry Sports Star Awards Gala Dinner and Awards Ceremony will be held in Oriel House Hotel, Ballincollig on Saturday January 26th 2019. The Muskerry GAA Sports Star of the Year will be announced, the overall winner being selected from the eight monthly winners of the Auld Triangle Restaurant /Muskerry GAA monthly awards in 2018. All eight monthly winners - Mark Verling (Cloughduv), Seán Warren (Kilmurry), Conchúr Ó Loinsigh (Béal Átha'n Ghaorthaidh), Conor Cotter (Kilmichael), Darren Lucey (Donoughmore), Eimear Scally (Éire Óg), Aoife Murray (Cloughduv), Tadhg Ó Corcora (Cill na

Martra), had outstanding achievements during the past year and the winner of the supreme award will indeed be a 2018 Sports Star.

The **Muskerry Junior Hurling** team of 2018 and its Junior Football counterpart will also be announced and this year, a Muskerry **Intermediate Hurling** team (selected from the intermediate teams in the division) will also be honoured for the first time. The award sponsors are O'Mahony Walsh, Auctioneer, for the Junior hurling team, Quish Supervalu Ballincollig for the Junior football team and Europumps Ireland for the Intermediate Hurling team.

This annual awards initiative, undertaken by the Muskerry GAA board, would not be possible

without the generous sponsorship of Eileen O'Flynn of the Auld Triangle, Macroom for the monthly awards functions and Oriel House Hotel, Ballincollig for the annual ceremony. The organising committee is chaired by William Buckley, Dripsey, and Anne O'Riordan, Cloughduv, is secretary. The other members are: Eileen O'Flynn, Auld Triangle, David Murnane, Referee Association, Dave Lee, Béal Átha'n Ghaorthaidh, Aubert Twomey, Ballincollig, Barry O'Mahony Éire Óg, Kevin Murphy, Ballincollig, Brendan Kenneally, Macroom, and John Feeney, Dripsey, Runaí Mid Cork Board.

## Inter County Activity Resumes

Intercounty hurling resumed after the winter break with Cork engaged in the Co-Op Superstores competition. Cork were in a group of three with Clare and Waterford and unfortunately lost to both. Clare defeated Waterford by a point to reach the final against Tipperary who beat Limerick and Kerry in their group.

### Clare 1-20 Cork 0-21

Cork suffered defeat against Clare in their opening game of the Co-Op Superstores Munster Senior Hurling League, in front of 1,987 spectators in Cusack Park Ennis.

Scorers for Cork: Declan Dalton 0-10 (7f, 2'65, 1s/l); Michael O'Halloran, Jamie Coughlan (1f) 0-4 each; Robbie O'Flynn 0-2; Cormac Murphy 0-1.

Cork: Pa Collins (Ballinhassig): Seán O'Donoghue

(Inniscarra) David Griffin (Carrigaline) David Lowney (Clonakilty): Christopher Joyce (Na Piarasigh) Tim O'Mahony (Newtownshandrum) Robert Downey (Glen Rovers): Conor Cahalane (St Finbarr's) William Kearney (Sarsfields): Cormac Murphy (Mallow) Michael O'Halloran (Blackrock) Aidan Walsh (Kanturk): Jamie Coughlan (Newtownshandrum) Declan Dalton (Fr O'Neills) Robbie O'Flynn (Erin's Own). Subs: Cormac Beausang (Midleton) 63, Paul Leopold (Sarsfields) 71.

### Cork 1-18 Waterford 1-24

Cork's involvement in this year's Co-Op Superstores Munster Senior Hurling League, came to an end in front of 2,022 spectators in Mallow GAA Grounds under lights when they were defeated by Waterford on a scoreline of Waterford 1-24 Cork 1-18.

Scorers for Cork: Declan Dalton 0-9 (0-7 frees),

Cormac Murphy 0-3, Aidan Walsh 1-0, Michael O'Halloran 0-2, Tim O'Mahony, Christopher Joyce, Robbie O'Flynn, William Kearney 0-1 each.

Cork: Patrick Collins (Ballinhassig): Niall O'Leary (Castlelyons) David Griffin (Carrigaline) David Lowney (Clonakilty): Christopher Joyce (Na Piarasigh) Tim O'Mahony (Newtownshandrum) Robert Downey (Glen Rovers): Conor Cahalane (St Finbarr's) William Kearney (Sarsfields): Cormac Murphy (Mallow) Michael O'Halloran (Blackrock) Aidan Walsh (Kanturk): Jamie Coughlan (Newtownshandrum) Declan Dalton (Fr O'Neills) Robbie O'Flynn (Erin's Own). Subs: Cormac Beausang (Midleton) 25, Conor O'Callaghan (Dromtariffe) 25, Eoghan Murphy (Sarsfields) half-time, Seán O'Leary Hayes (Midleton) 65, Paul Leopold (Sarsfields) 66.

## Canon Michael O'Brien Cup

### Cork 1-24 UCC 1-23

Cork collected their first silverware of the season, regaining the Canon O'Brien Cup at the Mardyke in what was a useful workout for both teams. There was little between the sides, Cork with their noses narrowly in front at the break, 1-13 to 0-15, the same margin separating them at the end of an entertaining encounter that was tied eight times.

"Our main goal was to have a look at young fellas and integrate them into our environment

and give them the opportunity to learn and get experience, and a couple of the more senior fellas, to give them a game before we face Kilkenny in Nowlan Park.

UCC face a stiff test away to Fitzgibbon Cup holders UL in two weeks. Manager Tom Kingston said this game was just what they needed.

Scorers for Cork: P Horgan (0-9, 0-5 frees), D Dalton (1-1), S Kennefick (0-4), C Joyce and C Murphy (0-2 each), J Coughlan, C Beausang, P Leopold, S Condon, T O'Connell and D Kearney (0-1 each).

Scorers for UCC: C O'Leary (0-4 frees) and M Kehoe (0-5 each), M Coleman (1-1, 1-0 pen), S Conway (0-

3, 0-2 frees), R Donohue, M O'Halloran (0-1 free) and S Kingston (0-2 each), E Murphy, D Walsh and S Hayes (0-1 each).

CORK: P Collins; Seán O'Donoghue (Inniscarra), D Cahalane, C O'Callaghan; C Joyce, P Leopold, W Kearney; D Kearney, C Murphy; S Kennefick, P Horgan, C Walsh; J Coughlan, D Dalton, C Beausang.

Subs: R Downey ht, S Condon ht, T O'Connell 38, C Power 43, C O'Brien 50.

UCC included Mark Coleman of Blarney in their starting attack and introduced goalkeeper Dylan Desmond (Éire Óg) as a substitute in the second half.

## Football: McGrath Cup

### Cork 3-15 Limerick 0-7

The Cork Senior Football team played Limerick in Rathkeale in the McGrath Cup. Cork manager Ronan McCarthy described the game as a "great workout" for his side but after a very even first half, the second half was a non-event.

At half-time Cork, with eight of last year's team, led 1-6 to 0-6 but Cork outscored Limerick 2-9 to 0-1 in the second half, with the two goals coming within three minutes of the restart. Cork play

Clare in the final on Saturday January 12th.

Scorers for Cork: B Hurley (1-3, 0-1 free); I Maguire (1-2); P Walsh (1-1); R Deane, D Gore (0-2 each); J Loughrey, K Crowley, J Fitzpatrick, T Corkery, E McSweeney (0-1 each).

CORK: Mark White (Clonakilty); Conor Dennehy (St Finbarrs), James Loughrey (Mallow), Kevin O'Donovan (Nemo); Kevin Crowley (Millstreet), Kevin Flahive (Nemo), Paul Walsh (Kanturk); Ian Maguire (St Finbarrs), Killian O'Hanlon (Kilshannig); Tom Clancy (Fermoy), Seán White

(Clonakilty), Matt Taylor (Mallow); Damien Gore (Kilmacabea), Rory Deane (Bantry Blues), Brian Hurley (Castlehaven).

Subs: Tadhg Corkery (Cill na Martra) 22; Eoghan McSweeney (Knocknagree) HT; Aidan Browne (Newmarket) 45; James Fitzpatrick (Carbery Rangers) 53; Peter Murphy (Bandon) 54. Chris Kelly (Éire Óg), Liam O'Donovan (Clonakilty), Ronan O'Toole (Éire Óg), Mark Collins (Castlehaven), Peter Kelleher (Kilmichael) and Chris Og Jones (Iveleary) were also on the selected Cork panel.

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Allianz Football League Division 2  
Cork v Kildare @ 1pm  
Allianz Hurling League Division 1  
Cork v Wexford @ 3pm

### Sunday 10.02.2019

Allianz Football League Division 2

Clare v Cork @ Cusack Park Ennis, 2pm

### Saturday 16.02.2019

Allianz Hurling League Division 1  
Cork v Clare @ Pairc Ui Chaoimh, 7.15pm

### Saturday 23.02.2019

Allianz Football League Division 2  
Cork v Meath @ Pairc Ui Chaoimh, 7pm

### Sunday 24.02.2019

Allianz Hurling League Division 1  
Limerick v Cork @ Gaelic Grounds, 2.30pm

### Saturday 02.03.2019

Allianz Football League Division 2  
Tipperary v Cork @ Semple Stadium, Thurles,

7pm

### Sunday 03.03.2019

Allianz Hurling League Division 1  
Cork v Tipperary @ Pairc Ui Chaoimh, 2pm

### Saturday 16.03.2019

Allianz Football League Division 2  
Cork v Donegal @ Pairc Ui Chaoimh, 2pm

### Sunday 24.03.2019

Allianz Football League Division 2  
Armagh v Cork @ Athletic Grounds, 2pm

## Macroom Ladies 2018 Success

Macroom Ladies Football Club are celebrating what an exceptional year we had in 2018 was for our little club. The success of the past year shows what has been an absolutely amazing achievement for such a small club like ours, which has really blossomed in recent years, seeing our membership swell as our success encourages more and more young ladies to take part in the sport. During the past year, Macroom's ladies have enjoyed some stunning success with Mid-Cork league wins at U12, U14, U16 and Junior levels. Macroom's Ladies made club history on Monday September 10th 2018, by winning the Cork County U-16 "C" Ladies Football Championship final with a 7-10 to 3-5 win over Doheny's in Inchigeela. This Championship title was a first for our club and the high point of an incredible year for these ladies. This U16 team have an incredible record, remaining unbeaten in the last 3 years. Our U-15 ladies were just pipped for yet another Mid-Cork League title, losing out by a single point following an amazing come back from a seemingly impossible deficit in the league final. Rarely would you see a team fight with such passion, giving everything they had and we were immensely proud of our young ladies on that night. For the first time in many years Macroom fielded teams at Minor and Junior level in 2018 and our Juniors won a Mid-Cork League title on their first year playing together, an incredible achievement.

Cork County Council recently awarded a Civic Reception to Macroom's under-age ladies footballers where they were presented with Certificates of Achievement honouring their incredible success in Ladies Gaelic Football and their contribution to the sport.

We were very proud to have some of our club members achieving notable success outside the club also. We had three players selected to play for their County in 2018 with one at playing at Minor and two at U-16 level. So far in 2019 we have one club member selected for the Cork LGFA 2019 U-16 panel and three more at an advanced stage in trials for Cork LGFA Minor panel and we wish them the very best of luck.

On Monday October 8th our brilliant U8 and U10 ladies were presented with their medals at



Macroom Ladies Junior Football team, League champions 2018 ©



Macroom Ladies, championship winners 2018 ©

a presentation ceremony held in Macroom GAA clubhouse in recognition to the commitment of these young ladies to Ladies Football and to their Club. Following a great season that saw them train hard and participate in several Blitzes, these young ladies are showing great promise for the club and they are looking forward to a great year in 2019. Macroom Ladies Football Club were delighted to host one of the Cork Ladies Football Development Summer Camps. This camp was held in Tom Creedon Park from the 16th to the 19th of July, and was coached by some of the top Cork Senior and Minor ladies team members. We are always looking for new members at

every level and we would love to have more participation from parents and former players on both male and female teams to act as coaches. We can be found on Facebook under "Macroom Ladies Football". In closing, Macroom Ladies Football Club would like to express our sincerest thanks to all our players, mentors and their families for the incredible support you gave our ladies throughout the last year. Thanks to everyone who came to all the matches and cheered our teams on to great success. Without you all, we could not have achieved what we did and we are very grateful. **Brian Gallagher**

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thanks to trainers/ Coaches for organising and all 39 players that took part and Coláiste Ghobnatan and Ionad Cultúrtha for use of facilities.

## Macroom GAA.

Macroom Juvenile AGM at the club pavilion was well attended and the following officers and team managers were elected on the night: Chairman - James Duggan Secretary - Shane Dunne Treasurer - Catherine Cahill Child Protection Officer - Mark O'Sullivan Club

Registrar - Diarmuid Holland Health & Wellbeing Officer - Danny O'Keefe Physio Liaison Officer - Dr. Con Kelleher Coaching Officer - Bobby O'Dwyer. Team Managers appointed were: Under 6 - Jeremy Kelleher, Under 9 - Aidan Brophy, Under 10 - Shane Dunne, Under 11 - Chris O'Donovan, Under 12 - Tony O'Sullivan, Under 14 - Diarmuid Holland and Enda Kiernan, Under - Mark O'Sullivan



Presentation to winning team in 2018 Shane Murphy Poc Fada © Nóra Ní Luasa



Macroom Junior C League finalists ©Concubhar Murray

## Macroom AFC

The opening weekend of 2019 brought important league action for Macroom A, who faced a difficult away trip to Lakewood Athletic. Macroom, top of the league at this stage, performed brilliantly and came away with a 3-2 victory. The home side started well and went ahead on 10 minutes. Macroom's response was excellent and Andrew Hegarty levelled when put

through on goal. Soon after, Hegarty was again on target when he outpaced the last defender to finish well. Macroom led 2-1 at the end of a high quality first half. Lakewood started the second half brightly and were level on the hour, when a close range header made it 2-2. It was anyone's game now, with both teams going all out for a winner. Macroom found it. Hegarty once more beat two defenders and slotted home to secure a huge 3 points. A

fantastic hat trick for Hegarty, who along with Ryan Creed, were Macroom's best on the day. The next big league game comes on Saturday, 12th January, at home to Leevue Athletic at Murrayfield @2pm. Macroom B will entertain Ardnalaoi in the league also on Saturday 12th in the Town Park @2pm. In the U13 schoolboys league, Macroom welcomed Passage. The visiting team were the better side and completed a 3-1 win.



Macroom FC U12 boys at Blarney/Macroom Municipal district civic reception at the Castle Hotel. ©Con Kelleher



Macroom A, defeated by Ballymun Utd in the FAI Junior Cup in Dublin. ©

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Ms Eileen Leahy and Ms Judy Kearney, Macroom Community Hospital with carers, Kay Healy and Pauline O'Riordan, as they switched on the Christmas lights in Glen Park. ©Con Kelleher



Peter O'Riordan and Conor at the switching on of the Christmas lights in Coachford. ©Declan O'Connell



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Mionúirí Naomh Abán ar cuairt chuig Scoil Abán, Baile Mhúirne le Corn an Chontae ©Nóra Ní Luasa



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Aghabullogue NS girls, Ava McCarthy, Anna Foley, Jemae Baylon and Eanna Duff, receiving their trophies from Chairman, Dave Collins, at Sciath na Scol Sports Quiz © Mike English



Santa and his happy elves joined with William McCarthy, Togher, Eithne Lynch, Katie and Lydia Kelleher, Macroom in making friends with Skylar and Dessie at the Retired Greyhound Trust's event at Curraheen Park. © Mike English



Billy Mangan and Noelle Foley of The Corkman pictured John Cott, Chairman of Kanturk Mart, the Best Community Enterprise Award winners. Also included are finalists Karen Bowles of Cairdeas Childcare, Ballyhass and Magali Bolger and Jo Lovell of Macroom Food Festival. ©



Macroom Guides Christmas Fair ©



Aghabullogue, Rince Set winners at Scór na nÓg County final © John Tarrant



Katie Dineen, Ann Cronin, Regina Casey, Sr. Loyola at Senior Citizen Christmas dinner 2018 at Riverside Park Hotel, Macroom ©Lee Valley Outlook



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Coppeen N.S. prizewinners in the recent West Muskerry Sports. ©An Scoil



Pupils from Coppeen N.S. enjoying their monthly trad session. ©An Scoil



Karolyn O'Leary presenting Francois Moussett with the club person of the year trophy at Valley Wheelers Cycling Club Christmas Party ©



Tom Walsh, DCE Computers, presents a new set of school jerseys to Barry Condon, Principal Canovee N.S. ©An Scoil



Dromleigh N.S., winners in the Credit Union Art Competition. ©An Scoil



Giara Manning being presented with a cheque for €1000 from a "Christmas Jumper Day in Canovee School in aid of Crumlin Children's Hospital ©Peter Scanlan



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The specification for each service is available on request. Providers interested in quoting for one or more of the services are requested to contact Tracey on 026 41221 or email [macroom@fisheriesireland.ie](mailto:macroom@fisheriesireland.ie) for further details.

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Macroom  
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*A Word of Victory*

Welcome back dear reader - every blessing to you as we start off on this New Year. So many people dread Christmas as it can be a lonely time. Remember friend, God loves you and He promises in His Word that He will never leave you or forsake you, so you are never alone. Just because you can't see Him doesn't mean He is not there with you in every circumstance. He is not the author of sickness or pain. God hates sickness - He desires that you are healthy and strong in your spirit, soul and body. He had His Son Jesus to be born supernaturally as one of us to defeat the god of this world - Satan, who is the author of sickness and destruction (Acts 10:38). Why would our loving Creator give a disease or hardship to one of His beloved children? He does not work against Himself - Jesus said that "a house divided cannot stand" (Mark 3:25). Lots of people are making plans to turn their lives around by getting fit and eating healthily and, while some will carry out their resolutions, many others will fall at the first jump. The Word of God tells us "I can do all things through Christ Who strengthens me" (Phillipians 4:13). When someone repents of sin, and turns to Jesus acknowledging Him as their Lord and Saviour, a miraculous transformation occurs in their spirit. The old un-renewed human spirit which was separated from God because of sin, is recreated supernaturally because, the Holy Spirit, Who has now been given access when that person asked Jesus to be Lord, comes in and reconciles their spirit to Father God. This is made possible because of what Jesus did for us at the Cross ("I am the Way, the Truth and the Life - no one comes to the Father except through Me" John 14:6). Jesus was carrying out a legal exchange at the Cross. He exchanged His perfect sinless blood for our sin and iniquities, His perfect body was broken so that we could be healed, and He took torment for us so we could have peace (Isaiah 53:4-5). So, when a person confesses that Jesus is Lord, believing in their heart that He is the Son of God, born of a virgin: and that He died on the Cross to pay the penalty for our sins, and rose from the dead for our acquittal, we are transformed into a new creation - born again - and given a fresh start, now empowered to live a renewed life with Jesus living inside! (2 Corinthians 5:17)

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**KNOW YOUR RIGHTS: ADVOCACY SERVICE IN WEST CORK**

**QUESTION:** If I feel I have been treated unfairly or have been refused an entitlement what support is there to enable me to assert my rights?

**ANSWER:**

As part of its work, the local Citizens Information Service provides a free, independent and confidential advocacy service to people who need support or non-legal representation in accessing their rights and entitlements. Citizens Information may be able to advocate and help you if you find yourself in difficulty including finding yourself in any of the following situations:

- You feel that have been treated unfairly and need help to assert your rights
- You been refused a social welfare payment or have you had your payment stopped
- You feel that you are being treated unfairly at work
- You are having housing difficulties or at risk of homelessness
- You have a consumer problem

Advocacy helps you to have your voice heard on issues that are important to you. In doing advocacy, the Citizens Information Service moves beyond providing information and advice to supporting you with more difficult issues. It is a partnership between you and the Information Provider who will work with you to achieve the best possible outcome and will take no action without your consent.

**Citizens Information provides advocacy in the following ways:**

- Writing letters with you and on your behalf
- Negotiating with third parties such as employers, landlords, retailers or Government Departments on your behalf
- Preparing submissions for formal appeals such as Social Welfare appeal hearings or employment hearings
- Supporting/representing you in meetings with third parties
- Supporting/representing you in a formal hearing such as Workplace Relations Commission hearings, Social Welfare Appeal Hearings or Residential Tenancy Board hearings

However, Citizens Information cannot provide legal advice or represent you in civil or criminal courts. If you have a solicitor or trade union already acting for you on an issue, Citizens Information cannot offer an advocacy service to you.

If you require advocacy support, you should contact your local Citizens Information Service and speak with an Information Provider, who will discuss your situation and ascertain if you have grounds for a case. The Information Provider will then explain the advocacy procedures to you.

Know Your Rights has been compiled by Macroom Citizens Information Service which provides a free and confidential service to the public. Address: South Square, Macroom, Co. Cork  
Information is also available online at [citizensinformation.ie](http://citizensinformation.ie) and from the Citizens Information Phone Service, 0761 07 4000, Macroom Helpline: 0761078430



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Saoiste/Day Centre Supervisor

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**Spríoc-dáta Dé hAoine, 18ú Eanáir 2019**

A vacancy exists on a Community Services Programme for the above post at Cois Cille, Cill na Martra.  
Successful applicant will be responsible for day-to-day running of Day Centre. Organisation skills & previous administration experience an advantage.

**Qualifying criteria applies for this position.**

**Please contact 026-45559**  
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# Coachford Childcare Centre

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*(Full-time permanent position)*

Coachford Childcare Centre is currently recruiting for an Early Years Educator to work in our Senior Wobbler/Toddler room commencing January 2019. The ideal candidate must have a genuine love of working with young children in a busy Crèche setting supported by a large Early Educator Team. Previous Childcare experience desirable but training will be given.

**Applicants must have:**

- A Minimum FETAC Level 5 in Childcare or equivalent
- A Strong passion about the development of the individual child
- The ability to implement Aistear into the daily routine
- Excellent communication & organisational skills
- Ability to multi task in a Crèche setting
- Team Player
- Prior to any offers of employment being made candidates must under-go full Garda/Police Vetting

**EARLY YEARS EDUCATORS**  
*(Part-time seasonal position)*

Coachford Childcare Centre is seeking a Sessional Pre-school Assistant (AIM Support) for one of our Pre-school rooms commencing January 2019

**Hours of work:**

9.00am – 12.00pm with a possibility of additional hours, Monday – Friday, according to ECCE Pre-school calendar.

**Requirements:**

FETAC Level 5 in Early Years Education or equivalent. Experience working with Pre-school children an advantage but training will be given.

Valid First Aid/Child Protection Training also an advantage. The successful candidate must have the ability to promote positive relationships with parents, children and colleagues.

Prior to any offers of employment being made candidates must provide full Garda/Police Vetting. Candidates must be in a position to submit 2 written references from previous employers.

Please e-mail your Curriculum Vitae along with proof of qualifications/written references from 2 of your most previous employers to:

**Ms. Brenda Tarrant, Owner/Manager:**  
[coachfordchildcare@gmail.com](mailto:coachfordchildcare@gmail.com)

## ACCOUNTS ASSISTANT - FINANCE

### BACKGROUND:

The company is currently undergoing an expansion in the development arm of its business and a role has materialised in the finance department to support this operational expansion.

### ROLE:

Reporting to the Group Financial Controller and supporting the existing finance team this role will involve:

- Process supplier and customer invoices
- Matching PO with invoices
- Use of ROS for weekly / monthly RCT payments
- Liaise with suppliers regarding queries on account
- Prepare ad-hoc reporting and creditor reconciliations for the business with a particular focus on the development arm
- Preparation of some month end reporting schedules, journals and reconciliations
- Bank reconciliations
- Support the finance team in audit and tax compliance
- Perform other related tasks as requested by management

### PROFILE:

- Strong IT skills and familiarity with financial accounting and reporting systems
- Previous experience in an accounts role an advantage
- Microsoft Office (particularly Excel) experience
- Good attention to detail
- Analytical with a good business acumen
- Excellent communication skills, both written and verbal

Should this role interest you and you feel you have the required skillset please send a copy of your CV to: [info@mcgroup.ie](mailto:info@mcgroup.ie) or alternatively post your details to – Office Administrator, MC Group, Coolcaslagh, Killarney, Co. Kerry V93 XK82



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## MUNICIPAL DISTRICT COMMUNITY FUND SCHEMES 2019

Cork County Council is committed to supporting local communities across County Cork. Financial assistance for community and voluntary groups and local organisations is available through the Community Fund Scheme 2019. This scheme is administered by the 8 Municipal District Offices around County Cork and there are three separate funding schemes depending on the nature and cost of your proposal.

1. Capital Fund Scheme
2. Community Contracts
3. Amenity Fund Scheme

Further information about this funding is available online and you can also apply online at [www.corkcoco.ie](http://www.corkcoco.ie) or [www.yourcouncil.ie](http://www.yourcouncil.ie) or from your local Municipal District Office namely Blarney/Macroon Municipal District, Cork County Council, Town Hall, Macroon, Co. Cork.  
 Contact Telephone Number: (026) 41545

The closing date for receipt of completed applications is 4.00pm Friday, 15th February 2019.

## TOP 10 TIPS FOR WINTER DRIVING

Taking a number of simple precautions can ensure safety on Irish roads during winter.

Don't get caught out if severe weather hits, make the necessary checks on your vehicle now. There are a number of simple precautions the RSA advises for driving over the winter months:

1. **Check your tyres...** they are your only contact with the road. Tyres should be at least the minimum legal thread depth of 1.6mm but need to be changed before they get this worn. Tyres need to be to the correct tyre pressure to give the motorist the best chance in extreme conditions.
2. **Use your lights.** As we come into the winter months, motorists are advised to use dipped head lights during the day so you are easily seen. Headlights and taillights should be in working order.
3. **Understand your brakes.** Check your car manual and find out if your vehicle has safety assist technology such as Electronic Stability Control (ESC) or Anti-Lock Braking System (ABS). Learn how these technologies can assist your driving in harsh weather conditions.
4. **Safe Distance.** It takes longer to stop a car during the winter weather so slow down and allow extra distance between you and the car in front.
5. **Make sure you can clearly see.** All too often motorists do not de-fog or de-ice windows and mirrors which can compromise visibility. This winter ensure windows and mirrors are clear, and carry a de-icer and screen scraper. Do not use boiling water as this can crack the windscreen.



6. **Beware of "Black Ice".** Black Ice is one of winter's biggest hazards as it is difficult to see. Watch out for sheltered/ shaded areas on roads, under trees and near high walls.
7. **Be prepared.** During these winter months it is advised that motorists carry a number of essentials in the boot of their car.
  - 1) High visibility vest
  - 2) Spare fuel
  - 3) Appropriate footwear in case you need to leave your vehicle e.g. boots
  - 4) A hazard warning triangle
  - 5) Spare wheel (Check that your spare wheel is in good condition and is fully inflated. Some cars may have an inflation repair kit instead of a spare wheel. Make sure that you know how to use it.)
  - 6) Tow Rope
  - 7) A shovel
  - 8) De-icing equipment (for glass and door locks)
  - 9) Spare bulbs
  - 10) First aid kit

- 11) A fire extinguisher
- 12) A working torch
- 13) A car blanket, additional clothing & some food and water
8. **In the event of a breakdown.** Drivers need to ensure their vehicle is well in off the road so as not to obstruct other vehicles. The driver should also put on their hazard warning lights. If the vehicle breaks down on the motorway pull in as far as you can, alerting traffic behind you with hazard lights. The driver should leave their vehicle, get behind the barrier (on the embankment) and call the Gardaí, on their mobile phone or roadside telephone.
9. **Keep up to date.** Listen to local weather and traffic reports. Pay heed to the weather warnings alerting drivers of unsafe and dangerous driving conditions.
10. **Check out the RSA's publication** 'Severe Weather Advice for Road Users' for more detailed advice on what to do if severe weather strikes!

## ARE YOU WINTER READY?

Bad weather such as torrential rain, severe winds, fog, ice and snow can strike suddenly catching road users off guard.

**If Severe Weather Strikes!** Before setting off on a journey check to see if there are any problems on your intended route.

**Is Your Journey Absolutely Necessary?:** In extreme weather conditions you should ask yourself if making a journey by road is absolutely necessary? If it is not you might consider delaying your trip until the weather and road conditions improve. If using the roads in such conditions is unavoidable be prepared.

The golden rule is to drive, cycle or walk with care and caution and expect the unexpected.

### Is Your Vehicle Ready for Winter?

As the saying goes 'Prevention is better than cure', so take some time to prepare both your vehicle and yourself for the challenges of winter driving. Don't get caught out when severe weather strikes. Your first step should be to get your vehicle serviced to ensure it is fit and safe for winter driving. Secondly you should carry out regular checks on the vehicle.

**You should:** Check for wear and tear on wiper

blades and replace them as soon as they start to smear rather than clean windows.

keep tyre pressure at the manufacturer's recommended level and check you have at least 3 millimetres of tread depth.

check that your spare wheel is in good condition and is fully inflated. Some cars may have an inflation repair kit instead of a spare wheel. Make sure that you know how to use it. Make sure all vehicle lights are working and clean and top up with anti-freeze and screen wash.

## SAFETY TIPS FOR OLDER DRIVERS

For most, continuing to drive as they get older is important as it helps them stay active in their communities and access essential services. However, as we age there are particular driving risks to be aware of.

### Issues commonly experienced by older drivers include:

- Changes in eyesight
- Health issues
- Medication side effects
- Uncertainty on busy roads and junctions
- Decline in physical strength
- What older drivers do well
- While older drivers face more physical

challenges than younger drivers, generally speaking they're a lower motor insurance risk compared to other age-groups, especially young drivers. This is because older drivers usually:

- Wear seat belts
- Don't drink and drive
- Don't speed
- Obey the rules of the road when they drive and demonstrate courtesy to other road users

### Keeping fit to drive

- Make sure you have regular eye and hearing check-ups
- Avoid driving when you're tired

- Avoid driving on unfamiliar roads, at night, in bad weather and during rush hour traffic
- Allow yourself longer driver reaction times
- Leave plenty of room between your car and the vehicle in front
- Indicate in plenty of time
- Drive cautiously
- Keep your car well maintained



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## LEE VALLEY DIARY

**Cuidiú** Clothes Swap/ Coffee Morning 10:30-12:30 Wed 9th Jan Macroom GAA Hall

**Clondrohid G.A.A.** A.G.M. Thurs. Jan. 10, in dressing rooms at 8pm.

**Musical 2019.** Auditions for "The Blarney Stone", Riverside Park Hotel on Sun 13th Jan from 4pm..

**Ballincollig Royal Gunpowder Mills** talk in Rugby Club at 8.00 pm Mon, Jan 14

**Cork Burning.** A talk by Michael Lenihan in Independence Museum Kilmurry 16th Jan at 8pm.

**Walk While you Can** fundraising concert at Riverside Park Hotel, Sat Jan 19 at 8p.m.

**Clondrohid** Christmas / New Year Adult Party, Sun. Jan. 20 in Community Hall at 2pm.

**Kilmurry HAA AGM** on Wed Feb 6th in Museum at 8pm.

**Ahakeera Drama Group** present a three act play in Farran hall 16th Feb at 8pm.

**Historical Talk** Mr Richard Wood. Feb 22nd at 8pm. Kimurry Museum.

**Donoughmore G.A.A.** Lip Sync Sat March 16th at Blarney Golf Resort.

**Set Dancing** resuming in Clondrohid on Tues 15th Jan at 8pm with Alan

### **Macroom Library**

**Storytime** Every Sat at noon.

**Music Morning** Jan. 11th at 11am

**Juvenile Book Club** Jan. 12 at 3p.m.

**Ciorcal Cainte** Jan. 10 and 24 at 11.30am.

**Marie Keating Foundation** talk Feb. 5th.

### **Riverside Park Hotel**

**Blarney Stone** Auditions at Riverside Park Hotel on Sun 13th Jan from 4pm.

**Briery Gap All Ireland** Transition Year Drama and 2nd Level Schools Light Entertainment Festivals preliminary rounds from Wednesday, 6th February.

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RINKA are multi-activity classes for kids as young as 3 and teach all the fundamentals of fitness in a non-competitive environment. The idea behind RINKA is to teach kids from a young age that fitness is fun. Habits are formed in childhood and we want to help children form healthy ones' says Katie.

RINKA aims to provide a solution to childhood obesity by providing children with a fun, active class that develops a sense of self-confidence in a non-competitive, positive environment where children will have the freedom to develop at their own pace without any outside pressures of exams, performances or competitions.

Rinka, "Making fitness child's play". Rinka offers fun, non-competitive classes in Macroom & Cil Na Martra. New classes are now available in surrounding areas, Inchigeelagh, Balingeary, Ballyvourney & Aghabullogue for 2019. Rinka Macroom classes include Dance, Gymnastics, High Energy Games, Chants, balancing skills, Arts & Crafts, Drama Fit, Bounce and Mindfulness. Rinka Macroom has currently sixty students enrolled for 2019 classes. Katie is currently taking bookings for classes and spaces are limited.

**To find out more about your local Rinka Classes you can contact via Facebook page @ "RINKA MACROOM" or Contact Katie @ 087 6736503.**



**Introducing RINKA**

*"At RINKA we provide a professionally structured children's fitness programme and provide a range of exciting classes that offer an alternative to mainstream sports. Our focus is on the children – we offer them a place where they know they matter, they are capable and they can have fun. We provide them with a guaranteed warm welcome, a genuine smile and aim to foster in them a love of an active, creative lifestyle."* Katie Mc Sweeney.

**WHAT WE DO**

A fun-filled approach to children's health and fitness

At Rinka, we provide a dynamic & fun system for managing children's health & wellbeing through active and creative fitness classes. Whatever a child's interest, we have something to offer with classes including dance, drama and fitness.

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We strive to offer alternatives to mainstream sports, ensuring we are helping all kids reach their physical activity requirements and not just those who love sport already.

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## SETTING UP A FARMING COMPANY

Company Law. The farm business becoming a limited liability company is something that has become increasingly popular in the agricultural sector. For the purposes of this article, I will outline some of the advantages and disadvantages of incorporation.

### Advantages

**Limited Liability:** One of the most significant advantages to incorporation is limited liability. This essentially means that there is a limit put on the responsibility of the company shareholders to pay the debts of the company in the event the company runs out of money and becomes insolvent. The company is the farmer.

**Succession Planning:** A company can be easier to split amongst shareholders or successors by allocation of shares. It can be less complicated to divide shares in a farming company among children than to divide a sole trader farming business among them.

**Tax Purposes:** One of the most beneficial features of incorporating are the significant tax advantages. However, to benefit from the tax advantages it is important to ascertain as to whether your business and scale suits the move to incorporation. Essentially, if your farm business turnover is reaching the higher tax band, then it may well be more tax efficient to incorporate. For example, if a self-employed person's earning capacity was over the higher tax band then they could be taxed at 55%, whereas the corporation tax for a company's trading profits would be at the lower rate of 12.5%.

A farmer also needs to consider the amount of money he or she draws from the business for his or her own personal use. There may be income available to a farmer outside of the company, for example, rental income or a spouse's income, and then a farmer and his or her family has a reduced need to extract money from the company for personal use. This is important

because if a farmer draws large amounts of money from the business for his or her own use, then the benefits of incorporation would be significantly reduced. Money drawn down from a business would be subject to the normal tax regime and it is only money that is left in the company that benefit's from the 12.5% tax rate.

One of the main issues in determining if incorporation is the right move is the essentially the turnover of the farm business. If the annual turnover in a farm business is reaching the higher tax band, then a farmer should seek advice from his or her solicitor in relation to the option of incorporation. The above are only a very brief summary of the tax issues to examine if considering incorporation.

**Business expansion:** If you are considering buying agricultural land in the future it is tax efficient to allow profits to build up through a company. Earnings can be retained within the company for the purposes of investment.

### Disadvantages

**Bank loans:** Existing loans would have to be renegotiated as the facility agreements would have been in the sole traders' name. In these circumstances, the Bank would have to draw up a fresh facility agreement transferring the loan to the company. This involves legal fees, land registry fees, time, inconvenience and negotiating a new loan with the bank. However, it can also be an opportunity to negotiate more favourable terms with your bank. The benefits of incorporation can also far outweigh any expense and inconvenience involved in the set up on incorporation.

**Inheritance and Succession Planning.** Consider the future and both your short term and long term plans for the business. If one is thinking of retirement soon, incorporation is not an option. A successor will not qualify for young trained farmer relief in the event that he or she takes

the gift in the name of a company. He or she must farm for over 5 years. If farmland is in the name of a company, it may not be considered an agricultural asset for agricultural relief in respect of gifts or inheritances.

**Costs and Administration.** One must register the company name. One must register with the Revenue Commissioners. One must obtain clearance from the Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine. One must arrange to transfer the herd number into the company name. Banks accounts will have to be set up in the name of the company. Annual accounts need to be prepared, which usually involve higher accountancy costs.

Farmers thinking about incorporating their farming business should obtain professional legal and tax advice in relation to their own business and set of circumstances.

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Karen Walsh



Irene McDonnell and Mary O'Carroll with John Spillane after his concert in The Mills Inn in Ballyvourney

## An Sulán

*Mise an Sulán, fuar, fada fireann,  
Anois an t-am, cá bhfuil an duine?"  
Sin é a deirim is mé ag rith le fuinneamh,  
Ar mo bhealach chun farraige síos thar an  
Muileann.*

*Is fada 's is casta e mo chúrsa,  
Ó'n tobairín taobh le Barr a' Chúma,  
Is mall é mo thuras 's is uaigneach,  
Tré páirceanna, portacha 's díoganna cúnga.*

*Is minic a ghluaisim thar mo bhruacha,  
Ar mo thuras dom soir tré Baile Mhúirne  
is ard 's is feargach mo ghuth ar uairibh,  
Le linn dom síneadh go deire mo chúrsa.*

*Is iomaí gearán is cnaimhseáil a chuala,  
Ó'n iascaire searcisach is é go buartha.  
Ba mhínic dó áfach bradán a sciobadh,  
Istigh im' lár no gar dom bhruacha.*

*Na h-oicheanta Geimhridh isea bhím-se brónach,  
An talamh máguaird is mo bhruacha reoite,  
Creathan im ghuth is an sioc im scónach,  
Brat os mo chionn is é fuar ceomhar.*

*Le teacht an Earraigh isea 'thagann an mhúscailt,  
Is caithim-se díom an fhéachaint ghruama,  
eiríonn lem' neart is braithim an fústar,  
'S tagann arís an fonn is an fuadar.*

*An Samhradh sámh, taithníonn go mor liom,  
Is deas é an gáire is an comhluadar,  
Daoine ag siúl ar mo bhruacha,  
Cuid acu aerach is cuid acu buartha.*

*Orthu go léir bím-se ag faire  
An buachaillín óg is an gearraiche,  
An fear meán-aosta is an gaiscíoch láidir,  
'S bím-se á mealladh chun mo linnte a shnámhadh.*

*Go h-obann ansan is ea tharlúinn sé,  
Is tosnuíonn an t-olagón is an caoineadh,  
An fear mór groí is e fuar sínte,  
Amuigh ar mo bhruach i measg slua mór daoine.*

*Gluaisim liom ansan ar mire,  
Is fágaim im' dhiaidh an gol is an caoineadh.  
Mar mise an Sulán, fuar, fada, fireann  
Tháinig an t-am is sciobas an duine.*

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**Cuidiu Clothes Swap /Coffee Morning,** 10:30-12:30, Wednesday 9th January, Macroom GAA Hall (back of the Castle Grounds). Bring your lightly-used kids' clothes and take away what you like! Then join us for a cuppa and chat with other parents while the smallies play. Contact Helen Corcoran or Aoife Noonan via Cuidiu Cork on Facebook (€2.50 non-members, €1.50 members)

**Explosions in Ballincollig Gunpowder Mills.** Frank Donaldson will give an illustrated talk on Explosions in Ballincollig Royal Gunpowder Mills at 8.00 pm on Monday, 14 January. At its peak, the gunpowder mills employed over 500 people but it was a risky business. There were a number of serious explosions in the mills during the 19th century, some of them resulting in the deaths of workers. Muskerry Local History Society are organising the lecture which will be held in Ballincollig Rugby Club.

**Cork Burning.** Kilmurry Historical and Archaeological Association present a talk on Cork Burning by Michael Lenihan in the heritage room, Independence Museum, Kilmurry January 16th at 8pm. It covers such topics as Cork City before December 1920, the Black and Tans, Auxiliaries and K Company, Republican Cork, a timeline of events before the burning of Cork City, early fires and arson by crown forces in Cork, the Kilmichael Ambush, the Dillon's Cross Ambush, premises destroyed, official investigations into the causes, compensation and rebuilding.

**Walk While you Can** fundraising concert for Motor Neuron at the Riverside Park Hotel, Macroom, Saturday, January 19 at 8p.m. Featuring Patrick O'Sullivan and special guest, Hugo Duncan. Tickets €20 from Evelyn McSweeney's; Box Office, South Square, Riverside Park and at the door.

**Kilmurry** Historical and Archaeological Association Ltd AGM will take place on Wednesday February 6th in Heritage Room, Independence Museum Kilmurry at 8pm.

**Ahakeera Drama Group** Dunmanway present a three act play by playwright, Jimmy Leary, "I'm the one for you", in Farran hall 16th February at 8pm. This is a fundraiser for Independence Museum Kilmurry. Admission €15. To reserve a place call 0861767295.

**Historical Talk.** Mr Richard Wood will give a talk Feb 22nd at 8pm "Cork Architecture 1660 to present" in Independence Museum Kilmurry. Admission €10.

**Used Stamps.** Basket at back of all Aghinagh parish churches for used stamps for Motor Neuron and Irish Cancer Society. Or give to Breda at Fruit and Veg stall in Macroom Square. Kilmurry GAA 2019 calendars now on sale in Sheila's Shop, McSwiney's shop Crookstown and Centra Aherla.

**Congratulations.** Enda Kiernan, Castlevue, was recently appointed President of the Chartered Institutes of Wastes Management, U.K and Ireland. This is the regulatory and academic body for the science of waste management in the UK and Ireland. Enda is the first resident of Ireland to be appointed. He is married to Elaine (Murphy) and

they have three children - Grace, Daragh and Ruairi.

**Presentation.** Macroom Flower & Garden Club made a presentation to Macroom Senior Citizens Association at the Club's Annual Dinner at The Castle Hotel, It was the proceeds of the November Charity Floral Demonstration. The Senior Citizens were chosen as the 2018 recipients since they are celebrating their Golden Jubilee. Receiving the cheque was Pat O'Connell, Chairman of Macroom Senior Citizens, accompanied by Sheila Kelleher, founding member of Macroom Senior Citizens and long-time member of the Flower Club. Also present, Flower Club officers, Nuala O'Connell Treasurer; Winifred Lynch Chairperson; Eileen Kelly President; Nora Gallagher Secretary. The Committee wishes to thank all who have attended and supported Club Demonstrations and events throughout 2018.

**Aghinagh G.A.A.** Lotto: Dec.16. Jackpot €3,100. Numbers drawn 4, 10, and 33. No winner. €50 Bobby Healy, C/O Anvil Bar. €20 each: Anthony Hubbard; Denis McSweeney, Carrigagulla; Bill O'Rourke, Lyroe; Nora McCarthy, Ballinagree.

December 23. Jackpot €3,250. Numbers drawn 10, 13, and 26. No Winner €50 Denise & Kieran Sexton, Rusheen. €20 each: Dave Barry, Laharn; Eddie Neville, C/O Anvil; Patrick Twomey, Lyroe; Noel Lynch, Coolgarif.

30th Dec Jackpot €3,400.00. Numbers drawn 14, 16, and 25. No winner. €50 Michael & Catherine O'Connell, Coolnadane. €20 each to Jeremiah Corkery, Drombeg; Catherine & Don McCarthy, Bealnamorri; Conor & Rachel Lucey, Incheale; Noreen Kelleher, Ballinagree.

6th Jan 2019. Jackpot €3,550. Numbers drawn 5, 33, and 35. No winner. €50 Gertie O'Callaghan, Limerick. €20 each Aaron Cronin, Leads Cross; John & Maura Coakley, Rahalisk; Patrick Twomey, Lyroe, Rylane; Jeremiah Corkery, Drombeg.

**Clondrohid G.A.A.** Lotto Jan 2 €70 Richard Balfe. €20 each: Dan Kelleher Moulnahorna, Derry Crowley c/o CMP Ballineen, Ebony Spillane c/o Noreen Spillane and Noreen Spillane Ballinagree

**Donoughmore G.A.A.** Lotto Dec. 18th Jackpot €2,300. Winning Numbers: 10 23 31 No Winner. Christmas Whiskey Winners: 1. Michael + Louise O'Callaghan 2. Christy + Sheila O'Connor 3. Mary O'Callaghan 4. Colm Buckley 5. Joseph Twomey 6. Orla Buckley 7. Tim O'Sullivan 8. Breda McCarthy €25 LuckyDip Winners: 1. Sean Looney 2. Jenny Brew Dinan 3. Seamus Twomey 4. Maeve Barrett 5. Maria + Tony Murphy.

**Kilmurry G.A.A.** Lotto 10/12/2018. Jackpot: €3,800. Numbers Drawn: 4,14,15. Winner: None €100 Trevor Howard €50 each: Lynda McCarthy, Sean Long €20 each Rita Lynch, Mary McCarthy,

Aileen O'Sullivan. 17/12/2018. Jackpot: €4,000. Numbers Drawn: 4,6,16. Winner: None €100 Richard Donlon. €50 each: Daragh & Nia ,David Varian,€20 each Daniel Harte, Julianne Crowley, Sheila Delaney

**Macroom AFC** Lotto 23/12/18. Jackpot: €1,400. Numbers drawn: 10, 11, 30. No Winner. €80: Denis Cronin c/o Fudge. €20 each: Nuala Goulding c/o Swanky, Gerard Kelleher c/o Murray's, Pat Barrett c/o Connie, Ruth Cronin c/o Evelyn.

07/01/19: Jackpot: €1,600. Numbers drawn: 2, 19, 27. No Winner. €80: Imelda Healy c/o Dineen's. €20 each: Natalie Moynihan c/o June's, Peggy Coleman c/o Po'R, Josie O'Keefe c/o Dineen's, Tara, Grace and Heather c/o Hound.

**Macroom G.A.A.** Lotto 18/12/2018. Jackpot: €5400. Numbers Drawn: 14-25-32. No Winner. €70 Dennis Buckley, Kilmichael €20 each: Nuala Goulding, Masseytown David O'Leary, The Glienties, Don Crowley, Gurteenroe . Jamesie O'Connell, St Joseph's, Kilnamartyra. Murt Kelleher, Codrum

**Rylane CPA** Lotto: 17/12/2018 Jackpot €3,400. Numbers drawn: 8 - 30 - 38. No Winner. €20 Katie Hartnett (Rylane); Marguerite O'Callaghan (Rylane); EPJOS (Rylane). Seller's Prize €20: Helen Kelleher

23/12/2018 Jackpot €3,500. Numbers drawn: 8 - 9 - 18. WINNER: Michael Kelleher, Seán's Lane, Rylane. Seller of winning ticket: €100 Catherine c/o Fred's Bar. Lucky Dip Winners €20 each: Aidan Buckley (c/o Fred's Bar); Norma Cotter (Rylane); E O'Driscoll, (Rylane East); Patrick, Jo & Boys (Rylane); John O'Sullivan (Rylane East); Alan O'Brien (c/o Soccer Club); Mariane Meehan (c/o Dermot Mc Sweeney); Alison Carroll (Rylane); Kathleen Moynihan (Rylane); Pauline & Kieran Burns (Rylane). Seller's Prize: Johnny O'Sullivan (Rylane c/o Fred's Bar)

2/1/2019 Jackpot €1,000. Numbers drawn: 7 - 35 - 37. No Winner. €20 Nora Walsh (Rylane); Joan Brown (Rylane); Dan Griffin (Coachford). Seller's Prize €20: Linda Grimes

**Coachford AFC** Lotto: 22/12/2018. Jackpot: €1,600. Numbers Drawn: 6 - 24 - 25. No Winner. €40 Dympna Crowley (Online Ticket). €20 Declan O'Connell, Kenneth Hogan, Mary Sull & Maria, Owen McGarry.

29/12/2018. Jackpot: €1,800. Numbers Drawn: 20 - 28 - 32. No Winner. €40 Maud Cotter. €20 Adam Murphy, Paco, Patrick O'Callaghan, Tracy Martin.

29/12/2018. Jackpot: €1,800. Numbers Drawn: 20 - 28 - 32. No Winner. €40 Maud Cotter. €20 Adam Murphy, Paco, Patrick O'Callaghan, Tracy Martin. 7/1/2019. Jackpot: €2,000. Numbers Drawn: 9 - 32 - 36. No Winner. €40 John Hogan. €20 Mary Sull, Adam Murphy, Jim Martin, John & Aoife O'Shea.



Macroom Flower & Garden Club presentation to Macroom Senior Citizens at Annual Dinner at The Castle Hotel. Included: Pat O'Connell, Senior Citizens Chairman; Nuala O'Connell, Winifred Lynch, Eileen Kelly, Nora Gallagher, and Sheila Kelleher ©Lee Valley Outlook

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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 favour, not mine. Amen.

Say this prayer three times for three days and your favour will be granted.  
Never known to fail.  
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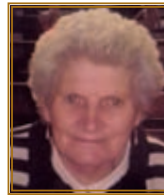
Munavdra, Inchigeela  
Who died on 13th January 2016.

*Today is the anniversary  
Of the day that we lost you  
And for a time it felt as though  
Our lives had ended too.  
But loss has taught us many things  
And now we face each day  
With hope and happy memories  
To help us on our way.  
And though we're full of sadness  
That you're no longer here  
Your influence still guides us  
And we still feel you near.  
What we shared will never die  
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Will change the way we feel  
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We have broken down and cried  
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So there won't be any doubt  
You're so wonderful to think of.  
But so hard to be without.  
We cannot bring the old days back  
When we were all together  
The family chain is broken now  
But memories live forever.*



You loving family

## FIRST ANNIVERSARY AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT



In loving memory of

**CHRISTY GOGGIN**

Moulnahorna, Carriganima  
January 8, 2018

As Christy's First Anniversary approaches, Gobnait, and the extended family, would like to thank all of you who have given us support, sympathy, and help, over the past 12 months.

In particular we thank the doctors, the palliative care team from Marymount, the Night Nurses from the Irish Cancer Society, and neighbours who cared for Christy at home.

We would like to thank everyone who sympathised with us on Christy's passing, those who sent cards and messages of support and those who called to the house.

Thanks to Fr. Wickham and Fr O'Riordan, who celebrated Christy's life during the funeral Mass and to those who attended Christy's wake and Funeral.

Please accept this acknowledgement as a token of our deepest gratitude.



Ar dheis Dé go raibh a hAnam.

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**2nd & 12th ANNIVERSARIES**



In loving memory of

**PADDY & NORA COONEY**

Ard na Greine, Macroom  
whose 2nd and 12th anniversaries  
occur around this time.

*Life goes on but we can't forget  
Your love, your lives, your care.  
The heartache of the memories  
That remind us you're not there.*



Always remembered by your loving son,  
Jim, and family.

**2nd ANNIVERSARY**



In loving memory of

**DIARMUID O'CONNELL**

Ballymakeera, Macroom, Co. Cork  
Who died 9th January 2017

*We think of you in silence,  
We often speak your name,  
But all we have is memories,  
And your picture in a frame.  
Your resting place we visit,  
And put flowers there with care,  
But no one knows the heartache,  
As we turn and leave you there.*



Sadly missed by his wife Ina and family.

**9th ANNIVERSARY**



In loving memory of

**JOHN (JACK) BURKE**

Late Rahoona, Ballymakeera  
whose Anniversary occurs at this  
time

*We miss your smile, your joking ways,  
We miss the things you used to say,  
And when goof times we do recall,  
Its then we miss you most of all,  
Your voice keeps whispering gently,  
Loved ones be brave and true,  
At the end of life there is sunshine  
I'll be waiting and watching you.*



From his loving family Liam, Siobhan,  
Jack and Joanne

**FIRST ANNIVERSARY**



In loving memory of

**DENIS MOYNIHAN**

Milmorane, Ballingearry, Macroom  
Co. Cork, who died on 28th Dec 2017

*I am home in Heaven dear ones,  
Oh! so happy and so bright.  
There is perfect joy and beauty  
in this everlasting light.  
All the pain and grief is over,  
every restless tossing passed.  
I am now at peace forever  
Safely home in Heaven at last.*



Sadly missed by all the family

**10th ANNIVERSARY**



In loving memory of

**MOLLY CREEDON**

Who died on 6th January 2009

*Deep in our hearts  
your memory is kept  
To Love  
To Cherish  
And Never Forget.*



Always remembered by Joe,  
Sharon & Sam x

**3rd ANNIVERSARY**



Treasured memories now and always  
of our dear Dad

**TIMMIE KELLEHER**

Belmont Place, Crookstown  
Whose 3rd Anniversary occurs on the  
9th of January

*It doesn't need a special day  
To bring you to our minds  
For days without a thought of you  
Are very hard to find*



Always in our thoughts,  
Forever in our hearts,  
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## NOVENA TO THE HOLY SPIRIT



O Holy Spirit, you who solve all problems, light all roads so that I can attain my goal. You gave me the divine gift to forgive and forget all evil against me and that in all instances of my life you are with me. I want in this short prayer to thank you for all things you have given me as you confirm once again that I never wanted to be separated from you in spite of all material illusions. I wish to be with you in Eternal Glory. Thank you for mercy towards me and mine.  
This prayer must be said for three days, after three days the favour will be granted.

## POWERFUL NOVENA



This novena never fails. Say it on the hour for nine hours. Jesus who has said, ask and you shall receive, seek and you shall find, knock and the door will open to you. Through the intercession of Mary, the Most Holy Mother, I knock, I ask that my prayer will be granted. (Make your request).  
Oh Jesus, has said all you ask the Father in my name, he will grant through the intercession of Mary, the Most Holy Mother. I humbly beg and urgently ask the Father in thy name that my prayer be granted (make request here). Oh Jesus who has said heaven and earth shall pass away through the intercession of Mary, the Most Holy Mother. I fell confident my prayer shall be answered. (Make request here).  
This novena is to be said at the same time every hour for nine consecutive hours - one day. Promised publication, never fails.

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