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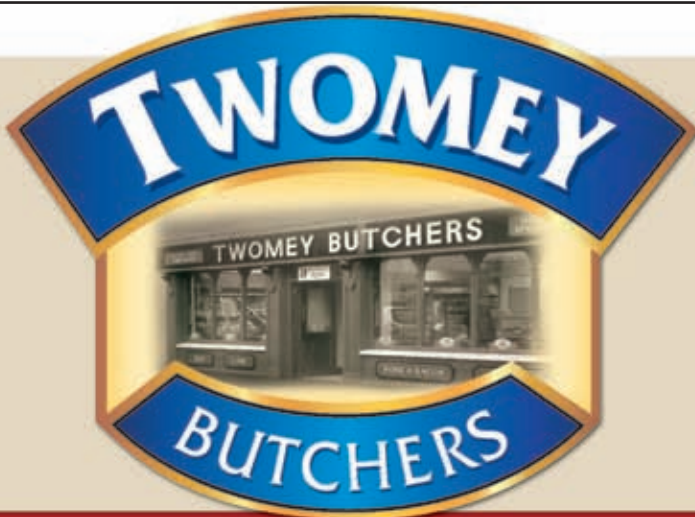
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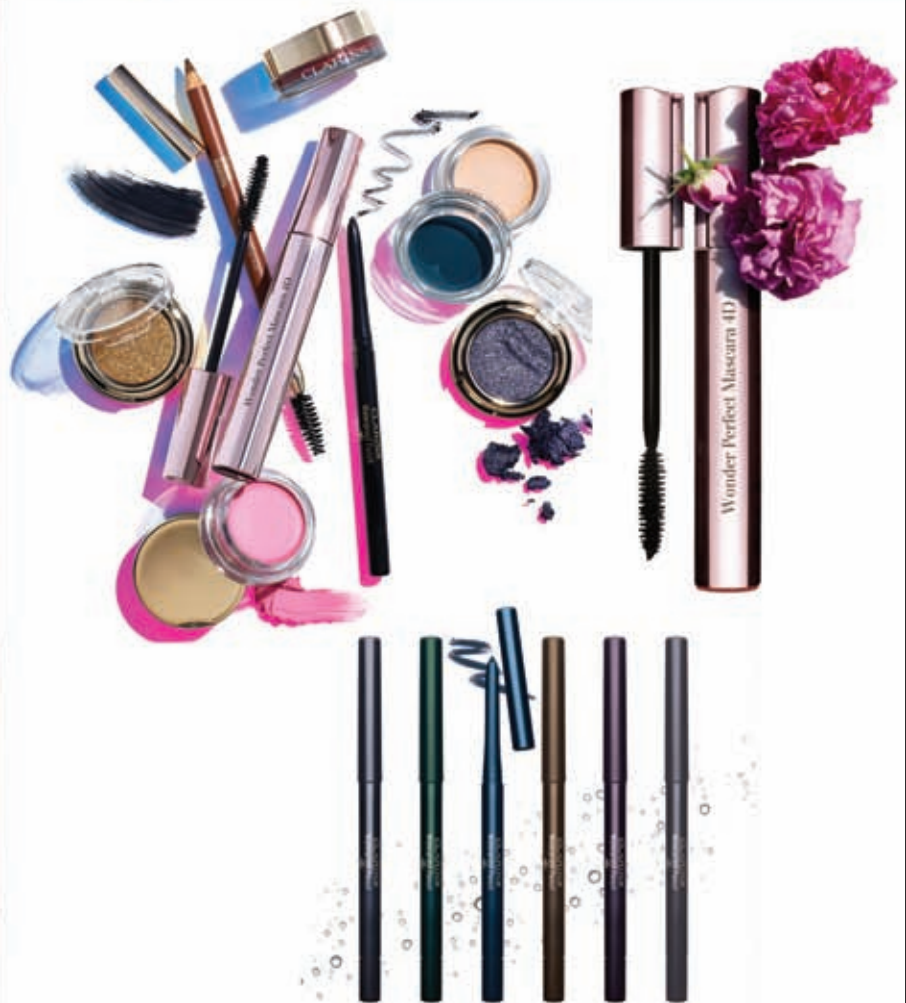
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The organising committee of St. Patrick's Day Parade has put together the usual high quality Parade that is synonymous with St Patrick's Day in Macroom featuring music, dance, marching groups, clubs and Cork Circus Factory entertaining us with their exciting acts throughout the day. The committee are appealing to all clubs, organisations and businesses in Macroom and the Lee Valley to participate in this year's parade. By doing so it will help to promote your club / business and also help the organisers to make the parade more attractive and enjoyable to watch and we are hopeful that everyone will get involved in making this parade a very worthwhile Community Event.

There is a huge cost involved in organising the parade and we would like to thank our main sponsor Blarney Macroom Municipal District Council and our local sponsors for their financial support. Sincere thanks to the Council outdoor staff, An Garda Síochána and all our volunteers for your help in coordinating and making the St. Patrick's Day Parade such a success. Remember it costs nothing to enter and what better way to advertise for FREE with over 5,000 people in attendance. For further details contact Jo Lovell on 026 20544 / Email: lventerpriseboard@gmail.com. Parade commences at 3.30 p.m. and features Cullen Pipe Band, St. Colman's N.S. Brass Band.

Pre-parade:

2 pm Live music in the Square with Tim Joe & Anne
2.45 pm Exhibition by the O'Sullivan School of Irish Dancing
2.50 pm Cork Circus Factory – Circus and Street Art
3.30 pm St. Patrick's Day Parade

Post parade:

Feis.
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Ardilaun Ladybirds

Ardilaun Ladybirds have been working on the Fire Safety badge at their meetings, taking part in fire drills, practicing the Stop, Drop and Roll procedure and learning how to escape from a smoke-filled room. They showed off their

knowledge to Niall Cronin and Aidan Coughlan at the Fire Station, answering all questions, learning about the equipment that is kept on the fire engine and having the opportunity to sit in the cabin and wear the helmets that the fire

crew use. At the end of their visit, all Ladybirds were presented with their Fire Safety medals by Station Officer, Niall Cronin.



Ardilaun Ladybirds on a recent visit to Macroom Fire Station. ©



Ardilaun Ladybirds are presented with their Fire Safety medals by Station Officer Niall Cronin. ©

The Blarney Stone

Rehearsals are well underway for the world premiere of the new Musical, The Blarney Stone which will be staged in the Riverside Park Hotel, Macroom on 25th, 26th and 27th April also 3rd and 4th May and Cork Opera House on May 29th. The Principal Characters are as follows: Patrick Mc Sweeney played by Hollywood star, Patrick Bergin; Cheryl Mc Sweeney, Adrianna Dinneen; Jess Mc Sweeney Carmel Mc Carthy; Lord Frederick, Patrick Cregan; Maurice Dean, Peter O Riordan; Una O'Connor, Geraldine Barry Murphy; Sam Golden, Brian Hogan; Andy, Jim Leahy; Leprechauns: Grollagh, Gearoid Kelleher; Festy, Jamie Blavin; Teague, Tadgh O Driscoll. The company also includes the Adult Chorus and Children's Fairy and Leprechaun Chorus

IRD Duhallow Community Meetings

IRD Duhallow will hold a series of community meetings during March and April to give people an opportunity to discuss their ideas and plans for their communities, as well as hear of opportunities. The forthcoming Local and European Elections in May are an opportunity to lobby your public representatives when they come looking for your vote. You are invited to attend a meeting in your locality; all meetings will be attended by representatives of IRD Duhallow Board and Staff.

Meetings are to begin at 8 pm and will include a series of short presentations on the role and supports of IRD Duhallow, as well as a workshop format that will ask communities what is important to them. This information will inform future planning for the area and it is important that the meetings are well attended in order to present an accurate picture of life in Duhallow/ Mid Cork. A brief Community survey will also be distributed, as will details of the upcoming Day of the Regions Community Festival. IRD

is asking that all groups, both young and old, as well as those not involved in the community, to attend so that they are best placed to support you.

It is planned to hold meetings in the following Centres. Any changes will be notified locally:

Thursday March 21 Donoughmore, Firmount, Stuake, Fornaught, New Tipperary in **Donoughmore** Hall at 8pm
Monday March 25 **Inchigeelagh**, Kilbarry, Toames in Creedons Hotel, Inchigeelagh, at 8pm
Tuesday March 26 Macroom in The Castle Hotel at 8pm
Wednesday March 27 Rylane, **Aghabullogue** and Coachford in Aghabullogue Community Centre at 8pm
Monday April 1 Clondrohid/ Carriganimma in Clondrohid Community Hall at 8pm
Tuesday April 2 **Ballinagree** in Ballinagree National School at 8pm
Thursday April 4 **Rusheen**, Bealnamorive in Rusheen Hall at 8pm

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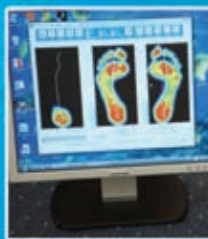
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De la Salle

Closure. A reminder to parents and pupils that De La Salle will be closed Monday, March 11th. This is to facilitate the training of staff in the new Junior Cycle.

Students and Staff are very proud of our past pupil, Mr. Eoghlan Clancy, recipient of an All-Ireland Scholarship funded by **Mr. JP McManus** and administered by the Department of Education and Skills. Eoghlan received this prestigious scholarship based on his excellent performance in Leaving Cert in 2018. The scholarships apply for the prescribed duration of the undergraduate programmes chosen and the annual value is €6,750. Eoghlan, from Inchigeelagh, attended De La Salle 2011-2018. He is now studying Mathematical Sciences in UCC, a choice influenced by a lifelong love of figures and problem solving. He attends to graduate in financial maths and is excited by the prospects this will open up for him. This is an amazing achievement, and we want to congratulate Eoghlan and wish him all the best in his future endeavours.

TY students have been taking part in a module run by the Irish School of Excellence that seeks to educate them on driver education and road

safety. Last term, they got plenty of practical experience - from changing a tyre to getting behind the wheel. They also put on their 'beer goggles' to investigate the effect alcohol would have on their senses and reaction times. The pupils have been doing great and learning a lot. Thank you to the school of excellence.

On February 14th, Leaving Cert students were given a presentation from Geraldine Gannon, Jigsaw. **Jigsaw** was set up to promote positive mental health and encourage young people to talk to a trusted adult when they are going through a difficult time. The students found the presentation very helpful and insightful and the student's council representatives thanked Ms Gannon for her very informative presentation.

February 6th, parents of pupils of De La Salle, St. Marys and Bishop McEgan attended a parent talk on **'Social Media: Challenges for Parents'**. This talk was delivered by Dr. Maureen Griffin who lectures in Universities across Ireland in the area of mental health and crime, online internet solicitation, criminal behaviour etc. Those who attended found the talk very enlightening as to the challenges they as parents and teachers are now facing with regards to social media and how



Arkadiusz Krawczyk (fourth year) De la Salle, getting hands on driving experience during a TV module. ©An Scoil

best to address them. Our thanks to Dr. Griffin.

U16 Championship: De La Salle (5-12) v Coachford College (6-5). De La Salle came back from a 10-point deficit to defeat local rivals, Coachford, in Kilmichael in the first round of the u16 football championship. Some great performances and spirit shown by De La Salle. The full match report can be accessed on the De La Salle website or Facebook page.

News from St Mary's

Wellbeing Week. As part of our ongoing commitment to the holistic development of our students, the school has organised a "Wellbeing Week" to run from the 11th to 15th of March. Presentations from outside speakers will be given on different topics, including: Dealing with Anxious moments, Sexual Health, Lifestyle Choices, as well as workshops on yoga, music, Céilí dancing, Self Defence, Art Circle Time, Reading and Circuit training.

Gymnastics. February 27m all 1st year students performed in a gymnastics display in our School Sports Hall. Students (in groups of 3 - 6) performed a sequence of gymnastic movements to their own selected music track. The girls displayed a very high level of skill in their performances. The event was organised by PE Teacher, Mrs Kelleher, and it was judged on the day by student teachers, Killian Leahy and Donna Kelly and PE Teacher, Ms De La Cour. Well

done to all involved.

Road Safety Initiative. Cork County Council's Safety Officer, Caroline Casey, visited our school February 25 to allow our students experience the Virtual Reality (VR) Technology which was recently launched to promote Road Safety Awareness. Sponsored by Aviva Driving School, the VR units simulate a serious road incident, with the viewer participating in the passenger seat of a VR car. Students using these units will witness many of the dangerous behaviours and factors that are present when young drivers are involved in serious collisions, including mobile phone use, speed, stopping distance, distraction and rural roads. They will also witness, from the passenger seat, the immediate aftermath of a serious incident from when first responders arrive on the scene. This experience, hopefully, delivered the vital message of road safety into the minds of our students.

Alcohol and Illegal Drug abuse. The 4th year students had a talk recently with community worker, Kevin Rafferty, on the impact of Alcohol and illegal drugs. This was a very informative presentation and we would like to thank Kevin

for facilitating this talk for the benefit of our students.

Mindfulness. 1st year students had their second session of Mindfulness recently. Just as with adults, the development of mindfulness has many potential benefits for children and young people: it can assist them in developing self-awareness and emotional and psychological maturity and resilience, a greater capacity for concentration, better sleep and overall health, and it can help in reducing anxiety and low mood. Hopefully these mindfulness sessions will be of great benefit to our 1st years.

Basketball. St. Mary's Second Year basketball team were successful in their match against Carrigaline Gaelscoil February 25th. St. Mary's started off the game very strong, scoring eight unanswered baskets in the first quarter. In the second quarter, Carrigaline came back fighting and quickly scored two baskets. However, with St. Mary's determination combined with strong defence, they managed to sustain and widen their lead, resulting in a victory of 39-27. We wish them continued success in their upcoming quarter final.



St Mary's students taking part in a road safety initiative ©An Scoil



St. Mary's first years enjoying their Gymnastics competition with judges Killian Leahy and Donna Kelleher ©An Scoil

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McEgan College

Let it Bee. McEgan College was delighted to receive a grant from Cork County Council to help create an awareness of the importance of biodiversity in our community. Since September students have done a lot of work to help create an environment that will be attractive and will also help support wildlife, including many beneficial pollinators. Students have saved seeds from Honesty and Poppies which they will plant when the weather is a little kinder. They have taken cuttings of shrubs and learned how to divide perennials. Spring flowering bulbs were planted in the autumn and are now adding a welcome splash of colour, but even more importantly, are providing a source of food for many beneficial insects. Students have been delighted with the support and encouragement they have received from both parents and the wider community. People have been extremely generous sharing their plants, seeds and knowledge. We hope we will soon be able to share some of our plants with other community groups.

February 15, tutors of First and Second year students were delighted to reward them for their exceptional good behaviour and kind deeds which were recorded digitally by each teacher on VSWare using a points system over the last six weeks. Prizes of One4All vouchers

were given to the winners and runners up – Liva Kreituze and Katriona Lucey in Second Year, and Darragh Buckley and Francesca Tobon Lenci in First Year.

Eight Second Year students were announced to be winners of highly prestigious **UCC+ Awards** in recognition of their achievements in their subject areas. The winners were Christopher O' Donoghue and Shannon McAuliffe for English, Sinead Manning and Tyrone Wilmot for Maths, Riccardo Bello and Avril O'Dea for Gaeilge, and Allie Twomey and Sean Healy for French. They and their families are now invited to attend an awards ceremony in UCC on 20th March. Well done to all involved!

TY Teen Talk. TYs travelled to Charleville to attend a Cork County Council sponsored event "Teen Talk" on February 28. Kathryn Thomas (from Operation Transformation) hosted the forum with special discussions from former Irish hurdler, Derval O'Rourke and the Samaritans on the importance of Mental and Physical Well-being for students. The event was extremely well organised and well done to all concerned for highlighting such important topics. All students found the experience very beneficial and were delighted with "Teen Talk 2019".



McEgan College students with Kathryn Thomas at Transition Year Teen Talk ©An Scoil



Transition Year Students : Shauna Bradley and Natalia Zajac, who are representing McEgan College in this year's Apprentice Chef Competition at IT Tralee ©An Scoil

Macroom Library

Art Exhibition – Throughout the month of March, the library will be displaying work created by Keith Kennedy. His first collection combines local history with comics and depicts an action-packed story featuring several local places here in Cork. His second collection is a number of fun portraits of dogs in 19th century dress! Please feel free to take a look the next time you visit us!

Music Morning will take place on March 8th at 11am with Gill Vahey and Eddie Hogan. All are welcome. **Juvenile Book Club** will be meeting on March 9th at 3pm. Creative Writing Group will meet on March 12th at 5.30pm. Bridge Club will get together bright and early on March 13th at 10am. Ciorcal Cainte on March 14th will

take place at the earlier time of 10.30am as they will be joined by special guest, Joe Creedon of Inchigeelagh. Joe will be entertaining all with Uíbh Laoire in song and story to help celebrate Seachtain na Gaeilge. Fáilte roimh gach éinne. Purlies Knitting Group will be meeting on March 21st at 11.30am.

Membership of the library is free. Photo I.D and Proof of Address is required for adults and for guardians. Books can be renewed by popping into the library at any time with your library card, over the phone at 02642483, or online at <https://www.corkcoco.ie/library-services>

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Adult Bookclub is The 1st Wednesday of every month at 11.30a.m.

Creative Writing Group The 2nd Tuesday of every month at 5.30p.m.

Music Morning The 2nd Friday of every month at 11a.m.

Purlies 1st and 3rd Thursday of every month at 11.30a.m.

Ciorcal Cainte 2nd and 4th Thursday of every month at 11.30a.m.

Bridge Club One Wednesday a month at 10a.m.

Juvenile Book Club One Saturday a month at 3p.m.

Macra Matters

Aghinagh Macra enjoyed a truly successful weekend recently across various competitions. The Muskerry Round of the National Titles Competition (NTC) was held in Crookstown Hall and the club won the, solo instrumental, solo singing, group set dancing, ballad group, and master mind. This success was followed on Saturday night with both Shelia Lynch and Eibhlis

Kelleher representing the club at the Cork County Titles night in the Midleton Park Hotel. A big congratulations to Shelia who was crowned Cork County Miss Macra 2019. The Club also competed in the Muskerry Basketball competition in Donoughmore recently. New members are always welcomed and should contact the club on Facebook or Instagram.

Schools Drama and Light Entertainment Finals

The All Ireland 15 Minute Light Entertainment Festival 2019 in the Everyman is on Monday 18th March, starting at 5:00 pm with adjudication at 9.30p.m. Participating schools represent Clonmel, Multyfarnham, Drogheda, Bandon; Mitchelstown, Lismore, Doneraile, Mallow, Westport and Blarney.

The All Ireland Transition Year Drama Festival

will follow on Tuesday 19th March, starting at 10a.m., with results announced c. 9.30p.m. Finalists are from Mitchelstown, Charleville, Bandon, Ennis, Castlepollard, Palmerstown, Celbridge, Ballyshannon, Chapelizod, Longford, Tra Li, Lismore, Raphoe, Westport and Mullingar.



Shelia Lynch, Miss Macra 2019, and Eibhlis Kelleher representing Aghinagh Macra at the Cork County Titles night in the Midleton Park Hotel. ©

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Daffodil Day's 25th in Ballyvourney

As Daffodil Day approaches once again, Ballyvourney will be celebrating. You ask why? Well, this will be their 25th Daffodil Day Coffee Morning. But for the first steps taken by Fionn McSweeney and Mary O'Connell, we wouldn't be here celebrating a quarter of a century later. Fionn McSweeney gives a trip down memory lane and relays how it all began:

"Well, way back in 1994 cancer awareness was nowhere as high profile as it is now. My Dad had died in 1986, aged 55, of Non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma, just 11 months after I got married and moved to Ballyvourney. The first Irish Cancer Society Daffodil Day was in 1988 and a few

years later, Coffee Mornings started to creep in as fundraisers on the day. Once my daughter Saorlaith started school, I had the idea of running a Daffodil Day Coffee Morning and a friend suggested I approach Mary O'Connell (formerly of O'Connell's Pub) to see if I could use the back room in the pub as a venue. Coffee Mornings weren't a thing in the area. Mary wasn't 100 per cent sure what exactly I was up to but she threw herself into it with great enthusiasm, brought out all her best china and was literally taking scones out of the oven and straight to the table on the day. I did the sweet stuff as well as scones but, after that first year, Mary did all the scones

and I did the cakes. I think if that first morning wasn't such a phenomenal success, it would have been a once off. I never expected it to still be going 25 years later. I really do take my hat off to the community because it's their support over a quarter of a century that has made this day what it is".

Help us to celebrate our 25th Daffodil Day Coffee Morning on Friday 22nd of March in the Abbey Hotel, Ballyvourney from 9.30 to 12.30. Please come and join us for a chat, a cuppa, some cakes and you might be lucky enough to win one of our many spot prizes.

Motor Neurone Fundraisers

Following numerous fundraisers, representatives from the Motor Neurone in Kerry met at the Killarney Plaza Hotel where Christy Lehane, Chairman of Kerry Friends of Motor Neurone, made a cheque presentation of €26,500 to Marie Reavey, Regional Development Officer of the Irish Motor Neurone Disease Association (IMNDA). This amount was raised through various fundraising events and donations made in Kerry and Cork to support the work of the IMNDA.

These events included Flag Days in Killarney in 2017 and 2018, Cheque Presentations from Tralee Lions Club for 2017 and 2018, Killarney Soroptimists, Ring of Kerry Charity cycle, Ballinagree Vintage Club and numerous ceili's

and coffee mornings to raise awareness and funds for Motor Neurone.

Marie Reavey, IMNDA said, "We cannot thank everyone from Kerry and North Cork enough for their fantastic support. Kerry Friends of Motor Neurone have been tirelessly fundraising for the IMNDA since 2011. We would be lost without their continued support as over 83% of our income comes from fundraising and donations. Without support such as this, we would be unable continue providing vital services for people living with Motor Neurone Disease."

Motor Neurone Disease (MND) is a progressive neurological condition that attacks the motor neurones, or nerves, in the brain and spinal cord. This means messages gradually stop reaching

muscles, which leads to weakness and wasting. MND can affect how you walk, talk, eat, drink and breathe. MND is often referred to as the 1,000 day disease as most people die within 1,000 days of symptom onset. 1 person dies every 2 days from MND.

The national charity is the primary support organisation for those affected by Motor Neurone Disease. The IMNDA provides specialised services for people affected by this debilitating disease such as equipment on loan, financial assistance towards home help, advice and home visits by MND Nurse. There are currently over 360 people living with MND in Ireland, 11 of which are from Kerry.

Castletown Fundraising for Enable Ireland

The walk, cycle rally and bazaar organised by Castletown Fundraising Group raised €17,500 last year. The funds were recently presented to Donal Cashman, Chairman of Enable Ireland, in An Caipín Bar by Valerie Jennings, Treasurer, and Joe McCarthy, Chairman. The event was also attended by Enable Ireland's Fundraising Manager, Maria Desmond, who presented a video clip of the new Enable Ireland facility that will open in Curraheen this year. The Group would like to thank Therese Bourke for the use of her premises for the presentation. Put June 30th in your diaries for this year's walk and cycle rally. Further details will follow in due course.



Chilly walk in the Gearagh ©Pat Dromey

All Ireland win for Cristín

Cill na Martra boasts a new All Ireland Boxing Champion. Cristín Ni Dheasúna, Cúil a Bhuacaigh took the title at the National IABA Boxing Championships in Dublin recently. Not only did she become All Ireland Champion, she was also awarded Fighter of the Tournament. Cristín is already preparing for the European Championships to be held in France in May.

Over 60's Talent in Coachford

A heat of the very popular Paddy O'Brien's Over 60s Talent Competition will be held on Sunday March 10th in Coachford GAA Hall at 3pm. The talent competition, now in its 43rd year, is open to anyone who is 60 or over this year and who'd like to sing, dance, tell a story or play an instrument. The day is going to be a very relaxed affair, with talk and chat, a cup of tea and a bit of craic, with the contestants taking to the stage in between to do their bit. The county and city competition is run in aid of the Irish Heart Foundation. If you would like to get involved and take part in the Coachford heat, contact Karolyne on 086 8678207.

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Clondrohid Updates

IRD Duhallow will hold a series of community meetings during March and April to give people an opportunity to discuss their ideas and plans for their communities as well as hear of opportunities. The forthcoming Local and European Elections in May are an opportunity to lobby your public representatives when they come looking for your vote. You are invited to attend a meeting in your locality, all meetings will be attended by representatives of IRD Duhallow Board and Staff. Meetings will include a series of short presentations on the role and supports of IRD Duhallow as well as a workshop format that will ask communities what is important to them. A brief Community survey will also be distributed as will details of the upcoming Day of the Regions Community Festival Project. IRD are asking that all groups, both young and old as well as those not involved in the community to attend so that they are best placed to support you. The Meeting for Clondrohid Carrigania and surrounding areas will be held in the Community Hall Clondrohid on Monday Night April 1 at 8pm. Your attendance and support at this Community meeting is very important to the area going forward.. Please mark it in your diary.

Operation Transformation: A presentation of €1095 was recently donated to the Sonas and Suaimhneas ASD classes in Clondrohid Nat.

school. This money was donated by people who attended the 8 Monday nights of Operation Transformation in Clondrohid running track and also from contributions from the walk up the Curra road on Sat Feb 23. Some private donations were also received. A huge thank you to the committee of Yvonne and Fergal Kelleher, Teresa Twomey, Conor O'Leary, Richard Balfe, and Gobnait Kelleher. Well done all round. Operation Transformation will continue for 4 more Monday nights. So come out and have some fun. Plans are being made to climb Musherá at a future date. Onwards and upwards!

Line dancing: The organisers of this fun form of exercise would like to encourage everyone to come and join them in the Community Hall Clondrohid this Thursday night and every Thursday night from 7.30 to 8.30pm. Great company, great night assured.

CCM Active retired: The last singing session was a great success. Million thanks to Fintan and to all who contribute to the great entertainment each night. The next monthly coffee morning will be held in the Community Hall on Wednesday March 13. Some exercises will commence at 10am and the coffee etc will follow at 11am. All members welcome. Any member interested in going to the Sullane Players Macroom production of 'Things we should have said today', a comedy, in the Community Hall on Fri

night March 29, should let Mary Keane, Helen O'Brien or Maria at Post Office know as soon as possible as the Committee are block booking tickets so as to have members all together to enjoy the production.

St. Patrick's Day Parade: in Carrigania will be held again this year but please take note it will be held on the Monday, March 18. More details later.

Set Dancing continues every Tuesday night, Bingo on Wednesday nights and Cards on Sunday nights.

G.A.A. News: Player Registration is now due and must be paid so that all players are covered by the Players Injury Scheme for 2019. In the dressing rooms Saturday March 9 9.30am - 11.30am and Tuesday March 12 from 8pm to 9.30pm. All players must be registered in advance of any games or training sessions. Contact: James Kelleher Club Registrar 0870576720 or jimeenjimmy@hotmail.com

The presentation of a cheque for €1,150 was made recently to Down Syndrome Cork from the proceeds of the Married v Single Charity Match held on St Stephen's morning. Thanks to all the players, supporters and everyone who helped out on the day. The cheque was gratefully received.



3rd class boys from Clondrohid NS who played in an indoor hurling blitz in Cloughdov ©An Scoil



Line dancers in Clondrohid Hall with teacher, Helen. Join in the fun every Thursday at 7.30pm. ©Maria Healy

Leabharlann Bhaile Bhúirne

Bainteach le **Seachtain na Gaelige**, tabharfaidh Joe Creedon ó Inchigeelagh cuairt ar Leabharlann Bhaile Bhúirne Dé hAoine 8ú Márta ag 10.30 rn. Beidh ceol, comhrá agus craic ann agus tá fáilte roimh chách. Beidh an ócáid seo saor in aisce.

The event above is open to all and will be a lovely way to ease into the weekend. And while you are visiting the Library, and as 8th March is also International Women's Day, you can browse our selection of books by great women from Ireland and abroad and books about great women.

With the long weekend coming nearer, make sure you have whatever books you need to help enjoy that extra little bit of time off. What about trying that little DIY job that you've been putting off? There's a great selection of DIY books available to borrow. Have you been trying to find a hobby that's just right for you? Well reading is obviously a great choice but

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Scoil Abán Naofa, Tareilton N.S. and Rusheen N.S at the West Muskerry Sciath na Scol Indoor Hurling Blitz at Macroom Sports Complex ©Gerard Coakley

perhaps you were thinking of something like yoga, cycling, running, herb growing, bread making – the choices are endless and there's a good chance there's a book ready and waiting for you to start you off.

The March book for book club is Hotel Silence by Augur Ava Olafsdottir and it will be discussed at the April gathering on 2nd April. Knitting and Craft group meets every Tuesday morning

in the Library at 11am. Ciorcal Cómhrá, Labhair Linn sa Leabharlann is on 8th March at 10.30 am and again on 22nd March. Please note the Library will be closed on Saturday 16th March, St. Patrick's weekend. I hope you all enjoy the long weekend.

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Young Entrepreneurs. Pupils of the upper classes in Inchigeela National School are at present taking part in the Junior Entrepreneur Programme. The JEP is an opportunity for young people to see how business works by starting their own business in the classroom under teacher supervision. They learn new life skills while still using and developing the core subjects of the school curriculum. We look forward to see the fruits of their labours and we wish them every success.

Checkmate The senior pupils of Inchigeela recently took part in a chess tournament in Ovens. Keep it up, chess is a great game.

Appeal The school pupils are at present collecting ALDI tokens for Rugby in Schools and they are looking for clean jam jars for their JEP work. They are also collecting used postage stamps in aid of Motor Neuron Disease Association. Check with the school if you can help.

Drama. The Ahakeera Drama group gave us a great night last Friday in the hall in Inchigeela. Their play, "I'm the One For You" depicted the complex romantic world of two middle-aged couples for whom cupid's arrows seemed to go constantly astray. But true love conquered in the end and the villains got their comeuppance. We enjoyed a continuous stream of fun and boisterous romps that played before an appreciative full house. Great credit goes to the Director and the cast for a free flowing play that needed not one prompt. I must also compliment those who constructed and assembled the very realistic set and lighting. All in all, a very good show.

IRD Meeting There will be a meeting with IRD Duhallo in Creedon's Hotel on Monday 25th of March at 8'o clock. Everybody is welcome. IRD

Duhallo is a 30 year old rural development company which has helped and supported community groups, sports groups, business people etc, and all people young and old, employed or unemployed who have ideas for bettering themselves and improving their area. From small beginnings around Newmarket, they now have broadened their horizons and are working with groups and individuals further afield. They can help with acquiring skills and funding and giving direction and advice. The company is involved with such diverse things as job creation, training, home insulation, available grants for projects and much more. So please take advantage of this opportunity. See WWW.IRDDuhallo.com

Gárda Clinic Inchigeela. The Garda Clinic is scheduled for 6pm to 7pm each Monday in the Parish office behind Inchigeela Church. This is a facility which the Gardaí have made available to the parish since the station was closed some time ago. It is useful for form filling, security advice, passport application etc. You will be seen privately and in confidence.

Cumann Peile Naomh Fionnbarra The club are very grateful to all who supported them on their sponsored walk. The weather wasn't kind but over €1,500 was collected.

Scoil Mhuire Ta obair tógála tosnaithe ar seomraí breise i gclós na scoile. Tá sé seo ar siúl de bharr ganntanas spáis mar gheall ar an méadú atá tar éis teacht ar na huimhreacha ag freastail ar an scoil le blianta gairid anuas.

Lá d'ár Saol A very interesting exhibition of photographs by the Camera club took place in the Árus Peile in Béal Átha last weekend. The exhibition was in two parts. On the walls were about 100 pictures taken by club members, of local people as they went about their work and



"Beside the lake, beneath the trees, Fluttering and dancing in the breeze" -Graigie Boatslip, Inchigeela ©

in their everyday clothes. Thus the exhibition title, "A day in the life in Ballingearry." There was something natural and lovely about these pictures that pleased all who attended. Alongside that exhibition was a separate poignant one of the lovely photographs of the late Valerie O'Donoghue, a founding member of the camera club. Valerie had a skilled eye to pick out a good picture in our beautiful mountains, lakes and woods and she could turn a simple scene with a farm animal or a creature of nature into a work of art. A very appreciative crowd attended and the proceeds of the weekend are being donated to Marymount Hospice and to the Mercy Hospital fund.

Newcestown Comhaltas goes to Disneyland Paris!

St Patrick's weekend 2019 is set to be an exciting one for members of Newcestown Comhaltas. A group of 42 branch members will be travelling to France, where they have been selected to perform at Disneyland Paris as part of the 2019 St Patrick's Day festivities. They will fly out March 15th and preparations for the trip have been under way for months. Branch secretary, Marina Deasy, says it has been a mammoth task but they know it will be worth it.

"Most of the group travelling are in secondary school and it's an amazing opportunity for them to get at such a young age. They have worked hard at their music, singing and dancing to earn the right to put on a show at Disneyland. Hopefully, they will have a really great time in Paris and bring home memories to last a lifetime!" she said.

Branch chairman, Pat O'Driscoll, said that the young members had proved themselves in recent years by achieving huge success at Fleadhanna Ceoil right up to All-Ireland level. "We are very proud of the standard they have achieved," he said, "and we know they will be great ambassadors for Irish culture and music when they perform at Disneyland."

Their show will be staged at the Videopolis Theatre in Disneyland Paris, as part of the Disney Performing Arts Programme. Participation in



Part of Newcestown Comhaltas who will visit Disneyland Paris for St. Patrick's Day ©

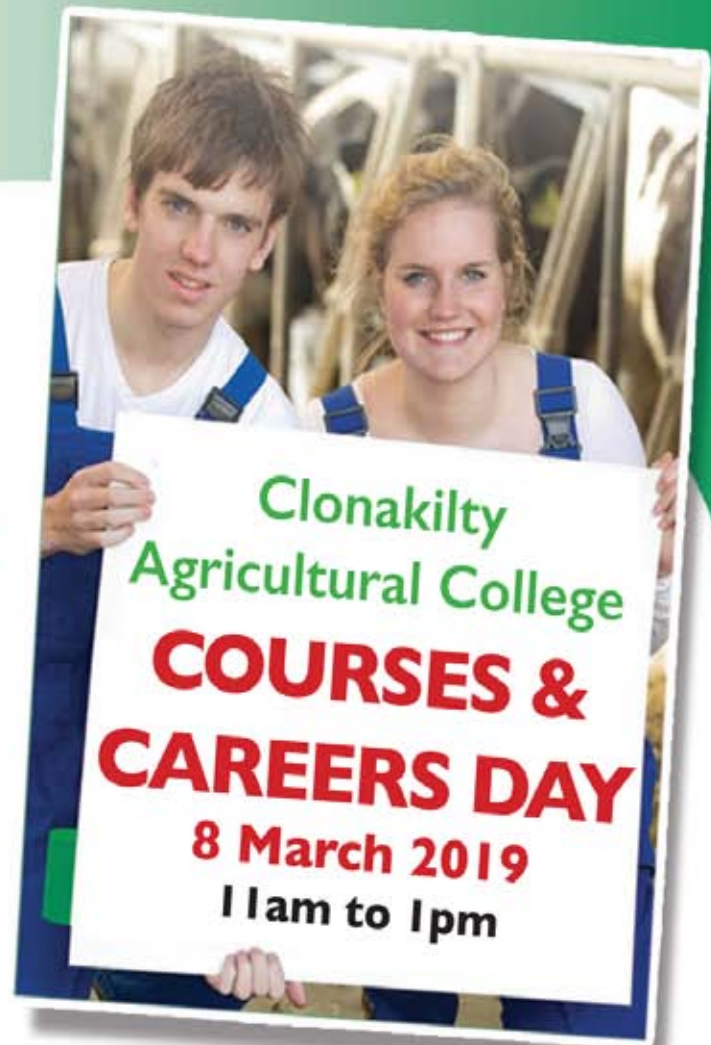
this programme is on the basis of an audition video and only the cream of traditional Irish music groups are accepted to grace the stage on St Patrick's Day. The trip is being funded by the members themselves, with a little help from Cork County Council's Creative Ireland fund. Some local community groups have also made

donations to help cover the costs of the trip. This is a great endorsement for the group and it is much appreciated. Branch members have been fundraising for months to reduce the cost for families, and they have further fundraisers planned before they head off to Paris.



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Dan Joe's Treasure Chest of Local History

The following is an index of the contents of Boxes 3 and 4 in Dan Joe Kelleher's extensive collection of original video records from the Lee Valley and further afield over the past four decades. We will be unable to publish the entire index (it comprises of 67 boxes and in excess of 2,600 DVDs). But it is planned that the index will be available in hard copy and in a Word Document on computer, in an easily accessed location, in the near future. With the help of the index, interested parties might then order copies of recordings that interest them from Dan Joe.

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Kilmichael Ambush, 28/11/1920

Second in a three part series of articles by Con Kelleher in which he studied Kilmichael Ambush in depth under the following headings: Context, Combat, Casualties, Controversies and Conclusions and considers 'Our boys' and 'the other boys'.

CASUALTIES 1: However, Kilmichael had casualties. Jim O'Sullivan, Michael McCarthy and Pat Deasy were killed - two died at the scene, Pat Deasy later; two more IRA men were injured. Another volunteer died after some months. Sixteen Auxiliaries were killed in the ambush. Guthrie, the driver of the second lorry, escaped. He was subsequently caught, tried, shot, first buried in Annahala, and later re-interred in Inchigeela. Forde was the only Auxiliary survivor; he was presumed dead at



Michael McCarthy, Jim O'Sullivan and Pat Deasy, 16, all killed at Kilmichael Ambush ©

the site. The following day he was found to be alive, but his injuries left him permanently brain-damaged. Several local houses, including Kelly's and O'Donoghue's, were burned down in the following days. Men fled from their homes in the

Kilmichael and Macroom areas. The following week both Macroom Boys' National School and Droumleigh (from Wednesday) were closed and the latter did not re-open until Dec. 13th (1).

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Burnt out Crossley tender at Kilmichael after the ambush, from Sean A. Murphy's 'Kilmichael A Battlefield Study' ©

Mary Hourihan (née O'Mahony) and Kate McSweeney (née Murphy) shared their recollections of the day and the weeks following the ambush (2). Mary recalled that they heard gunfire and later saw smoke rising in the distance. Kate was staying with her sister at Kilmichael Bar that night and recounted that she heard footsteps on the road and seeing a solitary soldier – Guthrie presumably. At the intervention of a local priest, a widow's house was spared. Within 14 days – and following an ambush at Dillon's Cross - on the night of December 10/11, in reprisal, Cork City centre was set ablaze by out-of-control Auxiliaries (3). Martial Law was declared on Dec 10th. On Dec. 15th, Canon Magn(i)er, the elderly Catholic P.P. of Dunmanway, and Tadhg Crowley, were shot and killed outside Dunmanway (4). An innocent man, Denis O'Sullivan, was shot at that time at the rear of Kilmichael Bar, what is now Collins' pub/ shop/ P.O in Kilmichael (5). Intensified coercion on the local towns, villages and country-side followed, and Macroom itself was lucky to escape burning. Lady Ardilaun – she was the owner of Macroom Castle and of many properties in the town and surrounding areas - intervened with Major-General Sir Henry Tudor, Auxiliary Police Commander, and her intercession was probably crucial (6).

CONSEQUENCES: The significance of Kilmichael is undoubted. Victory at Kilmichael was the first military success of its kind by the IRA in the War of Independence and showed that the IRA could beat British officers in the field (7). It demonstrated that the IRA, with proper preparation and organization, could defeat British military units. Volunteers, despite little training but with courage, discipline and the support of the people, could prevail. The victory

improved the morale and confidence of the I.R.A.; it made Barry's and the column's reputations, and led to the legend of Kilmichael. But perhaps the greatest effect was in London. Britain was war-weary and hugely in debt. The economy was depressed and the heroes of WW1 were disillusioned and often poor. Lloyd George adopted a policy of coercion and conciliation as his government was alarmed by the capacity of the IRA to win in the field. It was going to be a difficult, if not impossible, war to win. Guerrilla tactics, and in particular ambushes, have the element of surprise and the idea is to apply maximum force in a small area within a concentrated time and to kill and injure as many as possible; you then escape as quickly as you can. Backing the military threat was Sinn Féin's huge election victory in 1918, the establishment of the Dáil and an alternative Irish government, the functioning of Sinn Féin courts (8), the almost total breakdown in normal Crown policing and the threat of civil war between Orange and Green. The aspiration of Home Rule was well superseded and what was now for negotiation was much more substantial. Some suggest that Bloody Sunday and Kilmichael and the ongoing violence delayed the inevitable truce and peace talks.

CONTROVERSIES: There are several contested aspects of the events at the Ambush. The major ones refer to the 'false surrender' and the allegation of mutilations of the British casualties. In 1998 Peter Hart, a Queen's University Belfast lecturer and military historian, published the book 'The IRA and Its Enemies Violence and Community in Cork 1916-1923'. He asserted that Barry's account of what happened at Kilmichael is wrong; that there was no 'false surrender'. If Hart is right, what happened was a massacre.

Hart claims Barry gave several different accounts (9). Kautt in Atlas of the Irish Revolution uses the word 'massacre' also in relation to the ambush (10).

'The circumstances of this massacre have caused considerable debate in recent years ...'

General Crozier, ex Auxiliary Commander, at the time accepted that

there was a false surrender and 'blamed' the Auxiliary(ies) who opened fire again for the deaths of his Auxiliary comrades – 'The men did so were called upon to surrender and did so throwing up their hands and grounding their rifles' (11). Meda Ryan, in particular, (and several other historians including Brian Murphy), in her books examines the basis of Hart's allegations and fiercely contests them (12). She quotes the testimony of IRA volunteers at Kilmichael. Dan Hourihane was beside Jim O'Sullivan and Jack Hennessey was beside Michael McCarthy (13); both McCarthy and O'Sullivan were killed in the ambush. Experts on both sides of the argument have weighed in. At times the debate has become heated and sometimes bitter. Ryan cites the anonymity of Hart's witnesses, whether his 'reporters' were still alive when he says he spoke to them and the fact that Barry's version was verified by the Kilmichael IRA men (14).



Burning of Cork City, book cover of same name. ©



A Crossley tender on patrol in Inchigeela, from Micheál Ó Súilleabhán's 'Where Mountainy Men Have Sown' ©



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In his book, *The Transformation of Ireland 1900-2000*, Diarmuid Ferriter wrote 'Hart's revision ... served to illustrate the murky reality of such exercises, militarily and morally. If such detailed document hoovering was done for other events, it would doubtless rattle the bones of other heroes' (15).

The second big controversy is whether the bodies were mutilated or not. Shortly after the Ambush, the British Army published a press release accusing the IRA of post-mortem mutilation (16). On Dec. 2nd 1920, *The Times* (London) newspaper published an official report from 'a senior officer' of the police in the Cork

neighbourhood which included the following: 'The dead and wounded were hacked about the head with axes, shot guns were fired into their bodies, and they were savagely mutilated'. Tom Barry countered this with: 'This mutilation allegation was a vicious and calumnious lie' (17). Crozier accepts that 'the battered condition of the police' was as a result of the 'hand-to-hand combat of the fiercest kind' that ensued (18). Hart quotes the evidence of Dr Jeremiah Kelleher, South Square, Macroom (19). Dr Kelleher was very much a Loyalist, whose son, Phil aged 23, an outstanding rugby player and who had won a Military Cross medal in WW1, had been shot and

killed by the IRA in Kitty Kiernan's family's hotel in Granard, Co. Longford, on October 31st 1920, just 28 days before the ambush. Dr Kelleher performed the post mortem examinations and was the coroner at the inquest. Prof. John A. Murphy noted that Dr. Kelleher was well known in local IRA circles for confidentially treating their wounded volunteers (20). Hart accepts that ... 'the medical evidence does not support the accusations of mutilation' (21).

To be concluded...

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As part of this year's Easter Sunday 1916 Commemoration in Macroom, the Committee is planning to specifically remember all those who were officers and or members of Macroom District Council of Cumann na mBan - 7th Battalion, Cork No. 1 Brigade area, which included the following Cumann na mBan branches:

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In order to be as inclusive as possible and in order to involve as many people as possible, we invite all descendants and or relatives of members, from each of these branches to contact:

Pat O'Connell (Rúnaí) at 087/ 2662192 or any member of the committee - not later than 21st March (to allow time for further planning and organisation)

P.S. We ask all relatives/descendants to pass the above information along to relevant others - to ensure that no one is left out.



Macroom Motors Mid Cork U21 Football Championships

MID CORK U21 A

Round 1

A Ballincollig 2-20 Béal Átha'n Ghaorthaidh 0-4

B Cill na Martra 0-9 Kilmurry 0-11

C Naomh Abán 1-6 Éire Óg 0-25

Inniscarra - a bye

Round 2

Inniscarra 3-12 Béal Átha'n Ghaorthaidh 0-3

Cill na Martra v Naomh Abán

Quarter Finals - draw to be made

Inniscarra 3 - 12 Béal Átha'n Ghaorthaidh 0-3

Inniscarra had home advantage for their first outing when they faced Béal Átha'n Ghaorthaidh at Ballyanley. Béal Átha had suffered a heavy defeat at the hands of Ballincollig the previous week and so are now out of the championship for this year. Inniscarra had the ball in the net following three minutes of action when a good movement initiated by Jack Harrington and also involving Sean Sheehan, Bryan Linehan and Sheehan again ended with the latter ensuring that the green flag was raised. Inniscarra were in a confident mood and they promptly consolidated their position. Colin O Leary and Eddie O Connor were on target with their point scoring efforts while they were clearly on the road to victory when Sean Sheehan registered his own and his teams second major before the end of the first quarter. Donagh Seartan opened Beal Atha's account in the 17th minute but the winners were well in control and led 2-5 to 0-1 at the break.

Stephen Linehan scored the winners sixth point in the 31st minute, Seartan got a point back for Beal Átha two minutes later but there was no question of the young Gaeltacht side turning their situation around. The winners added on five additional points without reply and had a third goal from Eddie O Connor. Stephen Linehan and Donagh Seartan exchanged late points.

U21 C FOOTBALL (13 A SIDE) CHAMPIONSHIP

First Round

A Clondrohid 1-9 Kilmichael 2-11

B Ballincollig B 2-8 Iveleary 2-13

C Aghinagh - a bye

2nd Round

Clondrohid v Aghinagh

Semi Finals: to be drawn

Kilmichael 2 - 11 Clondrohid 1 - 9

In an excellent U21 FC 1st round tie at Páirc Uí Chuana, Cill na Martra, Kilmichael overcame a slow start to lead narrowly by half time and after a very close third quarter the winners struck for two goals in rapid succession near the finish to emerge deserving winners. Clondrohid started well and their enterprising play was rewarded with two points from Ciarán O'Leary frees. A point from a Chris O'Connell free and one from play from Seán Buttimer had the sides level in the 8th minute and then Kilmichael went clear with

Scorers: Inniscarra: Eddie O Connor (1-3), Sean Sheehan (2-0), Pádraig Holland (0-3, 0-1 f), Stephen Linehan (0-2), Jack Harrington, Colin O Leary, Liam Ryan and Adam O Connell (f) (0-1 each)

Beal Átha'n Ghaorthaidh: Donadh Seartan (0-3)

Inniscarra: Dave Óg Coleman: Jack O'Sullivan, Con O'Leary, Darragh Hughes: Donie O'Herlihy, Ciarán Lombard, Liam Ryan: Eddie O'Connor, Jack Harrington: Colin O'Leary, Pádraig Holland, Seán Sheehan: Stephen Linehan, Adam O'Connell, Bryan Linehan. Subs: Frankie Horgan ht., Paul Hayes 46, Eoin Daly 54, Ronan Twomey 55.

Béal Átha'n Ghaorthaidh: Conchuir Ó Buachalla: Brian Ó Tuama, Eanna Ó Luasa, Pádraig Ó Tuama: Rónán Ó Loinsigh, Gavin Ó Laoire, Diarmuid Ó Laoire: Gearóid Ó Loinsigh, Seán Ó hArrachtáin: Brian Ó Dúinnín, Seán Ó Lúasa, Cathal Ó Críodáin: Seámus Ó Túama, Donagh Seartan, Seán Ó Múineacháin. Subs: Daire Ó Críodán 50, Rían Ó Tuama 54.

U21 B FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

Round 1

A Canovee 5-10 St Malachy's 0-10

B Aghabullogue 2-12 Ballinora 0-7

C Blarney 2-5 Grenagh 1-5

D Macroom a bye

Round 2

Ballinora 4-15 St Malachys 2-5

Quarter Final:

Ballinora v Blarney

Semi Finals:

Aghabullogue v Ballinora or Blarney

Canovee v Macroom

Ballinora 4 - 15 St Malachy's 2 - 5

Ballinora travelled to the Dripsey venue for the 2nd round game and with five changes from their first outing were too strong for the Donoughmore, Dripsey/ Gleann na Laoi combination who are now out of the championship after two defeats.

Ballinora: S O'Keeffe: James Walsh, Brian

points from Daniel Cotter, Chris O'Connell and Jonathan McCarthy, 0-5 to 0-2 after 18 minutes. Back came Clondrohid to draw level with points from Calum O'Shea, Ciarán O'Leary and Cathal Creedon but Kilmichael went a point up just before the break with a point from a Chris O'Connell '45' after an outstanding save by Clondrohid goalkeeper Conor Murphy denied Brendan Kelleher of a goal.

Twice points were exchanged on the restart, Ciarán O'Leary and JK Long matching two from the outstanding Chris O'Connell for Kilmichael in the third quarter. Clondrohid then had the misfortune to see goal bound shots hit the post and then the crossbar and Kilmichael celebrated their lucky escape with two further points from the boot of Chris O'Connell, one from a '45'. In the 53rd minute Kilmichael's Daniel Cotter was fouled in the Clondrohid goalmouth, resulting in an undisputed penalty which the in-form Chris O'Connell duly dispatched to the net and

Rigney, Dave Fitton: C McCarthy, N Lordan, Conor Quirke 1-2: David O'Halloran, Pádraig Dineen 0-2: Brian McCarthy 0-1, K Forde, J Noonan 1-1: Luke O'Donovan 0-5, George Forde 2-1, Jack Blake 0-3.

St Malachy's: Michael Buckley (Donoughmore): Alan Jones (Don), Brendan O'Callaghan (Don), Dean O'Sullivan (Dripsey): B O'Connell (Dripsey) 0-1, Niall O'Callaghan (Don), Mark O'Connell (Dripsey): St John Forde (Don), Eoghan Maher (Dripsey) 1-0: 1-0 Aaron O'Riordan (Dripsey) 0-1, Ben Honohan (Don), Eoghan Buckley (Don) 0-1: Donnadh Morrissey (Don), Shane O'Riordan (Dripsey), 0-2: M Lucey 1-0

Grenagh 1-6 Macroom 2-15

Macroom had a good win over Grenagh in the first round of the Mid Cork U21 B Football championship at Grenagh, advancing to the semi final on a score of 2-15 to 1-6. Grenagh led early on after scoring a goal but Macroom came back to level with three points and then went in front with a Dylan Twomey goal. Grenagh levelled with three points in a row but Macroom were improving and led by 1-9 to 1-3 at the break. A second goal for Macroom ten minutes into the second half left them in control and they finished comfortable winners at the finish. The panel used was; Kevin Condon: Cian Twomey, Ciarán Condon, Alan O'Farrell: Colm O'Mahony, Mark Corrigan, David Hunt: Caleb Dinneen, Ethan O'Gorman: Jack O'Riordan, Eolan O'Leary, Shane Meaney: Cathal O'Riordan, Daniel O'Riordan, Dylan Twomey, Liam Linehan, Darren Quinn, Seán McMahon, Ryan Creed.

Grenagh: Niall O'Connell: Jack Buckley, Morgan McSweeney, Barry McCarthy, Conor Ó Buachalla, Alex Kiely, Stephen Lehane, Michael O'Riordan, Peter McSweeney, Darragh Kenny, Paul Barry Murphy, Darragh White, Tom Flaherty, Paul Walsh, David Rea, Cian O'Connor.

when Daniel Cotter punched home a cross in the 55th minute, Kilmichael led by 2-11 to 0-7 and were on the high road to victory. Clondrohid fought on and laid siege to the Kilmichael until the final whistle. Ciarán O'Leary pointed a free and booted home a goal in a crowded goalmouth
Kilmichael: Patrick O'Mahony: Andrew Kelleher, Eoghan Murphy: Cathal O'Donovan, Seán Buttimer, Kevin Kelleher: Jonathan McCarthy, Chris O'Connell: Brendan Kelleher, Kevin Murphy, Aidan Murray: Alan McCarthy, Daniel Cotter.

Clondrohid: Conor Murphy: Alex Kelly, Eddy Duggan: JK Long, Stephen O'Riordan, Fionn Heffernan: Calum O'Shea, Seán Desmond: Ciarán O'Leary, Michael Buckley, George Lowrey: Conor Dineen, Cathal Creedon.
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Iveleary 2-13 Ballincollig 2-8

Iveleary had to fight hard to be allowed to compete in the C championship on the basis that they did not have enough players to compete in 15 a side and when they lined out against the Ballincollig second string, they had only fourteen players available, their Cork panellist Chris Óg Jones a notable absentee

through injury.

Iveleary led by 1-8 to 1-5 at the break, their goal scored by Shane Hurley. Ballincollig stayed competitive all through and the second Iveleary goal from the boot of Josh Pickering was decisive. Ciarán O'Riordan at midfield was outstanding for the winners and Conor O'Leary deadly accurate from frees.

Iveleary: Ian Jones: Seán O'Riordan, Seán Horgan; Christopher O'Donovan, Aaron O'Donovan, Tim O'Dea: Ciarán O'Riordan, Josh Pickering: Joseph O'Donovan, Daniel O'Donovan, Olan Clancy: Conor O'Leary, Shane Hurley. Sub used: Micheál O'Herlihy

COUNTY FOOTBALL LEAGUES

Division One - 11 teams

On Top: Nemo Rangers Played 3 points 11
Ballincollig P 2 - 10pts
Cill na Martra P 2 - 6
Béal Á Ghaorthaidh P 3 - 3

Division Two - 11 teams

On top: Fermoy P 3 - 11pts
Macroom P 3 - 7
Éire Óg P 2 - 6
Aghabullogue P 3 - 5

Division Three - 11 teams

On top: Dohenys P 3 - 15 points
Naomh Abán P 3 - 5

Division Four - 11 teams

On top: Knocknagree P 3 - 15 pts
Grenagh P 2 - 4pts

Division Five - 9 teams

On top: Millstreet P 3 - 15pts
Ballinora P 3 - 9

COUNTY HURLING LEAGUES

Div 1 and Div 2 - no Muskerry team

Division 3 - 10 teams

On top: Valley Rovers Played 2 - 10 points
Ballincollig P 2 W1` L1 - 6points
Blarney P 2 W1 L1 - 6pts
Inniscarra P 0 - 0pts
Ballincollig 0-23 Meelin 0-9
Blarney 1-16 Tracton 1-8
Tracton 0-12 Ballincollig 1-5

Round 3 - St Patrick's Day

Ballincollig v Valley Rovers,
Blarney v Watergrasshill
Mayfield v Dungourney
Meelin v Tracton
Milford v Inniscarra

Div 4 - 11 teams

On top: Blackrock P 2 - 10 pts
Éire Óg P 1 - 5pts
Aghabullogue P 1 - 1 pt

Blackrock 1 - 17 Aghabullogue 0 - 16

Sarsfields 0 - 16 Éire Óg 0 - 20

Round 3 - St Patrick's Day

Aghada v Kilbrittain, Blackrock v Barryroe, Éire Óg v Argideen Rangers, Kildorrery v Middleton, Sarsfields v Aghabullogue

Div 5 - 11 teams

On top: Castlemartyr P 1 - 5pts

Cloughduv P 1 - 5 pts

Grenagh P 1 - 1pt

Dripsey P 1 - 1pt

Ballygarvan 0-16 Grenagh 1-12

Cloughduv 1-18 Dripsey 0-14

Round 3

Cloughduv v Douglas, Ballinhassig v Grenagh,

Ballygarvan v Castlemartyr, Glen Rovers v

Ballymartle, St Finbarr's v Dripsey

Cork County Football and Hurling Championships 2019

SENIOR FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

Divisional / College Section

Preliminary Round

A Avondhu v Muskerry

Round 1

B Seandún v Beara
C UCC v Avondhu/Muskerry
D CIT v Carbery
E Imokily v Duhallow

Round 2: B v C, D v E

2 Winners to open championship draw for last 16
Fixtures: Monday March 18th SFC Avondhu v Muskerry 2pm Páirc Uí Rinn
Thursday 21st SFC UCC v winners Avondhu/Muskerry 7.30pm P Uí Rinn
Thursday 28th SFC If Muskerry v Seandun or Beara

SENIOR HURLING CHAMPIONSHIP

Divisional / College Section

Round 1

A UCC v CIT
B Duhallow v Muskerry
C Carrigdhoun v Imokilly
D Avondhu v Carbery

Round 2

A v B, C v D
Fixtures
Tuesday 26th SHC Muskerry v Duhallow
P Uí Chaoimh 4G 8pm
Tuesday April 2nd SHC If Muskerry v UCC/CIT

PREMIER INTERMEDIATE FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

Preliminary Round

Bantry Blues v Nemo Rangers

Round 1

Aghada v Na Piarasigh
Bandon v Newmarket
Castletownbere v Kanturk
Cill na Martra v Éire Óg

Naomh Abán v Béal Átha'n Ghaorthaidh
St. Michael's v Macroom
St. Vincent's v Bantry Blues / Nemo Rangers

INTERMEDIATE FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

Preliminary Round

Kildorrery v Knocknagree

Round 1

Gabriel Rangers v Adrigole
Dromtarriffe v Millstreet
Kinsale v Ballydesmond
Youghal v Kildorrery / Knocknagree
Aghabullogue v Mitchelstown
Grenagh v Glanmire
Rockchapel v Ballinora
Mayfield v Glenville
Glanworth v St Finbarrs

PREMIER INTERMEDIATE HURLING

Round 1

Blarney v Ballinhassig
Castlelyons v Youghal
Cloyne v Aghada
Fermoy v Courcey Rovers
Fr. O'Neill's v Ballincollig
Inniscarra v Watergrasshill
Kilworth v Valley Rovers
Mallow v Carrigaline

INTERMEDIATE HURLING CHAMPIONSHIP

Aghabullogue v Ballinhassig
Argideen Rangers v Castlemartyr
Barryroe v Glen Rovers
Blackrock v Kilbrittain
Dripsey v Ballygarvan
Éire Óg v Dungourney
Grenagh v Na Piarasigh
Mayfield v Sarsfield
Meelin v Middleton

Milford v Ballymartle
St. Catherine's v Cloughduv
St Finbarr's v Douglas
Tracton v Kildorrery

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Semi Finals:

Knocknagree v Macroom
Nemo Rangers v Cill na Martra

CLUB COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIP FIXTURES

1st round fixtures - there is a losers round to follow

Sunday April 7th PIFC St Michaels v Macroom at Coachford, 2pm

Saturday 13th IFC Grenagh v Glanmire at Blarney, 5pm

IFC Ballinora v Rockchapel at Millstreet 5pm
Sunday 14th IFC Aghabullogue v Mitchelstown at Mallow 3pm

14th PIFC Cill na Martra v Éire Óg at Macroom 2pm, followed by

PIFC Naomh Abán v Béal Átha'n Ghaorthaidh 3.45pm

Friday 19th PIHC Ballincollig v FR O'Neills at Carraigtwohill, 8pm

Sunday 21st PIHC Blarney v Ballinhassig at Ballincollig 2pm

Saturday 27th IHC Éire Óg v Dungourney P Uí Rinn 5.45pm

Friday May 3rd IHC St Catherines v Cloughduv at P Uí Rinn 7.30pm

Saturday 4th IHC Aghabullogue v Ballinhassig at Ovens 5.45pm followed by

IHC Dripsey v Ballygarvan at 7.30pm

IHC Grenagh v Na Piarasigh at Blarney 6.45pm

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As chairman of the Lee Valley Enterprise Board I would like to welcome everyone to Macroom for the 2019 St Patrick's Day Parade and hopefully everyone will get involved in making this parade a very worthwhile community event.

Pat O'Connell,

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Mid Cork GAA Championship Draws 2019

JUNIOR A FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

Round 1

A Éire Óg v Cill na Martra
B Kilmurry v Iveleary
C Naomh Abán v Canovee
D Donoughmore v Inniscarra
E Clondrohid v Kilmichael
F Dripsey v Ballincollig
G Blarney v Béal Átha'n Ghaorthaidh
Aghinagh – a bye

Round 2

Aghinagh v Loser A
Loser B v Loser C
Loser D v Loser E
Loser F v Loser G

Round 3 – new draw

JUNIOR B FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

Round 1

A Grenagh v Inniscarra
B Kilmurry v Ballinora

Quarter finals

1 Canovee v Iveleary
2 Winner of A v Aghabullogue
3 Winner of B v Aghinagh
4 Ballincollig v Macroom
Semi Finals; 1 v 2, 3 v 4

JUNIOR C FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

Quarter Finals;

A Kilmichael v Dripsey
B Ballincollig v Éire Óg
C Gleann na Laoi v Béal Átha'n Ghaorthaidh
D Blarney – a bye

Semi Finals:

Winner of A v Winner of B, Winner of C v Blarney

JUNIOR A HURLING CHAMPIONSHIP

Round 1

A Donoughmore v Éire Óg
B Ballinora v Inniscarra

C Iveleary v Cloughdub
D Ballincollig v Blarney

Kilmichael – a bye

Round 2

Kilmichael v Loser A

Loser B v Loser C,

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JUNIOR B HURLING CHAMPIONSHIP

Round 1

A Gleann na Laoi v Éire Óg

Quarter Finals

1 Grenagh v Laochra Óg
2 Winner of A v Inniscarra
3 Aghabullogue v Ballincollig
4 Blarney v Ballinora
Semi Finals: 1 v 2: 3 v 4

Allianz National Hurling League Division 1A

CORK 2-21 LIMERICK 1-21

Reigning All-Ireland champions Limerick finally lost as Pat Horgan scored 1-9 for Cork in the Allianz Hurling League at the Gaelic Grounds. John Kiely's men were top of the Division 1A standings with a perfect record after the opening three rounds, but they couldn't secure their fifth win-in-a-row against Cork here. Cork were 1-13 to 1-7 ahead at half-time and Conor Lehane's second half goal was crucial as Cork survived a late comeback.

Cork had started well and they were 0-3 to 0-0 ahead after four minutes. Their first point arrived through Aidan Walsh down the right wing, Horgan and Daniel Kearney added further points before Seamus Flanagan scored Limerick's first in the sixth minute.

The Glen Rovers clubman popped over a second free before he finished to the net in the ninth minute. Horgan collected Christopher Joyce's long ball into the danger area and flicked past the onrushing Nickie Quaid. Limerick were reeling while they trailed by 1-4 to 0-1.

Horgan scored his third free to extend the gap to 1-10 to 0-4 but then Limerick found a badly needed goal in the 26th minute. Limerick trailed 1-13 to 1-7 at the interval.

Limerick made the ideal start to the second half with points from Casey, Dowling (free), Byrnes (free) and Flanagan. Dan Dooley's second stemmed the flow and Lehane rattled the Limerick net in the 45th minute after he raced through the heart of the defence.

Limerick scored six points in a row with Byrnes

levelling it in the 66th minute. But Cork finished well and a couple of Cormac Murphy scores sealed the win.

Scorers for Cork: Pat Horgan 1-9 (9fs), Conor Lehane 1-1, Dan Dooley 0-2, Seamus Harnedy 0-2, Cormac Murphy 0-2, Daniel Kearney 0-2, Tim O'Mahony 0-1 (f), Bill Cooper 0-1, Aidan Walsh 0-1.

CORK: Patrick Collins; Seán O'Donoghue (Inniscarra), Eoin Cadogan, Stephen McDonnell; Christopher Joyce, Tim O'Mahony, Robert Downey; Cormac Murphy, Bill Cooper; Daniel Kearney, Seamus Harnedy, Dan Dooley; Conor Lehane, Aidan Walsh, Patrick Horgan. Subs: Jack O'Connor 60, Conor Cahalane 65.

Allianz National Football League

Cork 1-9 Meath 2-12

The meeting of top and bottom in Division 2 followed the form lines as Meath surged clear of Cork in the second half at Páirc Uí Rinn. An unanswered burst of 1-4 over an 11-minute spell midway through the second period made the game safe, with Meath 1-11 to 0-6 in front and though Cork did have a late goal from sub Seán Powter, a comeback was never likely.

Before a crowd of 1,817 – the game was preceded by a ladies' league tie, Tipperary beating Cork – Meath began well. Meath were making good use of possession and made it 0-2 to 0-0 before Ruairí Deane got Cork off the mark but Meath had the next three points, all frees. Michael Hurley pulled one back for Cork, but Brennan replied for Meath, scoring his second on 24 minutes to make it 0-6 to 0-2. Though 11 minutes remained until half-time, it proved to be the Royals' last score of the first period. Corner-back Conor Dennehy landed a booming effort for Cork before Luke Connolly converted a free on the half-hour and a Connolly point in injury time had Cork back to within one. Points

were exchanged on the restart, Michael Hurley for Cork on 38 but Cork wouldn't score again for another 27 minutes. In between, Meath put daylight between the sides and with an eight-point lead the win was as good as assured.

Cork did finally manage to add to their tally when sub Seán Powter palmed home a handpass from Mark Collins, and though a pair of Collins frees brought Cork to within four as five minutes of injury time dawned, Meath struck again. After forcing a turnover as Cork tried to play out, Newman could have shot but he opted to give sub Barry Dardis the easy task of tapping in.

Scorers – Cork: S Powter 1-0, M Hurley, L Connolly (1f), M Collins (2f) 0-2 each, M Taylor, R Deane, C Dennehy 0-1 each.

Cork: M Martin; S Ryan, K Flahive, C Dennehy; K Crowley, Thomas Clancy, P Walsh; I Maguire, K O'Hanlon; Ronan O'Toole (Éire Óg), L Connolly, M Taylor; P Kerrigan, R Deane, M Hurley. Subs: M Collins 43, B Hurley 46, Tomás Clancy 51, S Powter 53, E McSweeney 62.

Tipperary 0-12 Cork 1-12

Cork secured their first win of this season's

Allianz League at Semple Stadium in Thurles.

Cork led by three points at the interval and increased it to six thanks to a goal from Ruairí Deane four minutes from the end. Tipperary, also in relegation trouble, rallied with three swift points to set up an exciting finish but Cork held on for a win. Tipperary made the better start against the breeze with two frees but Michael Hurley settled Cork with their opening score after 13 minutes and Mark Collins followed up with an equaliser from the right wing shortly afterwards. Luke Connolly edged them in front after 17 minutes and Hurley landed his second point of the night with a fine effort from the left wing to make it 0-4 to 0-2 going into the second quarter. Tipperary hit back and Jack Kennedy and Brian Fox then kicked the equaliser seven minutes from the break. Cork finished the half strongly. Connolly kicked another free and Eoghan McSweeney supplied a fine effort from 40 metres and they went in leading by 0-7 to 0-4 lead into the break when Paul Kerrigan pointed from 35 metres.

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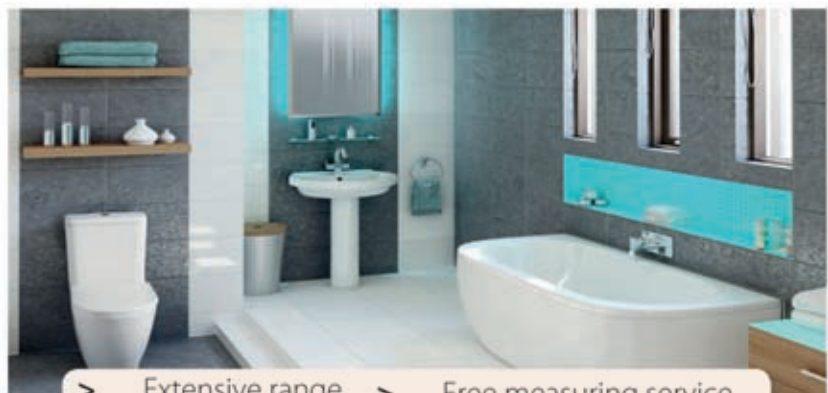
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Cork doubled their lead in the opening nine minutes of the second-half with Connolly kicking two more points and Cillian O'Hanlon adding another. Mark Collins made it 0-11 to 0-4 before Sweeney got Tipperary's first score of the second-half after 49 minutes, followed with another point and Kevin Fahey also found the range to cut the gap to 0-11 to 0-7 going into the final quarter. Tipperary got the margin down to

three but the decisive score came four minutes from time when Seán Powter set up Deane and the Bantry Blues clubman drove the ball into the bottom left corner of the net. Cork still had to withstand a spirited rally but Tipperary were unable to get the goal they required. Scorers for Cork: Luke Connolly 0-5(4f), Ruairi Deane 1-0, Michael Hurley 0-2, Mark Collins 0-2 (1f), Cillian O'Hanlon 0-1, Paul Kerrigan 0-1,

Eoghan McSweeney 0-1.

CORK: Micheál Aodh Martin, Sam Ryan, Kevin Flahive, Conor Dennehy, Kevin Crowley, Thomas Clancy, Mattie Taylor, Ian Maguire, Cillian O'Hanlon, Eoghan McSweeney, Luke Connolly, Ruairi Deane, Michael Hurley, Mark Collins, Paul Kerrigan. Subs: Brian Hurley 54, Cian Kiely (Ballincollig) 54, Seán Powter 54, Damien Gore 62, Ronan O'Toole (Éire Óg) 66.

NATIONAL LEAGUE FIXTURES:

Sunday 10.03.2019

Allianz Hurling League Division 1
Round 5 Cork v Tipperary @ Páirc Uí Rinn, 2pm

Saturday 16.03.2019

Allianz Football League Division 2
Round 6 Cork v Donegal @ Páirc Uí Rinn, 2pm

Sunday 24.03.2019

Allianz Football League Division 2
Round 7 Armagh v Cork @ Crossmaglen, 2pm

INNISCARRA CAMOGIE

Inniscarra Camogie Club is making history next month by travelling to Berlin with its U16 team. They will play non-competitively with a select group of teams from around Germany in a Youth League Event, as well as providing mentorship

and coaching to those teams with the help of coach, Fergal O'Leary. U16 Inniscarra Camogie Club manager, Liam Ryan said "Let's lead the way in what girls can aspire to when they are part of a camogie club." And so, that is exactly what the coaches are doing!

Setanta Berlin Club are instrumental in this initiative as they are hosting this very first German Youth League event, with teams arriving from Hamburg, Frankfurt, Berlin and Munich, as well as the Inniscarra U16s who will be one of the main attractions at the event. As part of the trip, the girls will also visit the Nelson Mandela School. This school has over 25 nationalities, including students from Brazil and Yemen, so it's an amazing opportunity to promote the game to an international audience with a key

emphasis on participation from girls in sport. Sinead Kavanagh, PRO of German Camogie, has been of huge help on the German side, while Sheila Lyons and Linda Hughes have been doing sterling work alongside Liam to make this trip a reality for the girls and the club.

The squad has been fundraising for the trip to Berlin and on March 9 they will participate in 1,800 laps of the community pitch in Ballyanley, representing one lap for every kilometre of distance from Cork to Berlin. With the club going from strength to strength, the sky is the limit for its players and coaches. New members are welcome and can register online on the Clubforce platform with great ease. The club will also be celebrating its successes of 2018 on April 6th at the Oriel Hotel, Ballincollig.

Macroom AFC

By Darragh Deasy

Macroom A have qualified for the semi finals of the AOH Cup, having secured a 2-0 win over St John Bosco B at Mayfield. This was a dangerous game, played in difficult conditions, as Bosco's, who play in the 3rd division had absolutely nothing to lose here. But Macroom they were very workmanlike and were in control for much of the game. The opening goal arrived midway through the first half. The referee whistled for a hand ball in the penalty area and Keith Holden made no mistake from the spot. The Midleton based opponents increased the pressure in the second period but Macroom were never really threatened. And a quick Macroom counter attack saw Holden through on goal and he duly obliged, making it 2-0. Best were Holden, Andrew Hegarty, Ian Winters and Caleb Dineen. For the first time since 2010, a place in the last 4 has been secured. Village United have also reached the semis while the remaining quarter finals (Coachford v Innishvilla A and City Wanderers v Temple Utd) were postponed due to bad weather last weekend.

In the Premier A league, Macroom A suffered a setback when they fell to a 3-1 away defeat to fellow title chasers, Kanturk. This was a difficult fixture, played on a poor pitch, which made passing the ball almost impossible at times. A hungry Kanturk were 2-0 ahead inside half an hour and Macroom now faced an uphill battle. Andrew Hegarty was getting some joy down the left flank and his low cross from the byline was turned in by the intruding Michael Browne, 2-1 at half time. In the second half Macroom battled on but found it difficult to find any real rhythm. The home side were quite happy to defend deep



Macroom FC coaches following the completion of the FAI PDP 1 course. ©

and play on the counter attack. When a third goal arrived for Kanturk on 70 min there was no way back. In truth, it was a frustrating afternoon for Macroom but all that can be done is move on and prepare for the remaining games.

Underage. The U11 schoolboys, sponsored by Fitzgerald's, travelled to Ovens and took on Lakewood Athletic in a number of excellent games. At the same time, the Advance Pitstop sponsored U11A side entertained Strand Utd and also played a number of top class fixtures. All players did really well and many thanks to all supporters for coming along and creating a positive atmosphere for the youngsters to play in.

Matt Murphy Pharmacy sponsored Macroom FC U15 schoolgirls travelled to Fermoy for their opening league game. Fermoy were victorious on a 3-1 scoreline but it was a decent performance from Macroom who had Leanne Healy on target.

The U11 girls made the trip to Moneygourney to play Douglas Hall. They scored 2 fine goals and played tremendously well, considering this was their first time operating at 9 a side.

Race Night. A big club fundraiser will take place on Easter Sunday night April 21st. This important event takes place at Murray's Bar with the first race away at 9pm. All are welcome to come along for a great night's entertainment. Horses will be on sale over the coming weeks from club and committee members, team managers, and at Murray's Bar.

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A Word of Victory

Welcome back dear reader, continuing on the subject of Peace – where do you feel it most when you are worried and anxious – your mind and head right? The Bible tells us that Jesus had the crown of thorns driven into His head because “the chastisement (punishment) needful for us to obtain Peace was upon Him” (Isaiah 53:5). Even before they hammered the thorns into His head, Jesus went through agony and suffering while praying in the Garden of Gethsemane before the soldiers came and arrested Him. He knew He was facing a horrendous death, and even though He had never done anything wrong, He would be abused, harassed, sneered at and mocked, all for no reason. He actually sweated blood because of the distress that He feeling (Luke 22:44). This is a very rare condition called Hematidrosis where blood vessels rupture in cases of extreme anguish. Jesus knew from the Scriptures that He would endure terrible trauma – a beating that would practically kill Him and disfigure Him beyond recognition (this was for our healing), and then be crucified - which was a very painful death only reserved for the very wicked. But Jesus also knew that it was the will of Father God to make a way for mankind’s sins to be forgiven and washed away by a sinless sacrifice one time for all – and HE was the sacrifice (Romans 5:6; Hebrews 10:8-18). When you ask Jesus into your heart and make Him Lord over your life you are accepting all the benefits He won at the Cross, where He became cursed so that we could be blessed as a result of His sacrifice (Galatians 3:13). Jesus defeated every curse, torment, fear, anxiety and worry for you and me there – He endured a death that no one has ever experienced and came out the other side victorious (Hebrews 2:14-15). You may be going through hardship and torment at the moment but listen friend, Jesus knows what that is like and He wants you to be delivered from it, and give you His Peace because He already paid the price to set you free. All you have to do is come to Him, and call on Him as Lord (Acts 2:21) and receive His Peace. “Come to Me all you who are weary and carry heavy burdens and I will give you rest” (Matthew 11:28). **See more on wordofvictory.net**

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Macroom A captain Conor O' Sullivan receiving Team of the Month award from Henry Healy, Cork AUL. Included also, management William O Riordan and Shane O Sullivan. ©



Macroom A players and management with Cork AUL January Team of the month award. ©



Marc Ó Síocháin, Leas Cathaoirleach CLG Chorcaí, ag bronnadh a bhonn ar captaen Cill na Martra, Graham Ó Mócháin. ©Lee Valley Outlook



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A beautiful view of the Gearagh during the February snow. ©Pat Dromey

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Over 60s Talent Competition heat on Sun. March 10th in Coachford GAA Hall at 3pm.

Muskerry Local History Society 8pm Mon March 11 Ballincollig Rugby Club.

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Citizens Information Outreach, Coachford Post Office, Fri 15th March, 9.30 am to 1pm.

Coppeen St Patrick's Day 17th March. Vintage run 12 noon. Parade at 3pm.

Macroom St. Patrick's Day Parade 3.30p.m. March 17

St. Patrick's Day Parade: in Carriganima Mon March 18.

Ballyvourney Daffodil Day March 22 9.30 – 12.30 Abbey Hotel

Crookstown Vintage Road Run. Sun March 24th Clifford's Bar from 10.30am

Carrigadrohid /Killinardrish Clean Up Sun. March 31 2.30 – 4.30

Macroom AFC Race Night Easter Sunday April 21st Murray's Bar 9pm.

Fatima ex Cork Mid Cork Pilgrimage– 18th of Oct '19. Contact O'Driscoll Travel, Macroom – 087 2322505

Auction for Tiny Feet. at Auld Triangle, Macroom March 29

IRD Duhallow Community Meetings.

Donoughmore Hall Thurs March 21 at 8pm

Inchigeelagh, Creedon's Hotel, Mon March 25 8pm

Macroom Castle Hotel Tues March 26 8pm

Aghabullogue Community Centre Wed March 27 8pm

Clondrohid Community Hall Mon Ap 1 8pm

Ballinagree National School Tues Ap 2 8pm

Rusheen Hall Thurs Ap 4 8pm

Leabharlann Bhaile Bhúirne

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Library Book Club 1st Tues of every month at 10.30am (next April 2)

Labhair Linn sa Leabharlann gach coicís ar an Aoine ag 10.20 r.n. (Márta 8 agus 22).

Leabharlann dúnta ar an Satharn, Márta 16 do Féile Pádraig.

Macroom Library

Storytime Every Sat at noon.

Music Morning March 8th at 11am

Juvenile Book Club March 9 at 3pm

Creative Writing Group March 12 at 5.30p.m.

Bridge Club March 13 at 10a.m.

Ciorcal Cainte March 14 at 10.30a.m. Note earlier start.

Purlies Knitting Group March 21st at 11.30am.

March Art Exhibition by Keith Kennedy.

We are pleased to publicise Lee Valley functions, fundraisers, sports events etc. in this fortnightly Diary. We may include commercial events that are also being advertised simultaneously in the magazine. Please email information to leevalleyoutlook@gmail.com ; telephone 026 41891 or post to Killarney Road, Macroom by the Monday before publication. Remember you can access back issues of the Lee Valley Outlook at www.macroom.ie

Time to Celebrate in Ireland's Adventure Capital



The Killarney Mountain Festival, now in its second year, takes place from Friday 8th-10th March, 2019, and is run in association with Kendal Mountain Festival. The Mountain Festival will host a series of adventure movies, documentaries, workshops, Photographic exhibitions, family fun activities, iconic guided mountain hikes, musical entertainment, and inspiring guest speakers. The Basecamp - the hub of the festival, will be located in a large festival tent just behind The Killarney Plaza Hotel, Killarney House and Gardens, St. Mary's Church of the Sloes, The Killarney Plaza Hotel, Cinema Killarney, as well as pop up events in various

venues, all located in Killarney Town Centre. Headlining the Festival is the renowned pioneering mountaineer and living legend - Mick Fowler. Other Guest Speakers include, Alpinist, Mountaineer, Nick Bullock, Adventurer and Climber, Leo Houlding, Irish Rock Climbing Pioneer, Ricky Bell, Musician and Local Historian, Thomas O'Sullivan, Local Kerry Hoteliers and Adventurers Padraig MccGillycuddy and Pat Chawke, MacGillycuddy's Reeks Mountain Access Forum Coordinator, Patricia Deane, Conservation Ranger with the National Parks and Wildlife Service Irene O'Brien, Environmental Officer, Kerry County Council, Oonagh O'Connor, Inspirational

trekking by Pat Sheehan, Explorer and Adventurer Mike O'Shea, British record-breaking Adventurer, Author, Keynote Speaker, and sustainability campaigner - Adrian Hayes.

KerryClimbing.ie guiding company owned by Piaras and Catherine Kelly, are hosting a series of mountain guided treks, during the weekend, from Torc Waterfall forest trek leading to Torc Mountain, Carrauntoohil via Brother O'Sheas Gully and Carrauntoohil via Coumloughra Horseshoe. Piaras and Catherine are also involved with organising Killarney Mountain Festival. Thomas O'Sullivan will also guide his 'Pilgrim Path of St Abbán' a free cultural and historical walk from Basecamp to Aghadoe.

Killarney Hardman Events Director Alan Ryan will host a 10Km Park Run, (ticket event) the event takes place at Killarney House and Gardens, on Sunday 10th March, race starts at 11.00am.

A Children's Treasure Hunt, arts and crafts and daily climbing wall are free events family events at Killarney Mountain Festival. Killarney Mountain Festival is kindly supported by Killarney Chamber of Tourism and Commerce, Kerry County Council, O'Donoghue Ring Hotels, Killarney Outdoor Store, KerryClimbing.ie, Killarney Brewing Company, Lowe Alpine, RAB Clothing, Department of Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht.

It's Patrons include, Reeks Access Forum, Radio Kerry, J.O'Callaghan & Sons, Hardman Events, Killarney Park Hotel, Elite Management, Lir Café, Cappanlea Outdoor Centre, Arbutus Hotel, Great Southern Hotel.

For more information, on events visit www.killarneymountainfestival.com or updates on Killarney Mountain Festival Facebook page and Twitter Account

For More Information please contact info@killarneymountainfestival.com

FIFTY CORK CITY AND COUNTY HAIR SALONS AND BARBERS TAKE PART IN AN AWARENESS AND FUNDRAISING MENTAL HEALTH EVENT.

"Cut And GROW" Campaign To Be Held From March 12th To 19th March.

Fifty barbers and hair salons will highlight, the importance of positive Mental Wellbeing when they take part in "Cut and "Grow" in aid of the mental health charity GROW. "Cut and Grow" events will take place from March 12th to March 19th in salons and barbers , all around Cork City and County. The aim is to raise Mental Health awareness and funds for GROW In Ireland. The salons will be distributing leaflets, on the service GROW provides, and delivering information on Groups in your own locality. Donations and contributions are totally voluntary.

GROW is a 12 Step Programme, which provides mutual help and support, to any person living with any emotional, stress, or mental health issue in their lives. There are over 120 Groups in the country, and GROW is celebrating fifty years in Ireland this year, which is a great achievement. Relaxed and friendly, the Meetings are totally confidential, voluntary, and free to attend. No referral necessary. Just come along and you will get a very warm welcome.

Cork County Organiser of "Cut and Grow" Noreen Murphy O Sullivan explains the concept behind the weeklong event. "GROW is all about breaking isolation, and fostering social connectedness.

A visit to a salon/barbers is a social experience, where many topics are discussed. A relaxed environment such as this, is the ideal setting to show what GROW has to offer in terms of helping people, who may be experiencing difficulties states Noreen"

There are many salons/barbers taking part in this event and GROW is extremely grateful for their help and support.

In Macroom where there is a GROW Meeting every Tuesday Night At 8pm in the Family Resource Centre Masseytown we have four salons/barbers taking part.

- (1) TRENDY HAIR SALON
- (2) DOROTA TURKISH BARBER
- (3) MS MARY LYNCH HAIR STYLES
- (4) STAR TURKISH BARBER

One of our wisdoms in GROW states "You alone can do it, but you do not have to do it alone" Together we can work to promote positive Mental Health.

If you would like to learn more about GROW log onto our website www.grow.ie or telephone our Cork Office 0214277520 or contact Macroom Area Co Ordinator Jerry Cronin 0860271990.



Cemil & Gokhan of Star Turkish Barber, Middle Square Macroom, preparing for "Cut & Grow", a publicity and fundraising event for GROW Mental Health Ireland.



Dorota Osnowska of Dorota Turkish Barber, Main Street Macroom who is participating in "Cut & Grow" reading a GROW leaflet with customer Tom Zbonik.



Amy Gamble & Denise Buckley stylists in Trendy Hair Salon, Fair Green Macroom who will take part in "Cut & Grow" from the 12th - 19th March promoting positive mental health in Macroom and surrounding areas.

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The store stocks chic & unique furnishings and accessories and is dedicated to sourcing high quality interior furnishings - both for the residential and commercial setting - and each piece is inspirationally designed with comfort in mind. So, if your preference is for exclusive interior designs - look no further. Customers seeking 'the norm' when



it comes to furnishings will be bitterly disappointed as Mylestone Interiors believe style and elegance should embellish your interior in a unique and distinctive manner. "We offer a full package and we source products that are not available in the Irish market for both residential and commercial markets. We also supply interior designers with our wide range of pieces and what we carry is quite unique as we aim to be different by not following the norm. This allows us to step out

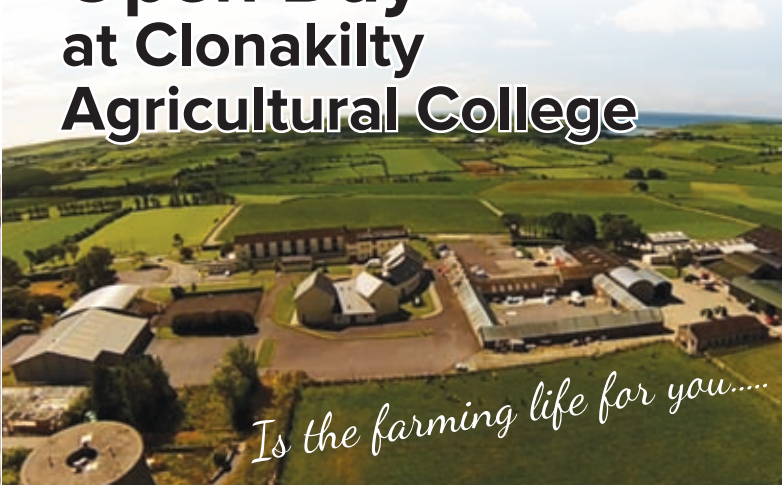
of the comfort zone and supply furnishings which are both different and exclusive for customers", Patrick told the Killarney Outlook. The team at Mylestone Interiors can also help transform your dream ideas from concept to reality. Offering in-house and callout consultations, customers simply convey their aspirations which are then returned in a presentation, tailor designed, allowing them to visualise the finished creation using the vast collection of select pieces

Mylestone Interiors have to offer. "We will provide a full interior design service for the residential house or commercial market, such as hotels and B&Bs. We also provide a full interior design and callout service; so people can either call to the shop for a consultation, or we can visit their property where our team will work on the project and make a presentation to the customer."

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Open Day at Clonakilty Agricultural College



Is the farming life for you.....

The spring education open day is set to take place in Clonakilty Agricultural College on Friday, 8th March. This past September has seen the revised education programme for Level 5/6 courses implemented in Clonakilty Agricultural College based in Darrara just outside the town of Clonakilty. For students

attending these courses there is a greater emphasis on farm safety, grassland management and sustainability. People coming to see the college and what's on offer will be brought through the different programmes that lead to qualifications from Level 5 up to Level 8. For students starting at Level 5 next

September, there are a couple of changes to the programme which should help with the learning experience. In 1st year, students will go on short 4-week placement early in the course, in October, and return to that farm again in the following spring. During their time in the college between September and May they'll get the foundation training in areas of livestock husbandry, grassland management, farm business and more specific training in areas such as pesticide application. In 2nd year which starts the following September the course specialises in either Drystock (Cattle and Sheep) or the longer-established Dairy Herd Management course. Both courses would have longer periods of on-farm training incorporating the calving/lambing periods on farms but also the breeding season on cattle and dairy farms. Graduates of Clonakilty's Level 6 programme have many routes of progression after the two years with us. The Level 6 in its own right is required for applying for jobs with the Department of

Agriculture. By 2020 there will be an apprenticeship route in place with a Level 7 qualification. This will be an important extension to the current programmes as there is an ever-increasing demand from farmers in the region to have enthusiastic, forward-thinking young people looking to manage the farms of the next decade. In this respect it is one area of the rural economy where it is a sellers' market. The higher education routes still exist and continue to expand with graduates of Darrara able to gain "advanced entry" to degree courses in agriculture in all of the Institutes of Technology in Munster; including Cork, Tralee and Waterford. For people who have a non-agricultural qualification there is the option of gaining a Teagasc Green Cert (the Specific Purpose Certificate in Farming) through a part-time route. The Open Day starts at 11am on the morning of March 8th and all are welcome to explore their options in agricultural education and job prospects that can arise from coming to Darrara in 2019.

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Muskerry Local History Society. Local Volunteer Activity in 1918-19. Dermot O'Donovan will give an illustrated talk on Local Volunteer Activity in the Ballincollig area before and during the first year of the War of Independence. The lecture, organised by Muskerry Local History Society, will be held at 8.00 pm on Monday, 11 March in Ballincollig Rugby Club.

Croí na Laoi Our next meeting is on Tues March 12th @ 8:30pm in Inchigeela Parish Hall. New members always welcome...and much needed, as the Tidy Towns season begins once again.

IRD Duhallow are hosting an information evening on community development in Creedon's hotel on Monday, March 25th @ 8pm. They invite "all groups, young and old as well as those not involved in the community to attend".

Macroom Senior Citizens AGM on Tuesday March 12th in Fr Ryan Hall at 8.00pm. New members welcome to attend.

Macroom Senior Citizens/ Active Retired Social Evening of Music and Song with Alan Kiely on Wednesday March 13th in Fr. Ryan Hall at 3.00pm. Everyone welcome to attend.

Cuidiú Coffee Morning Weds 13 March, 10:30-12:30 Macroom GAA Hall. Have a cuppa and chat while the kids play. Contact Helen Corcoran on Cuidiú Cork Facebook group.

Kilmurry historical association March talk by Síle Hunt. Impaired morals, sexual deviancy and illegitimacy the public dance halls act 1935. The heritage room March 13th at 8pm Kilmurry members free, non members €5. Membership for 2019 is €20 and there is a high quality line-up of lectures and field trips.

Macroom Flower & Garden Club will host a Spring Gardening Talk with guest speaker, William Grainger, on Thursday March 14th at 8p.m. at Coolcower House, Macroom, 026-41695. Plants available. Registration for Club Members now due. New Members and visitors welcome. Refreshments available.

Kilmichael Ladies Soccer Training will commence for the Kilmichael ladies soccer team on Thursday March 14th at 8-9pm in Clondrohid Astro. Charlie Hobden is their manger this season. The matches will start in May and will be played every Wednesday evening at 7pm. All new players welcome. Players must be over 16 years of age.

Citizens Information Outreach Coachford. South Munster Citizens Information Service will be available at Coachford Post Office on Friday 15th March from 9.30 am to 1pm. Staff from Macroom Citizens Information Centre will be available to provide information and advice on a range of topics. Its work also includes a representational advocacy service to people who feel that they have been denied their rights and entitlements. Anybody interested in the service can drop-in to Coachford Post Office on Friday. No appointment is necessary. The service is free, confidential and independent. Contact number for Macroom Citizens Information Centre is 0761 07 8430 Email: macroom.cic@citinfo.ie

Coppeen St Patrick's Day Festival, Sunday, 17th March. Vintage run reg 12md. Parade starts at 3pm. Trad music & dance, Vintage, Sports, Bouncing Castle etc. A great evening's fun for all the family.

Crookstown Road Run. Well folks, it's that time of

year again when Crookstown Vintage Club will host its Annual Road Run. All cars, motorbikes and tractors welcome to join us on Sunday March 24th. Sign in at Clifford's Bar from 10.30am, leaving at 12 noon. Further details please contact Tony 087 2677867

Carrigadrohid /Killinardrish Clean Up Sun. March 31. Meeting at 2:30pm in Canovee School New Hall. Bags and litter pickers provided. Bring your hi-vis and gloves. Let's work together to clean up our community then return to the school for a cuppa, cake and a chat. All welcome.

Fatima ex Cork Mid Cork Pilgrimage- 18th of October'19 - 3 nights - Spiritual Leader - Fr Dónal Ó Briain. Further details from O'Driscoll Travel, Macroom - 087 2322505

Ballinagree Vintage AGM was held in The Ploughman Bar, Ballinagree recently. The following Officers were elected for the coming year: Chairperson Flor O Driscoll, Secretary Rita O'Sullivan, Treasurer Helen Spillane, PRO Mick Lehane and Mickey O'Sullivan, Person in charge of Texting Patrick Spillane, President John O'Sullivan, Safety Officers Oliver Spillane and Billy O'Connell.

Kilmurry Heritage room available to hire for events party's classes training ect . Free parking Contact 0876568110

Ardilaun Ladybirds have been working on the Fire Safety badge at their meetings, taking part in fire drills, practicing the Stop, Drop and Roll procedure and learning how to escape from a smoke-filled room. They showed off their knowledge to Niall Cronin and Aidan Coughlan at the Fire Station, answering all questions, learned about the equipment that is kept of the fire engine and had the opportunity to sit on the cabin and wear the helmets that the fire crew use. At the end of their visit, all Ladybirds were presented with their Fire Safety medals by Station Officer Niall Cronin.

Aghinagh G.A.A. Lotto 10th Feb. Jackpot €4,300. Numbers drawn 24, 27, and 31. No winner. €50 John Hickey, Millstreet. €20 each to Gus Murphy, Carrigadrohid; Kay MacSullivan, Carrigagulla, Ballinagree; Cillian O'Leary and Tara O'Riordan, Knock & Rahalisk; Seán & Ingrid Cotter, Horsemount.

17th Feb. Jackpot €4,450. Numbers drawn 22, 25, and 38. No winner. €50 Steve & Helen, C/O, Anvil Bar. €20 each to Martin Hubbard, Inchalea; Jerome & Sheila Twohig, Leades Cross; James & Mary Murphy, Derryroe; John Twomey, Rusheen.

24th Feb. Jackpot €4,600.. Numbers drawn 3, 33, and 34. No winner. €50 Steve & Helen, C/O, Anvil Bar. €20 each to Danny C. Kelleher, Eachras, Ballingearry; Diane Collins, Ballinagree; Marion & John Joe Kelleher, Ballinagree; Joan O'Connell, Beal na Marbh.

3rd March Jackpot €4,750 Numbers drawn 9, 28, and 32. No winner. €50 Norma Casey, Cobh. €20 each to Conor & Mary McCarthy, Castleview, Macroom; Xandar Burns, C/O JC's, Macroom; Jason O'Regan & Marie Noonan, Caherbaroule, Macroom; Denis Twohig, Horsemount, Ballinagree.

Clondrohid G.A.A. Lotto Feb 20. €70 Teresa Buckley Macroom €20 each. Robert O'Connor Oakwood, Karen O'Leary The Glebe, Tim McCarthy Carriganima, Tim and Dolly Ring Carriganima.

Feb. 27. €70 Dolores O'Leary c/o Marguerite €20 each, Maurice Buckley Nadd, Robert O'Riordan c/o Pat O'Brien, Nellie Dineen c/o Bingo, Kath O Leary Kilmichael..

Donoughmore G.A.A. Lotto February 19th Jackpot €1.200. Winning Numbers: 6 7 34. No Winner €25 LuckyDip Winners: 1. Cian Hayes 2. Sharon Healy 3. Dan Murray 4. Anne Crowley 5. Joseph Fitzgerald February 26th Jackpot €1.300. Winning Numbers: 19 29 33. No winner. €25 Lucky Dip Winners: 1. Dean Brown 2. Jackie Murphy 3. Elaine + Eric 4. Fr. O'Riordan 5. Sean + Freda Holland

Kilmichael GAA Lotto 18th Feb - Jackpot €9,550;

Winner, Martin Horgan, Toames. Numbers 6-16-21-33; €50 Derry Murphy, c/o Jerry Masters; €25 each to Ted O'Driscoll, c/o Jerry Masters; Miah Murphy, Johnstown; Thomas Coakley, Lissicurrane

25th Feb - Jackpot €1,000; Numbers 10-28-35-36; No Winner. €50 Oliver Healy, Macroom; €25 each to Siobhan Dineen, Knockroe; Kathleen Dromey c/o Dromeys; Therese, Brendan & Daniel Kelly, Boulbrack.

Macroom AFC Lotto 25/02/19. Jackpot: €3000. Numbers drawn: 14, 27, 32. No Winner. €80: Grace Murray c/o Murray's. €20 each: Johnny Connors c/o June, Mollie O'Riordan c/o Noel, Michael Shine c/o Darrin, Mgt Horgan c/o Mary Lynch.

04/03/19. Jackpot: €3,200. Numbers drawn: 4, 11, 24. Winners x 2: Gerard Kelleher c/o Murray's/Margaret Kelleher c/o June's. €80 Claire Mungovan c/o Evelyn. €20 each: JJ, Claire Dineen c/o Lar's, Sarah and Dogy c/o Hound, Paddy Murphy c/o Noel.

Macroom G.A.A. Lotto 19/02/2019. Jackpot €1800. Numbers 7-8-14. No Winner - €70. Mags Neville, Dan Corkery Place. €20 each Niall Lawless, C/O T. P. Cotter's Macroom. Paul Kingston, New Street, Maryeuen O'Connell, 41 St. Colman's Park, Michael A Buckley, 22 New Street, Denis Mc Carthy, C/O Frank Twomey, Macroom.

26/02/2019. Jackpot - €2000 Numbers drawn: 16-27-28. No Winner. - €70. Dave & Dee Martin, Rathalisk. €20 each: Angela Cahill, Coolcower, Adam O'Sullivan, Greyhound Bar, Damien Conlon, Railway View Paul Long, C/O Murray's Bar, Connie O'Riordan, Sleaven East.

Rylane CPA Lotto: 18/2/2019 Jackpot €1,700. Numbers drawn: 13 - 21 - 22. No Winner. €20 Jerh O'Sullivan (Coachford), Maguerite O'Sullivan (Monataggart)'s Prize €20: Crowleys

25/2/2019 Jackpot €1,800. Numbers drawn: 27 - 31 - 39. No Winner. €20 Rob Twomey (Rylane), Geraldine c% Fred's Bar (Rylane), Johnny O'Sullivan (Rylane). Seller's Prize €20: Eileen Kelleher

4/3/2019 Jackpot €1900. Numbers drawn: 8 - 11 - 31. No Winner. €20 Kirsty Long (Rylane), Anne O'Sullivan (Rylane), Tim Savage (Rylane). Seller's Prize €20: Crowleys

Coachford AFC Lotto: 25/2/2019. Jackpot: €3,400. Numbers Drawn: 9 - 25 - 26. No Winner. €40 Catherine O'Flynn. €20 Tadhg Bradley, Eileen Sewell, Noreen Barry Murphy, Peggy Enneguess.

4/3/2019. Jackpot: €3,600. Numbers Drawn: 32 - 33 - 36. No Winner. €40 Tadhg Murphy (Ross). €20 Ger, Lauren & Anna, Dan O'Connell, Ciarán & Joe O'Riordan, Shane Martin.

Auction for Tiny Feet. An Auction is Being held in the Auld Triangle, Macroom, on the 29th of March to raise funds to purchase a Storage Shed for the Tiny Feet Fairy Garden in Masseytown. Auction items to date include: Rugby Tickets, George Ezra and Hozier Tickets, A nights stay at the Ballyroe Heights Hotel, Jewellery and many more Items for young, old and even your dogs. If you would like more information or would like to make a donation to this Magical Garden, please Contact Catherine on 086 8728582 or Anna on 086 2532466.

Public Talk on Friday 22nd March 2019 @ 7.30pm at Aghinagh GAA Hall, Eircode P12YH96. If you spend time on pitches either as a coach, player or parent then this meeting is for you! International experts on Concussion/on pitch head injuries, heart health in sport and on pitch management of common injuries will be discussed. Consultant Dr. Niamh Lynch, Paediatric Neurologist and Concussion Expert, Bon Secours Hospital, Cork, Dr. Carl Vaughan, Consultant Cardiologist, Mercy and Bon Secours Hospitals and Rena Buckley, Cork camogie player and Gaelic Footballer and Chartered Physiotherapist will be delivering the information. Tickets €10 at the door on the night or Phone Teresa on 087-1270385

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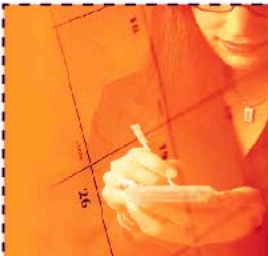
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In loving memory of

MARGARET (MUDDY) MCELROY

Aghavrin, Coachford, Co.Cork
Died 15th Mar, 2018.

As we lovingly remember our Mother Margaret on her first Anniversary, we the family wish to thank most sincerely everyone who sympathised with us on our sad loss. Thank you to Mothers neighbours and Friends.

Thanks to those who sent Mass cards, floral wreaths and attended her funeral service and came long distances to be with us. Our gratitude to Dr Sarah Kingston, her district nurses, and the doctors, nurses, and staff of the Mercy Hospital who provided care in her final days.

A sincere thank you to everyone who participated in the Mass and especially Fr. Peader Murphy for his wonderful Tribute to her.

We would like to especially thank Fitzgerald's Funeral Directors for their kindness and professional guidance which was very much appreciated.

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

We have loved her in life, let us not forget her in death.



First Anniversary Mass on Saturday 16th March 2019 at 6pm Coachford Church.

FIRST ANNIVERSARY AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT



Cherished Memories of

EILY RIORDAN

Knockraheen Carriganima
Macroom Co Cork
who died on 18th March 2018.

As Eily's First Anniversary approaches, we, her family would like to thank most sincerely all those who sympathized with us on the sudden and sad passing of our mother Eily. We wish to thank the ambulance crew, the CUH mainly the ICU; the doctors and staff of Sullane Family Practice in particular Dr. Peter; as well as the staff of Matt Murphy's Pharmacy especially Matt and Henry.

We especially thank all who attended the Rosary and Funeral Mass, those who sent Mass Cards and Letters of Sympathy and travelled long journeys. A sincere thanks to Fr. Wickham for his unflinching kindness and for saying a beautiful Mass; thanks to Jerry and Hannah Mary for the lovely hymns and music; to the readers Margaret Mary and Sheila Ann; to the altar servers Owen and Avril and finally to Pat the Sacristan for her kindness and help. We would like to thank the gravediggers and Tarrant's Funeral Directors, Davie, Cora and Timmie for their professional guidance and kindness. A word of thanks to "The Pub" Carriganima for the refreshments especially Dolly for her hard work; also "The Auld Triangle" for the fine meal after the funeral. Thanks to those who directed traffic and a special thanks to Ann, Michael and Denis for their marvellous help during our darkest weekend and all our kind neighbours and friends who helped in any way.

Finally we wish to thank Margaret Buckley, who we will never forget, for her unselfish help during our time of need.

Please accept this acknowledge as a token of our sincere and heartfelt appreciation to all who helped us in any way.

*"We lost a Mother with a heart of gold
How much we miss her can never be told."*



1st Anniversary Mass on Saturday 16th March 2019 at 6pm in St John's Church Carriganima.

19th ANNIVERSARY



In loving memory of

JERRY COTTER

Late of Ballingearry Village
Died 10th March 2000

*Silent memories keep you near
As time unfolds another year.*



Lovingly remembered and sadly missed by the Kearneys & the O'Sullivan's.

9th ANNIVERSARY



In loving memory of

DENIS (DENNY) MOSS

Clonmacow, Crookstown, Cork
Died 12th March 2010

*These special memories of you
will always bring a smile,
If only we could have you back
just for a little while.*

*Then we could sit and talk again,
Just like we used to do.*

*You always meant so very much
and always will do too.*

*The fact you're no longer there
will always cause us pain,
But you're forever in our hearts
until we meet again.*



Always remembered by his wife Hannah & family.

2nd ANNIVERSARY



In loving memory of

EILEEN DESMOND

Liscarrigane Ballymakeera

*Those who think of her today,
A little prayer to Jesus say.*



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5th ANNIVERSARY



In loving memory of

HANCY HUBBARD

Inchalea, Aghinagh
Who died on 5th March 2014

*Deep in our hearts
Your memory is kept
To love, to cherish
And never forget.*



Always remembered by her loving husband Ned and family

2nd ANNIVERSARY



In loving memory of

ANN SPILLANE

Ballymakeera
Who died on 24th March 2017

*Beloved Mam and Nana,
memories are a gift to treasure,
and ours of you will last forever.
Sweet Jesus take this message
to our mother up above
tell her how we miss her
and give her all our love.*



Lovingly remembered and sadly missed by her daughters, sons, daughters and sons in law, grandchildren and sister

St. Gobnait pray for her

5th ANNIVERSARY



In loving memory of

DÓNAL Ó SCANNAIL

Coolea and Ballymakeera
whose 5th anniversary occurs on
the 2nd of March

*Nílím imithe uaibh
ach imithe romhaibh*



Always remembered by his wife Mary and family

23rd ANNIVERSARY



In loving memory of

TED O'CONNELL

Shronegare, Clondrohid, Macroom
Who died on March 6th 1996

*Time changes many things,
But not the memory this day brings,
You always had a smile to share,
A laugh, a joke and a time to care,
A beautiful nature, warm and true,
We just want to say
we will always love and miss you.*



Fondly remembered by your wife Eileen and daughter Noirin.

5th ANNIVERSARY



In loving memory of

JERRY VAUGHAN

Teerbeg, Macroom, Co. Cork.
Who died on the 17-03-2014.

*We think of you in silence,
we often speak your name.*



Teresa + Marie

5th ANNIVERSARY



In loving memory of

JERRY VAUGHAN

Teerbeg, Macroom, Co. Cork
Who died on the 17th March 2014.

*You always had a smile to share,
A laugh, a joke a time to care
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Always remembered by John, Noin, Dennis, Michael, Peggy and Martina

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In loving Memory of

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(LIZA)
KELLEHER**

Aharas, Ballygeary, Co. Cork
who died on 26th February 2015

*Will those who think of Elizabeth today,
a little prayer to Jesus say.
Sacred Heart of Jesus pray for her.*



*Sadly missed by your loving
husband Diarmuid and her family.*

9th ANNIVERSARY



In loving memory of

MARY MURRAY

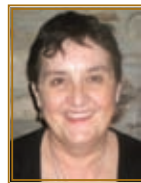
62 St Colmans Park, Macroom
Who died 3rd March 2010

*As time goes by,
we miss you more and more.
We think of happy times spent with you.
Your caring ways and happy smile
always in our hearts.*



Forever missed by your children
Sinead, Geraldine, Conubhar, Tomas,
Siobhan.

8th ANNIVERSARY



In loving memory of

**LAURA
MOYNIHAN**

Who died on 19th Feb 2011

*No heart so soft and gentle,
No heart so tender, true
No sorrow life could bring us,
Could equal losing you.*



Thinking about you and
miss you every day
Love John, Sean, Kevin, David, Maria,
Michelle and Darragh.
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6th ANNIVERSARY



In loving memory of

**MICHAEL ROBBIE
KELLEHER**

New York & Macroom
Who died on 7th March 2013

*A silent thought
A quiet prayer
For a special person
in God's care*



Remembered with love by your loving
family at home & abroad.
Miss you Michael so much
Mam

NOVENA TO THE SACRED HEART



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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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.

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Brian Healy, U 14 player of the year and Eoin Healy, U 16 player of the year, pictured with Aodan Walsh and Trainer/selectors for the U14/ U16 teams. ©Nóra Ní Luasa



Lily Twomey, runner up, Tim Kelleher Referee and Chloe Hubbard, winner at North Cork u-10 roadbowling championship final at Bweeng February 17. ©



Laochra Óg u16 medal presentations ©Nóra Ní Luasa



Laochra Óg u14 medal presentations. ©



Johnny and Kate Lyons celebrate their 50th Wedding Anniversary with their family in the Castle hotel ©Connie Cronin



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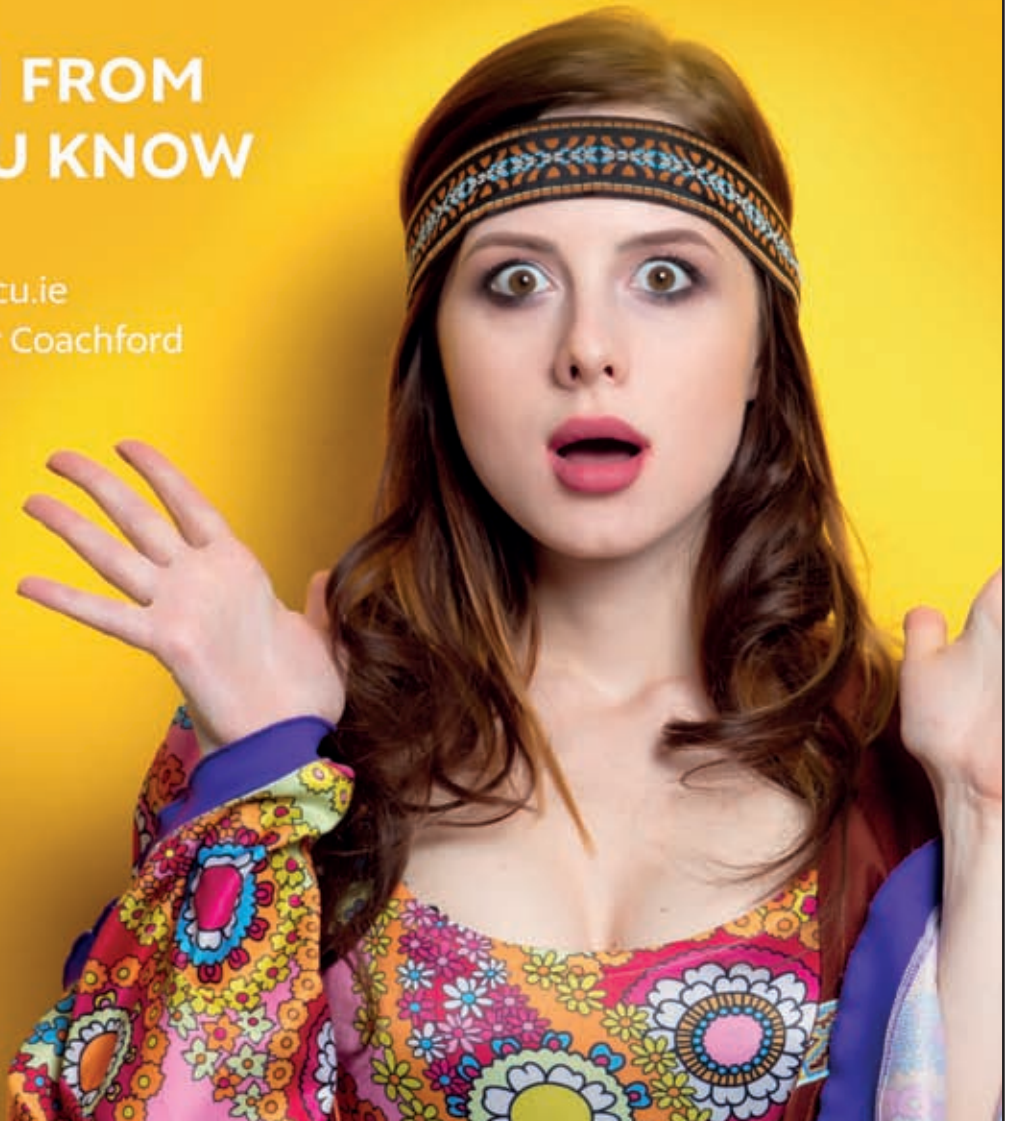
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